

WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST JULY 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.

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 21

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- Faith Formation

Kevin Switala Preaching

Monday, July 22

Tuesday, July 23

Wednesday, July 24

8:45 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner

6:30 pm- W@W- Charles and Melissa

Johnson Visit

Thursday, July 25

Friday, July 26

Saturday, July 27

Youth and Pastors Return from Montreat

Sunday, July 28

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- Faith Formation

Montreat Report

11:15 am- Kids Cafe

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



Order of Worship

GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

Words of Meditation
While it is well enough
to leave footprints on the sands of time,
it is even more important to make sure
they point in a commendable direction.
----Iames Branch Cabell

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

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

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God is good and loving to the faithful.

Let us give thanks and praise for all that God has done for us.

God is good! Praise the Lord!

*Opening Hymn 409

God Is Here

ABBOT'S LEIGH

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

We live with this reality: God never forgets what we have done but, in mercy, forgives those whose hearts are full of repentance.

Let us confess those things that break our relationship with God, assured that God will never break relationship with us.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sometimes, O God, we behave like Martha.

We get distracted in our routines, so busy with our daily chores that we forget to take the time to stop and breathe, to look up and to notice the creation you have given and the way it speaks about your love and passion for your people.

We do not take time to listen for your words, while reading the Bible, while listening to music, while talking to friends, and we become worried and upset about many things. Sometimes, O God, we behave like Mary.

We devote our time to looking up, thinking that everything we are commanded to do is to love God, and we forget to serve our neighbor, and to commit our time to the concrete work of the church, we forget to get our hands dirty.

God of balance, help us:

forgive us when we do not know when to be workers and when to be hearers. In your mercy, heal our worries and our judgments, so that we can, indeed, keep the best part. In the name of our loving Master. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Before, because of your evil thoughts and actions, we were strangers and enemies of God. Now, we have been reconciled to God by the death and resurrection of Christ.

Now, we can live in peace, restored by the love of God in Jesus Christ.

We will live thankfully! In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

*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

Open our hearts and our minds, so that we can understand the fullness of your Word. Fill us with the light of the Holy Spirit, and bless the servant you have chosen, to share the Word proclaimed today. In the name of Christ, the Word revealed. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 52

OT 521

Anthem

Give Me Jesus - Spiritual Carole Latimer, soloist

arr. Ron McVey

GOSPEL READING

Luke 10:38-42

NT 72

SERMON

Christian Dichotomy

Kevin Switala

*Responsive Hymn 450

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Bring your gifts and your talents, bring your sacrifice of praise to the Lord. Bring them with prayers and shouts of thanksgiving, to celebrate God's faithfulness!

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

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.

*Closing Hymn 546

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

MEIRIONYDD

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 given by Russ Kinder in memory of his daughter Susanna B. Kinder, for her birthday.

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

PASTOR FRANÇOIS AND PASTOR TAYLOR are away with the youth on a trip to Montreat this week. For any pastoral care emergencies, please contact the Deacons. All other inquiries can be directed to Kate in the office.

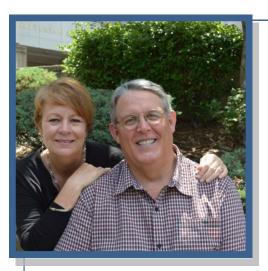
Montreat Fundraising Seven of our high school youth group members are leaving Saturday for the Let Love Lead conference at Montreat Conference Center knowing they have the spiritual and financial support of the congregation. Through the movie night fundraiser and Adopt a Montreat-er, we contributed \$2,719 to help defray the approximately \$700 per person cost of the trip, in addition to a percentage of the Strawberry Festival proceeds. Everyone who "adopted" a student received his/her profile and will have the opportunity to support and pray for him/her during the trip. Let us all keep them in our thoughts and prayers as they travel to and from North Carolina and participate in the week-long event.

CHARLES AND MELISSA JOHNSON, our mission coworkers with the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian Synod of Zambia (CCAP), will speak at Wallingford Presbyterian Church this Wednesday, July 24 about the partnership between PCUSA and CCAP. They will focus on the impact the collaboration is having on congregations and individuals in the U.S., as well as on the communities they serve in Zambia.

Charles is a Development Specialist and Melissa, a Health Education Program Facilitator, and they will discuss their work helping CCAP expand its holistic ministry of community development, food security and improved health.

The program, presented as part of Wednesdays @ Wallingford, will begin with a potluck supper at 6:30 p.m., (Bring a dish to share please) followed by their talk at 7:30 p.m.

RED WAGON MINISTRY Next time you are at Trader Joe's (or Acme, Giant, Shop Rite, Aldi, Lidl. . .), be sure to pick up some extra non-perishables to keep our Red Wagons brimming. Summer is an especially difficult time for those facing food insecurity. The Deacons deliver the items to Media Food Bank, Chester Eastside, City Team and local families. Some of these grocery stores regularly feature very low prices (10/\$10 for example) on staples like pasta...or 3/\$5 for pasta sauce. Anything you can do to help will be greatly appreciated. One Red Wagon is always in the Office entry to the Church. Another is in the narthex today.



About Charles and Melissa's Ministry

Charles and Melissa Johnson have been invited to help the Church of Central Africa Presbyterian's Zambia Synod expand its holistic ministry of community development, food security and improved health. Charles serves as a Development Specialist, and Melissa serves as a Health Education Program Facilitator. Charles' work is heavily focused on two distinct agricultural-related activities; the first consists of Charles' efforts to develop an agricultural income generating activity-farming for profit. Funds generated will be used to help sustain Chasefu Theological College, the work of Chasefu Model Farm, and of course, reinvested in the AIGA farming activities. Charles's other focus is teaching courses in sustainable

agriculture at Chasefu Theological College, providing education to help the students feed their own families and also be able to provide training opportunities for these future pastors to teach others in new agricultural techniques. The intent is for pastors to be able to supplement their income through farming activities, and to help lift up their congregations and communities. In addition, Charles is working in support of the Model Farm Coordinator to develop Chasefu Model Farm, which is envisioned to be a training center for smallholder farmers, using appropriate technology, in a Zambian context. Melissa is working with the CCAP Zambia Health Department Coordinator and other church leaders, local stakeholders, including Ministry of Health (MOH), and the community, to identify important needs and gaps in general health education. Along with the health department coordinator, Melissa works to facilitate the development and implementation of health education programs that have been identified to improve maternal and child health, to address hygiene issues of girls and women, and to raise awareness about nutritional needs of children and adults.

Country Context

Zambia has a population of 15 million people, which includes some 70 ethnic groups. An estimated 50 to 75 percent of the population identify themselves as Christian. Most other Zambians are either Muslim or Hindu. Presbyterianism was introduced into Zambia by Scottish

missionaries in the 1860s. The Church of Central Africa Presbyterian's Zambia Synod is growing rapidly and is committed to a holistic approach to outreach. The Synod serves a population struggling with massive poverty and the rapid spread of infectious diseases, including HIV/AIDs. The UN estimates more than 1 million Zambians are living with HIV/AIDS. Zambia ranks 163rd out of 187 countries on the United Nations Human Development Index, a composite measurement of life expectancy, education, and per capita income. *--presbyterianmission.org*



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