

# WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH JUNE 1ST, 2025 7TH 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.



Friendship Pew Pads can be found in each row.



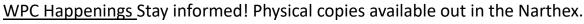
Please fill them out and pass along to your neighbors.

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.





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

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



Mrs. 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-4:30pm

Thursday, 10:00am-1:00pm

MINISTER OF MUSIC: Lee Hagon-Kerr CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR: Nathan Gibson

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

COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR: Leslie Krowchenko

CLERK OF SESSION: Christine Darr

TREASURER: Todd Darr

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Michelle Hall

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS** 

This Week

CHURCH OPENER: Bud Fury LITURGIST: Cyndi Lacroix **COFFEE HOUR: Deacons** 

**Next Week** 

CHURCH OPENER: Bruce Clark LITURGIST: Ver Picher

COFFEE HOUR: Stewardship

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



A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able, please stand.

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

#### WORDS FOR MEDITATION

Without music, life would be a mistake. — Friedrich Nietzsche, Twilight of the Idols Music expresses that which cannot be put into words and that which cannot remain silent — Victor Hugo

If I were not a physicist, I would probably be a musician. I often think in music. I live my daydreams in music. I see my life in terms of music. — Albert Einstein

#### **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

Christ is Risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Let the peoples praise you, O God.

Let all the peoples praise you.

Let us make a joyful noise unto the Lord!

PRELUDE- WALLINGFORD WINDS ... In Endless Song arr. Standridge

OPENING PSALM Psalm 150 NRSV OT 583

\*OPENING HYMN #641 When in Our Music God Is Glorified ENGELBERG

#### 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. After the lesson, children grades K-5 are invited to Sunday School in the Reception Room, or to stay with us in worship. The Nursery is open downstairs to children between 12 months and pre-K for the duration of worship. If this is your child's first time going to Sunday School or the Nursery, please accompany them so that we may register your child.

MUSICAL MEDITATION- BELL CHOIR Shout to the Lord B. Burroughs

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious Power, you call us to your everlasting springs to be drenched and reformed, but we fail to heed you. We do not turn with love to our neighbors to ourselves, or to you. Forgive us for our failings, shield us from our due, and guide us into unity with all for the sake of the whole world. Amen.

#### **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

\*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

GOSPEL READING John 17:1-2, 20-26

**NRSV NT 111** 

#### MISSION AND MINISTRY

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

#### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

The Spirit and the church say: Come. The hearers of God's word say: Come.

We come to this sanctuary and are part of this community of faith to be nourished by the word of God and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

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

**OFFERING** 

Simple Song, from Mass

L. Bernstein



ft. François Lacroix and Lisa Higgins

Scan the QR code to give via credit card on 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

Eternal God, who brings joy out of sorrow, plenty out of want, life out of death: we thank you for the treasures of the earth, your creation, filled with your blessing, for it was in company with these earthly things that your Son came to dwell, showing us the enormity of your love. Because of Jesus' resurrection from the dead, we, too, are brought to new life, called to pray and work for the renewal of others. Take these offerings for the sake of the one without whom our poverty would be extreme, Jesus Christ our Lord. 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)

REFLECTION ON WHY WE GATHER AT THE LORD'S TABLE -from The Magnificent Defeat by Frederick Buechner

Invitation to the Table
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**

Today we commune by intinction. Please come forward to the table, where you will receive the bread and cup. Dip the bread into the cup and eat. Those who are unable to come to the table and want to receive communion should make their intention known to the ushers. The bread and cup will be brought to you. Individual cups of juice are also available.

**CLOSING PRAYER** 

#### SENDING

SENDING ANTHEM I Sing Because I'm Happy R. Dillworth I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free. His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me. I sing because I'm happy, I sing because I'm free! For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me. I'm so happy, yes, I am! For his eye is on the sparrow, and I know he watches me!

#### \*CHARGE, BENEDICTION AND PEACE

Thank you to everyone who assisted with worship this morning.

This week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Mary Payne,
in loving memory of Family and Friends.

# 641 When in Our Music God Is Glorified



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Written to supply this tune with words suitable for occasions celebrating music, this text explores how human song gives voice to creation, how music can convey new insight, how sung faith has kept the church authentic, how Jesus relied on the psalms, and how sound can be praise.

#### **Psalm 150**

#### John 17:1-2, 20-26

<sup>1</sup>After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, <sup>2</sup>since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.

<sup>20</sup>"I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup>that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup>The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup>I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup>Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. <sup>25</sup>"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup>I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

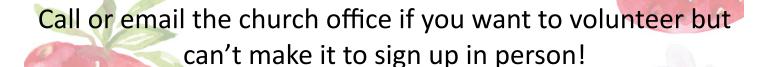
# STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

MONDAY, JUNE 2, 5-8PM
YOU MAKE STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL A SUCCESS!

# **VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!**

**VOLUNTEER** SIGN UP IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL TO ...

- -bake a cake
- -slice strawberries
- -set up or clean up
- -set up attic treasures or book nook
- -sell tickets
- -sell attic treasures or books
- -serve desserts
- -sell plants









ATTIC TREASURES DROP OFF IN FELLOWSHIP HALL household items, collectables, knickknacks, kids items (no glassware, mugs, sets of china or picture frames, and nothing larger than what one person could reasonably carry)

JEWELRY DROP OFF IN THE CHURCH OFFICE

Jewelry will be sold this year in the Choir Room with the books.

