



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN  
*ALMOST* ORDINARY TIME  
ALL SAINTS SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 7, 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 7**

Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
Nineteenth Sunday in *Almost* Ordinary Time  
All Saints Sunday  
10:00 am- Worship  
Pastor François Preaching  
11:00 am- Fellowship Hour  
11:00 am- Kids' Café  
5:00 pm- Cubs 228

## **Monday, November 8**

10:30 am- Adult Bible Study  
2:30 pm- Staff Meeting  
7:30 pm- WPC Connections

## **Tuesday, November 9**

7:00 pm- Ballroom Dancing Class  
7:30 pm- Peacemaking and Social Justice  
7:30 pm- Worship Council

## **Wednesday, November 10**

9:00 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner  
10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends  
7:00 pm- WOW

## **Thursday, November 11**

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

## **Friday, November 12**

## **Saturday, November 13**

## **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

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

## Order of Worship

### GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

#### WORDS OF MEDITATION

All Saints' Day is a time to rejoice in all who through the ages have faithfully served the Lord. The day reminds us that we are part of one continuing, living communion of saints. It is a time to claim our kinship with the "glorious company of apostles ... the noble fellowship of prophets ... the white-robed army of martyrs" (Te Deum). It is a time to express our gratitude for all who in ages of darkness kept the faith, for those who have taken the gospel to the ends of the earth, for prophetic voices who have called the church to be faithful in life and service, for all who have witnessed to God's justice and peace in every nation.

To rejoice with all the faithful of every generation expands our awareness of a great company of witnesses above and around us like a cloud (Hebrews 12:1). It lifts us out of a preoccupation with our own immediate situation and the discouragements of the present. In the knowledge that others have persevered, we are encouraged to endure against all odds (Hebrews 12:1-2). Reminded that God was with the faithful of the past, we are reassured that God is with us today, moving us and all creation toward God's end in time. In this context, it is appropriate for a congregation on All Saints' Day to commemorate the lives of those who died during the previous year.

#### WELCOME, MONTHLY BIRTHDAY WISHES GREETINGS AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

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

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

We come into this sacred space mindful of the generations of faithful who have come before us. **Adults and children, certain and questioning, men and women, hopeful and despairing.** We give thanks for the welcome all receive from you, O God, and for the ways we continue to be enfolded into community with one another and with you.  
**With grateful hearts we come to worship.**

#### \*OPENING HYMN 326

For All The Saints  
(Verses 1, 2, 3, and 5)

SINE NOMINE

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

Create in Me a Clean Heart

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.

Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God has promised to make of us a new creation, laying to rest the former things, making all things new. Trusting in God's grace we confess our sin saying together,  
**Almighty Lord and God, in Jesus Christ you came to dwell among us, calling us to be your faithful people. Yet we remain shrouded in sin—we hurt and disgrace ourselves; we abuse and destroy one another; we dishonor your holy name.**

*(Silent Confession)*

Forgive us; unbind us and let us go

**So that we may stand among your saints, rejoicing in your saving grace; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**Thanks 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

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 24

OT 502

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

All Saints Day Medley

arr. Becki Slagle Mayo

EPISTLE READING

2 Timothy 4

NT 213

SERMON

Before Winter Comes

Pastor François

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Our God is ever faithful and provides everything that we need. Let us praise the Lord through our giving, that our offerings may be acceptable to God.

OFFERTORY

Prelude in Remembrance

by Lani Smith

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

Cheerfully and joyously, we lift up these offerings to you, O Lord.

**You have poured out your generosity upon us without restraint. You not only have given us life but also have given us Christ our Savior whose way leads to eternal life. Thank you for your love. Thank you for the gift of inner peace. Thank you for the availability of your constant guidance. And thank you for our being able to make a difference in the church and in the world by the offering of our time, talent, gifts and service. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

ALL SAINTS' DAY MEDITATION, (*from John Donne's Meditation XVII of Devotions upon Emergent Occasion*)

"The church is catholic, universal, so are all her actions; all that she does belongs to all. When she baptizes a child, that action concerns me; for that child is thereby connected to that body which is my head too and ingrafted into that body whereof I am a member. And when [the church] buries a person, that action concerns me. All [of humanity] is of one author, and is one volume; when one [person] dies, one chapter is not torn out of the book, but translated into a better language; and every chapter must be so translated. God employs several translators; some pieces are translated by age, some by sickness, some by war, some by justice; but [the Lord's] hand is in every translation, and [God's] hand shall bind up all our scattered leaves again for that library where every book shall lie open to one another. As therefore the bell that rings to a sermon calls not upon the preacher only but upon the congregation to come, so this bell calls us all. . . .

No [one] is an island entire of itself; every[one] is a piece of the continent, a part of the main. If a clod be washed away by the sea, Europe is the less, as well as if a promontory were, as well as if a manor of thy friend's or of thine own were.

Any[one's] death diminishes me, because I am involved in [hu]mankind, and therefore never send to know for whom the bell tolls; it tolls for thee."

## WE REMEMBER AND NAME THE SAINTS

ANTHEM

Within These Walls

by Stephen Caracciolo

## +INVITATION TO THE TABLE

*(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. 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)*

## COMMUNION LITURGY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

### COMMUNION SHARED

The body of Christ broken for us.

The cup of salvation poured out for us.

*(Please hold the bread to be received together. The cup may be received individually.)*

## CLOSING PRAYER

\*CLOSING HYMN 463

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

## \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

O What the Joy and the Glory Must Be

by H.A. Matthews

## 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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+Gluten free communion available upon request.

*Thank you to Sara Finley and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.*

*This week's chancel flowers were given to the Glory of God by Mina and Earl Varney in memory of our parents.*

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**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](mailto: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 your name to our on-call list.

#### **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.

**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 with the QR code to the right or online at <https://bit.ly/WPCPLEDGE2022>



## STAFF

Rev. François Lacroix, Pastor  
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