



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 25, 2023

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. If you would like to wear one, we have KN-95 masks available for your use when you come to worship.

Friendship Pew Pads can be found at the end of each pew. Please fill them out and pass along to your neighbors.

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.

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 are sponsored under a suggested donation of \$50. To order, use the Church Center App, the chart in the Fellowship Hall, or visit <https://bit.ly/3Wzyj1l>

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

Sunday, June 25

10:00 am- Young Disciples Sunday School

10:00 am- Worship

11:00 am- Coffee Hour

Monday, June 26

10:00 am- Staff Meeting

Tuesday, June 27

4:00 pm- Private Flute Lessons

7:30 pm- Trustees

Wednesday, June 28

9:00 am- Breakfast Group - Court Diner

Wednesday, June 28 (cont.)

3:00 pm- Private Brass Lessons

4:00 pm- Private Flute Lessons

7:00 pm- Karaoke Night

Thursday, June 29

Friday, June 30

Saturday, July 1

Sunday, July 2

10:00 am- Young Disciples Sunday School

10:00 am- Worship

11:00 am- Coffee Hour

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

“Until you have given up yourself to Him you will not have a real self. The very first step is to try to forget about the self altogether. Your real, new self (which is Christ’s and also yours, and yours just because it is His) will not come as long as you are looking for it. It will come when you are looking for Him. Look for yourself, and you will find in the long run only hatred, loneliness, despair, rage, ruin, and decay. But look for Christ and you will find Him, and with Him everything else thrown in.” – C.S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

GATHERING

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God cares for us completely
and calls us to live lives worthy of our calling.
Christ gave his life that we might live
and calls us to give our lives to him.
Through Christ we have died to sin;
in Christ we are fully alive to God.
Come, let us worship God.

*OPENING HYMN #22

God of the Sparrow (verses 1, 3 and 6)

ROEDER

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we come to you to confess our wrongdoings. We say we want peace, yet we turn against one another. We say we want shalom, yet we pay no heed to the cries of the powerless and seek our own advantage. Forgive us, merciful God. Wipe the sin from our lives and help us to follow you with every breath we take. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

WORDS OF COMFORT

God, who loves us, does not abandon, or forsake us. Our Savior hears and answers when we cry out from the wastelands of sin. Death cannot bind us, for the risen Christ sets us free. Hear the good news: in Jesus Christ you are forgiven.
Alleluia! 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.***

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. The Young Disciples Room (ages 18 months - 5 years) is open during the duration of worship time. Our Junior Disciples (ages 6-12) are invited to either stay and worship or be a "shepherd" to the toddlers downstairs. 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.

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

Wayfaring Stranger

Spiritual arr. H. Livingston Jr.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, Send your Holy Spirit so that we can hear you in these words of Scripture and entrust ourselves completely to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

NRSV OT 544

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 10:24-39

NRSV NT 10

SERMON

ANTHEM

O Jesus, I Have Promised

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; be thou forever near me, my master and my friend; I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side, nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide. O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near: I see the sights that dazzle; the tempting sounds I hear. My foes are ever near me, around me and within; but, Jesus, draw thou nearer and shield my soul from sin. O let me hear thee speaking in accents clear and still, above the storms of passion the murmurs of self will; O speak to reassure me, to hasten or control; O speak, and make me listen, thou guardian of my soul. O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee that where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be. And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end; O give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

MISSION AND MINISTRY

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Aubade

Edward Broughton



If you wish to give electronically from your smartphone or tablet, please scan the box at the left, to go to the website where you can give to WPC via credit card, or give via the Church Center app.

*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

Let us pray our unison prayer of dedication.

Holy One, we lift our voices in praise and thanksgiving for all that we receive from you. May these offerings turn and bless those who need it most, and may they serve your Kingdom to the fullest. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

SENDING

*CLOSING HYMN 700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'M GONNA LIVE

*BLESSING AND PEACE

(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 Chris Darr, and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.

This week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Mary Lou Day

in loving memory of Jimmy Day.

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17

¹Incline your ear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy. ²Preserve my life, for I am devoted to you; save your servant who trusts in you. You are my God; ³be gracious to me, O Lord, for to you do I cry all day long. ⁴Gladden the soul of your servant, for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. ⁵For you, O Lord, are good and forgiving, abounding in steadfast love to all who call on you. ⁶Give ear, O LORD, to my prayer; listen to my cry of supplication. ⁷In the day of my trouble I call on you, for you will answer me. ⁸There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours. ⁹All the nations you have made shall come and bow down before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name. ¹⁰For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

¹⁶Turn to me and be gracious to me; give your strength to your servant; save the child of your serving girl. ¹⁷Show me a sign of your favor, so that those who hate me may see it and be put to shame, because you, LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Matthew 10:24-39

²⁴A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; ²⁵it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household! ²⁶So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. ²⁷What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. ²⁸Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰And even the hairs of your head are all counted. ³¹So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows. ³²Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; ³³but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven. ³⁴Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. ³⁵For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; ³⁶and one's foes will be members of one's own household. ³⁷Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; ³⁸and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

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God of the Sparrow

C Em Am Dm G

1 God of the spar - row God of the whale God of the
 2 God of the earth - quake God of the storm God of the
 3 God of the rain - bow God of the cross God of the
 4 God of the hun - gry God of the sick God of the
 5 God of the neigh - bor God of the foe God of the
 6 God of the a - ges God near at hand God of the

C F E7 Am Em F Em

swirl - ing stars How does the crea - ture say Awe
 trum - pet blast How does the crea - ture cry Woe
 emp - ty grave How does the crea - ture say Grace
 prod - i - gal How does the crea - ture say Care
 prun - ing hook How does the crea - ture say Love
 lov - ing heart How do your chil - dren say Joy

Am Dm Gsus G C

How does the crea - ture say Praise
 How does the crea - ture cry Save
 How does the crea - ture say Thanks
 How does the crea - ture say Life
 How does the crea - ture say Peace
 How do your chil - dren say Home

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Though a lack of punctuation makes this text appear freeform and the flowing tune enhances a sense of movement, each stanza here is firmly anchored by a final weighty word (praise, save, thanks, life, peace, home), a sign of God's eternal presence in an ever-changing world.

