



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 23, 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.

Face Masks for personal protection are *optional* for all activities on our campus
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, October 23	Wednesday (Continued)
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost	4:00 pm- Private Flute lessons
9:00 am- Kids Sing Along Choir	7:30 pm- Be Sharps Concert
9:30 am- Chancel Choir	Thursday, October 27
10:00 am- Worship	1:00 pm- Co-op Halloween Parade
Pastor Taylor Preaching	7:30 pm- BSA 277/2019
10:00 am- Faith Formation	Friday, October 28
11:00 am- Fellowship Time	1:00 pm- Co-op Halloween Parade
2:00 pm- Cubs 228 Rainboat Regatta	Saturday, October 29
4:00 pm- Blessing of the Animals	Sunday, October 30
Monday, October 24	Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost
10:00 am- Adult Bible Class	Reformation Sunday
10:00 am- Staff Meeting	9:30 am- Chancel Choir
Tuesday, October 25	10:00 am- Worship
4:00 pm- Private Flute Lessons	Pastor François Preaching
7:00 pm- Ballroom Dancing	10:00 am- Faith Formation
7:30 pm- Trustees	11:00 am- Fellowship Time
Wednesday, October 26	3:00 pm- Trunk or Treat
9:00 am-Breakfast Group-Court Diner	
9:00 am- Co-op Coffee Hour	
10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends	

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

Order of Worship

GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

WORDS OF MEDITATION

“Self-discipline is when your conscience tells you to do something and you don’t talk back.”
–W. K. Hope

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Ps. 65:5–8*)

By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance, O God of our salvation;

you are the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas.

By your strength you established the mountains;

you are girded with might.

You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

Those who live at earth’s farthest bounds are awed by your signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.

Let us worship God!

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 846

Fight the Good Fight
(verses 1-3)

DUKE STREET

CALL TO CONFESSION

Even before we admit our sin, God promises to hear us with mercy. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Let us come before God with our sins known and unknown, trusting that God keeps his promises.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

No words can express the depth of our need or reveal the extent of our sin. But you know us completely, O God. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive our transgressions. You rescue us from evil and clothe us with love. Humbly, we thank you; for no words can express our gratitude for the gift of your salvation. Amen.

WORDS OF COMFORT

Friends, the news is so good we can scarcely believe it:

God does not hold our sin against us but pours out abundant grace.

Give thanks to God and by the Spirit’s power share the gospel far and near: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Hallelujah!**

***HYMN 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 own people we will be merciful in action, kindly in heart, humble in mind. Always ready to forgive as freely as God has forgiven us. And, above everything else we will be loving and never forget to be thankful for what Christ has done for us. Amen.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 front pews. Children are invited to Faith Formation classes (ages 18 months – 5 years and 6-11 years) or to stay with us in worship. There are activity packets at each entrance for children to enjoy during worship time.

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 OFFERING **Song Without Words op. 53, No. 4** **by F. Mendelssohn**

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

PSALM **Psalm 84:1-7** **OT 543**

EPISTLE READING **2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18** **NT 213**

ANTHEM **Seed to Sow** **Kirkpatrick & Smith, arr. Emerson**
Kimu nkimaanyi Buli muntu alina ensiigo Omutima gwo gukulung 'aamye Buli muntu alina ensiigo. Some people quietly reveal in the manner of the meek. Some people shout the way they feel to a radical degree. Some people sing it to express, while others hear another call. Some people speak with subtleness. Some don't rely on words at all. But let me tell you 'bout Kimu nkimaanyi Buli muntu alina ensiigo Omutima gwo gukulung 'aamye Buli muntu alina ensiigo. One thing I know, everybody's got a seed to sow. Let your heart of hearts take you down the road. Everybody's got a seed to sow. We all are pieces of the whole, with different feelings to evoke, giving distinction to the role. Different players-different strokes. But let me tell you 'bout Kimu nkimaanyi Buli muntu alina ensiigo Omutima gwo gukulung 'aamye Buli muntu alina ensiigo. Some people walk. Some people race. Some people vary in their pace, but God can use what you can give within the mystery of His ways. Don't underestimate.

SERMON

Beating the Air

Pastor Taylor

OFFERING

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.



OFFERTORY

Paraphrase on "I Need Thee Every Hour"

H.A. Miller

*DOXOLOGY

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

God of creation, you water the earth and send forth food; you shower us with grace and feed us with your love. Accept these gifts, humble though they may be, and use them to spread your goodness throughout the earth; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN 741

Guide My Feet
(verses 1-4)

GUIDE MY FEET

*CHARGE, BLESSING AND TIME OF GREETING AND "PEACE"

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

*Those who are able, please stand.

