

WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 21, 2019

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.

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

<u>A Nursery</u> 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.

<u>Restrooms</u> are located in the Narthex and throughout the church building.

<u>An infant changing station and Quiet Room</u> 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, April 21

Easter Sunday 6:30 am- Sunrise Service Pastor Taylor Preaching 7:30 am- Light Breakfast 8:30 am- Worship 10:00 am- Worship 10:00 am- Nursery Care 10:00 am- Faith Formation Pastor François Preaching Monday, April 22 Easter Monday-Office Closed 9:30 am- Adult Bible Study 12:30 pm- WCNS Executive Meeting 7:30 pm- Stephen Ministry **Tuesday, April 23** 9:00 am- Yoga 7:30 pm- Trustees Wednesday, April 24 8:45 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner 10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends

Wednesday continued

6:00 pm- Youth Group 6:30 pm- W@W Board Game Night 7:00 pm- Stephen Ministry Training 8:00 pm- Montreat meeting Thursday, April 25 9:00 am- Yoga 7:30 pm- Troop 277 7:30 pm- Troop 2019 Friday, April 26 Saturday, April 27 2:00 pm- Shred and Fed Sunday, April 28 First Sunday after Easter 10:00 am- Worship 10:00 am- Nursery Care 10:00 am- Faith Formation Pastor Taylor Preaching 11:15 am- Kids' Café 11:30 am- Faith Exploration

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

A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

Order of Worship

GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

WORDS OF MEDITATION "Easter was when Hope in person surprised the whole world by coming forward from the future into the present." — N.T. Wright, *Surprised by Hope: Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church*

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

[Words of Introduction – This morning's bulletin includes explanatory notes addressing various parts of the worship service. We hope you find them informative and helpful.]

OPENING PRAYER The Lord be with you. And also with you.

*Call to Worship

[Worship begins with God. God takes the initiative and calls us into being. In the name of Christ we answer God's call and assemble as a community of faith.]

Rejoice and be glad: **This is the day the Lord has made!** Rejoice and be glad: **Heaven and earth will never be the same!** Rejoice and be glad: **Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

OPENING HYMN 232Jesus Christ is Risen TodayEASTER HYMN[Music and the singing of hymns is an important part of our Christian worship. The hymns we
sing reflect God's grace and our response to that grace.]EASTER HYMN

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES (10:00 AM)

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 (10:00 am)

Wondrous Love

arr. Robert Lau

CALL TO CONFESSION

[We are called to confess the reality of sin in personal and common life. Claiming the promises of God sealed in our baptism, we humbly confess our sin.]

The apostle Paul writes that since sin and death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being. For as all die in Adam, all will be made alive in Christ. Trusting in that promise of God, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Gracious God, we have heard the good news: how on the third day, Christ rose again.
Still we look for the living among the dead.
You rolled away the stone from the tomb.
Still we look for the living among the dead.
You sent messengers to proclaim the good news.
Still we look for the living among the dead.
You were faithful to your promise and have made all things new!
Still we look for the living among the dead.
(Silent confession)
Forgive us, Lord, we pray. Teach us to trust your promise and to believe your good news.
Christ is alive; Jesus is risen from the dead. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

[Having confessed our sin, we remember the promises of God's redemption, and the claims God has on all human life. The assurance of God's forgiving grace is declared in the name of Jesus Christ. We accept God's forgiveness, confident that in dying to sin, God raises us to new life.]

Friends, believe the good news and trust in the promise of God in Jesus Christ. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia!

*SUNG 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.

ENCOUNTERING GOD'S WORD

[Worship now moves to the reading, proclaiming, and hearing of God's Word.]

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Living God, by your Holy Spirit, open our eyes to see the new light of day; open our lips to tell of the empty tomb; open our hearts to believe the good news; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Philippians 2:5-11, Acts 10:34-43

NT 197, NT 129

ANTHEM

Christ Goes Before

Refrain: Christ goes before, and we are called to follow, and all who follow find the way, the truth, the life.

