



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
MAY 26TH, 2024
TRINITY SUNDAY

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

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

On Trinity Sunday we proclaim the mystery of our faith in the triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, One-in-Three and Three-in-One.

The celebration of Trinity Sunday began among Western Christians in the 10th century and developed slowly until it was formally established on the Sunday after Pentecost by Pope John XXII (1316-1334).

Unlike other festivals in the church's liturgical calendar, Trinity Sunday centers on a doctrine of the church, rather than an event. It celebrates the unfathomable mystery of God's being as Holy Trinity. It is a day of adoration and praise of the one, eternal, incomprehensible God.

Trinity Sunday, in a sense, synthesizes all we have celebrated over the past months which have centered on God's mighty acts: Christmas-Epiphany celebrating God's taking flesh and dwelling among us in Jesus Christ; Easter celebrating Christ's death and resurrection for us; Pentecost celebrating God the Holy Spirit becoming our Sanctifier, Guide, and Teacher. It is, therefore, a fitting transition to that part of the year when Sunday by Sunday the work of God among us is unfolded in a more general way.

GATHERING

WELCOME AND RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

*CALL TO WORSHIP

On this Trinity Sunday we come in the presence of God that we might hear, see and experience the majesty of creation and the mystery of God.

Let us lift our many voices as one in praise and gratitude, trusting that in our collective voice we find collective grace and liberation. Together, let us worship God.

OPENING SCRIPTURE

Isaiah 6:1-8

NRSV OT 635

OPENING PRAYER

*OPENING HYMN #10 Sing Glory to the Name of God (verses 1, 2 & 3) LASST UNS ERFREUEN

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

All children are invited to come forward at this time. The Nursery (18mo-4yo) is open downstairs, however there is no Sunday School for children 5 and up this week, so children are invited to stay with us in worship. If this is your child's first time going to the Nursery, please accompany them in order to register your child.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we know that you are always there to lead us, yet we somehow lose our way and fall back in fear. We confess that we have stumbled, and we recognize our need for you to lift us up and help us start again. Forgive us our failings, restore us to strength, and reconcile us with you, ourselves, and each other, through the power of Christ and the gift of your Spirit. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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.***

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:12-17 NRSV NT 158

ANTHEM Come, Christians, Join to Sing arr. J. Carter
Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice; praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen! Let all the earth around ring joyous with the sound: May Jesus Christ be praised! In heaven's eternal bliss the loveliest strain is this: May Jesus Christ be praised! Praise ye the Lord again: Alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain: Alleluia! Amen! On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore, singing forever more: Alleluia! Amen!

GOSPEL READING John 3:1-17 NRSV NT 93

SERMON

MISSION AND MINISTRY

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

The power of God's voice reverberates throughout all creation, and you are invited to join in! How will you sing a song of salvation? How will you be a voice of Grace in a world that struggles to sing along?

We invite you to join us as we strive to sing in God's chorus and let our voices be those who sing for love and justice in the world.

If you would like to become a member of this congregation or to find out more about WPC please reach out to Pastor Taylor or Pastor Francois.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY



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 THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Holy God, your love overflows in the gift of your Spirit. Bless the gifts that we offer that they may spread your blessing, love and grace in our world. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SENDING

*CLOSING HYMN #1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty (Verses 1, 2 and 4)

NICAEA

*CHARGE, BENEDICTION AND PEACE

*Thank you to Ellis and Heather Warley, and everyone who assisted with worship this morning.
This week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Scott and Diane Corbett,
in celebration of their anniversary and their granddaughter Ada.*

This morning we welcome and give a special thank you to pianist/organist John Conahan who is subbing for Lee while she is away.

10 Sing Glory to the Name of God

(Psalm 29)

Unison

1 Sing glo - ry to the name of God, whose ho - ly splen - dor shines a -
 2 The name of God is full of might: re - sound - ing thun - der, flash - ing
 3 The name of God is wild and free, a - whirl in ho - ly mys - ter -
 4 May God for - ev - er be our peace; may hymns of glo - ry nev - er

Harmony *Unison*

broad.
 light.
 y.
 cease:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

En - throned a - bove the
 The wil - der - ness can -
 A se - cret wrapped in
 Let all the faith - ful

crash - ing waves, the God of grace and glo - ry saves.
 not con - tain the ech - oes of the great re - frain:
 smoke and fire, still chant - ed by the tem - ple choir:
 peo - ple come; sing praise to God, the Three - in - One:

This sweeping paraphrase of Psalm 29 conveys a sense of the Jewish reverence for the sheer power of God's name, regarded as too holy for mortal tongues to pronounce. In keeping with its appointment for Trinity Sunday, the final stanza gives the psalm a Christian interpretation.

