



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
TRINITY SUNDAY  
MAY 27, 2018

# Welcome to Wallingford Presbyterian Church

Members and friends gather here each Sunday morning (and lots of times during the week!) to celebrate and serve. We rejoice that you are here with us, and hope that you'll feel right at home. Please join us after worship for fellowship and light refreshments in our Fellowship Hall.

Visitors are always welcomed and encouraged to participate in any of our programs, activities and ministry opportunities.

A Nursery is available downstairs for preschool children.

Large print bulletins are available upon request.

If you need a little help hearing, portable listening devices are available.

Restrooms are located in the Narthex and throughout the church building.

An infant changing station and Quiet Room for nursing mothers is located off the Narthex.

Activity books for children are available in the Narthex.

*Please ask an usher if you need help; we are here to assist you!*

## **Sunday, May 27**

Trinity Sunday

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Sunday School

10:00 am- Nursery Care

Pastor François preaching

## **Monday, May 28**

Memorial Day- Office Closed

## **Tuesday, May 29**

## **Wednesday, May 30**

4:00 pm- Brownie Troop 504

6:00 pm- Youth Group

6:30 pm- Strawberry Fest Committee

## **Thursday, May 31**

12:00 pm- Co-op Executive Luncheon

6:00 pm- Yoga

7:30 pm- Boy Scout Troop 277

## **Friday, June 1**

## **Saturday, June 2**

9:30 am- Memorial to the Lost Set Up

## **Sunday, June 3**

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Communion Sunday

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- Summer Sunday School

Pastor François Preaching

*A community where all who seek God are Welcome...*



**A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION**

# Order of Worship

## GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

### WORDS OF MEDITATION

*Trinity Sunday – celebrates the nature and mission of the triune God – an identity and purpose we share as those who are baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The observance of Trinity Sunday began among Western Christians in the tenth century and developed slowly until it was formally established on the Sunday after Pentecost in the fourteenth century.*

### WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

#### TIME OF GREETING AND “PEACE”

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**And also with you.**

#### OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed be God, Eternal Majesty, Living Word, and Abiding Spirit. Jesus said, the way to see God’s dream for the world is to be born from above by the Spirit. The way to take part in that dream, says Jesus, is to be born of water and the Spirit.

That gift is available today. May we receive God’s Spirit, be made whole, and dwell in love divine. **Amen.**

#### \*LITANY FOR TRINITY SUNDAY

Father, Son and Holy Spirit: **Glory to you forever!**

Speaker, Word, and breath of life: **Glory to you forever!**

Font of Blessing, Living Water, Flowing River: **Glory to you forever!**

Compassionate Mother, Beloved Child, Life-Giving Womb: **Glory to you forever!**

Sun, Light and Burning Ray: **Glory to you forever!**

Giver, Gift, and Giving: **Glory to you forever!**

Lover, Beloved, and Love itself: **Glory to you forever!**

Rock, Cornerstone, and Temple: **Glory to you forever!**

Consuming Fire, Dividing Sword, and Overpowering Storm: **Glory to you forever!**

Rainbow of Promise, Ark of Salvation, Dove of Peace: **Glory to you forever!**

God who was, God who is, God who is to come: **Glory to you forever!**

God has given us grace, by our confession of faith, to acknowledge and worship God’s triune name. It is in the majesty, unity and community of that name that we worship together.

**Amen.**

#### \*OPENING HYMN

Congregational Hymn Sing

## A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*All children are invited to come forward at this time. Parents are encouraged to accompany their younger children and sit with them. After the message, Sunday School age children will be excused with their teachers. Visiting parents with children are welcome to escort their children along with the teachers to the Sunday School classes or the church nursery. On the first & third Sundays of the month, MS/HS Students are invited to sit together near the front of the sanctuary during the service.*

## MUSICAL OFFERING

Jesus, the Very Thought of You

arr. Philip Keveren

## CALL TO CONFESSION

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that we may not perish, but have eternal life. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, we know that you are always there to lead us, yet we somehow lose our way and fall back into fear. We confess that we have stumbled, and we recognize our need for you to lift us up and help us start again.** *(Silent confession)*

Forgive us our failings, restore us to strength, and reconcile us with you, ourselves and each other. Through the power of Christ and the gift of your Spirit. Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God did not send the Son to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. In the name of Christ, we are forgiven!

**Thanks be to God!**

## \*RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.***

People of God, body of Christ, sisters and brothers what shall we do in response to God's forgiveness?

**As God's own people we will be merciful in action, kindly in heart, humble in mind. Always ready to forgive as freely as God has forgiven us. And, above everything else we will be loving and never forget to be thankful for what Christ has done for us. Amen.**

## ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy Trinity, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak, and to give all glory, honor and praise to your name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 6:1-8, Romans 8:12-17

### GOSPEL READING

John 3:1-17

### SERMON

A Further Telling of the Story

Pastor François

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY  
CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

O Beautiful For Spacious Skies

arr. Emma Lou Dimeler

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Holy God, your love overflows in the gift of your Spirit. Bless these gifts that we offer that they may spread your blessing in a world of hurt and need. In Christ's name, Amen.**

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBRANCE, SILENT PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

\*CLOSING HYMN

Congregational Hymn Sing

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Alleluias

Noel Rawsthorne

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

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*Thank you to Walt Kaminski and all who assisted with the worship service this morning, those volunteering to usher, and to those assisting with fellowship time today.*

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY** First through fifth graders will meet at the kitchen door. Four and five year olds will meet at the Toddler Room (downstairs). Hope to see you all there!

