

WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 15, 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, and hope that you'll feel right at home.

Please take a moment to silence your cell phone.

Face Masks for are optional for all activities on our campus, and are available upon request. 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, ADA Restroom is located in the Narthex.

<u>An Infant Changing Station and Quiet Room</u> for parents of little ones is located in the Narthex. <u>Activity Packets</u> are available for children to use during worship.

<u>Gluten Free Cookies</u> will now be available during coffee hour.

The tray will be marked – please save them for those with specific dietary restrictions.

<u>WPC Directory</u> Our church uses the online directory feature of Planning Center.

Find it online or on the Church Center app. Contact the church office with any questions.

<u>WPC Happenings</u> Stay informed! Physical copies available out in the Narthex.

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

Sunday, October 15

9:30 am- Chancel Choir
10:00 am- Worship
11:00 am- Coffee Hour
11:00 am- Wallingford Winds
Monday, October 16
10:00 am- Staff Meeting
10:00 am- Adult Bible Class
6:30 pm- Cub Scouts 228
7:30 pm- Education Council
7:30 pm- Stephen Ministry
Tuesday, October 17
9:00 am- WPC Connections
4:00 pm- Private Flute Lessons
7:30 pm- Ballroom Dancing
7:30 pm- Deacons

Wednesday, October 18

9:00 am- Breakfast Group - Court Diner 10:00 am- Fellowship of Friends 1:00 pm- Blood Drive 3:00 pm- Private Brass Lessons 3:00 pm- Private Flute Lessons 5:30 pm- Peacemaking & Social Justice 7:00pm- Valley Voices Thursday, October 19 7:30 pm- Chancel Choir 7:30 pm- BSA 277/2019 Friday, October 20 Saturday, October 21 Sunday, October 22 9:30 am- Chancel Choir 10:00 am- Worship 11:00 am- Coffee Hour 11:00 am- Wallingford Winds 1:00 pm- Cub Scouts 228

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

A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

THE FACE OF JESUS is a face that belongs to us the way our past belongs to us. It is a face that we belong to if only as to the one face out of the past that has perhaps had more to do with the shaping of our present than any other. According to Paul, the face of Jesus is our own face finally, the face we will all come to look like a little when the kingdom comes and we are truly ourselves at last, truly the brothers and sisters of one another and the children of God. -Originally published in *The Faces of Jesus*

GATHERING

WELCOME, RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP, ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENTS FOR MISSION - STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL, PEACEMAKING AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

CALL TO WORSHIP Friends in Christ, Praise the Lord Give thanks to the Lord for God is good; God's steadfast love endures for ever.

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward at this time. Parents are encouraged to accompany younger children and sit with them on the chancel steps or in the front seats. Then, children (18 months –11 years) are invited to Sunday School classes or to stay with us in worship. <u>If this is your child's first time going to Sunday School, please accompany them downstairs in order to register your child.</u>

MEDITATION ON THE WORD - Belonging to God and One Another in Baptism

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

*Hymn #481

I Believe in God the Father

Genevan 42

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Carter Jace George PRAYER AND BLESSING OVER THE WATER

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS - Charles and Sharon Babcock, Cary McHugh and Louise Rowland

ANTHEM When We Live in Jesus Nancy and Doug Besig When we walk in the path of Jesus, he will take us by the hand. For we know when we walk with Jesus, the Lord will help us; he'll always help us understand. When we pray in the name of Jesus, he will hear each word we say. And we know when we pray to Jesus, the Lord will answer ev'ry day. When we sing in the praise of Jesus, let each voice ring clear and strong. For we know when we sing to Jesus, the world will join us in our song. When we share in the love of Jesus, we will find we're not alone. For we know, with the love of Jesus, the Lord will take us; the Lord will make us all his own. GOSPEL READING

Luke 5:1-11

MEDITATION ON THE WORD - Belonging to God and One Another in Discipleship

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF ELDERS AND DEACONS AND THE COMMISSIONING OF TRUSTEES

HYMN OF PREPARATION #298 Lord, You Give the Great Commission (verses 1, 2 and 5) ABBOT'S LEIGH

The letter to the Galatians states, "As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ."

And the letter to the Ephesians teaches, "There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling."

First Corinthians states, "There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.

God works through each person in a unique way, but it is God's purpose that is accomplished. To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.

Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it."

Commissioning of Trustees Commissioning Prayer Statement on Ordination and Installation Constitutional Questions Prayer of Ordination Prayer for Deacons Prayer for Elders Declaration of Ordination Welcome

*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.