**BOOK NOOK** DROP OFF IN THE CHOIR ROOM Kids books, fiction and non, cookbooks (no encyclopedias, textbooks, VHS tapes or CDs)

PLANTS LEAVE IN THE COURTYARD
SUNDAY JUNE 1ST AND MONDAY JUNE 2ND
Perennials, vegetables, herbs, (mark with name of plant and sun/shade) garden tools, pots

CAKES LEAVE IN KITCHEN
SUNDAY JUNE 1ST AND MONDAY JUNE 2ND
Homemade/purchased/cupcakes

DONATE SUPPLIES LEAVE IN THE LIBRARY

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

**PNC UPDATE** Brief update from the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC). We wanted to let you know that the PNC is making progress on the search for a new pastor following Pastor François' retirement. We have reviewed many applications and have a shorter list for further review. Please keep us and the search in your prayers as we try to discern God's will for WPC.

**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS** We have so many new families at WPC - we need YOU to help make Summer Sunday School possible for them.

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<- Use the QR code to register.</p>

Nursery Room helpers (12 month – pre-K)
supervise and play with the children. Use the QR code to register. ->
Runs Sundays, June 1 – August 31.



**SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL** Beginning **today, Sunday, June 1**, grades K-5 are invited to the Reception Room following a Time with Young Disciples to watch "Friends and Heroes." Children 12 months – pre-K are invited to the lower-level Nursery room. Continues through Sunday, Aug. 31.

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL TICKET PRE-SALE** Beat the rush – buy your Strawberry Festival tickets during Coffee Hour, **today**, **June 1**. Cash, credit/debit card, Venmo, PayPal, Apple Pay, and Google Pay accepted.

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

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL 5-8 pm, TOMORROW**. What else is there to say?

**ABILITIES INITIATIVE FOR KIDS** After Time with Young Disciples, start the series, **10am, Sunday, June 8**, by exploring differences related to vision with "The Black Book of Colours" by Menena Cottin, discussions and other fun activities. Led by Michelle George.

**RESISTANCE TO TYRANTS** Who claims to have coined the phrase, "Resistance to Tyrants is Obedience to God"

- (A) Thomas Jefferson
- (B) Benjamin Franklin
- (C) John Knox
- (D) John Calvin
- (E) All of the above

Why do some refer to the American Revolution as The Presbyterian Revolt? Can The Scots Confession (in our Book of Confession) ratified in 1560 help answer these questions? Join our nerdy reformation pastor, Pastor François, for answers, **11:30am**, **Sunday**, **June 8**.

ROSE TREE POPS ORCHESTRA Plan to attend the Rose Tree Park Summer Musical Festival featuring the Rose Tree Pops Orchestra (and our own Diane Gerlach on cello), 7:30pm, Saturday, June 14.

**WORLD REFUGEE OFFERING** Millions of people from many nations have fled to other counties because of conditions that make their lives unbearable or acutely unsafe, such as civil war, famine, religious discrimination, natural disaster, acute oppression and domestic violence. The international refugees often are destitute and in dire need of food, shelter, protection and medical care.

The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) is the primary source of support and protection in many countries. Funding for UNHCR is desperately needed as the refugee population is growing and contributions are lagging.

回答题题 In conjunction with World Refugee Day (June 20), WPC will be taking a special offering, Sunday, June 15, to be provided to UNHCR. Donations may be placed in the offering plate or use the QR code.

ABILITIES INITIATIVE CHILDREN'S SERIES After Time with Young Disciples, (Sundays, June 8, June 22, July 13 and July 27), kids in grades K-5 are invited to the Reception Room to explore differences related to vision, hearing, speech and physical abilities through books, discussions and other fun activities. The purpose is to educate our children on sharing basic knowledge and compassion regarding individual diversity. We can't wait to see you there.

回放报画 EARLY VBC REGISTRATION WPC members and friends – register your children now for a great week at VBC: fun, faith-filled programming, storytelling, games, crafts, fellowship, end-of-week celebration, mission – Red Wagon. VBC, held **6-7:30pm,** Monday, July 14 - Friday, July 18, is open to kids ages 4-11 (grouped by age for stories/crafts). Cost – \$20 per student/\$25 per family. Use the QR to register.



**EXECUTE CONTAINER WATERING** Pick a week from mid-May to mid-September — it just takes 10 minutes, twice a week (unless there is rain). Please also deadhead the plants (pinch off the wilted blossoms) – it will encourage more blooms. Use the QR code to register.

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

-Cereal/oatmeal/Cream of Wheat, -Peanut butter/jelly, -Canned fruit (all varieties), -Canned soup (all varieties), -Canned chicken, -Canned fish (tuna, salmon, mackerel), -Canned vegetables (peas, carrots, corn, green beans), -White rice, -Lipton noodles/rice (all varieties), -Ramen noodles (family packs of six), -Stuffing/mac & cheese, -Dry pasta/pasta sauce (all varieties), -Salad dressing (all varieties), -Packaged cookies/snacks

## **WPC Week at a Glance**

| Sunday, June 1 - Music Appreciation Sunday | Thursday, June 5               |
|--|--------------------------------|
| 09.00am- Bell Choir                        | 07.30pm- Chancel Choir         |
| 09.20am- Wallingford Winds                 | 07.30pm- BSA 227/2019          |
| 09.40am- Chancel Choir                     | Friday, June 6                 |
| 10.00am- Worship                           | Saturday, June 7               |
| 11.00am- Coffee Hour                       | Sunday, June 8 - Pentecost     |
| Monday, June 2 - Strawberry Festival       | 09.40am- Chancel Choir         |
| 05.00pm- Strawberry Festival               | 10.00am- Worship               |
| Tuesday, June 3                            | 11.00am- Coffee Hour           |
| Wednesday, June 4                          | 11.30am- Monthly Conversations |
| 03.30pm- Brass Lessons                     |                                |