



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
DAY OF PENTECOST
MUSIC APPRECIATION SUNDAY
MAY 20, 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 20

Pentecost

Music Appreciation Sunday

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- Sunday School

Pastor François Preaching

Monday, May 14

9:30 am- Last Adult Bible Study

12:00 pm- Co-op Executive Meeting

7:00 pm- Peacemaking and SJ

7:30 pm- Worship Council

Tuesday, May 15

9:30 am- Yoga

Wednesday, May 16

8:45 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner

10:00 am- Last Fellowship of Friends

4:00 pm- Brownie Troop 504

6:00 pm- Youth Group

Thursday, May 17

6:00 pm- Yoga

6:30 pm- Choir Picnic

7:30 pm- Boy Scout Troop 277

Friday, May 18

Last Day of Mother's Morning Out

Saturday, May 19

Sunday, May 20

Trinity Sunday

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- 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

Pentecost / péntikawst, -kost/ *n.* **1** a Christian holiday commemorating the descent of the Holy Spirit, fifty days after Easter. **2 a** the Jewish Harvest festival, on the fiftieth day after the second day of Passover (Lev. 23:15-16). **b** a synagogue ceremony on the anniversary of the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai. [Oxford Dictionary](#)

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.

Opening Scripture Acts 2:1-21

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Spirit of Joy – come like the wind, swirling among us; fill us with enthusiasm, and energize us to do your work and your will.

Thank you, God, for the Spirit of Joy!

Spirit of Truth – come as the flame of Christ’s light among us, shining in our hearts, our minds, and our lives.

Thank you, God, for the Spirit of Truth!

Spirit of Life – come as the breath of life, pouring energy and power into our dry bones, re-kindling those who are weary, that we may have life and know God.

Thank you, God, for the Spirit of Life!

Spirit of Hope – come from the four winds, breathing upon all your people, that all creation may be renewed with hope.

Thank you, God, for the Spirit of Hope!

Spirit of Love – come as our Comforter and Consoler, so that all who are broken and wounded are healed, so that all who grieve may be consoled by the power of your love and grace.

Thank you, God, for the Spirit of Love!

Spirit of Wisdom – come as the light of understanding, that diversity in all its forms may be respected and may be understood as something to cherish.

Thank you, God, for the Spirit of Wisdom!

Spirit of Peace – come as the winds of truth, that our hearts may be kindled by the passion for justice and peace.

Thank you, God, for the Spirit of Peace!

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

Fanfare on Darwall's 148th
Bell Choir

arr. Hart Morris

CALL TO CONFESSION

On the Day of Pentecost the Spirit of God created something new as the Spirit transformed the early followers of the risen Christ into the community of believers, the church. As the church, we are called to speak the truth in love and to confess our sin against God and against one another. Let us confess together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

In the folds of your wings, **we lay down our wars, and pick up your peace.**
In the folds of your wings, **we lay down our prejudices, and pick up your community.**
In the folds of your wings, **we lay down our pain, and pick up your healing.**
In the folds of your wings, **we lay down our divisions, and pick up your harmony.**
In the folds of your wings, **we lay down our violence, and pick up your love.**
In the folds of your wings, **we lay down our untruth, and pick up your holy truth.**

(Silent confession)

As we lay these things down, forgive us, cleanse us, and fill us with your Spirit. **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

People of God, body of Christ, sisters and brothers, the Spirit of God's truth has come upon creation and upon us. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior and by the authority of His church, I declare to you the complete forgiveness of our sin.

*RESPONSE

Gloria Patri

Glorify 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.

*RESPONSE

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

Come, Holy Spirit, come. As long ago you inspired, astonished, and confused the people with your love, come to us now to fill our ears with the sound of your breath, fill our eyes with the brilliance of your presence in each other, fill our hearts with your good Word. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 8:22-27

ANTHEM

Living Water

Tom Trenney

Spirit of God, come dwell within me. Open my heart, oh come set me free.

Fill me with love for Jesus, my Lord, come, fill me with living water.