MISSION AND MINISTRY

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

We are called to live our lives in a manner that is worthy of the gospel of Jesus Christ. But we can't do this on our own. We rely on the gifts of the Spirit and the support of this community, striving side by side in faith.

Will you join us as we follow of Jesus Christ? If you are ready and willing, we are here to receive you.

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

Fugue in C

J. Pachelbel



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

Loving God, you are our provider. We offer all that we have and all that we are to you, because we belong to you. Bless these gifts, and empower us, your church, that through the work of your Spirit our ministry may be a refuge and a sanctuary to all who come seeking you here. Amen

PASTORAL PRAYER

<u>Sending</u>

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM (SCHUTTE)

*Benediction and Peace

*HYMN OF CHALLENGE #69

(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 Frank Noyes, and all who assisted with the worship service this morning. This week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Bill Mongon in loving memory of Kathleen Mongon

Luke 5:1-11

Once while Jesus was standing beside the lake of Gennesaret, and the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, ²he saw two boats there at the shore of the lake; the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. ³He got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon, and asked him to put out a little way from the shore. Then he sat down and taught the crowds from the boat. ⁴When he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep water and let down your nets for a catch." ⁵Simon answered, "Master, we have worked all night long but have caught nothing. Yet if you say so, I will let down the nets." ⁶When they had done this, they caught so many fish that their nets were beginning to break. ⁷So they signaled their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both boats, so that they began to sink. ⁸But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" ⁹For he and all who were with him were amazed at the catch of fish that they had taken; ¹⁰ and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. Then Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people." ¹¹When they had brought their boats to shore, they left everything and followed him.



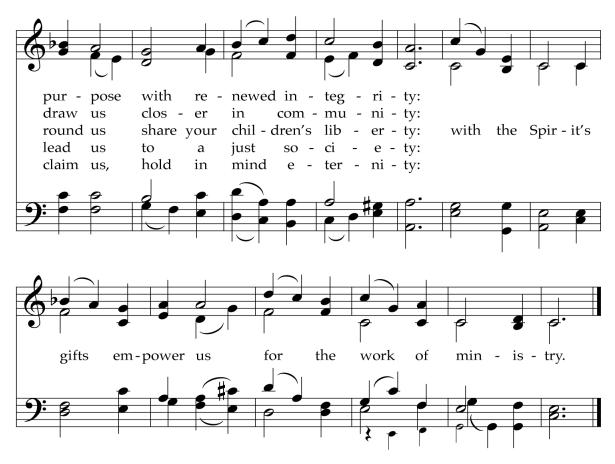
This text is a 21st-century metrical paraphrase of the Apostles' Creed (in the manner of Calvin's Strasbourg liturgy). Its connections with Reformed tradition are further strengthened by being set to the tune created for Psalm 42 in the 1551 Genevan Psalter (see also no. 87).

THE CHURCH



United by the refrain after each stanza, this text relies on passages from Matthew and Luke to highlight various dimensions of the church's mission and ministry in the world. It was written for use with this tune, composed in the village near Bristol, England, for which it is named.

THE CHURCH



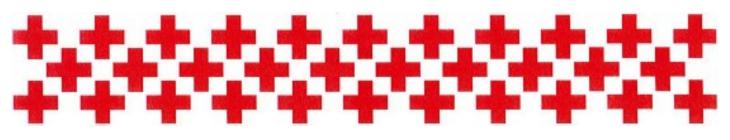
GOD'S COVENANT WITH ISRAEL



The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.



Blood Drive

Wallingford Presbyterian Church

Fellowship Hall 110 E. Brookhaven Road Wallingford, PA 19086

Wednesday, October 18, 2023 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: wpc to schedule an appointment

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients. If you are an eligible type O, B- or A- donor, consider making a Power Red donation. Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Scan to be directed to RapidPass



Scan to schedule an appointment



Trunk or Treat

3-4 p.m. Sunday, October 29 Upper Parking Lot



Bring the Kids Decorated cars/trucks/SUVs Treats galore

Host a Trunk Prizes for best decorated! Church lot opens at 2 p.m. for set up







Please bring canned goods for our local food banks Rain or Shine (Fellowship Hall if raining)





Youth Group/Young Adults Help decorate the YG/YA trunk Donate Candy Leave wrapped candy in the bins in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall





ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN Through the third week, we have received 43 pledges totaling \$201,766. Pledges represent approximately two-thirds of our annual budget and provide the confidence that we as a church will be like a beehive – always humming with activity.

Register your pledge using the pledge card, Church Center app or QR code.

