



Holy Week

WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
PALM /PASSION SUNDAY
FORTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN
ALMOST ORDINARY TIME
APRIL 10, 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 are available for children to use during worship.

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

Sunday, April 10

Palm/Passion Sunday

Forty-First Sunday in *Almost* Ordinary Time

10:00 am- Worship

Pastor François Preaching

11:00 am- Fellowship Hour

11:00 am- Lenten Study

Monday, April 11

10:30 am- Adult Bible Study

2:30 pm- Staff Meeting

7:30 pm- WPC Connections

Tuesday, April 12

7:00 pm- Ballroom Dancing

7:30 pm- Worship Council

Wednesday, April 13

9:00 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner

10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends

7:00 pm- WOW

Thursday, April 14

Maundy Thursday

6:30 pm- Bell Choir

7:30 pm- Maundy Thursday Service

7:30 pm- BSA 277 & 2019

Friday, April 15

Good Friday

9:00 am- Church open all day for prayer, Meditation, and labyrinth (available 9am-9pm)

Saturday, April 16

Sunday, April 17

8:30 am- Easter Worship Service (Early)

10:00 am- Easter Worship Service

Pastor François Preaching

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

Order of Worship

GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

WORDS OF MEDITATION

The liturgy for Palm/Passion Sunday is designed for a day of stark contrast, a drama in two acts. It begins with a joyful procession into Jerusalem but ends with the somber journey to the cross... The fullness of Christian faith requires that we face the discomfort and live into the tension for the integrity of the gospel and for the sake of the world God loves.

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Open the doors of this holy place that we may enter and give thanks to God for this is the day God has made.

(Wave your palm branches as you say) **We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

God has opened the doors of grace and all creation is invited to join in praise for this is the day God has made.

(Wave your palm branches as you say) **We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

Blessed is the One who comes in God's name to shed light on our darkness for this is the day God has made.

(Wave your palm branches as you say) **We will rejoice and be glad in it!**

*OPENING HYMN 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor
(verses 1 and 4)

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

OPENING PRAYER

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.)

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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

In preparation to listen for God's word let us pray together:

Eternal God, quiet within us all mortal voices, that through the story of the passion and by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may have the same mind that was in Christ Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

FIRST READING

Mark 11:1-11

NT 47

When they were nearing Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany on Mount Olives, he sent off two of the disciples with instructions:

"Go to the village across from you. As soon as you enter, you'll find a colt tethered, one that has never yet been ridden. Untie it and bring it.

If anyone asks, 'What are you doing?' say, 'The Master needs him, and will return him right away.'"

They went and found a colt tied to a door at the street corner and untied it. Some of those standing there said,

"What are you doing untying that colt?"

The disciples replied exactly as Jesus had instructed them, and the people let them alone.

They brought the colt to Jesus, spread their coats on it, and he mounted.

The people gave him a wonderful welcome, some throwing their coats on the street, others spreading out rushes they had cut in the fields.

Running ahead and following after, they were calling out,

**CONGREGATION: Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in God's name!
Blessed the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in highest heaven!**

He entered Jerusalem, then entered the Temple. He looked around, taking it all in. But by now it was late, so he went back to Bethany with the Twelve.

Choral Response

Ride On King Jesus

arr. Moses Hogan

Ride on King Jesus, the conquering king. Ride on King Jesus, no man can a-hinder thee. I was but young when I begun, now my race is almost done. No man can a-hinder thee! Ride on King Jesus, the conquering king. Ride on King Jesus, no man can a-hinder thee. King Jesus rides a milk white horse, the river of Jordan he did cross. No man can a-hinder thee! Ride on King Jesus, the conquering king. Ride on King Jesus, no man can a-hinder thee. He's the King, Lord of all. Jesus is the first and he's last, Jesus is the Lord of lords, Jesus is the prince of peace. Ride on King Jesus, the conquering king. Ride on King Jesus, no man can a-hinder thee!

