

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruits of the spirit are love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self control.



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
FEAST OF THE BLESSED STRAWBERRY
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
JUNE 2, 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.

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, June 2

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Feast of the Blessed Strawberry

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- Faith Formation

Pastor Taylor Preaching

12:00 pm- Attic Treasures Set-up

2:00 pm- Book Nook Set-up

Monday, June 3

9:00 am- Strawberry Cutting

10:30 am- Strawberry Cutting

5:00 pm- Strawberry Festival

Tuesday, June 4

9:00 am- Yoga

Wednesday, June 5

8:45 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner

10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends

Thursday, Jun 6

9:00 am- Yoga

6:00 pm- Yoga

7:30 pm- Troop 277

7:30 pm- Troop 2019

Friday, June 7

Saturday, June 8

Sunday, June 9

Day of Pentecost

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- Faith Formation

Pastor François Preaching

11:15 am- Shepherd Meeting

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

Order of Worship

GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

WORDS OF MEDITATION

“All who are thirsty
All who are weak
Come to the fountain
Dip your heart in the stream of life
Let the pain and the sorrow
Be washed away
Om the waves of His mercy
As deep cries out to deep”
-Brenton Brown

WELCOME, RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP AND MONTHLY BIRTHDAY WISHES

*Happy Birthday to you; We give thanks for your life;
We give thanks for your presence here; we give thanks to God for you.*

OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Spirit bids us “Come.”
Let everyone who is thirsty come.
Let anyone who wishes to take the water of life as a gift.
Let everyone who is thirsty come to the fountain.
Come to the tree of life, the Alpha and the Omega.
Come, let us worship God!

OPENING HYMN 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in the promise of grace, let us tell the whole truth about ourselves and beg God’s mercy for the renewal and amendment of our lives.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God of Power, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors or to you. Forgive us our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all for the sake of the whole world. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In the compassion of the God who prays for us, with us, and in us, you are forgiven, for the sake of the one who was sent to show us the face of love and who died and rose, one with the Father and with us. **Amen.**

*SUNG 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

Holy God, whose voice is heard in the thunder and in the silence, speak to us now, by the power of your Spirit, that we may hear your word for us today. In Jesus' name we ask it. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 97

OT 551

ANTHEM

Faith

Gordon Young

Not so in haste my heart! Have faith in God and wait;
Although he linger long, he never comes too late.

He never comes too late, He knoweth what is best;
Vex not thyself in vain, until he cometh rest.

Until he cometh rest, nor grudge the house that roll;
The feet that wait for God are soonest at the goal.

Are soonest at the goal that is not gained by speed;
Then hold thee still my heart for I shall wait his lead.

-Bradford Torrey

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 22:12-14

NT 260

SERMON

The Last Word is Love

Pastor Taylor

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

We give now with generous hearts that all people may hear God's Word and be helped by the work of this church.

OFFERTORY

Holy Manna

arr. Paul A. Tate

*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

Eternal God, who brings joy out of sorrow, plenty out of want, and life out of death; we thank you for the treasures of the earth, your creation, and for your Son who came to bring us Life. Through Christ we too are brought to new life. Take these offerings and breathe your Spirit into them to bring your life and love to our church, community, and world. Amen.

MUSICAL MEDIATION

INVITATION+

(The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding. If some of those who come have not yet been baptized, an invitation to baptismal preparation and Baptism should be graciously extended. Worshipers prepare themselves to celebrate the Lord's Supper by putting their trust in Christ, confessing their sin, and seeking reconciliation with God and one another. Even those who doubt may come to the table in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ. W-3.0409 Directory for Worship, Book of Order, PCUSA)

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.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

CLOSING PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN 546

Lord Dismiss Us With Your Blessing
(verses 1 & 2)

SICILIAN MARINERS

BENEDICTION

TIME OF GREETING AND SHARING THE GRACE AND PEACE WE RECEIVED

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

And also with you.

(Please exchange with one another, by words and gestures, signs of peace and reconciliation.)

POSTLUDE

Allegro Festivo

Noel Rawsthorne

**Those who are able, please stand.*

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The chancel flowers are to the Glory of God given by Jim and Nancy Oetinger in memory of our parents.

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.

KIDS COMMUNION In the Presbyterian Church USA all are welcome to partake in the sacrament regardless of age or understanding, so we extend an invitation for the parents to consider allowing their children to join in the sacrament with us if they so wish. We are excited to offer this opportunity to the next generation of Christ's disciples, and hope you will join us for these special days where we all feast on God's grace together as a church family.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL The Strawberry Festival is tomorrow, 5-8 pm! Come for food, fun, and fellowship! Tickets are available for pre-sale today at coffee hour.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL: TEACHERS WANTED! Memorial Day Sunday will be the first week of Summer Sunday School, and we will be watching the Buck Denver Series "What's in the Bible." This year we'll be doing the New Testament. Sign up to teach on the sheet in Fellowship Hall. Lessons are simple and video based. No special knowledge or skills necessary!

FLOWER POWER! Help is needed in the coming weeks to keep the four large planters outside the Narthex watered so that they look their best. In the heat of the summer, the plants in these containers require watering at least every other day. This is one of those small jobs that make a big difference. Water and a water can are available at a spigot just outside the Narthex, and so the job requires less than 10 minutes a day. If you can water for a week or two, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

LIZ BRADEN'S FINAL SUNDAY WILL BE JUNE 23. Help honor Liz Braden, our Director of Music, in her final service at WPC by recounting her 20 years with us. A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall.

THE BOOKLOOK will meet on Wednesday, July 17 at 7:30 pm to discuss "The Liars' Club: A Memoir" by Mary Karr. Per Goodreads, "When it was published in 1995, Mary Karr's *The Liars Club* took the world by storm and raised the art of the memoir to an entirely new level, as well as bringing about a dramatic revival of the form. Karr's comic childhood in an east Texas oil town brings us characters as darkly hilarious as any of J. D. Salinger's—a hard-drinking daddy, a sister who can talk down the sheriff at twelve, and an oft-married mother whose accumulated secrets threaten to destroy them all."

In addition, the BookLook is getting a start this summer reading "Alexander Hamilton" by Ron Chernow in preparation for the September 17 BookLook. Hamilton is a long book, so it is good to start early.

Anyone wanting to order a book can contact Walt Kaminski. The Liars Club cost approximately \$6 and Hamilton costs approximately \$8.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM II – SHOULD PRISONS BE ABOLISHED? Wednesday, June 12 Potluck – 6:30 pm, Discussion – 7:30 pm Malik Bandy and our own Jeff Draine, who have shared experience in the educational program Inside Out at Graterford Prison (now SCI Phoenix), will provide a follow-up to the May 22 prison reform program (although please plan to attend this event even if you were unable to attend the first one). Prisoners and non-prisoners regularly meet to discuss and debate issues of crime and justice and the inclusive format is intended to involve all participants as equals. Malik and Jeff plan to replicate the model of education and motivation for change and share some short selections for advance reading. The program, sponsored by the Peacemaking and Social Justice Committee, is presented as part of Wednesdays @ Wallingford.



CALLING ALL GRADS

If you or a loved one are graduating from high school, college, grad school, or technical school this spring, we'd like to celebrate you! Fill out the form below and return it to the church office, or put it in the offering plate. (You can also email the information to Kate if you're feeling more technologically minded.) We will be recognizing our grads in the service on June 16th.

Grad Name	School	Degree

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