



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
THIRTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ALMOST ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 27, 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 27

Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday
Thirty-Fifth Sunday in *Almost* Ordinary Time
10:00 am- Worship
Pastor François Preaching
11:00 am- Fellowship Hour
4:30 pm- Youth Group- Marvel Night

Monday, February 28

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

Tuesday, March 1

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

Wednesday, March 2

Ash Wednesday
9:00 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner
10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends
7:30 pm- Ash Wednesday Taizé Service

Thursday, March 3

6:30 pm- Bell Choir
7:30 pm- Choir Practice
7:30 pm- BSA 277 & 2019

Friday, March 4

6:30 pm- Sprouts

Saturday, March 5

Sunday, March 6

Ninth Sunday after Epiphany
Thirty-Sixth Sunday in *Almost* Ordinary Time
Gifts of Women Sunday
10:00 am- Worship
Pastor Taylor Preaching
11:00 am- Fellowship Hour
3:00 pm- Cubs 228

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

Order of Worship

GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

WORDS OF MEDITATION

God places us in the world as his fellow workers-agents of transfiguration. We work with God so that injustice is transfigured into justice, so there will be more compassion and caring, that there will be more laughter and joy, that there will be more togetherness in God's world.

- Desmond Tutu

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come friends; let us be united in God's amazing grace,

We come to be woven together in joy,

Come friends; let us be embraced by love,

We come to be knitted together in peace.

Come friends; let us be bound by kindness,

We come to be made new in forgiveness,

Come friends; let us be set free for loving service.

We come to be filled with gladness and uplifted by praise.

*GOSPEL READING

Luke 9:28-36

NT 69-70

*OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN 189

O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair
(Verses 1, 2 and 5)

DEO GRACIAS

CALL TO CONFESSION

Trusting in God's steadfast love for us, let us confess our sin together.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, we've heard your grace-filled story and we confess our sin of indifference.

God, jolt our lives to turn and look at You once more.

Give us the ears to hear your amazing story that God would become one of us, living among us, teaching us, sitting down at table with us, breaking bread and drinking wine with us and then dying among us, for us. Amazing grace!

O Lord, we ask for your presence this day. Brush against us when we least expect it. Touch us with your Spirit. Take us by the shoulders and shake us awake to your incredible truth.

We are your people and you are our God. Forgive our faithlessness, O faithful God! And see beyond our apathy, our thoughtlessness, our self-centeredness, our wrong choices. See into our hearts, for you are our Treasure.

(Silent Confession)

We pledge once more to give to those who need us, that this world might be more human.

We pledge to do away with indifference. We pledge to live your story in new-life changing ways! For Jesus' sake. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The good news of our faith is this: if we call upon God we will be answered and forgiven. That promise gives us peace and joy. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

*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.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Let us pray. By your Spirit, O God, enlighten our hearts, open our minds, fill our vision with your radiance, and give us life, as we hear your Word today. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 34:29-35

OT 81

ANTHEM Let the Heav'n Light Shine on Me/This Little Light of Mine by Roland M. Carter
African American Spiritual
Chapel and Chancel Choirs

Let the heav'n light shine on me, for low is the way to the upper bright world, let the heav'n light shine on me. Shine on me, shine on me, let the light from heaven shine on me! This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine!

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.

EPISTLE READING

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

NT 180

SERMON

In which Pastor François says something profound

Pastor François

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

“Ev’ry Valley” from *Messiah*
Guest Vocalist Tenor Tyler Lawson

G.F. Handel

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

We serve the Lord with freedom; we worship God with joy. In freedom and in joy, let us present the offerings of our lives to the Lord.

OFFERTORY

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. C. Berry

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*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 are you, O Lord! We praise your great and awesome name. Use us, and these our gifts, in your service, to establish justice, righteousness, and equity, all for the good of your people and the glory of your eternal realm. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN 192

Lord, the Light of Your Love Is Shinning

SHINE, JESUS, SHINE

*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 Lisa Tolomeo Higgins and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.

This week's chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God.

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP- NOT JUST FOR GROWN UPS! When you fill out the Ritual of Friendship pads, please remember to list which family members are here: kids included! We use attendance information to determine all sorts of things in planning for the services each week. (Kids who are big enough can feel free to write their own names and/or draw a picture!)

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.

CALLING FOR TODDLER CLASS VOLUNTEERS! The Sunday morning Toddler class is looking for volunteers. There is no need for lesson prep, it's all already in closet. Volunteers should contact Pam Mattote.

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.



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.

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET WPC's 2022 Lenten Devotional Booklet is composed of entries selected by Shirley Rudd and Roger Demos from 16 years of WPC Lenten booklets. Written by members and friends of all ages, they convey their thoughts and prayers, love of God and joy they have found at WPC. Download a week's worth of devotions every Friday in WPC Happenings, beginning with the Feb. 25 edition, in time for Ash Wednesday (March 2). Don't use email? Pick up your weekly devotions when you come to church on Sunday!

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