



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 29, 2023
ANNUAL MEETING

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.

Please take a moment to silence your cell phone.

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.

Visual Worship Schedules are available upon request.

If you need a little help hearing, portable listening devices are available.

If a fidget toy would be helpful for you, they are available at the Narthex entrance.

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.

A Parents' room is available downstairs for those with small children,

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, January 29

Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 am- Chancel Choir

10:00 am- Worship

Pastor François Preaching

10:00 am- Faith Formation

10:00 am- Annual Meeting

11:00 am- Fellowship Time

4:00 pm- Youth Bowling Night

Monday, January 30

10:00 am- Staff Meeting

10:00 am- Adult Bible Study

Tuesday, January 31

4:00 pm- Private Flute Lessons

7:00 pm- Ballroom Dancing

Wednesday, February 1

9:00 am-Breakfast Group-Court Diner

3:00 pm- Private Music Lessons

4:00 pm- Private Flute lessons

Thursday, February 2

6:30 pm- Bell Choir

7:30 pm- BSA 277/2019

7:30 pm- Choir Practice

Friday, February 3

6:00 pm- Sprouts

Saturday, February 4

5:00 pm- Chili Cookoff

Sunday, February 5

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

9:30 am- Chancel Choir

10:00 am- Worship

Pastor Taylor Preaching

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11:00 am- Fellowship Time

11:00 am- Kids Café

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

WORDS OF MEDITATION

“What makes authentic disciples is not visions, ecstasies, biblical mastery of chapter and verse, or spectacular success in the ministry, but a capacity for faithfulness. Buffeted by the fickle winds of failure, battered by their own unruly emotions, and bruised by rejection and ridicule, authentic disciples may have stumbled and frequently fallen, endured lapses and relapses, gotten handcuffed to the fleshpots and wandered into a far county. Yet, they kept coming back to Jesus.” — Brennan Manning, *The Ragamuffin Gospel: Good News for the Be-draggled, Beat-Up, and Burnt Out*

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

(This morning, as part of our worship service, our congregation meets for its annual meeting. We gather to worship God on the Lord's Day, Sunday, because the Gospels testify that Jesus rose from the dead early on the first day of the week. The Lord's Day is also called the “eighth day” of creation, a sign of the new creation that has begun with Christ's resurrection... An order of worship offers a meaningful and reliable structure for the church's encounter with the living God. Over time, an order of worship helps shape our faith and faithfulness as the people of God, becoming a pattern for how we live as Christians in the world. The order of worship today, rooted in scripture and the traditions of the universal Church and our Reformed heritage also incorporates the necessary elements for the orderly meeting of the congregation. As Presbyterians we are called to exercise and accomplish the business and ministry of the church decently and in order. If you are not familiar with the Presbyterian way of doing things we hope you will find today insightful.)

CERTIFYING THE QUORUM

CALL FOR NEW BUSINESS

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

We worship the Lord with gladness! We come into God's presence with singing!

Know this: The Lord alone is God.

We belong to the Lord, who made us; we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

Friends in Christ, enter God's gates with thanksgiving; go into the holy courts with praise.

We give thanks and call upon the name of the Lord.

Let us worship God.

OPENING PRAYER

MISSION AND MINISTRY REVIEW

PASTOR'S REMARKS

ASSOCIATE PASTOR'S REMARKS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, we give you thanks that by your power you created your church and by your goodness you call us to be your people in this congregation,

We confess that as individuals and as a congregation we have all too often lived for ourselves and apart from you. Too often we have been blind to the needs of others and have turned from our neighbors refusing to bear their burdens. We confess that we have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. *(Silent Confession)*

In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from fear and selfishness,

That we may choose your will and obey your commandments, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Sisters and brothers, siblings in Christ, our sins are forgiven by the faith of Jesus Christ, who chose love over hatred and forgiveness over blame. Rejoice and be glad, for God's mercy is great; Jesus brings healing, justice, and peace. **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.

*PASTORAL RESPONSE

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 MEDITATION

This Little Light of Mine

arr. M. Hayes

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:1-12

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NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

MEETING OF THE CORPORATION

CALL FOR MEETING OF THE CORPORATION

CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

CALL FOR NEW BUSINESS

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

MOVE TO RECEIVE REPORTS

RECONVENE THE MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

*HYMN 301

Let Us Build a House

TWO OAKS

NEW BUSINESS

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.



OFFERTORY

Der Dichter spricht ("the poet speaks")

by R. Schumann

*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

We thank you, God, that you have blessed us with an abundance of gifts for the flourishing of your world. May this offering of our life and discipleship reveal your love as we seek to share your grace with all. Amen.

TREASURER'S REPORT

REVIEW OF 2023 BUDGET

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PASTORAL TERMS OF CALL 2023

PASTORAL PRAYER/ LITANY OF THANKSGIVING

ANTHEM

Music Down in My Soul

by Moses Hogan

I hear music in the air. I can feel it in the air. There must be a God somewhere. Over my head I hear music in the air. There must be a God somewhere. Over my head I hear singing in the air. There must be a God somewhere. I got this music down in my soul, and it fills my heart with the joy of the Lord! I've got joy, joy everlasting! I've got peace, peace everlasting! I've got love, love everlasting! I've got joy, joy everlasting. Love in my heart, oh yes, I got peace in my soul. Oh, yes I got joy in my heart, joy today! Do you love the Lord? I love the Lord! I got this music down in my soul, and it fills my heart with the joy of the Lord! I've got joy, joy everlasting! I've got peace, peace everlasting! I've got love, love everlasting! I've got joy, joy everlasting. Love in my heart, oh yes, I got peace in my soul. Oh, yes I got joy in my heart. I got joy! I got peace! I got love! In my soul!