**MISSION KITS** We are asking individuals and groups to make monetary contributions to purchase items to assemble Health, School, and Emergency Clean-Up Bucket kits for Church World Service. Checks should be made out to Wallingford Presbyterian Church and marked "Mission Kits." Contributions can be sent to the Church Office by 6/1/2018.

**MEMORIAL TO THE LOST** WPC will again be hosting the Memorial to the Lost (aka the T-shirt memorial). Volunteers are needed to put the display up at 10AM on Saturday, June 2. Coffee and donuts will be available from 9:30 to 10 for anyone wanting to arrive early and socialize. If you can help, please contact Walt Kaminski ([kaminsww@gmail.com](mailto:kaminsww@gmail.com) or 610-334-2025).

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL** There is a yellow sign-up sheet posted on the board in Fellowship Hall for anyone interested in teaching Summer Sunday School. Weeks run from 6/3 to 8/26. Any questions, please see Pastor Taylor.

**ATTENTION WPC MUSICIANS!** The Silver Dollar Band, led by our own Chris Tolomeo, will be playing at the Strawberry Festival and we hope you will participate. The following instruments would be appropriate: flute, piccolo, clarinet, oboe, alto sax, tenor sax, French horn, trumpet, trombone, baritone horn, tuba, snare drum, bass drum, glockenspiel. All skill levels are welcome. Contact Chris at [callmecrazychristopher@gmail.com](mailto:callmecrazychristopher@gmail.com) to RSVP and get more information.

**THE NEXT BOOKLOOK** will take place on Wednesday, July 11. The book chosen is Markus Zusak's "The Book Thief". Here is a quick review from Amazon (with edits), "The extraordinary #1 *New York Times* bestseller that is now a major motion picture, Markus Zusak's unforgettable story of a German family and a Jewish boy in 1939 pre-war Germany is about the ability of books to feed the soul." Books cost \$5. If you want to order one, contact Walt Kaminski.

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL** will be held on Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. You are encouraged to volunteer on the church website ([wallingfordpres.org](http://wallingfordpres.org) under Opp's to Serve) or on the sign up board in Fellowship Hall. This year the Festival benefits the Chester Eastside Summer Camp and their ongoing service to the children of Chester.

**ATTIC TREASURES** Items (including books, jewelry, household items & toys) for the Attic Treasures can be dropped in the Choir Room. Special arrangements can be made for large pieces by contacting Leslie Krowchenko at (610) 357-6712 or [leslie.krowchenko@comcast.net](mailto:leslie.krowchenko@comcast.net). As of Thursday, May 31, books can be taken directly to the Reception Room.

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS** about the Strawberry Festival, please contact Gail Weaver ([gailweaver@yahoo.com](mailto:gailweaver@yahoo.com)), Nancy Curtis ([ncurtissings@gmail.com](mailto:ncurtissings@gmail.com)), Teresa Ahern-Sawyer ([mtahern@comcast.net](mailto:mtahern@comcast.net)) or Jen Nicholas ([jennifernicholas491@gmail.com](mailto:jennifernicholas491@gmail.com).) See you there!

**THANK YOU FOR GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE!** Thanks to the donors who kept the Red Cross staff busy through the entire blood drive at WPC and gave 53 units on May 9. Apologies to those who were inconvenienced by the heat. We will make adjustments next year to minimize the problem. Thanks to all the Deacons for making calls and to John Stauffer, Tom Erickson, and David Rudd for leading this great event.

**COMMUNITY SAFETY PANEL DISCUSSION** In a year in which we are averaging more than one school shooting each week, the Peacemaking and Social Justice Committee will host a panel discussion on gun violence entitled: Communities Under Fire: Responding to Gun Violence in our Schools and Neighborhoods, featuring Lisa Palmer, Superintendent of the Wallingford-Swarthmore School District; David Splain, Chief of Police, Nether Providence Township; Bryan Miller, Executive Director of Heeding God's Call; and Michael Cogbill, Community Organizer for Philadelphia and the surrounding counties for CeaseFirePA. The program will begin in the sanctuary at 12:30 pm on Sunday, June 10. There will be time for questions directed to the panelists and also a time of refreshments where it will be possible to have one on one conversations with them.

**ALL CHURCH PICNIC** WPC Connections is sponsoring an all-church picnic. Come join us at 11:30 am on Sunday, June 24. We plan to have the event catered, so there is (almost) no work for anyone. We will have lots of food and fellowship, and games for kids. The only work is - we are asking anyone with a favorite dessert to bring it and the recipe to share. Everything else will be provided. Please let a member of WPC Connections (Teresa Ahern Sawyer, Jen Nicholas, Gail Weaver or Walt Kaminski) know if you plan to attend so we can be sure to order enough food. Alternatively, you can sign up on the church website or Facebook page.

**PAT KELLY RETIREMENT** Pat Kelly, who has been our church administrator for the past few years, is retiring at the beginning of June. Her final day in the office will be June 1st. We wish her well as she embarks on this new stage in her life, and thank her for the time and talents she has shared with our community. Pat, we will miss you!

**ON RETIRING** Two years and one month of my life have been spent at Wallingford Presbyterian Church – and that's a good thing. Looking back over this time, I realize what a blessing it has been. The fellowship I've been privileged to share with so many people of good faith has taken my own faith to a higher level. So, as I end my time of employment here at WPC, I don't want to say good-bye but rather, I hope our paths cross again and often. It's been a wonderful experience. Thank you. Pat Kelly

## STAFF

Rev. François Lacroix, Pastor  
Rev. Taylor Cornelius, Associate Pastor  
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