SECOND READING

Mark 11:15-18

NT 47-48

RESPONSIVE HYMN 200

A Cheering, Chanting, Dizzy Crowd
(verses 1, 3 and 4)

CHRISTIAN LOVE

Choral Response

My Song Is Love Unknown

by Eugene Butler

My song is love unknown, my savior's love to me, love to the loveless shown, that they might lovely be. O who am I, that for my sake, my Lord should take frail flesh and die? With palms they pave his way, and joyous praises sing; resounding all the way, Hosannas to the King. Then "Crucify!" is all they shout, and for his death they thirst and cry. They shout, and then would have my dear Lord made away; a murderer they save, the prince of life they slay. Yet steadfast he to suffering goes, that he his foes might free. Here might I stay and sing; no story so divine! Never was love, dear King, never was grief like thine. This is my friend, in whose glad praise I all my days could gladly spend!

Arresting Jesus, they marched him off

Then Pilate called in the high priests, rulers, and the others

and said, "You brought this man to me as a disturber of the peace. I examined him in front of all of you and found there was nothing to your charge

And neither did Herod, for he has sent him back here with a clean bill of health. It's clear that he's done nothing wrong, let alone anything deserving death.

I'm going to warn him to watch his step and let him go."

Congregation: At that, the crowd went wild: "Kill him! Give us Barabbas!"

(Barabbas had been thrown in prison for starting a riot in the city and for murder.

Pilate still wanted to let Jesus go, and so spoke out again.

But they kept shouting back, "Crucify! Crucify him!"

He tried a third time. "But for what crime? I've found nothing in him deserving death. I'm going to warn him to watch his step and let him go."

But they kept at it, a shouting mob, demanding that he be crucified. And finally they shouted him down.

Pilate caved in and gave them what they wanted.

He released the man thrown in prison for rioting and murder, and gave them Jesus to do whatever they wanted.

PALM/PASSION MEDITATION

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

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

We give you thanks for the great deeds of salvation that you have done and continue to do. Bless these offerings of thanksgiving that they may further your kingdom in this world; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN 213 In the Cross of Christ I Glory RATHBUN
(verses 1, 2 and 4)

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 Bob Kenworthy and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.

This week's chancel flowers were given to the Glory of God by Sara and Chad Finley in honor of our second wedding anniversary.

WORSHIP 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.

SECOND CHANCE MONTH April is Second Chance Month, an effort spearheaded by Prison Fellowship. The goal is to change perceptions and shift the narrative by amplifying the voices of the formerly incarcerated. To share their stories, restore their dignity and encourage individuals to reach their potential and be productive. Check our Facebook page or website throughout the month to become better informed and inspired by second chances.

PASTOR FRANÇOIS WILL BEGIN HIS THREE-MONTH SABBATICAL MAY 1 (that's just three weeks away!). He and Cyndi will travel to Belgium to visit with family and trace his roots, then to Scotland to immerse himself in the history of the Presbyterian Church. He will be taking pictures at every stop for a show upon their return. Pastor Taylor will “have the conn,” as he likes to say, in his absence.

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!

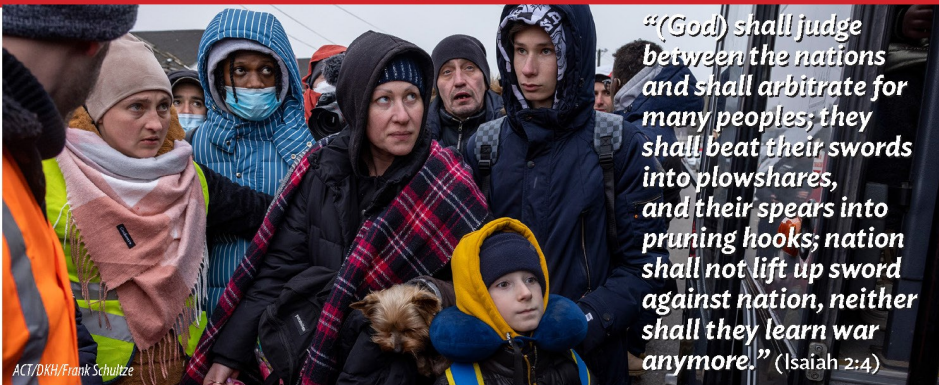
NEED HELP GETTING YOUR BOOSTER? Reach out to Parish Wellness Nurse Cyndi Lacroix, and she will help you schedule and find transportation for your booster shot.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE FOR UKRAINE: <https://pda.pcusa.org/situation/ukraine/>



