



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN
ALMOST ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 14, 2021

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. During our phased reopening masks must be worn securely over the nose and mouth at all times. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation, as we strive to keep all members of our community of faith safe and healthy!

Masks must be worn at all times when in the building, including during worship.

Visitors are encouraged to reach out about activities they may be interested in attending.

Large print bulletins are available upon request.

If you need a little help hearing, portable listening devices are available.

An All Gender Restroom is located in the Narthex.

An infant changing station and Quiet Room for parents with little ones is located off the Narthex.

Activity packets As part of our phased re-opening, activity packets are available for children to use during worship.

Please ask an usher if you need help; we are here to assist you!

Sunday, November 14

Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
Twentieth Sunday in *Almost* Ordinary Time
10:00 am- Worship
Pastor Taylor Preaching
11:00 am- Fellowship Hour
2:00 pm- Youth Apple Picking

Monday, November 15

10:30 am- Adult Bible Study
1:30 pm- Staff Training and Meeting
6:30 pm- GSA 518
7:30 pm- Education Council
7:30 pm- Stephen Ministry

Tuesday, November 16

7:00 pm- Ballroom Dancing Class
7:30 pm- Deacons

Wednesday, November 17

9:00 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner
10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends
6:30 pm- Cubs 228
7:00 pm- Peacemaking and Social Justice

Thursday, November 18

6:30 pm- Bell Practice
7:30 pm- Choir Practice
7:30 pm- BSA

Friday, November 19

Saturday, November 20

Sunday, November 21

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost
Twenty-first Sunday in *Almost* Ordinary Time
10:00 am- Worship
Pastor François Preaching
11:00 am- Fellowship Hour
11:00 am- Faith Formation Day

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

Order of Worship

GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

WORDS OF MEDITATION

“Religion says earn your life. Secular society says create your life. Jesus says, 'My life for your life.'” - Timothy Keller

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let our hearts exult in the Lord;

our strength is exalted in God.

Let our mouths be ever fixed in praise;

God has given us the victory.

There is no Holy One like the Lord;

there is no Rock like our God. Praise the Lord!

*OPENING HYMN 716

God Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

*OPENING PRAYER

CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in the grace of God, let us confess our sins against God and our neighbors.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, who is faithful and just, we have failed to help those who have little while we have much. We are boastful and haughty, and fail to appreciate the gifts you have given. Our arrogance has led us away from your righteous way. We lift to you our penitent hearts.

(Silent Confession)

Forgive us, Merciful God, and lead us to a humble path, for Jesus' sake. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

People of God, Jesus Christ, who gave himself once and for all, forgives and saves. Therefore, be reconciled to one another, holding fast to the confession of our hope, through Christ our Lord.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Praise be to God!

*RESPONSE 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GLORY TO GOD (VASILE)

*RESPONSE

Forgiven friends in Christ I ask you, 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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Almighty God, speak your Word to us, and guide our feet, that we might be hearers and doers of your word. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 16

OT 495-496

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES 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.

All children are invited to come forward at this time. Parents are encouraged to accompany their younger children and sit with them on the chancel steps or in the chairs provided. After the message, children ages 18mo – 5 years (Young Disciples) and Grades 1 – 5 (Junior Disciples) can go to faith formation or, if parents prefer, return to their pews and worship with their parents (activity packets provided for their use during the worship service.)

MUSICAL MEDITATION

No Other Name/Hallelujah What a Savior

R. Gay arr. C. Berry

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 10:11-25

NT 224-225

SERMON

Pastor Taylor

ANTHEM

O God, You Know Us Through and Through

by Steumpfle and
Kimberling

O God, you know us through and through, each unformed word, each secret thought. You track us over twisting trails and seek us when we have not sought. Not even our unworthiness, our untold sin, our guilty shame, can turn your mercy's swift pursuit from those you love and call by name. So search us out, O God of grace, and close us in on ev'ry side till, caught, our hearts can not escape the love from which they seek to hide. Then teach our hearts to sing your praise that, though we flee, you still pursue, and surer than the rising sun, your boundless grace each day renew.

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY

Bob Kenworthy

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

People of God, the Lord has given us so much. Let us praise the Lord through our gifts for the uplift of God's kingdom.

