



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN
ALMOST ORDINARY TIME
SCOUT SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 13, 2022

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, February 13

Sixth Sunday after Epiphany

Thirty-Third Sunday in *Almost* Ordinary Time

Scout Sunday/ Souper Bowl of Caring

10:00 am- Worship

Pastor Taylor Preaching

11:00 am- Fellowship Hour

Monday, February 14

10:30 am- Adult Bible Study

2:30 pm- Staff Meeting

7:30 pm- WPC Connections

Tuesday, February 15

7:00 pm- Ballroom Dancing

7:30 pm- Deacons

Wednesday, February 16

9:00 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner

10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends

6:00 pm- Cubs 228

Wednesday (continued)

7:30 pm- Peacemaking and Social Justice

Thursday, February 17

6:30 pm- Bell Choir

7:30 pm- Choir Practice

7:30 pm- BSA 277 & 2019

Friday, February 18

Saturday, February 19

Sunday, February 20

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

Thirty-Fourth 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

The Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do, and to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

BSA Scout Law

A Scout is:

TRUSTWORTHY. Tell the truth and keep promises. People can depend on you.

LOYAL. Show that you care about your family, friends, Scout leaders, school, and country.

HELPFUL. Volunteer to help others without expecting a reward.

FRIENDLY. Be a friend to everyone, even people who are very different from you.

COURTEOUS. Be polite to everyone and always use good manners.

KIND. Treat others as you want to be treated. Never harm or kill any living thing without good reason.

OBEDIENT. Follow the rules of your family, school, and pack. Obey the laws of your community and country.

CHEERFUL. Look for the bright side of life. Cheerfully do tasks that come your way. Try to help others be happy.

THRIFTY. Work to pay your own way. Try not to be wasteful. Use time, food, supplies, and natural resources wisely.

BRAVE. Face difficult situations even when you feel afraid. Do what you think is right despite what others might be doing or saying.

CLEAN. Keep your body and mind fit. Help keep your home and community clean.

REVERENT. Be reverent toward God. Be faithful in your religious duties. Respect the beliefs of others.

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

When we turn our hearts away from God and toward ourselves, putting trust in our own strength, **we become like a shrub in the desert, living in a parched, salty place.**

When we trust in God, when our trust *is* God, we are like a tree planted by water.

Our roots go deep, we are ever-green; even in a drought we are not anxious, but bear fruit, full and beautiful, gifts of the God who made us.

Let us worship God!

***OPENING PRAYER**

***OPENING HYMN 11**

Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud
(verses 1 & 2)

ABERYSTWYTH

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. So let us be honest and confess what separates us from God and our neighbors, trusting in God's constant desire to forgive and renew.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of renewal, we admit to you and to each other that we have not always loved you and our neighbors as fully as you call us to love. We have failed to be good stewards of the air, the water, the animals, and the plants. We have turned away from you and toward our own self-interest. We have been shortsighted, and we are humbly sorry. Help us turn back to you, O Lord, to reach toward you as a tree sends its roots out toward water. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

Renew us and forgive us O Lord, our Redeemer.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Because Christ has been raised from the dead, sin and death do not have the last word!

Our faith is not in vain! Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, we are forgiven and set free to live for God and neighbor. Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me GLORY TO GOD (VASILE)
Glory to God whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

*World without end, without end. Amen (x3)
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*RESPONSE

People of God, body of Christ, sisters and brothers, siblings in the Risen Lord, what shall we do in response to God's forgiveness?

As God's forgiven children we will put away bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, and we will be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven us.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let us pray. O God, whose Word is like water to the root of the tree, let your Word now flow into us that we might flourish— bearing gospel fruit for a hungry world. In the name of Jesus, the Living Word, we pray. **Amen**

SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 17: 5-10

OT 719

ANTHEM

I Know the Lord's Laid His Hands on Me
African American Spiritual

arr. M. Hogan

REFRAIN: Oh, I know the Lord's laid his hands on me! Yes, I know the Lord's laid his hands on me!

Did ever you see the light of day (I know the Lord's laid his hands on me) when Jesus washed my sins away (I know the Lord's laid his hands on me) **REFRAIN.**

Oh wasn't that a happy day (I know the Lord's laid his hands on me) when Jesus washed my sins away (I know the Lord's laid his hands on me) **REFRAIN.**

My Lord's done just what he said (I know the Lord's laid his hands on me) he healed the sick and he raised the dead (I know the Lord's laid his hand on me) **REFRAIN.**

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 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.)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Prayed silently as the choir sings*)

by Carl Haywood

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 1

OT 489

SERMON

Send Your Roots Out

Pastor Taylor

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

“Ev’ry Valley” from Messiah
Guest Vocalist Tenor Joseph Rippert

G.F. Handel

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY -- Lise Meloy

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

Luke tells us that people came to Jesus from all directions seeking healing and peace. We are the body of Christ, surrounded by the many needs of the world around us. So bring your tithes and offerings, that these gifts may foster healing and encourage peace.

OFFERTORY

Deep River
African American Spiritual

arr. C. Taylor

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 One, bless and multiply these gifts we give as tokens of our trust in you. Use them to bless the poor, feed the hungry, and comfort those who weep; in Jesus' name. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN 175

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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 Julia Anderson and the Scouts of WPC, and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.

This week's chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God by Diane Nixon in loving memory of David Nixon.

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.

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.

GIRL SCOUT COOKIES are being sold in Fellowship Hall today after the service to support WPC's Troop 518.

CHANCEL FLOWERS 2022 If you would like to sponsor the chancel flowers for a Sunday in 2022, you can sign up in Fellowship Hall, online at <https://bit.ly/WPCflowers22> , or by scanning the QR Code to the right.



SCAN ME

LOOKING FOR COVID-19 TESTS? GET YOUR FREE SUPPLY! The federal website is up and running! Sign up for yours at covidtests.gov to receive four free tests per household. Need help? Contact our Congregational Wellness Nurse, Cyndi!

NEED A BETTER MASK? WPC Has KN-95 masks available for those who have not been able to get them. Pick one up for your personal use when you come to worship!

NEED HELP GETTING YOUR BOOSTER? Reach out to Parish Wellness Nurse Cyndi Lacroix, and she will help you schedule and find transportation for your booster shot.

SECURITY ALERT Just a reminder never to answer suspicious emails, direct messages, or text messages. WPC leaders will never email asking for money, gift cards, or favors, nor will they email with questions like “do you use (insert web service here)”. When in doubt about a suspicious email, contact the person directly by phone.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE for Lynn Deming will be February 26th at 11:00 am. Visitation will begin at 10:00 am.

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