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Thank you Barb Demos and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.

*This week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Scott and Lisa Higgins
celebrating our 6th 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.

MASK OPTIONAL Effective September 1, mask wearing is optional for worship and all activities and groups using WPC's buildings or grounds. If you would like to wear one, we have KN-95 masks available your use when you come to worship.

IN-PERSON STAFF AND OFFICE HOURS

Pastor François	Tuesday	11 am - 4:30 pm
	Wednesday	10 am - 2 pm
Pastor Taylor	Monday	11 am - 4:30 pm
	Thursday	10 am - 1 pm
Main Office	Mon-Thursday	2:00 - 4:30 pm

Feel free to call the church office (610-566-1644) or email staff members at other times.

SOCKTOBER Place new, wrapped (original packaging) men's, women's and children's socks in the Sock Drive containers in the Narthex and near the main office. Continues through October 31.

ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN Hopefully you have received our 2023 Annual Giving Campaign letter, including a pledge card and Bible verse Philippians 2:4 ("let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.")

Pledges represent approximately two-thirds of our annual budget and provide us with the confidence that we as a church can be "Caring, Sharing, Daring." Register your pledge using the pledge card or Church Center app.

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

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS Cats, dogs, fish, birds, hamsters, lizards – bring your favorite pet (real or stuffed), 4 pm today in honor of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals. Meet in the manse back yard.

VASES NEEDED Have any small vases you could give to the Deacons? They need them to deliver the Chancel flowers each Sunday to members and friends. Please leave them in the kitchen.

TRUNK OR TREAT The WPC upper parking lot will be filled with vehicles and trunks decked out for Halloween and with treats galore on Sunday, October 30, from 3-4 pm. (In Fellowship Hall in the event of rain.) Plan to bring your children to this super fun event, as well as a non-perishable food item to support our Red Wagon food pantry ministry. If you would like to donate some candy for the event, please leave it in the bins in the narthex or in Fellowship Hall. Decorated trunks are needed (with prizes for the best decorated). Register to host a trunk through the Church Center app, at tinyurl.com/m3w4kw99, by scanning the QR code shown here, or by contacting the church office.



BE-SHARPS CONCERT WPC welcomes the Be-Sharps, 7:30 pm, Wednesday, Oct. 26, a high school rock band and choir from Denmark. Under the direction of Birgit Fiig and Morten Noack, the group will present popular songs from the 60's to today. The night will also feature special appearances by The Haverford School Notables and The Baldwin School B-Flats.

PRIME TIME All aboard! Stan Bowman will present a slide show/talk, Tuesday, Nov. 8, on Trolleys in Delco. Bring lunch and a friend – we will provide beverages and dessert. Lunch is at noon; the talk begins at 12:30 pm

BOOKLOOK Join 7:30 pm, Wednesday, Nov. 16, to discuss *As Bright as Heaven*, “the compelling story of a mother and her daughters who find themselves in a harsh world not of their making (Philadelphia during the Spanish flu pandemic of 1918), which will either crush their resolve to survive or purify it. (Amazon) Contact Walt Kaminski to order a copy. The estimated cost is \$6.

CLOTHING DRIVE Beginning TODAY, WPC will be collecting clothing for Savage Sisters in addition to our annual Socktober donations. Seasonal items for men and women (no children’s) should be folded in bags (rather than hanging) and placed in the Reception Room. The drive ends Oct. 31.

NAME THAT HYMN Come to the sanctuary 7:30 pm, Wednesday, Nov. 2, for your chance to win great prizes (and bragging rights!) as Lee plays a mystery hymn tune and you guess the title. Then, join in a good old-fashioned hymn sing and request your favorites.

Sprouts Music Night Parents, siblings and grandparents are invited to stay, 6 pm, Friday, Nov. 4, as the kids sing the fun songs they have learned with Miss Lee and play hand-held instruments. Light refreshments will follow.

KIDS CAFÉ Meet Pastor Taylor and Miss Lee in the choir room, 11 am, Sunday, Nov. 6, for refreshments, fun, games and songs. Open to kids aged 4-11.

W.O.W. Join 7 pm, Wednesday, Nov. 9, for refreshments and Cyndi's lesson on "The Patience of Prayer." All women of our community of faith are welcome to participate – we all have something to contribute to this amazing gathering.

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