THE TRIUNE GOD

Harmony

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia,

The Harmony section consists of two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major. The melody is primarily in the Treble clef, with accompaniment in the Bass clef. The lyrics are: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia,". The music features a mix of chords and moving lines, with some notes beamed together.

Unison

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Unison section consists of two staves, Treble and Bass clef, in the key of D major. The melody is primarily in the Treble clef, with accompaniment in the Bass clef. The lyrics are: "al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!". The music features a mix of chords and moving lines, with some notes beamed together. The section ends with a double bar line.

1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Descant

4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! all the saints a - dore thee,
 3 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful - ness thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Much of the imagery of this hymn comes from Revelation 4:2–11, which its author, an Anglican bishop, knew as a reading appointed for Trinity Sunday. The tune, written specifically for this text, reinforces the Trinitarian theme by strong dependence on the D-major triad.

ho - - - ly,

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in power, in love and pu - ri - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

Isaiah 6:1-8

¹In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ²Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. ⁵And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" ⁶Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." ⁸Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Romans 8:12-17

¹²So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh— ¹³for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. ¹⁵For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” ¹⁶it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

John 3:1-17

¹Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” ³Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” ⁴Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. ⁶What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ ⁸The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” ⁹Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” ¹⁰Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. ¹²If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? ¹³No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. ¹⁶“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

CONGRATS TO OUR WPC GRADS!

Solit Abraham (Eritrean refugee family sponsored by WPC)

Graduating from: Shawnee Mission West High School (Overland Park, Kansas)

Sofia Anderson

Graduating from: Strath Haven High School

Attending Towson University, Honors College

Majoring in Political Science and minoring in Business, Communication & the Liberal Arts

Zoe Andrews

Graduating from: Thomas Jefferson University

Bachelor's of Science: Psychology

Abigail Grunseich

Graduating from: Strath Haven High School

Attending Dickinson College, Majoring in Biology

Bailey Hansen

Graduating from: Strath Haven High School

Attending Bucknell University, Undecided business major

Courtney Kenworthy

Graduating from: University of Mount Union

Bachelor's of Science: Psychology

Brett Miller

Graduating from: Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Bachelor of Science

Natneal Osman (Eritrean refugee family sponsored by WPC)

Graduating from: High School in Ohio

Zachary Schultz

Graduating from: Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology

Associate Degree: Electro-Mechanical-Engineering Technology



STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

5-8pm, Monday June 3rd

YOU make Strawberry Festival a success!



Volunteer

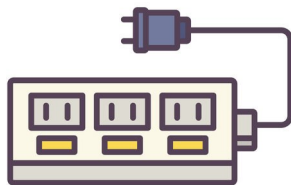
- Bake a cake
- Slice strawberries
- Sell tickets
- Serve food/strawberries/cake
- Setup/Sell Attic Treasures/Book Nook/Plants
- General Setup/Cleanup



Sign-up sheets in Fellowship Hall or use Church Center app

We're asking everyone coming to bring the following for the Red Wagon:

- non-perishables
- cleaning products
- feminine hygiene products
- diapers/wipes



Extra Supplies Needed for Donation

Extension cords/power strips
card tables/re-freezable ice packs

Leave in Library through Monday, June 3

Attic Treasures

Kitchen items, knickknacks, kids items

Drop in rear of Fellowship Hall

Sunday, May 19-Sunday, June 2



Larger Attic Treasures

Only accepting those which one person can carry
(side chairs/tables, tools)

Drop outside office entrance

Sunday, June 2 and Monday, June 3

Jewelry

Necklaces, bracelets, pins, accessories

Weekdays – bring to Church office

Sundays – give to Alva



Books

Kids, fiction and non, cookbooks, etc.
(no encyclopedias/textbooks/VHS/CDs)

Leave in Choir Room

Sunday, May 19-Sunday, June 2

Plants

Perennials, vegetables, herbs
(mark with type of plant, sun/shade)
garden tools, pots

Leave in Courtyard

Sunday, June 2 and Monday, June 3



Cakes

Homemade/purchased/cupcakes

Leave in Kitchen


Sunday, June 2 and Monday, June 3




MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND CHILDCARE Please note there will be no Sunday School for grades K-5 **today, Sunday, May 26**. Children ages 18 months – pre-K are invited to the lower-level Sunday School room.


SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL Summer Sunday School begins **Sunday, June 2**. Following a Time with Young Disciples, children grades K-5 can watch VeggieTales in the Reception Room; youngsters ages 18 months – pre-K are invited to spend the entire service in the lower-level Sunday School room.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS Summer Sunday School runs June 2 – September 1 and teachers are still needed for a few dates:


 **VeggieTales (grades K-5)**
Play the DVD and interact with the kids
Available dates – June 2 and 30; July 7, 14 and 28; Aug. 25, Sept. 1
Use the QR code to volunteer or sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

 **Nursery (18 month – pre-K)**
Interact with the children
Available dates – July 7; Aug.4, Sept. 1
Use the QR code to volunteer or sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

VBC This year's theme is Scuba - Dive into Friendship with God, featuring fun, faith-filled programming; storytelling, games, crafts, fellowship; end-of-week celebration and mission (Red Wagon). **Held 6-7:30pm, Monday, July 8 – Friday, July 12**. Open to kids ages 4-11 – **registration begins Tuesday, June 4**.

 **EARLY VBC REGISTRATION** WPC members and friends – register your children now for a fun week at VBC, including stories, games, crafts, fellowship and an end of week celebration. VBC will be held **6-7:30 p.m., Monday, July 8 – Friday, July 12** and is open to kids ages 4-11. The cost is \$15/child; \$20/family. Use the QR code to register.

VBC SHEPHERDS Tweens and teens – volunteer with VBC (6-7:30 p.m., July 8-12) by shepherding the classes from station to station, helping with crafts and games. . . Contact Pastor Taylor to volunteer.

 **ELECTRONIC SIGN SUPPORT** Email Maureen Feyes, Nether Providence zoning officer and assistant township manager, supporting WPC's proposed electronic sign in advance of the June 17 zoning hearing. Let neighbors know WPC is an active part of the community. Use the QR code for more information.

STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL TICKET PRE-SALE Beat the rush – buy your Strawberry Festival tickets during Coffee Hour **today, Sunday, May 26 and Sunday, June 2**. Cash, credit/debit card, Venmo, PayPal, Apple Pay and Google Pay accepted.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED The church office will be closed **tomorrow** for Memorial Day.

LAMB ROAST Feast on lamb cooked in an outside fire pit, **4:30 p.m., Saturday, June 15**. (Not a lamb eater? Enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers and chicken fingers). Please bring an appetizer (last names A-H), side dish (I-O) or dessert (P-Z). Have fun with cornhole, quoits and other games and bring a chair. The event is rain or shine.

BOOKLOOK Discuss *City of Thieves* by David Benioff, “by turns insightful and funny, thrilling and terrifying, the New York Times bestseller is a gripping, cinematic World War II adventure and an intimate coming-of-age story with an utterly contemporary feel for how boys become men.” (Amazon), **7:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 17**. Contact Walt Kaminski to order – the cost is approximately \$6.



CONTAINER WATERING Pick a week from **mid-May to mid-September** to water the containers at the Narthex doors. It just takes 10 minutes, twice a week (unless there is rain). Use the Church Center app or the QR code.

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

- Cereal (kids' and whole grain adult)
- Soups
 - Condensed (any kind)
 - Chunky: Beef (any combo with potatoes and veggies), Chicken (any with noodles), Sausage (any type), Chowder (New England, corn), Italian Wedding, Minestrone, Lentil
- Broths (beef, bone)
- Crackers (Ritz, Triscuits, Wheat Thins, Nut Thins, graham)
- Canned vegetables, stewed tomatoes, tomato paste
- Condiments (ketchup, mustard, BBQ sauce)
- Salad dressing (all varieties)
- Paper goods (tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, napkins)
- Household cleaning products (multi-purpose spray/disinfectant, laundry detergent, dish soap, sponges/wipes)
- Skin care products (body lotion, hand cream, Chapstick/lip gloss)
- Feminine hygiene products (tampons, mini-pads, maxi-pads, overnight)
- Bladder control products (medium, heavy-long pads)

| WPC Week at a Glance | |
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| Sunday, May 26 | Thursday, May 30 |
| 09:30 am- Chancel Choir | 06.30 pm- Bell Choir |
| 10:00 am- Worship | 07:30 pm- Chancel Choir |
| 11:00 am- Coffee Hour | 07:30 pm- BSA 277/2019 |
| Monday, May 27 - Memorial Day | Friday, May 31 |
| Tuesday, May 28 | Saturday, June 1 |
| 04:00 pm- Flute Lessons | Sunday, June 2 |
| 07.00 pm- Trustees | 09:30 am- Chancel Choir |
| Wednesday, May 29 | 10:00 am- Worship |
| 09:00 am- Breakfast Group - Court Diner | 11:00 am- Coffee Hour |
| 03:00 pm- Flute Lessons | 11:00 am- Wallingford Winds |
| 03:30 pm- Brass Lessons | |

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