



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
APRIL 14TH, 2024
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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 are optional for all activities 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.

WPC Directory Our church uses the online directory feature of Planning Center.

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

WPC Happenings Stay informed! Physical copies available out in the Narthex.



Visual Worship Schedules are available upon request.



If You Need a Little Help Hearing, portable listening devices are available.



An All Gender, ADA Restroom is located in the Narthex.

An Infant Changing Station and Quiet Room for parents is located in the Narthex.



Activity Packets are available for children to use during worship.

Fidget Toys for children (and adults) are available at the Narthex entrance.



Gluten Free Cookies are labeled and available during coffee hour.

Communion is served the first Sunday of the month.

WPC uses bread that is gluten free and made without tree nuts or peanuts.

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

STAFF & HOURS

PASTOR: Rev. François Lacroix

- Tuesday, 11:00am-4:00pm
- Wednesday, 10:00am-2:00pm

ASSOCIATE PASTOR: Rev. Taylor Cornelius

- Monday, 11:00am-4.430pm
- Thursday, 10:00am-1:00pm

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Lee Hagon-Kerr

CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: Nathan Gibson

- Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR: Leslie Krowchenko

CLERK OF SESSION: Christine Darr

CO-TREASURERS: Ed Mattote and Todd Darr

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Michelle Hall

*Those who are able, please stand.

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Children of God rejoice!

Alleluia!

For the one who was promised, the Messiah of God, has been raised in new life for us.

Children of God rejoice!

Alleluia!

OPENING PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OPENING HYMNS #243

Be Not Afraid

BE NOT AFRAID

HYMN #250

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

PROMISE

HYMN #253

Alleluia! Christ Is Risen

SANTO DOMINGO

HYMN #243

Be Not Afraid

BE NOT AFRAID

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. If this is your child's first time going to Sunday School, please accompany them downstairs in order to register your child.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM - Eleanora Nielsen

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS - Alyssa and Thomas Nielsen

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Jesus Still Lead On

arr. N Raabe

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 3:12-19

NRSV NT 120

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:36-48

NRSV NT 91

ANTHEM

When Rooks Fly Homeward

Campbell and Baynon

When rooks fly homeward and shadows fall, when roses fold on the hay-yard wall, when blind moths flutter by door and tree, then comes the quiet of Christ to me. When stars look out on the children's path and grey mists gather on carn and rath, when night is one with brooding sea, then comes the quiet of Christ to me.

SERMON

MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

Prelude on "Promised Land"

arr. A Giamanco



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*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 THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Generous God, we give you thanks and praise for light and life and love, and – above all – the presence of the living Lord among us. By your Spirit who breathes within us, strengthen our faith, use our gifts and work in our lives to bear witness to the resurrection of Christ our Lord, in whose name we pray. Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER

SENDING

*RESPONSE 582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me (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.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*PEACE

Thank you to Jenny Montague, and everyone who assisted with worship this morning.

*This week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Dave and Shirley Rudd,
in honor of the 50th anniversary of their finding the Presbyterian Church.*

Be Not Afraid

243

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

The first system of music consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a 4/4 time signature. It contains a vocal line with lyrics and a piano accompaniment line. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature, containing a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!"

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

The second system of music is identical in notation to the first system, consisting of two staves (treble and bass clef) with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are: "Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!"

Intended for repeated singing like other chants from the Taizé Community, this text began in Czech as "Nebojte se." The English version uses the language of the angel's greeting to Mary Magdalene and "the other Mary," who went to Jesus' tomb on Easter morning (Matthew 28:5-6).

TEXT: Taizé Community, 1998
MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1998
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BE NOT AFRAID
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In the Bulb There Is a Flower 250

Hymn of Promise

Capo 3: (D) (Em)
F Gm

1 In the bulb there is a flow - er; in the seed, an ap - ple tree;
2 There's a song in ev - ery si - lence, seek - ing word and mel - o - dy;
3 In our end is our be - gin - ning; in our time, in - fin - i - ty;

(A7) (D)
C7 F

in co - coons, a hid - den prom - ise: but - ter - flies will soon be free!
there's a dawn in ev - ery dark - ness, bring - ing hope to you and me.
in our doubt there is be - liev - ing; in our life, e - ter - ni - ty.

(D7) (G) (Em) (D) (Bm) (Em) (F#) (Bm)
F7 B^b Gm F Dm Gm A Dm

In the cold and snow of win - ter there's a spring that waits to be,
From the past will come the fu - ture; what it holds, a mys - ter - y,
In our death, a res - ur - rec - tion; at the last, a vic - to - ry,

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

un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.

The writing of this hymn was spurred by a line from the poet T. S. Eliot: "In my end is my beginning."
Shortly after this piece was completed, the author/composer's husband was diagnosed with what proved to be a terminal malignancy, and the original anthem version of this hymn was sung at his funeral.

253 Alleluia! Christ Is Arisen

¡Aleluya! Cristo resucitó

Refrain / Estribillo

Bm F#7

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is a - ris - en.
 ¡A - le - lu - ya! Cris - to re - su - ci - tó

Bm Fine

Bright is the dawn-ing of the Lord's day.
 la ma - dru - ga - da del do - min - go.

Bm G F#7

1 Run, faith - ful wom - en, to the grave - side.
 2 Rise, Mag - da - le - na, from your weep - ing;
 3 Gath - er, dis - ci - ples, in the eve - ning;
 4 Thom - as, where were you on that eve - ning?

