

WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY  
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN  
*ALMOST* ORDINARY TIME  
NOVEMBER 21, 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 21**

Christ the King Sunday

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

## **Monday, November 22**

10:30 am- Adult Bible Study

2:30 pm- Staff Meeting

## **Tuesday, November 23**

7:30 pm- Trustees

## **Wednesday, November 24**

9:00 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner

10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends

## **Thursday, November 25**

Thanksgiving Day

Office Closed

## **Friday, November 26**

Office Closed

## **Saturday, November 27**

## **Sunday, November 28**

First Sunday of Advent

Twenty-second Sunday in *Almost* Ordinary

Time

10:00 am- Worship

Pastor François Preaching

11:00 am- Fellowship Hour

11:00 am- Pageant Rehearsal

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

# Order of Worship

## GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

### WORDS OF MEDITATION

“Piglet noticed that even though he had a Very Small Heart, it could hold a rather large amount of Gratitude.” — in the Spirit of AA Milne

### WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us declare the greatness of God: Who fills the earth with beauty, causes the sea to shout praise, and the birds to sing glory.

**Great and loving is our God: Touching us in our need, sending friends to listen and embrace, giving food in all seasons with abundant grace.**

Holy and awesome is our God: Painting sunsets that take our breath away, whispering comfort in the darkest night, filling the silence with a gentle presence.

**Wondrous and compassionate is our God: Guarding us as the apple of God's eye, holding us with infinite and tender care, setting our hearts on fire, our minds to new possibilities and our voices to singing.**

Come, Let us worship God.

#### \*OPENING PRAYER

#### \*OPENING HYMN 652

A Grateful Heart

ROCKINGHAM

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

God invites us to Trust. Jesus invites us to follow. The Spirit encourages us to have faith. With the confidence of the people of God, let us now approach God and speak our confession.

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Wondrous and generous God, you have blessed us with gentle rains, glorious sunsets and sun-warmed days. You bless us with loving families, kind friends and a caring church. Let us receive these gifts with thankfulness and humility. We cannot earn nor do we deserve such generosity, but we graciously open our hearts and hands to receive.

**Forgive us when we are hardhearted and tight-handed, when we don't let your goodness flow through us, when we hide our talents and turn away from the needs of the world.**

*(Silent Confession)*

Release us from fear, and create a contagious spirit of giving that touches the world with hope.  
**Amen.**



## CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Sisters and brothers, we worship the One who stands at the *beginning* and at the *end* of history — the God for whom all time is *now*. Every day we have a chance to participate in the work God is doing in the world. By bringing our gifts each week, by offering our lives each day, we affirm our trust in a power beyond violence, beyond greed. Let us gladly offer who we are—and what we hold—in service to God.

## OFFERTORY

O Worship the King

J.N. Haydn/C.B. Putnam

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

**Holy God, you call us from every tribe, language, people, and nation to share in your everlasting kingdom. Bless these gifts that we offer that we may extend your blessing to others, in Christ's name we pray. Amen.**

## DEDICATING OUR PLEDGES OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT, TIME AND TALENT

When we give, we say yes to something we value. With these pledges of financial support, and gifts of time and talent we say yes to the values of our faith. With these gifts we show where our treasure is stored, we share where our heart is, we share our vision and our faith.

We dedicate our gifts, freely given and gratefully received, to the work of the gospel by this church and we rededicate ourselves to the mission of this congregation:

**With grateful recognition that Jesus Christ is Lord of the church and of our lives, we, the congregation of Wallingford Presbyterian Church are called to witness to Christ's presence and power.**

**We recognize that we have been transformed, yet are always being transformed into the likeness of Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**We commit to witness through meaningful worship, Christian nurture, spiritual growth, caring service, fellowship, music, and mission in the broader community.**

**In faithful response to God's call, we remain open to the work of the Holy Spirit so that we continually are shaped as individuals and as the body of Christ.**

**.... God's growing people serving Christ in a changing world**

## SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

## \*CLOSING HYMN 39

Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

## \*CHARGE AND BENECTION

## 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 Danielle Haury and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.*

*This week’s chancel flowers were given to the Glory of God by Joe and Anita Pew in loving memory of Rob Pew.*

**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 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.

**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.

**FALL CLEAN UP DAY** will be Saturday, December 4 from 9:00 am to noon! Bring a rake and join the Trustees and the scouts as we get our church campus ready for winter!

**CONCERTS FOR A CAUSE: HANDEL'S MESSIAH** Sunday, December 12, 3pm.  
Part I + "Hallelujah Chorus" with professional soloists, chamber orchestra and a choir of local singers. Suggested donation is \$15 with all proceeds to benefit Philabundance!

Want to join in the music and sing with the choir?

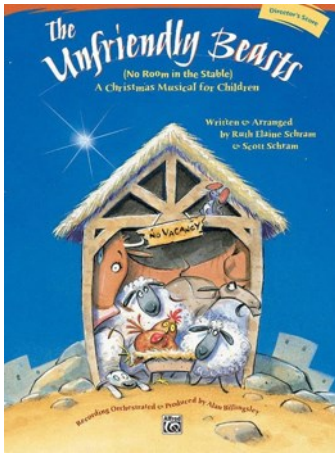
Rehearsal 12pm-2pm Dec. 12th

Three ways to sign up for the choir:

- 1.) Use the camera on your phone to scan this QR code and fill out the form.
- 2.) Email [music@wallingfordpres.org](mailto:music@wallingfordpres.org) to have the form sent to you.
- 3.) Call the church 610-566-1644 ext. 5 and leave your name and number.



**OUR BULLETIN ART TODAY** was drawn by Pastor Taylor for her first Christ the King Sunday at WPC back in 2017!



**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 Today After that, we will disable the link so please reserve your child's spot now!**





# 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) \_\_\_\_\_

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

S O V L Y S K Q E J R N T T Y  
J N V L N H T E C M E M Q O Y  
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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.



## 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**

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

## **Look For The Giving Tree in the Narthex**

Elves will be available before and after the service to answer questions and receive gifts.

## **Donations may be returned Sundays**

**November 28, December 5 and December 12**

**or placed in the 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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