



**WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 6, 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, August 06

10:00 am- Young Disciples Sunday School

10:00 am- Worship

11:00 am- Coffee Hour

Monday, August 07

10:00 am- Staff Meeting

Tuesday, August 08

4:00 pm- Private Flute Lessons

7:30 pm- Worship Council

Wednesday, August 09

9:00 am- Breakfast Group - Court Diner

3:00 pm- Private Brass Lessons

3:30 pm- Private Flute Lessons

Thursday, August 10

Friday, August 11

Saturday, August 12

Sunday, August 13

10:00 am- Young Disciples Sunday School

10:00 am- Worship

11:00 am- Coffee Hour

11:10 am- Sunday School Teacher's Meeting

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the first. And he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand two tablets of stone. The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped. - Exodus 34:4-8

GATHERING

WELCOME AND RECOGNITION OF BIRTHDAYS

***Happy Birthday to you; we give thanks for your life;
We give thanks for your presence here; we give thanks to God for you.***

CALL TO WORSHIP

The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The LORD is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

The LORD is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings.

The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry, and saves them.

My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.

*OPENING HYMN #611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

SERVICE OF BAPTISM AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

SERVICE OF BAPTISM – Clara Leona Goodrich

AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS – Kara and Alfred Goodrich

PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH

APOSTLES CREED

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

BAPTISM

PRAYER AND BLESSING

WELCOME THE NEWLY BAPTIZED AND NEW MEMBERS

*HYMN #482

Baptized in Water
(verses 1 & 3)

BUNESSAN

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 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.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you are perfect, and yet we are weak and prone to wandering. Forgive us God when we trust ourselves, our money, our plans – more than we trust you. May we surrender our plans and lives to you O Lord. Root out our lack of trust....

Make us new again

Forgive us when contribute to the brokenness of the world and the lives of people around us. In the silence we name the things we have done that separate us from you and from others....
(Moment of silence)

Root out our selfishness and pride...

Make us new again

Forgive us when we continue to reach for more things, and trips, and experiences thinking they will make us happy. Make our hearts content in you, and keep us from greed and distraction. Root out all idolatry in our hearts...

Make us new again. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Scripture says that those who are in Christ are a new creation; everything old has passed away; see, the new has come! Hear then Christ's word of grace to us: 'Your sins are forgiven.'

Thanks be to God!

*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.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

NRSV OT 581

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

HOMILY

CALL TO OFFERING

We as followers of Jesus are called to love God with radical abandon, trusting that God will provide for us every step of the way. Who among us could dispute that... "All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided! Great is Thy faithfulness Lord unto me!" So let us give sacrificially in the knowledge of God's provision.

OFFERTORY

I Want To Walk as a Child of the Light

Kathleen Thomerson
Arr. Tom Trenney



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

Holy God, we offer these gifts to you, but let us not stop there. Help us to make our lives, our choices, our desires, our plans, into sacrifices of praise so that our whole selves become an offering to You and the Kingdom of God. In Jesus name, Amen.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

(The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding. If some of those who come have not yet been baptized, an invitation to baptismal preparation and Baptism is graciously extended. Worshipers prepare themselves to celebrate the Lord's Supper by putting their trust in Christ, confessing their sin, and seeking reconciliation with God and one another. Even those who doubt may come to the table in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Jesus Christ. W-3.0409 Directory for Worship, Book of Order, PCUSA)

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Please hold the bread so that we may receive it together to represent our corporate experience of God. You may drink the cup as it comes to you, representing our personal experience of God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one people.

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

*CLOSING HYMN 498 Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken BEACH SPRING
(verses 1 & 4)

*BENEDICTION 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 Lena Anderson, and all who assisted with the worship service this morning.
This week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Lloyd Smith,
in loving memory of my friend, Page Hodges*

Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21

⁸The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. ⁹The LORD is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.

¹⁴The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down. ¹⁵The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. ¹⁶You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing. ¹⁷The LORD is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings. ¹⁸The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. ¹⁹He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry, and saves them. ²⁰The LORD watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy. ²¹My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.

611 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-lect thy rays;
 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.

Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a-bove.
 stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.
 Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.

Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a-way.
 Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash-ing sea,
 Ev-er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic-tors in the midst of strife.

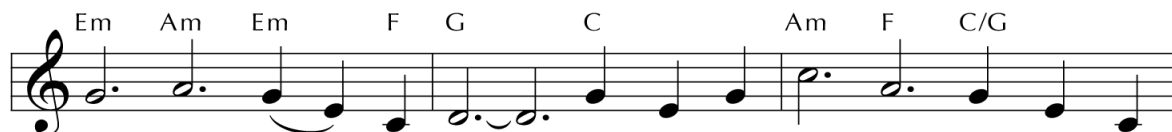
Giv-er of im-mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
 chant-ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re-joice in thee.
 Joy-ful mu-sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

This well-known melody was created to provide a choral setting for J. C. F. von Schiller's poem, "An die Freude" (To Joy), as the final movement of the composer's *Ninth Symphony*. The author, a prominent Presbyterian pastor and author, wrote the words with this tune in mind.

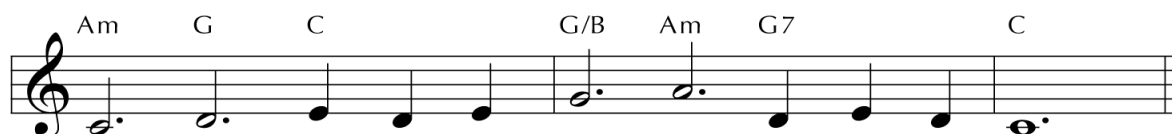
Baptized in Water



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our King; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing the
 tomb with Christ our King; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our King; born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

Each stanza of this compact and carefully constructed text about baptism begins with allusions to John 3:5 and Ephesians 1:13. The interplay of constant and changing lines accentuates each added image. It is set here to a Gaelic tune first transcribed in the 19th century.

