



WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
JUNE 2ND, 2024  
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# 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

"The deepest level of communication is not communication, but communion. It is wordless ... beyond speech ... beyond concept." -- Thomas Merton

### GATHERING

WELCOME, RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP, AND BIRTHDAY WISHES

***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

God has called us here, each by our own name.

**We hear your voice, O God. We lift our voices to you.**

Are you ready for God's re-creation?

**We are your people, O God, ready to worship, ready to play and ready to work!**

OPENING HYMNS #851

Come Bring Your Burdens to God

WOZA NOMTHWALO WAKHO

HYMN #746

Send Me, Jesus

THUMA MINA

HYMN #853

We Are Marching in the Light of God

SIYAHAMBA

HYMN #598

Amen, We Praise Your Name

AMEN SIAKUDUMISA

### TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*All children are invited to come forward at this time. After the lesson, children grades K-5 are invited to Sunday School (watching Veggie Tales in the Reception Room) or to stay with us in worship. The Nursery is open downstairs to children 18 months through 4 years old for the duration of worship. If this is your child's first time going to Sunday School or the Nursery, please accompany them in order to register your child.*

MUSICAL MEDITATION

The Spirit Comes Upon Us

Richard Blake

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Look deep, loving God, and see us as we really are - yearning to be close to you but fearful of what you may ask. Our desire to be faithful is woven with our hesitancy to go the extra mile; our wanting to be loving is diluted by our resistance to caring in particular situations. Loving God, we are tangled vine. Prune us and train us to grow in your holy way.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In Christ we died to our old selves and became new creations. Therefore we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord of our lives. Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God!**

\*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.***

People of God, body of Christ, what shall we do in response to God's forgiveness?  
**As God's own people we will be merciful in action, kindly in heart, humble in mind. Always ready to forgive as freely as God has forgiven us. And, above everything else we will be loving and never forget to be thankful for what Christ has done for us. Amen.**

### WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 3:1-6

NRSV NT 180

### 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

Friends, this is a table of welcome and grace. Come, it is the Spirit of God who gathers us and plants love in our hearts. May the Spirit of Christ be with you,

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift our hearts to God.**

Let us give thanks to God who is Wisdom and Love.

\*Hymn of Preparation #538

Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

HALELUYA! PELO TSA RONA

HOMILY

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

### MISSION AND MINISTRY

#### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

God has entrusted the treasure of the gospel to our dull clay hearts. God gives us grace. Friend, this congregation is made up of doubters who struggle in life, at times despair, are afflicted, crushed and perplexed.

We see our brokenness and cracks as windows letting in God's powerful light and love. You are most wholeheartedly invited to join us on life's journey.

If you would like to find out more about this church and congregation or believe yourself called to join our membership, please contact Pastor Taylor or Pastor François.

#### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

#### OFFERTORY

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

arr. M. Hayes



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

Let us dedicate these gifts together.

**Accept, we pray, the gifts we offer in gratitude and simple trust. Amen.**

### SENDING

#### CHORAL CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Bambelella

arr. L. Kunene

Sizobambelela, O bambelela. You must never give up, no never give up.

#### \*PEACE

*Thank you to Jim Oetinger, and everyone who assisted with worship this morning.  
This week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Mary Lou Day,  
in celebration of her anniversary.*

## Come, Bring Your Burdens to God 851

*Woza nomthwalo wakho*

*Leader*  
(no.) Come, bring your bur - dens; O

*All*  
Come, bring your bur - dens to God; come, bring your  
Wo - za nom - thwa - lo wa - kho; wo - za nom -  
come, bring your bur - dens; O come, bring your bur - dens.  
bur - dens to God; come, bring your bur - dens to God, for  
thwa - lo wa - kho; wo - za nom - thwa - lo wa - kho U -  
*(except last time)*  
Je - sus will nev - er say  
Je - sus will nev - er say no.  
ye - s'a - ka - so - za - thi hayi.

A great strength of music from southeastern Africa is that it usually emerges from communal life, and in singing such songs we unite our sung prayers with those of the people who created them. This one is based on the singing of the Mooiplaas congregation in South Africa.

# Send Me, Jesus

746

## Thuma mina

*Leader* *All*

Thu - ma mi - na. Thu - ma mi - na, thu - ma mi - na. Thu - ma  
 Send me, Lord. 1 Send me, Je - sus; send me, Je - sus; send me,  
 (2 Lead me,) Je - sus; lead me, Je - sus; lead me,  
 (3 Fill me,) Je - sus; fill me, Je - sus; fill me,

Repeat ad lib.

End

2 Lead me, Lord.  
 3 Fill me, Lord.

mi - na, So - man - dla.  
 Je - sus; send me, Lord. 2 Lead me,  
 Je - sus; lead me, Lord. 3 Fill me,  
 Je - sus; fill me, Lord.

Because such a sending song has a place in many Christian traditions, several versions of both this text (based on Isaiah 6:8) and tune can be found throughout South Africa. When desired, additional English stanzas can be improvised in alternation with the original Zulu text.

