



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 7, 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, July 7

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- Faith Formation

Pastor Taylor Preaching

11:15 am- Montreat Meeting

Monday, July 8

Tuesday, July 9

Wednesday, July 10

8:45 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner

Thursday, July 11

Friday, July 12

Saturday, July 13

Sunday, July 14

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- Faith Formation

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

“Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap but by the seeds that you plant.”
— Robert Louis Stevenson

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

OPENING PSALM

Psalm 30 (select verses)

OT 505

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the presence of God, we gather

People burdened and looking for comfort, whose spirits need a makeover.

Like little children, we surround God

Hoping for that touch which will refresh us; longing to be embraced in arms of love.

We look, and find a feast has been prepared for us

Bread which will give us life anew; the cup which overflows with grace and hope.

Let us worship God in Spirit and in truth.

*OPENING HYMN 611

Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

CALL TO CONFESSION

Heb. 4:14–16

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All-knowing God, we come to you this day knowing we have sinned. We have sought after possessions that would please us, but we know our happiness is only temporary. We have sought to worship idols of laziness, luxury, and prestige. We have sought power over others at their expense, yet we have not found the happiness we were seeking. Remind us again that we must choose life and not death, Spirit and not flesh. We must choose You over what others tempt us to do and to be. We must choose forgiveness over harboring grudges and hate. Deliver us from temptation this day. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rom. 8:34; 2 Cor. 5:17

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us; Christ rose for us; Christ reigns in power for us; Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Amen.**

*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.

*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

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Galatians 6:7-10

NT 191

ANTHEM

Soloist Kara Mulder

SCRIPTURE READING

Romans 8:5-17

NT 157

SERMON

Nothing Lies Fallow

Pastor Taylor

*RESPONSIVE HYMN 692

Spirit, Open My Heart

WILD MOUNTAIN THYME

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

We have been given the gift of the Spirit in Christ Jesus; may we live into this Spirit by offering our very lives and gifts back to God in praise and thanksgiving.

OFFERTORY

*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, you offer us life in your Spirit as a pure gift. Cheerfully and joyously now, we lift up these offerings as gifts to you. You have poured out your generosity upon us without restraint. May these gifts bring your life-giving spirit to a broken world. In Jesus' name we pray. 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

This morning we commune by intinction. At the invitation of the ushers please come forward to the table, using the center aisle, where the elders will offer you the bread and cup. Simply dip the bread into the cup and eat. Those who are unable to come to the table and want to receive communion should make their intention known to the ushers. The bread and cup will be brought to you.

CLOSING PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN 765

May the God of Hope Go With Us

ARGENTINA

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

**Those who are able, please stand.*

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The chancel flowers are to the Glory of God.

Thank you to Holly Renegar 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.

THANK YOU! Thank you to all who helped make this year's VBC a huge success. From shepherds to storytellers, to craft and snack helpers, to music leaders, to everyone who helped set up and break down decorations, we are so grateful for your sharing of your time and talents with us.

CHURCH PICNIC WPC Connections will host an all-church picnic on Saturday, July 20, featuring the normal hot dogs and hamburgers and a special treat – a lamb roasted on a spit by Roger Demos. Plan to arrive any time after 4 pm to enjoy appetizers and conversation. The lamb, burgers and dogs will be ready at 5. Please bring a dish to share. Sign-up sheets for attendees as well as what you will bring (appetizers/sides/dessert) will be in Fellowship Hall beginning June 30.

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