OFFERTORY

Under His Wings

by Sankey/Hughes

If you wish to give electronically from your smartphone or tablet, please scan the box at the right to go to the website where you can give to WPC via credit card, or give via the Church Center app.



*RESPONSE 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
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

Dear God, we offer these gifts back to you. Multiply them so that they might help build up your kingdom on earth. All glory, praise, and honor are due to you, now and forever. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*CLOSING HYMN 703 Jesus, Thy Boundless Love for Me ST. CATHERINE

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE To God Be the Glory by William H. Doane
arr. M. Hayes

TIME OF GREETING AND SHARING THE GRACE AND PEACE WE RECEIVED

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

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

**Those who are able, please stand.*

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Thank you to Helen Picher and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.

This week’s chancel flowers were given to the Glory of God by Sally Clyde in honor of all our friends and family as we move forward living the best life we can!

WORSHIP SUNDAY MORNINGS Just a reminder: If you aren’t feeling your best (headache, fever, body ache), please consider staying at home until you feel like your old self again.

LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION! WE COULD USE YOUR HELP! If you have an interest in videography we could use you as one of our volunteers on Sunday mornings to video record the worship service. If you are interested see Walt Kaminski after the worship service or contact Pastor Francois at pastorfrancois@wallingfordpres.org

UP FOR A COUPLE HOURS OF OFFICE WORK? (answering the phone, opening the mail) Add your name to our list of temps to sub of a few hours at a time in Kate’s absence. Contact Kate (email or 610-566-1644) to add you name to our on-call list.

DEACON REQUEST Our Deacons have resumed visiting members to deliver Sunday chancel flowers. We find we’re running short of vases. To help us continue this ministry, we’d appreciate the return or donation of vases. They can be placed in the red wagons or in the kitchen. Thank you!

2022 ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN Watch the mail for the 2022 Annual Giving Campaign letter. The theme, “We are Marching in the Light of God,” reminds us God has never left us, for he has given us the chance to reflect on the opportunities our church offers and the importance of our congregation as a “family of God.” Prayerfully consider making a pledge to support God’s work here at WPC. You can register your pledge can the QR code to the right or online at <https://bit.ly/WPCPLEDGE2022>



IN-PERSON STAFF AND OFFICE HOURS

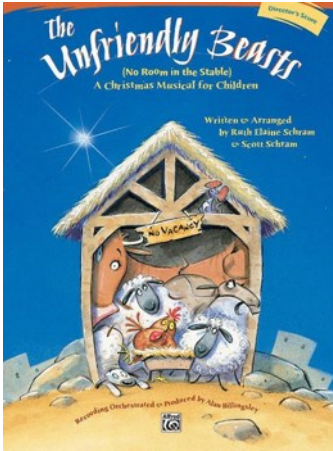
In an effort to meet everyone’s needs and remain mindful of COVID-19, the staff has established in-person office hours. Due to the pandemic, appointments are preferred when possible.

Pastor François	Tuesday	11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
	Wednesday	10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Pastor Taylor	Monday	11 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
	Thursday	10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Main Office	Monday	9:30 a.m.-noon
	Tues-Thursday	2-4:30 p.m.

Feel free to call the church office (610-566-1644) or email staff members at other times.

SOCKTOBER/COATOBEB Thank You! This year's sock/coat drive was very successful. More than 80 coats/jackets were collected and 302 pairs of socks filled our "sock drop bins." Through your generosity, we responded to a plea from Savage Sisters for coats and socks. This group of dedicated folks are serving those in need in the Kensington area of Philadelphia. We could not have been able to help them without you! ~Your Mission & Service Committee and Education Council

CHRISTMARKET 2021 Looking for meaningful Christmas gifts for your loved ones? Look no further! WPC’s ChristMarket 2021 will be open right after worship on November 28th, December 5th, December 12th, and December 19th. This is your opportunity to share Christ’s Spirit with family and friends by donating to any (or all) of the amazing organizations fulfilling needs in our own neighborhoods and around the world. Browse the brochure to find your favorites. Last year, shoppers donated over \$4,000 which was matched one-to-one by the Mission and Service Fund of the Church for a total contribution of \$8,478. Donations may be made by cash, check or credit card using donations can be made by cash, check or credit card using The Church Center app or in Fellowship Hall after worship beginning November 28 through December 19.