Where is that way we near despaired of finding: the way that comes from God and leads to God, The realm where God is love and love is king, a whole new order for a world astray? Who wants to live where there's no love like this? Is this the kingdom we are ready for and desperate to find? (refrain)

Where is that truth we near despaired of knowing: the truth that comes from God and leads to God,

The power to set us free, the power to change, that faces Pilate and the cross and wins? Who wants to live where there's no peace like this?

Is this the power we are ready for and desperate to know? (refrain)

Where is that life we near despaired of having: the life that comes from God and leads to God, The hope of glory only Christ can give, that shatters death and grief with Easter joy? Who wants to live where there's no joy like this? Is this the glory we are ready for and desperate to have? (refrain) -Text by Jaroslav J. Vajda

Gospel Reading	John 20:1-18	NT 114
Sermon	From Good Friday to Easter	Pastor François
*Responsive Hymn 233	The Day of Resurrection!	Lancashire

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Sharing in Mission and Ministry

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

[The Christian life is marked by the offering of one's self to God to be shaped, empowered, directed, and changed by God. In worship, God presents us with the costly self-offering of Jesus Christ. We are claimed by Christ and set free. In response to God's love in Jesus Christ we offer God our lives, our gifts, our abilities, and our material goods for God's service.]

OFFERTORY Rise Up My Love Healey Willan Rise up my love, my fair one, and come away; for lo, the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear upon the earth; the time of the singing of the birds is come. Rise up my love, my fair one and come away. - Song of Solomon 2:10-12

*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

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.

*CLOSING HYMN (Insert)	Hallelujah Chorus	G. F. Handel
BENEDICTION [God's people are sent forth	with God's blessing to serve.]	
The peace of the Lord Jesus And also with you.	RING THE GRACE AND PEACE WE RECEIVED Christ be with you all. nother, by words and gestures, signs of pe	ace and reconciliation)
Postlude	Christ the Lord is Risen Again	arr. Steven Scott

*Those who are able, please stand. "Words and music printed for the hymns, Reprinted under OneLicense.net #A71731."

SPECIAL THANKS to the choir and the brass players (Christopher Tolomeo, David Haury, Diane Gerlach, and Earl Varney) for sharing their music with us today.

INFANTS AND TODDLERS start nursery and Faith Formation at 10:00 am. Those with children aged three and under are welcome to take them directly to the nursery or classroom before the service starts.

BOOKING SPACE VIA LOFTYSPOT Need to book some space at the church? Check out LoftySpot.com to use the reception room, fellowship hall, library, or kitchen. For a direct link to WPC on LoftySpot, go to bit.ly/BookWPC

SHRED AND FED IS BACK! As you wade through paperwork in preparation for filing your taxes, remember that you will have an opportunity to safely get rid of all the papers in the discard pile. On Saturday, April 27th from 2-4 pm, your WPC Mission and Service Committee will provide a mobile shredding unit operated by the professionals from Docuvault Delaware Valley, to shred your documents while you watch. While the event is free, we ask that you bring a donation of non-perishable food items that we will be donating to food banks at Chester Eastside and City Team. Alternatively, you can make a monetary donation to support these food banks that support our neighbors in Chester. Please spread the word about this event to your friends and neighbors.

QUIZZO- TEAM TRIVIA AT W@W Wednesday, May 1st at 6:30 pm, come for pub-style team trivia at WPC! Bring your favorite bar food to share as we begin the evening with a pot-luck, and then get ready to test your knowledge! Come with friends to form a team, or join one when you arrive. Prizes and bragging rights will be awarded to the winners. Questions? Call Kate Callahan in the office.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS: STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL ALERT! As you're cleaning out your garden this spring, don't throw extra plants away! Please put aside any unwanted plants for the Strawberry Festival plant sale. We're also accepting garden tools to supplement our usual offerings. Questions? Contact Dottie Celebre.