ADJOURNMENT

*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 to all who assisted with the worship service this morning.

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

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 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 for 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 Monday - Wednesday 2:00 - 4:30 pm

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

GLUTEN FREE COOKIES will now be available during coffee hour. The tray of yummys will be marked – please save them for those with specific dietary restrictions.

CHANCEL FLOWERS Would you like to sponsor the chancel flowers a Sunday in 2023. To order, use the Church Center app, this link (<https://bit.ly/3Wzyj1l>) or the chart in Fellowship Hall. The suggested donation is \$50.

ANNUAL MEETING The Annual Meeting is a time to receive reports, review financial and benevolence statements, receive the 2023 budget and elect members of the Nominating Committee. The meeting will be incorporated into the worship service TODAY.

VASES 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.

CHILI COOKOFF! WPC will be hosting its annual Chili Cook-off on Saturday, February 4, beginning at 5 pm. For kids and non-chili eaters, we will have chicken nuggets, mac and cheese and salad. You can vote for your favorite chili with dollars. All money raised will go to WPC's Red Wagon. We will also have a bounce house for the kids. Come out and meet your fellow church members, have fun and enjoy some interesting chili. For anyone wishing to bring a pot of chili, or app, please register online at bit.ly/WPC-Chili-23 or through the Church Center app. Any questions, call Walt Kaminski .

SPROUTS COOKIE DECORATING/PJ PARTY Decorate cookies in your PJs, then take them home to share, 6 p.m., Friday, February 5. Dinner is included – open to children grades K-5.

REFLECTIONS DURING LENT WPC will be compiling a booklet for Lent comprised of writings from our members and friends. We pray you will consider contributing your thoughts during this special time in the life of the church. The booklet will have daily entries from Ash Wednesday (Feb. 22) through Easter (April 9). Topics could include (but are not limited to):

- Personal experiences
- Lessons learned
- Hopes and wishes
- Faith community interactions

The deadline for submission is Tuesday, Jan. 31. Questions? Contact Shirley Rudd or Leslie Krowchenko.

KIDS CAFÉ Meet Pastor Taylor and Miss Lee in the choir room for games, songs and fun, 11 a.m., Sunday, February 5. Open to kids ages 4-11

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING Bring a few cans of soup to church on Sunday, February 12, then settle in for the game. The donations will benefit WPC's Red Wagon ministry.

PRIME TIME Judith Giesberg, PhD, professor of history at Villanova University, will talk about Pennsylvania politics and the Civil War, Tuesday, February 14. Bring lunch and a friend – we will provide beverages and dessert. Lunch starts at noon; the talk at 12:30 p.m.

THE SUPREMES 2022: NO LONGER THE LEAST DANGEROUS BRANCH? Join the discussion, Wednesday, February 15, about the implications of recent Supreme Court decisions. The potluck begins at 6:30 p.m.; the talk at 7:15 p.m.

OUR PROGRESSIVE DINNER IS BACK! It's a fun way to get to know or reconnect with other WPC adults! Appetizers will be at the church beginning at 5 p.m. on Saturday, February 25th, followed by dinner at different host homes and ending around 9 p.m. at another home for dessert. Each person will be asked to contribute \$10 and will be assigned a food item to bring. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall to attend (or to offer to host) by no later than Sunday, February 19 or at <https://bit.ly/progdinnerWPC> . If you are interested in childcare at the church or if you have questions, please contact Lisé Meloy, Chris Darr or Danielle Haury.

Deacon Helpers



**Many of us have received help from the Deacons –
here's the chance for you to be the helper.**

Deacons have been described as the “hands and feet” of Wallingford Presbyterian Church. Requests for help vary from preparing meals and providing rides to watering plants and weeding gardens.

In addition to short-term situations (surgery, illness), COVID-19 has challenged us with long-term needs. Individuals and families who receive assistance praise all that our church does for the community.

Are you available occasionally to help? Please complete the following form and email (office@wallingfordpres.org) or return it to the church office or place it in the offering plate.

Deacon Helpers Tasks and Availability

Task	Daytime	Evenings	Weekends
Transportation to medical appointments			
Transportation to church services/events			
Errands such as supermarket/drug store			
Meals			
Companionship visits/phone calls			
Household tasks			
Outdoor chores			
Pet Sitting			



Contact Information

Name	
Email	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
Best time to contact you	

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

**Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."*

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22–23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

CREATION AND PROVIDENCE

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
 날 마 다 자 비 를 배 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C7 F C F B^b C Dm



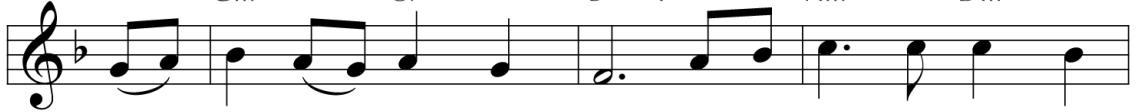
1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
 F C F Dm7 Gm C



safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
 Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm



how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
 Gm C F B^b



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith, peace and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshipping community.

THE CHURCH

Refrain

The musical score is written on two staves in a key signature of one flat (B-flat major). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the refrain, with lyrics: "love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions: one we claim the faith of Je - sus: share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come; bring an end to fear and dan - ger: house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:". The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: "all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place." Chords are indicated above the notes: (D) F, (G) Bb, (F#7) A7, (Bm) Dm, (Em) Gm, (Bm) Dm, (F#m) Am, (Em) Gm, (D) F, (Em) Gm, (A7) C7, (D) F, (G) Bb, (D) F.

Matthew 5:1-12

The Beatitudes

- 5 When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. 2 And he began to speak and taught them, saying:
- 3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.
- 5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.
- 6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.
- 7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.
- 8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.
- 9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.
- 10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 11 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. 12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

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