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

498

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)
F Dm B \flat

1 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken by the Gal - i -
2 Loaves were bro - ken, words were spo - ken in a qui - et
3 Loaves are bro - ken, words are spo - ken, as in faith we
4 By the loaves you break and give us, send us in your

(D) (Bm)
F Dm

le - an shore. Je - sus, Bread of Life from heav - en, was their
room one night. In the bread and wine you gave them, Christ, you
gath - er here. Je - sus speaks a - cross the a - ges: "I am
name to share bread for which the mil - lions hun - ger, words that

(G) (D) (A)
B \flat F C

food for - ev - er - more.
came as Light from Light. By your bod - y bro - ken
with you; do not fear!"
tell your love and care.

(Bm) (F \sharp m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)
Dm Am Dm B \flat C F

for us, by your wine of life out-poured, Je - sus, feed a -

(Bm) (G) (D)
Dm B \flat F

gain your peo - ple. Be our Host, our Life, our Lord.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The first two stanzas of this text deal with events in the past (the feeding of the multitude and the Last Supper) and the final two with events in the present. The recurring last four lines of each stanza serve as an affirmation of Christ's continuing presence at all times.

FALL PREVENTION PROGRAM Falling is not a normal part of aging! Learn how to prevent falls by attending a seminar on doing the right exercises, making your home safer, getting regular health checkups and more. The free program, available to those aged 60 and over, will be held **12:30-3 p.m., Wednesday, August 16 and Friday, August 18**, at the PAC Center, 129 Park Avenue, Swarthmore.

To register, email Ellen Williams (williamse@co.delaware.pa.us) or call 610-499-1937.

CONTAINER WATERING Just two weeks available – **September 3 and September 10**. Register using the Church Center app.

CHANCEL CHOIR New and returning singers – come to the first rehearsal of the season, **7:30 p.m., Thursday, September 7**. No experience necessary.

YARD SALE Have some items to sell? Set up a table, **September 9**, at the Rutledge Borough Wide Yard Sale. The event will be held at Chambers Memorial Presbyterian Church and proceeds will benefit its Deacons. Register online (<http://www.chamberschurch.org>); call 610-544-1493 or email chambersmemorialchurch@gmail.com for additional information.

BOOKLOOK Join the discussion, **7:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 27**, about “The Soul of America” by Jon Meacham. The #1 New York Times bestseller helps readers understand the present moment in American politics and life by looking back at critical times in our history when hope overcame division and fear. Contact Walt Kaminski to order – the cost is \$6

OUR ONLINE WPC DIRECTORY Our church is starting to use the online Directory feature of our Planning Center membership software so that members can view contact information for those who have “joined” the directory. It’s easiest to use from the Church Center app on a smartphone (available from Apple App Store or from Google Play). Please contact Nathan in the church office with any questions.

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

- Young Disciples (18 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.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FALL SCHEDULE FOR YOUTH GROUP (Last Sunday of every month outings!) + Extra offerings!

September 24th, 4:30pm- Kick off outing at Urban Air!

October 29th, 4:30pm- TRUNK OR TREAT! Youth will decorate a trunk together and dress up!

November 19th (One Week early due to Thanksgiving!) Arcade and Mini Golf + Pizza Night!

December 3rd, 4:30pm- Advent Open House! Youth get to participate in crafts, music, and games!

December 13th, 7pm- Girls invited to come to Women of Wallingford Christmas Bash!

December 24th, 10am, 7:30pm and 11pm- Christmas Eve Services

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! FALL SCHEDULE FOR KIDS

Friday, September 8th, 6-8pm- Sprouts Bowling Night at Sproul Lanes

Sunday, September 10th, 10am- Rally Day – Food Truck Party!

Sunday, October 1st, 11am- Kid's Café – Sing and Play in the Choir Room!

Friday, October 6th, 6-8pm- Sprouts Night at WPC!

Sunday October 19th, 4:30pm- Trunk or Treat! Come dress up and get candy!

Tuesday, October 23rd- Christmas Pageant Sign-ups become LIVE!

Friday, November 3rd, 6-8pm- Sprouts Night at WPC!

Sunday, November 5th, 11am- Kid's Café Sing and Play in the Choir Room!

Sunday, November 19th, 11am- Christmas Pageant Practice

Sunday, November 26th, 11am- Christmas Pageant Practice

Sunday, December 3rd, 11am- Christmas Pageant Practice

Sunday December 3rd, 4:30pm- Advent Open House! Fun for all ages: crafts, singing, & games!

Sunday, December 10th, 11am- Christmas Pageant Practice

Sunday, December 17th, 9am- Christmas Pageant PERFORMANCE!

Sunday, December 24th, 10am, 7:30pm and 11pm- Christmas Eve Services

RED WAGON WPC supports three food pantries - Chester Eastside, LifeWerks & Media Food Bank.

Chester Eastside is requesting:

- Cereal
- Oatmeal, Cream of Wheat
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Soup (condensed or ready to serve)
- Canned tuna, salmon, mackerel, chicken
- Canned vegetables
- Salad dressing
- Pasta sauce
- Pasta
- Boxed mac & cheese
- Stuffing
- Rice
- Packaged cookies and snacks
- Bottled water