DID YOU KNOW??!! There are a number of jobs that are done around the church by "church mice" (people you don't see doing the job). These efforts help with our church's worship service and your experience here. Even though a staff person could do these things Worship Council has chosen to have them be done by church members who would be happy to share the opportunity with other volunteers. These are just some of the places where you can get involved right now. (Keep an eye out for more soon)

- Hymn Numbers changed weekly may be a family job
- *Ushering* volunteer for one Sunday morning, regularly, or recruiting others mostly by phone or email
- *Chancel Memorial Flowers* Connect with donors and florist mostly by phone or email

Questions and more information - Contact anyone on Worship Council or Barb Demos - barb.demos@gmail.com 610-357-8014

COMING UP

Wednesdays at Wallingford- W@W

4/24- 6:30 pm- Board Game Night!

5/1- 6:30 pm- Quizzo- Team Trivia!

5/8- 7:30 pm- Book Look

Faith Exploration- 11:30 am every Sunday

4/21- No Class- Easter Sunday- Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

4/28- The Parables of the Lost

5/5- Wisdom from the Epistle of James

EASTER FLOWERS

GIVEN BY	In Memory Of
Mrs. John E. Carney	Mary Sileo
Sally Clyde	William M Clyde Loved Ones
Mary Lou Day	James Day Loved Ones
Roger Demos	Uncle John Rock
Roger and Barb Demos	Loved Ones
Jeff Draine and Deb Dunbar	Ed Reed and Alan Barman Susan Eberle
Walter Dunham	My Father and Mother, R. Ernest and Eliz- abeth Dunham
Jean Flara	Loved Ones
Donald and Sandra Fleischer	Mary and Sherman Wilbur Dorothy and Edward Fleischer Dawn H. Lowes
Fred and Mary Ann German	Loved Ones Dawn H. Lowes
Alva Hayes	Donald and Loved Family
Carol Keeler	Helen, Ethel, and Charles Casner
Harry and Cathy Kilpatrick	Our Parents
Russ Kinder	Loved Ones
Constance Kraus	Walter Kraus Brian Schultz

EASTER FLOWERS

GIVEN BY	In Memory Of
Henry and Leslie Krowchenko	Sam and Caroline Keys
Richard and Barbara Logan	Our Parents, Franklin, Lillian, Alfred, and Emma Loved Ones
McHugh Family	Friends and Loved Ones
Sara Midwood	Patricia and Curtis Swanson
Rhoda Morgan	Del Morgan
Diane Nixon	Loved Ones
Maria Patterson	Mary Sileo
Mary Rose	Ken and Our Parents
John, Teresa, and Shane Sawyer	Loved Ones
Carol and Harry Schultz	Our Son, Andrew Schultz Our Parents, Norman and Marie Schultz and Walter Kraus
Dave and Elaine Shipman	Our Parents, Bob and Mary Shipman and Walt and Ethel Barlow
Jean Stromberg	Alfred and Florence Schacht MJ and Norma Stromberg Thomas and Mildred Childers Eldon Schroeder Jan Friederichsen Stanton Janssen Ann and Joshua Church

EASTER FLOWERS

GIVEN BY	In Memory Of
Dolores Thomas	Jay Thomas My Son, Robert Thomas
Earl and Mina Varney	Our Parents Dot Mathias
Jocelyn Whitaker	Mary Jayne, Meg, and Earl Spencer
Pat Whitaker	Billy Boylan Doug Clark
Pat, Todd, Lance, and Jocelyn Whitaker	Our Craig
Julie Winton	Elizabeth and Jarrel Burron

GIVEN BY	In Honor Of
Richard and Barbara Logan	All Loved Ones
McHugh Family	Friends and Loved Ones
Diane Nixon	Family and Friends
Pat Tillson	Loved Ones

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