Bm

Mar - vel, the stone is rolled a - way!
 Christ stands be - fore your ver - y eyes.
 sud - den - ly Christ your Lord ap - pears.
 "I'll not be - lieve un - less I see."

G F#7

Hear from the an - gel, "He is ris - en."
 Quick - ly re - turn to the dis - ci - ples;
 "Look, it is I, your wound - ed Sav - ior.
 Christ comes a - gain, and ev - ery Lord's day:

Bm to Refrain / el Estribillo

Christ goes be - fore you all the way.
 bear the good news: "He is a - live."
 Peace be with you, and do not fear."
 "Touch me and see; have faith in me."

With great artistry, this Latin American hymn condenses the Resurrection story into four stanzas. The first and third stanzas deal with groups (the women, the disciples), while the second and fourth focus on individuals (Mary Magdalene, Thomas). The refrain is Good News for all.

Acts 3:12-19

¹²When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? ¹³The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. ¹⁴But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, ¹⁵and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. ¹⁶And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. ¹⁷“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. ¹⁸In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. ¹⁹Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

Luke 24:36 – 48

³⁶While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” ³⁷They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. ³⁸He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” ⁴⁰And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. ⁴¹While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” ⁴²They gave him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³and he took it and ate in their presence. ⁴⁴Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” ⁴⁵Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸You are witnesses of these things.



WORLD AUTISM MONTH April is World Autism Month, an opportunity to understand how autism impacts WPC and the community at large, raise awareness about autism acceptance and promote inclusion and connectedness for people with autism. Use the QR code for more information.

SECOND CHANCE MONTH April is Second Chance Month, a nationwide campaign to raise awareness and unlock second chances for men and women who have paid their debt to society. Visit the WPC website for more information.



WALK WITH EASE A program developed by the Arthritis Foundation to safely make physical activity part of your everyday life. Held at Redwood Community Center (280 6th Street, Brookhaven), **1:30-3 p.m., Fridays through May 17**. Use the QR code for more information and to register.

WEDDING CELEBRATION Plan to attend Coffee Hour, **11 a.m., Sunday, April 21**, to celebrate Pat (Tillson) and Phil La Borie's recent nuptials.

BREAKFAST CLUB Tweens and teens – meet in the youth room, **10 a.m., Sunday, April 21**, for breakfast, a discussion about the week's video and games. Open to students grades 6-12.



YOUTH GROUP MINI GOLF AND ARCADE NIGHT Meet at Putt Putt Family Fun Center (5300 W Baltimore Pike, Clifton Heights), **4:30 p.m., Sunday, April 28**, for mini golf and arcade time. Open to grades 6-12. Sign up using the QR code – deadline Saturday, April 27.

BOOKLOOK Discuss *Red Notice: A True Story of High Finance, Murder, and One Man's Fight for Justice*, by Bill Browder, "a financial caper, a crime thriller and a political crusade – the story of one man taking on overpowering odds to change the world and also the story of how, without intending to, he found meaning in his life." (Amazon), **7:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 15**. Contact Walt Kaminski to order – the cost is approximately \$5.50.

NEW LIBRARY BOOKS The Abilities Initiative has added four new books to our library:

- Super Aging: Getting Older Without Getting Old (David Cravit and Larry Wolf)
- Neurodiversity Affirming Glossary of Key Vocabulary: (PDA Space Summer 2023 Edition) (Edgar Helen)
- What will happen to my Special Needs Child when I am gone: A Detailed Guide to Secure your Child's Emotional and Financial Future (Susan Jules)
- Every Brain is Beautiful: A Little Kids' Guide to Neurodiversity (Sara Furlong)

All are available to be checked out.

RED WAGON WPC supports 3 food pantries – Chester Eastside, LifeWerks & Media Food Bank.

Media Food Bank is requesting:

- Breakfast Food (dry cereal, hot cereal, shelf-stable milk)
- Canned Goods (canned fish, meat, vegetables, fruit)
- Pantry Staples (broth, cooking oil, vinegar, sugar, flour)
- Condiments (ketchup, mustard, mayo, salad dressing)
- Snacks (crackers, chips, cookies)
- Beverages (coffee, tea, juice/juice boxes, hot chocolate)
- Personal Care (feminine hygiene items, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes/ toothpaste)
- Baby Items (baby food, diapers, pull-ups, wipes)
- Household Essentials (toilet paper, paper towels, laundry/dish detergent)
- Pet Food (dog/cat; wet/dry)

NAPKINS Have any size decorative napkins (cocktail or luncheon, open or unopened packages) you aren't using? Please leave them in the kitchen for coffee hour.

WPC Week at a Glance	
Sunday, April 14	Wednesday, April 17(cont.)
09:30 am- Chancel Choir	03:00 pm- Flute Lessons
10:00 am- Worship	03:30 pm- Brass Lessons
11:00 am- Coffee Hour	07:00 pm- Valley Voices
Monday, April 15	Thursday, April 18
10:00 am- Adult Bible Class	06.30 pm- Bell Choir
10:00 am- Staff Meeting	07.00 pm- Chancel Choir
06:30 pm- BSA 228	07:30 pm- BSA 277/2019
07:30 pm- Education Council	Friday, April 19
Tuesday, April 16	Saturday, April 20
04:00 pm- Flute Lessons	Sunday, April 21
07:00 pm- Ballroom Dancing	09:30 am- Bell Choir
07:30 pm- Deacons	09:30 am- Chancel Choir
Wednesday, April 17	10:00 am- Breakfast Club
09:00 am- Breakfast Group - Court Diner	10:00 am- Worship
09:00 am- WPC Connections	11:00 am- Coffee Hour

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