Lord, how I thirst, my Lord I am weak.

Lord come to me, you alone I seek.

Jesus is living, Jesus is here.

Jesus, my Lord, come closer to me.

Lord, you are life and hope and love, come fill me with living water.

Jesus is living, Jesus is here.

Jesus, my Lord, come closer to me.

Stretch out your hand, bring comfort to me. Come, fill me with living water.

– Words by Helen Kennedy

GOSPEL READING

John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

SERMON

Holy Spirit... Tell the Story

Pastor François

RESPONSE 287

Gracious Spirit, Heed Our Pleading NJOO KWETU, ROHO MWEMA
(verses 1, 3 and 5)

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

Spirit Song

arr. Philip Keveren

*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

Through our offerings, O God, give your loving Spirit to a world in need of comfort. God of mercy, we give you thanks for all that your love creates. The gifts we bring today acknowledge our love for you and our intent to live out your love for others. Bless what we offer and bless those who will be shown deeds of love through them. Amen.

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PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, PASTORAL PRAYER, 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.

*PENTECOST LITANY (Adapted from Reaching for Rainbows by Ann Weems)

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

The believers are gathered in one place. Where two or three are gathered together in Christ's name. . .

Christ's name is not Tradition.

Christ's name is Newness.

Christ's name is not Oppression

It is Justice.

Christ's name is not Self-Righteousness.

It is Humility.

Christ's name is not Chastisement.

It is Mercy.

Christ's name is not Aloneness.

It is community.

Christ's name is not Ordinances.

It is Life – Abundant, plentiful, multi-flavored Life!

Christ's name is risk.

Christ's name is Giving.

Christ's name is Healing.

Christ's name is Accepting.

Christ's name is Tear-the-Walls-down.

Christ's name is Out-in-the-Marketplace.

Christ's name is Walk-in-the-Streets-and-Find-My-Hurting-People.

Christ's name is Feed-My-Sheep.

Christ's name is Changed Lives.

Christ's name is New Creation.

Christ's name is Love Them.

Christ's name is Love.

Where one or two are gathered together in Love there Christ is also. The strong wind blows and it fills the whole house – Christ's church – and nothing is ordinary anymore.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fantasia

Johann Pachelbel

**Those who are able, please stand.*

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The chancel flowers are to the Glory of God given by Mary Rose, in memory of her loving husband Ken.

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

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.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL teacher sign-up sheet: 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 8/19. Any questions, please see Pastor Taylor.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL will be held on Monday, June 4th from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Beginning on Monday, May 21st, items for Attic Treasures (including books, jewelry, household items & toys) 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. If you have any questions, please contact Gail Weaver, Nancy Curtis, Jen Nicholas, or Teresa Ahern-Sawyer.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER SIGN UPS are now up in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up for a slot or two to help make our biggest annual event a success!

GARDENERS AND PLANT LOVERS It's not too early to begin planning for June 4th! As you clean out your gardens, please set aside plants to donate for the plant sale. House plants are also welcome! We would like to expand our booth to include garden tools, clay pots, baskets, and decorative flower pots. Your donations greatly help the success of our booth. Once again, we will be ordering other plants from Miller's Greenhouse. Please contact Dot-tie Celebre or Marjorie Waltman with your questions. Thank you.

CORRECTION- Due to an error on my part, the wrong prayers and concerns list was shared last week. The correct list is on the back of the bulletin this week. I apologize for any confusion. -Kate

Cares and Concerns

We Continue to Pray for:
Men, women and veterans of our armed forces
Our Missionaries: Charles Knuckles for CityTeam Rescue & Recovery, San Jose, CA
Rev. Dr. Barry Dawson & Shelley Dawson, Pres. World Mission, Southeast Asia
Jeni Pedzinski for International Ministries in Thailand
Charles & Melissa Johnson, Presbyterian World Mission in Zambia
John Stauffer for The America Team for Displaced Eritreans

Please note that prayer concerns will be listed in the bulletin for four consecutive weeks. If you wish to have your concern listed again, please fill out a new prayer card or contact the office.

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