SIXTH ANNUAL SOCKTOBER Place new \cdot wrapped (original packaging) men's and women's socks (for Savage Sisters) and children's socks (for Chester Eastside) in the Sock Drive containers in the Narthex and near the main office. Sponsored by the Education Council and Mission and Service Committee. **Continues through October 31**.

TRUNK OR TREAT CANDY Place donations of wrapped candy for Trunk or Treat in the tubs in the narthex and Fellowship Hall. **The event will be held 3 p.m., Sunday, October 29.**

BLOOD DRIVE FOR THE AMERICAN RED CROSS Give blood, help save lives! **Wednesday, October 18th, 2023, 2 p.m.-7 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Call 1-800-REDCROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter WPC to schedule an appointment. Help us continue our 70+ years of blood drives here at WPC!

FIRST PLACE SWARTHMORE Volunteer with First Place Swarthmore (FPS), an effort established by Swarthmore Pres to provide short-term housing for newly-arrived refugees. Attend a training session, **11:30 a.m., Sunday, October 22**, including a brief overview of the FPS mission and purpose, description of the timeline and volunteer roles while families are in residence and learnings from the leadership team to help support those new to the work. Questions? Contact Chris Darr or visit https://swarthmorepres.org/first-place-swarthmore/

CHANGES IN EDUCATION IN PENNSYLVANIA Participate in the discussion, **Wednesday, October 18**, with presenters Jennifer Hoff (William Penn School District) and State Sen. Tim Kearney (representing parts of Media, Swarthmore and Springfield). Sponsored by the Peacemaking and Social Justice Committee. **Potluck – 6:30 p.m.; talk – 7:15 p.m.**

BREAKFAST CLUB Students grades 6-12 – take a break from normal worship and share fellowship in the Youth Room. Enjoy breakfast, discussion about the week's "Nooma" video and games. Meets the LAST Sunday of the month beginning **10 a.m., October 29.**



TRUNK OR TREAT The upper parking lot will be filled with cars/trucks/SUVs, **3 p.m.**, **Sunday, October 29**, decked out for Halloween and treats galore. Plan to bring your kids to this spooky fun event! Like to host a trunk (prizes for best decorated!). Use the QR code or call the church office. Grab a flyer in the narthex on your way out today to invite your neighbors! **RISE AGAINST HUNGER** Join with Scout Troops 277 and 2019 for Rise Against Hunger, **Sunday**, **November 5**, to help package 10,000 meals to ship to those in need throughout the world. Lunch will be available at noon, followed by the pack out starting at 12:30 p.m. The event is co-sponsored by the Mission and Service Committee and WPC Scouts. Sign up using the poster in the Narthex.

MONTHLY CONVERSATIONS Join Pastor François and Pastor Taylor as they host a series of monthly conversations on various topics. Begin with Pastor Taylor, **11 a.m., Sunday, November 12**, to discuss "Tackling Theodicy: If God is good, why is there evil in the world?" Meets in the Reception Room.

PHILADELPHIA BOYS CHOIR The choir, with our own Carter Zeszut, will perform **3 p.m., Sunday**, **November 13**, at Springfield High School. Tickets will be available at the door.

BOOKLOOK Discuss "The Midnight Library," 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 15, the #1 New York Times which tells the story of a woman faced with the possibility of changing her life for a new one. She must search within herself to decide what is truly fulfilling in life and what makes it worth living. Contact Walt Kaminski to order – the cost is \$11.50

RED WAGON WPC supports three food pantries – Chester Eastside, LifeWerks and Media Food Bank. Lifewerks is requesting:

- Cereal (kids' and whole grain adult)
- 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)
- Manual Can Openers (essential for the unhoused or those living without electricity)
- Paper goods (tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, napkins)
- Household cleaning products (spray/disinfectant, laundry/dish soap, sponges/wipes)
- Feminine hygiene products (tampons, mini-pads, maxi-pads, overnight)
- Bladder control products (medium, heavy-long pads)

- REV. FRANÇOIS LACROIX, PASTOR Tuesday, 11:00am-4:00pm Wednesday, 10:00am-2:00pm
- REV. TAYLOR CORNELIUS, ASSOCIATE PASTOR Monday, 11:00am-4.430pm Thursday, 10:00am-1:00pm
 - LEE HAGON-KERR, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
- NATHAN GIBSON, CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm
- LESLIE KROWCHENKO, COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR
 - CHRISTINE DARR, CLERK OF SESSION
 - ED MATTOTE AND TODD DARR, CO-TREASURERS
 - MICHELLE HALL, FINANCIAL SECRETARY

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