TEXT: South African; English trans. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984

MUSIC: South African; arr. *Freedom Is Coming*, 1984

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THUMA MINA

4.4.4.3

# 853 We Are Marching in the Light of God

*Siyahamba*

We are march-ing in the light of God; we are march-ing in the  
Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos', si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha -

light of God. We are march - ing in the light of God;  
nyen' kwen - khos'. Si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos',

we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march-ing in the light of, the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.  
we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

This lively Zulu/Xhosa freedom song originated in a Methodist young men's group in South Africa and has gone on to become popular in many other languages around the globe. Some additional stanzas are suggested, but others may be improvised as appropriate to the occasion.



TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

We are march - ing  
Si - ya - ham - ba

oo  
oo

We are march-ing, march-ing, we are march-ing, march-ing,  
Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,

we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of, the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen-, kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

We are march - ing  
Si - ya - ham - ba

oo  
oo

We are march-ing, march-ing, we are march-ing, march-ing,  
Si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba, si - ya - ham - ba, ham - ba,

we are march-ing in the light of God.  
si - ya - hamb' e - ku - kha - nyen' kwen - khos'.

*Additional stanzas ad lib.:*  
We are dancing...  
We are praying...  
We are singing...

## Amen, We Praise Your Name 598

*Amen siakudumisa*

*Leader* *All*

Sing prais - es! A-men, we praise your name, O God! Sing prais - es!  
 Ma - si - thi! A-men si - a - ku - du - mi - sa! Ma - si - thi!

A-men, we praise your name, O God! Sing prais - es! A-men, a - men.  
 A - men si - a - ku - du - mi - sa! Ma - si - thi! A - men, ba - wo.

A-men, a - men. A - men, we praise your name, O God! Sing prais - es!  
 A - men, ba - wo. A - men si - a - ku - du - mi - sa! Ma - si - thi!

## 538 Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises

*Haleluya! Pelo tsa rona**Refrain, sung twice each time*

Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your prais-es; all our  
Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa ro - na, di tha -

hearts are filled with glad - ness. Hal - le - lu - jah! We sing your  
bi - le ka - o - fe - la. Ha - le - lu - ya! Pe - lo tsa

prais - es; all our hearts are filled with glad - ness.  
ro - na, di tha - bi - le ka - o - fe - la. *Fine*

1 Christ the Lord to us said: I am wine, I am bread.  
2 Now he sends us all out, strong in faith, free of doubt,

Originally created in the Sotho language, this ecstatic South African hymn reached English by way of a Swedish translation and is now found in numerous hymnals. It can serve as a powerful sending hymn for connecting what happens at the Lord's Table with our mission in the world.

LORD'S SUPPER

*Repeat stanza, then sing refrain*

I am wine, I am bread: give to all who thirst and hun-ger.  
strong in faith, free of doubt. Tell to all the joy - ful gos-pel.

**2 Corinthians 3:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Surely we do not need, as some do, letters of recommendation to you or from you, do we? <sup>2</sup>You yourselves are our letter, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all; <sup>3</sup>and you show that you are a letter of Christ, prepared by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts. <sup>4</sup>Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. <sup>5</sup>Not that we are competent of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our competence is from God, <sup>6</sup>who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not of letter but of spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL TICKET PRE-SALE** Beat the rush – buy your Strawberry Festival tickets during Coffee Hour **today, Sunday, June 2**. Cash, credit card and Venmo accepted.

**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. Volunteers still needed for a few dates, sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL** What else is there to say? See you **5-8 p.m. TOMORROW**.

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL RED WAGON** We're asking everyone coming to the festival to please bring non-perishables for the Red Wagon.

**SCOUTS COFFEE AND TEA SALE** As part of the Strawberry Festival, Scout Troop 277 and Cub Pack 228 will be selling coffee and tea made by Giving Bean, a local roaster. The proceeds will benefit a scout adventure trip. Be sure to stop by the booth.



**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 early, open registration begins Tuesday, June 4.

**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.

**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.



# 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

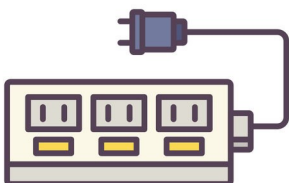


## Extra Supplies Needed for Donation

Extension cords/power strips

card tables/re-freezable ice packs

**Leave in Library through Monday, June 3**

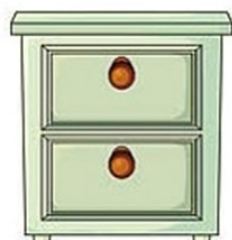


## Attic Treasures

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**



<b>WPC Week at a Glance</b>	
<b>Sunday, June 2</b>	<b>Thursday, June 6</b>
09.30 am- Chancel Choir	06.30 pm- Bell Choir
10.00 am- Worship	07.00 pm- Chancel Choir
11.00 am- Coffee Hour	07.30 pm- Wallingford Winds
11.00 am- Wallingford Winds	07.30 pm- BSA 277/2019
<b>Monday, June 3</b>	08.00 pm- Musician Party
05.00 pm- Strawberry Festival	<b>Friday, June 7</b>
<b>Tuesday, June 4</b>	<b>Saturday, June 8</b>
04.00 pm- Flute Lessons	<b>Sunday, June 9</b>
06.30 pm- Valerie Haber Voice Recital	09.00 am- Bell Choir
<b>Wednesday, June 5</b>	09.20 am- Wallingford Winds
09.00 am- Breakfast Group - Court Diner	09.30 am- Chancel Choir
03.00 pm- Flute Lessons	10.00 am- Worship
03.30 pm- Brass Lessons	11.00 am- Coffee Hour

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