



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
EASTER SUNDAY
FORTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN
ALMOST ORDINARY TIME
APRIL 17, 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 17

8:30 am- Easter Worship Service (Early)

Pastor Taylor Preaching

10:00 am- Easter Worship Service

Pastor François Preaching

11:00 am- Fellowship Hour

11:00 am- Easter Egg Hunt (WPC Kids)

Monday, April 18

Easter Monday - *Office Closed*

10:30 am- Adult Bible Study

7:30 pm- Education Council

7:30 pm- Stephen Ministry

Tuesday, April 19

7:00 pm- Ballroom Dancing

7:30 pm- Worship Council

7:30 pm- Deacons

Wednesday, April 20

9:00 am- Breakfast Group-Court Diner

10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends

Wednesday (continued)

7:30 pm- Peacemaking and Social Justice

Thursday, April 21

6:30 pm- Woodwind Trio Rehearsal

7:30 pm- Choir Practice

7:30 pm- BSA 277 & 2019

Friday, April 22

Saturday, April 23

9:00 am- Spring Clean Up

12:00 pm- Private Party

7:30 pm- Young Adult Skating Event

Sunday, April 24

10:00 am- Worship Service

Pastor François Preaching

11:00 am- Faith Formation

11:00 am- LGBTQIA+ Education Event

11:00 am- Fellowship Time

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

Order of Worship

GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

WORDS OF MEDITATION

“Easter was when Hope in person surprised the whole world by coming forward from the future into the present.” — N.T. Wright, *Surprised by Hope: Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church*

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

[Words of Introduction – This morning’s bulletin includes explanatory notes addressing various parts of the worship service. We hope you find them informative and helpful.]

EASTER GREETING

Early on the first day of the week, the disciples of Jesus went to the tomb where he had been buried only to find that the stone had been rolled away and the tomb was empty. Friends, we gather here as Christ’s disciples, on the first day of the week, to celebrate the good news of the gospel: Jesus Christ has risen from the dead!

PRELUDE

"Destiny Fanfare"
Wallingford Winds

OPENING PRAYER

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

CALL TO WORSHIP

[Worship begins with God. God takes the initiative and calls us into being. In the name of Christ we answer God’s call and assemble as the community of faith]

People of God, we are witnesses to these things:

that Christ died, hanging on a cross;
that God raised him from the dead on the third day;
that he is coming again in glory to reign.

This is the good news we tell to all the world:

Jesus Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad:

This is the day the Lord has made!

Rejoice and be glad:

Heaven and earth will never be the same!

Rejoice and be glad:

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

CALL TO CONFESSION

[We are called to confess the reality of sin in personal and common life. Claiming the promises of God sealed in our baptism, we humbly confess our sin]

The apostle Paul writes that since sin and death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being. For as all die in Adam, all will be made alive in Christ. Trusting in that promise of God, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, we have heard the good news: how on the third day, Christ rose again.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You rolled away the stone from the tomb.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You sent messengers to proclaim the good news.

Still we look for the living among the dead.

You were faithful to your promise and have made all things new!

Still we look for the living among the dead.

Forgive us, Lord, we pray. Teach us to trust your promise and to believe your good news.

Christ is alive; Jesus is risen from the dead. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[Having confessed our sin, we remember the promises of God's redemption, and the claims God has on all human life. The assurance of God's forgiving grace is declared in the name of Jesus Christ. We accept God's forgiveness, confident that in dying to sin, God raises us to new life]

Friends, believe the good news and trust in the promise of God in Jesus Christ.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Alleluia!

*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.

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.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Jesus Shall Reign

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

[Worship now moves to the reading, proclaiming and hearing of God's Word.]