Friends, get ready! It's time to get in the holiday spirit and prepare to lead our congregation in remembering the beauty of the Christmas story!

This year our Pageant will be *The Unfriendly Beasts (No Room in the Stable): A Christmas Musical for Children!* It is a wonderful little story about all the barnyard animals who have to learn to open their doors and their hearts to the Christ-child.

Pageant Rehearsal Schedule

Sunday, Nov. 28	11 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.	Welcome/Role Assignments/ Costumes
Sunday, Dec. 5	11 a.m.- 12:15 p.m.	Practice/singing/Costume fittings
Thursday, Dec. 16	5:30- 6:30 p.m.	FORMAL DRESS REHEARSAL
Sunday, Dec. 19	9 a.m.	Final run-through

*****Please note – this year’s pageant requires the children’s participation and commitment. Therefore, they must attend at least three rehearsals.***

Register by visiting <https://bit.ly/WPCPageant21>

DEADLINE to register is Sun, November 21st. After that, we will disable the link so please reserve your child's spot now!

IF YOU FIND YOUR NAME (OR YOUR SPOUSE'S NAME)

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YOU'VE WON A PERSONAL INVITE TO OUR INTERNET SAFETY COURSE!!

Join us on Wednesday, December 1 at 7:30pm for a course in Internet Street Smarts! We will be re-running and updating our super popular course from earlier this fall! Come learn how to protect yourself online. Avoid getting hacked, and learn how to respond if you do. **Even if you don't find your name above, you're invited to join us for an evening of cyber security lessons!** Questions? Call or email Kate.



Christmas Flowers

Poinsettias will again be used to decorate the church sanctuary for our Christmas services. We are ordering 6 1/2 inch pots for 6-9 blooms.

- #1 Order a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone and then *take it home* after the Christmas Eve service.
- #2 Order a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone and then *leave it* as a gift to be taken by the Deacons to the homebound.
- #3 Honor or memorialize someone by making a *donation* that will go into the Christmas offering.

Poinsettias are \$9 this year for the 6 1/2 inch pot with 6-9 blooms
The deadline for your order is December 5th.

Please put your name, payment and option choice, along with the name of the person to be remembered on the form below and return to the church office.

Poinsettia Order Form 2021

Please return with payment (\$9 per plant) by December 5, 2021

Make check payable to: Wallingford Presbyterian Church

Memo: Christmas flowers

Name (given by) _____ Phone # _____

Option # 1 red poinsettia # _____ white poinsettia # _____

Option # 2 red poinsettia # _____ white poinsettia # _____

Option # 3 \$ _____

Total plants or memorials requested: _____ @ \$ 9.00 = \$ _____

Name (In memory / honor of) _____



The 2021 Giving/Angel Tree is Ready to Go

As a result of ongoing pandemic-related restrictions, our Giving Tree will be a bit different again this year. Rather than donating actual gifts, most of our agencies have requested gift cards, which will be used by their staffs to do the “shopping.”

We will be giving to Chester Eastside and City Team, as well as local families identified by the Wallingford Swarthmore School District social worker.

For the third year we will also be participating in Angel Tree through Prison Fellowship, expanding our support to 10 children for them to receive gifts from their incarcerated parents.

Chester Eastside, City Team and local families through WSSD – Walmart and Target cards

We are recommending the cards be in the amount of \$25, however some cards of different denominations will be fine as well. **Please clearly mark your gift cards with their value.**

Angel Tree – Specific gift suggestions will be forthcoming.

The Giving Tree/Angel Tree elves will hand deliver the gifts to the recipients.

Watch For Details About Card/Gift Collection

We will definitely be collecting the following Sundays – Nov. 28, Dec. 5 and Dec. 12.

Donations may always be placed in our church mailbox at any time.

If you have a special preference for where your donation goes, please mark it accordingly and we will make sure it gets to the proper place.

Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Carol Freidinger -- Kai Yokoyama -- Deb Dunbar

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