IS THE BIBLE GAY????? QUEER SPIRITUALITY CLASS Sunday, April 24 at 11:00 am. As part of Kate's seminary studies, she will be leading a class on LGBTQIA+ Christianity and Spirituality. Come learn about the Bible and Judeo-Christian tradition's big *YES* in affirming the LGBTQIA+ community. All ages are welcome!

Emergency response to Ukraine war



As the violence in Ukraine continues, the number of people being displaced internally and fleeing to neighboring countries increases by the day. And in the midst of the chaos, there are sibling churches and ecumenical partners who are already providing assistance with basic items for survival. Our first priority is to provide funding to these partners on the ground. While the scale of this crisis is new, receiving refugees from Ukraine and other countries in Central and Eastern Europe is not, which means we have trusted, established partners with the knowledge and expertise to carry out this important work. Our response will include both financial and technical assistance as the network of faith communities providing humanitarian assistance grows in the months ahead.

GIVE: To support emergency relief for those fleeing Ukraine, designate gifts to DR000156 . You can also text PDAUKR to 41444 to donate. Gifts can be made online at pcusa.org/UK22, by phone at (800) 872-3283, or by check using the below reply device.

ACT: Urge the U.S. government to support generous aid for refugees and civilians suffering in Ukraine, and call for engaging a diplomatic solution to the conflict.

PRAY: *May we undergird our prayers with tangible resources to help.*

May we reach deeply, give generously, and welcome extravagantly.

May we lift our voices in a strong and unified advocacy.

May we all, even as we breathe in lament, breathe out mercy, hope and peace.

And in this Lenten season, when we walk the way toward death and resurrection, repent our complicity in cultures of violence and renew our efforts toward justice and peace.

-Rev. Dr. Laurie Kraus, Director, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance



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OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE



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REMEMBERING FUSE - A WALKING TOUR OF CHESTER, PAST, PRESENT

WHEN: Sunday, April 24th, 2022 - 2PM-5PM

WHERE: We are meeting at the MACG administrative office, Anson building, 419 Edgmont Ave, Chester, PA 19013 (corner of 5th and Edgmont)

Come reconnect with our diverse FUSE community. Together we will learn about the significant historical aspects of the city of Chester, as well as visit and support some of the current thriving businesses along Chester's main street.

Sponsored by FUSE and it's member organizations, including:

Chester Eastside Ministries

Chester Peace Initiative

Congregation Beth Israel of Media

Congregation Ohev Shalom

MAC Group

Swarthmore Presbyterian Church

Unitarian Universalist Church of Delaware County

Wallingford Presbyterian Church

For more information or questions, please email us: info@fusedelco.com

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fuse-courageous-conversation-tickets-300206685277>

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL IS BACK! – clear your calendar for Monday, June 6. Everyone’s favorite community-wide event will include food, desserts, books, plants and games for children. (Note – a special Attic Treasures day is being planned for the fall).

Start saving now:

- Books – kids, fiction and non, cookbooks (no encyclopedias)
- Plants – perennials, vegetables, herbs (marked with type of plant, sun/shade)

Proceeds will be divided among Chester Eastside, Inc. summer camp (75%), Scout troops (15%) and seed money for SF 2023 (10%).

YOU make Strawberry Festival a success. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** – watch for sign-up sheets online and in Fellowship Hall.



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