GOSPEL READING

John 20:1-18

NT 114-115

ANTHEM

Easter Gloria

EASTER MEDITATION

Pastor François

SHARING IN MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

[The Christian life is marked by the offering of one's self to God to be shaped, empowered, directed, and changed by God. In worship, God presents us with the costly self-offering of Jesus Christ. We are claimed by Christ and set free. In response to God's love in Jesus Christ we offer God our lives, our gifts, our abilities and our material goods, for God's service]

OFFERTORY

I Know that My Redeemer Liveth

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 THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

We praise you, O God, and give you thanks that you have given us such joy, such grace, and such hope, in the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Let our lives be proof of that good news. Let all our words and actions, our love and service bear witness to your resurrection power; for the sake of our living Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

*CLOSING HYMN (Insert)

Hallelujah Chorus

G.F. HANDEL

BENEDICTION

[God's people are sent forth with God's blessing to serve]

TIME OF GREETING AND "PEACE"

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

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 Lise Meloy and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.

This week’s flowers were given to the Glory of God as listed later in this bulletin.

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	Working from home in preparation for François’ sabbatical this week
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Main Office	Monday	Closed this week
	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/>

PEACEMAKING AND SOCIAL JUSTICE: COME HEAR CHARLES KNUCKLES (former WPC member and sexton) talk about his book, *Made Clean*, on April 20th at 7:30 pm. Charles will talk about his personal journey and tools for conquering addiction. We will gather in the reception room and via Zoom (the link was in WPC Happenings). More info about Charles is available at charlesknuckles.com. Zoom info: Meeting ID: 879 8674 6095 Passcode: 814821
Dial in phone number 929-205-6099



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!

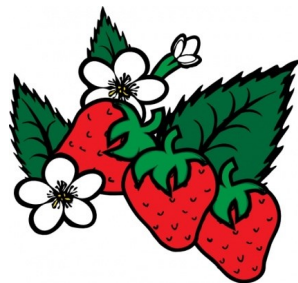
STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL IS BACK! – clear your calendar for Monday, June 6. Everyone's favorite community-wide event will include food, desserts, books, plants and games for children. (Note – a special Attic Treasures day is being planned for the fall).

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.



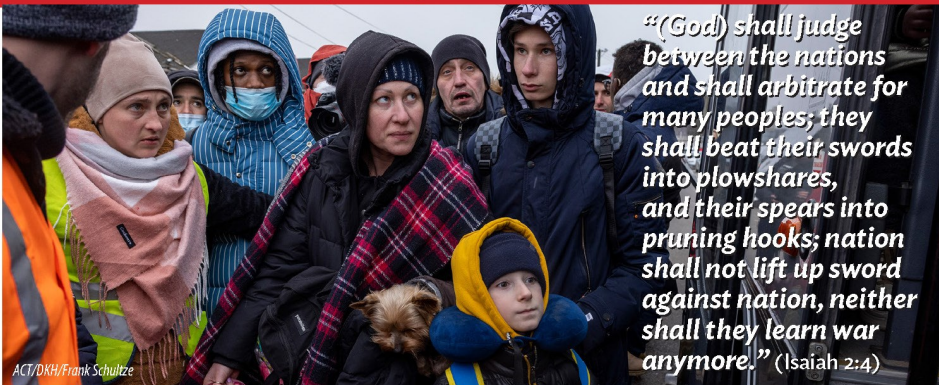
Easter Flowers

Given By	In Memory Of
Jon Bauer	Belle and Pete Bauer
Bruce and Gail Clark	Suzanne Denninger, Our parents
Sally Clyde	Our loved friends and family members
Todd and Chris Darr	Our Parents
Mary Lou Day	Jim Day, Susie Cooper, Joyce Eckerd
Walter Dunham	My Parents, R. Ernest and Elizabeth T Dunham
Helene Furlong	My Parents, John and Helene Furlong
Alva Hayes	Donald Hayes
Cathy Kilpatrick	Harry
Henry and Leslie Krowchenko	Linda Selm
Jean Parks	My Beloved Husband Ralph
Mary Rose	Ken and Anthony
Dave and Elaine Shipman	Our Mothers: Mary Shipman and Ethyl Barlow
Jean Stromberg	Alfred and Florence Schacht

Given By	In Honor Of
Lisa and Scott Higgins	Our Parents

Given By	In Honor and Memory Of
Chris Dearnaley	In honor of all our blessings

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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Please detach the reply form and return it with your gift to your church; or enclose it in an envelope with your check and mail it to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, PA 15264-3700.



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OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE



Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
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Fellowship of Urban Suburban Engagement

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>

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