



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
AUGUST 18, 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, August 18**

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am- Worship

10:00 am- Nursery Care

10:00 am- Faith Formation

Pastor Taylor Preaching

## **Monday, August 19**

6:30 pm– Sunday School Teacher Mtg

7:30 pm– Education Council

## **Tuesday, August 20**

7:30 pm– Deacons

## **Wednesday, August 21**

8:45 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner

## **Thursday, August 22**

**Friday, August 23**

**Saturday, August 24**

**Sunday, August 25**

Eleventh 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

*“Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.”*

-Luke 6:26

### WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

### OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Heb. 12:1*

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,  
let us also lay aside every weight  
and the sin that clings so closely,

**Let us run with perseverance  
the race that is set before us.**

Mindful of the gifts we receive  
and confident of the sustenance the Lord provides,  
**let us worship God.**

### \*OPENING HYMN 4

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

GROSSER GOTT,  
WIR LOBEN DICH

### 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

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Berry

### CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in God's hopes for us, let us come before God with contrite hearts, asking for reconciliation and seeking peace.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of hope, we confess our disregard of your care . . .  
our doubt of your providence . . .  
our blindness to signs of your love.**

**We are afraid to risk our comforts to find new life; we separate ourselves from you and from others and foster divisions between those you love. Help us to amend our lives and make us your faithful people who bear the good fruit of your Word in the world. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God hears our confession, rejoicing as we desire amendment of life. God lifts us from our dependency to rejoice in the company of the saints. God acknowledges the forces that separate us, and brings us to peace. Rejoice in the knowledge of our reconciliation and a life lived in the presence of 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

*Luke 12:49-56*

God of Wisdom, we eagerly seek your presence in our lives and in the world.

By your Spirit, speak your word to us, and give us your grace to recognize the abundant signs of your care for us, so that we might be freed to act in the world with courage and abandon.

**Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 11:29 - 12:2

NT 226

ANTHEM

The Lord's Prayer  
Soloist Paul Sommers

by Malotte, arr. Black

GOSPEL READING

Luke 12:49-56

NT75

SERMON

Division by Subtraction

Pastor Taylor

\*RESPONSIVE HYMN 757 Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

KINGSFOLD

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Mindful of the abundance we have received in Christ, we offer ourselves and our gifts to the world.

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

*Isa. 5:1-7*

We trust, O God, in your provision and loving kindness.

Use these gifts and our lives that we might bear your fruit with praise and thanksgiving.

We ask this in the confidence of your mercy and love. **Amen.**

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 837

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine  
(Leaning on the Everlasting Arms)

SHOWALTER

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 Diane Nixon in loving memory of David Nixon.*

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

**WE WELCOME OUR NEW DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRY, LEE HAGON-KERR.** We are excited to have Lee and her family as part of our community, and look forward to working together in the months and years to come.

**KEEP FILLING THE RED WAGONS!** Next time you are at the grocery store, 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 and the Deacons will deliver the items to Media Food Bank, Chester Eastside, City Team and local families. Some suggestions for August include canned tuna, chicken, or ravioli, and for the kids, hot chocolate mix and cookies of any kind. Anything you can do to help will be greatly appreciated. One Red Wagon is always in the Office entry to the Church. The other Red Wagon is in the Narthex.

**THINKING OF JOINING WPC?** A number of folks will be joining on Rally Day (Sunday, September 8.) If you think you'd like to join them, please see Pastor François or Pastor Taylor.

**JOIN US FOR PLAYGROUP!** We meet on the first Saturday of the month at 10am. Our next playgroup is scheduled for Saturday September 7th from 10am-12pm. We'll meet outside on the playground at the church if the weather permits, otherwise, we'll meet downstairs in the MMO room. Playgroup is a great chance to meet other local parents while allowing your children to socialize and play. This event is free and best for children 5 and under. Siblings are always welcome. Contact Leah Hillemeier (484-832-1235) with any questions!

**KATE WILL BE OUT OF THE OFFICE** Thursday and Friday this week, attending a wedding in Chicago. Please submit any bulletin materials by Wednesday morning at the latest.



## STAFF

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