700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)
2 I'm gon-na work so (work so) God can use me an - y -
3 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
4 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time! (an - y - time!)
I'm gon-na
I'm gon-na
I'm gon-na
I'm gon-na

live so (live so)
work so (work so) God can use me an - y -
pray so (pray so)
sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, (my Lord,) an - y - time! (an - y - time!)

This African American spiritual has more depth than may at first appear: for people who are bound in slavery to sing about dedicating themselves to God's use shows a profound awareness of God-given self-worth despite circumstances that would deny their human or spiritual value.

VBC

Vacation Bible Camp

6-7:30 p.m.

Monday, July 17 – Friday, July 21



Kids ages 4-11
grouped by age for stories/crafts



Please bring canned goods for our local food banks

\$10 per child/

\$20 per family



Play games of all kinds (indoor and out)
and learn how Jesus guides you
through the twist and turns of life



Friday night
hot dog dinner/
closing program



Scan here
to register

WPC Online Directory

Our current pictorial church directory is very dated. One trend is to use online directories accessible from smart phones and computers as the directory is then updated on a real-time basis. Our church uses Planning Center (with its Church Center mobile app) for tasks including contact information for members and visitors. We simply need to set up the directory through Planning Center (much of the information is already entered) and start using it!

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

What is the process to be part of the directory?

You will receive a link in an email invitation from the WPC Office Main Account asking you to Join the Directory. After you click on the button to “Join,” if you are using a computer, you will be asked to enter your mobile number or email address and a code will be sent to you. Enter the 6-digit code in the required field for access to the online directory.

To verify or edit your phone number, email, or address:

Click on your picture in the upper right portion of the screen.

Click on “My profile & settings.”

Select “Contact & profile information.”

Click on “Edit” and then make changes.

Select “Save changes” at the bottom of the screen to update your profile.

If you need to make changes to your birthday, you will need to contact Nathan at the church office as that information is protected. Your birth year will not be visible to others, but it is useful for WPC to have your birth year for our demographic records, so please let Nathan know if it is missing or incorrect.

How do I insert pictures into the directory?

If you want to change your individual profile picture, click on “My profile & settings” as above. Click on the picture to the left of your name (or your initials if you do not have an existing picture), and you will be able to remove that picture and/or upload a new picture. On the Directory Profile screen, you will have the opportunity to upload a photo of your household. If you don’t do this, your default household picture will be a geometric design. You will also be able to change individual pictures for others in your household. If you want to add or delete a family member, call the church office.

When will I be able to use the online directory?

After our initial sign-up period, the directory will be “published” to those who have given permission for their data to be viewed. At that point, users can search for an individual or household or look at information from the Church Center app on phones and from their computers. Until that time (and after you have been invited to join the directory), you should be able to view the directory through this link:



Questions or Feedback on the Process? Please contact Chris Darr (darr.christine@gmail.com or 610-357-3587), or contact Nathan Gibson at the church office (office@wallingfordpres.org or 610-566-1644).

SUMMER SUNDAYS FOR KIDS Following A Time with Young Disciples, choose the best option for your children:

- Young Disciples (12 months – four years)
 - Sunday School open downstairs with lessons and crafts
- Junior Disciples (K-fifth grade)
 - be a shepherd for the younger children downstairs
 - remain in the service (activity bags available)

The programs continue through Labor Day.

SUMMER WEDNESDAYS @WALLINGFORD Mark your calendars for the summer version of W@W. The lineup begins **June 28 at 7pm** with a Karaoke Night, followed by a showing of “Inherit the Wind” (**July 12**), BookLook (**July 26**) and a Coffee House (**August 16**). Watch for details.

COMMUNITY HEALTH ASSESSMENT The Delaware County Health Department is surveying residents to help determine community health priorities for county health initiatives. It takes only 15 minutes and is for adults (ages 18+) who live, work, go to school or receive services in Delco. Use the link in WPC Happenings to complete the survey by **June 30**.

https://delawarecountyhealth.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8ALZrgxWhjUZkz4?Q_CHL=qr

BOOKLOOK Join the discussion, **7:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 26**, of The Golden Compass by Philip Pullman, which “takes readers to a world where humans have animal familiars and parallel universes are within reach.” (Amazon). Contact Walt Kaminski to order; the cost is \$8.

RED WAGON LifeWerks is one of three food pantries supported by the Red Wagon. Their latest requests are:

- Feminine hygiene products (tampons, mini-pads, maxi-pads, overnight)
- Bladder control products (medium, heavy-long pads)
- Manual Can Openers (essential for the unhoused or those living without electricity)
- Quart size plastic storage bags (slider opening)
- Soups
 - Condensed (any kind except cream of chicken and chicken noodle)
 - Chunky
 - Chicken Noodle
 - Chowder (New England, Manhattan, corn)
 - Beef (sirloin burger, pot roast)
 - Italian wedding, minestrone, lentil
- Broths (beef, chicken, bone)
- Crackers (Ritz, Triscuits, Wheat Thins, Nut Thins, graham)
- Condiments (ketchup, mustard, BBQ sauce)
- Salad dressing (all varieties)
- Cereal (kids' and whole grain adult)
- Household cleaning products (spray/disinfectant, laundry detergent, dish soap, cleaning sponges/wipes)
- Paper goods (tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, napkins)