

# WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH JULY 6TH, 2025 4TH 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.



- <u>Please take a moment to silence your cell phone.</u> Friendship Pew Pads can be found in each row.
- A 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.
- If You Need a Little Help Hearing, portable listening devices are available.
- An All Gender, ADA Restroom is located in the Narthex.
- **M** 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**

## **CHURCH OFFICE**

- Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm PASTOR: Rev. François Lacroix
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\*Those who are able, please stand.

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A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

## This Week LITURGIST: Lin Floyd **COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Ver Picher** Helen Picher Cyndi Lacroix **COFFEE HOUR: Trustees** Next Week

LITURGIST: Don Killian **COFFEE HOUR: WOW** 

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

God, give us grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed, courage to change the things which should be changed and the wisdom to distinguish the one from the other. -- Reinhold Niebuhr

#### GATHERING

WELCOME, RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP, ANNOUNCEMENTS 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

With glad and grateful hearts, **With thanksgiving flowing from sea to shining sea**. We gather this day to sing a song of praise to God, **For our country, for our world**. For justice, peace and love, **Let us worship God**.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMN SING

#### 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.

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION Lift Ev'ry Voice and Sing

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Awesome and disturbing God, you breathed life into each of us and called us to walk on the paths of peace, justice and love. You filled us with compassion and courage, yet we often act with caution and for selfish reasons.

We know your intentions for justice, yet we keep silent too often or yield to the complexity of issues and do nothing. We are overwhelmed with your love, yet are hesitant to mention your name to another.

We have been forgiven much, yet we harbor old resentments, hold on to past hurts and turn away from reconciliation.

(silent confession)

God, you are awesome in your love for us. **Restore us to clear thinking, fill our hearts with compassion and lead us to bold action. Let us be peacemakers, creation-protectors and praise-singers. Through Jesus we pray. Amen.** 

Assurance of Pardon

Sisters and brothers, our sins are forgiven by the mercy of Jesus Christ. Let us be at peace, for we have been freed from sin that we may serve with righteousness, to the glory and praise of God. 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.

	WORD	
Epistle Lesson	Galatians 6:1-16	NRSV NT 191
Anthem	Summertime Medley for Patriotism and Peace ft. Earl Varney, trombone	arr. Earl Varney
Gospel Reading	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20	NRSV NT 71
Sermon		
Congregational Hymn Sing		

#### MISSION AND MINISTRY

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

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.

 OFFERTORY
 My Country 'tis of Thee
 arr. M. Hayes

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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 DEDICATION

Faithful God, thank you for the gifts of hospitality and generosity. May our offerings this day draw us closer to you as we share them with others for the sake of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. 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)

INVITATION 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.

COMMUNION PRAYER

#### **Sending**

\*Closing Hymn #340

This Is My Song

FINLANDIA

\*CHARGE, BENEDICTION AND PEACE

Thank you to everyone who assisted with worship this morning



The first two stanzas of this hymn were written between the 20th century's two world wars and focus on the theme of international peace. The third stanza, by another author and added later, uses the language of the Lord's Prayer to voice a distinctly Christian perspective.

THE LIFE OF THE NATIONS



## Galatians 6:1-16

<sup>1</sup>My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that you yourselves are not tempted. <sup>2</sup>Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. <sup>3</sup>For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. <sup>4</sup>All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride. <sup>5</sup>For all must carry their own loads. <sup>6</sup>Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. <sup>7</sup>Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. <sup>8</sup>If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. <sup>9</sup>So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup>So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith.

<sup>11</sup>See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! <sup>12</sup>It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised—only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. <sup>13</sup>Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. <sup>14</sup>May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. <sup>15</sup>For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! <sup>16</sup>As for those who will follow this rule—peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

### Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

<sup>1</sup>After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. <sup>2</sup>He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. <sup>3</sup>Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. <sup>4</sup>Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. <sup>5</sup>Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!' <sup>6</sup>And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. <sup>7</sup>Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. <sup>8</sup>Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; <sup>9</sup>cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you.' <sup>10</sup>But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, <sup>11</sup>"Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.'

<sup>16</sup>"Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects the one who sent me."

<sup>17</sup>The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" <sup>18</sup>He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. <sup>19</sup>See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. <sup>20</sup>Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."



# Vacation Bible Camp 6-7:30pm Monday, July 14 – Friday, July 18

Kids – put your trust in God and share the Good News of God's love through Jesus Christ

**Kids ages 4-11** grouped by age for stories/crafts

**Friday night** hot dog dinner/closing program

Mission – Red Wagon supporting local food pantries Younger children – canned goods Older kids – cleaning supplies

> \$20 per child/ \$25 per family Use the QR to register.



Tweens and teens – volunteer to be a VBC Shepherd: escort the classes from station to station, help with crafts and games. Contact Pastor Taylor to volunteer.

**NEW STORAGE SHED** The Trustees are investigating adding a second storage shed to the WPC property, to be located just above the current trash and recycle bin corral on the south side of the driveway between the church and A manse.

As they explore size and style options, they are asking the leaders of all the boards, councils, committees, regularly scheduled events, individuals and official groups within the church to consider how they would like to use this facility.

The shed will be secured and weather-proof, but not climate-controlled. Electrical service to the unit will be investigated at the same time.

Please contact project leader David Rudd with the following info:

-what your group would store in the shed/move from a current storage location

-amount of space needed

-how the items would be packaged for storage

If your group has no requirements, notify him to be removed from the consideration list. Please respond by the end of July.

**ABILITIES INITIATIVE FOR KIDS** After Time with Young Disciples, continue the series by exploring physical differences with the book "When Charley Met Emma" by Amy Webb, discussions and other fun activities, **10am**, **Sunday**, **July 13**. Led by Shirley Rudd.

**VOLUNTEERING 101** Pick a class (or two or three) and help with before, during and after worship activities. No particular skills are needed - but WE NEED YOU!

### -Liturgist 101 – 11:30am, Sunday, July 13

Like to help lead worship? Learn the ins and outs of being a liturgist Meet in the Reception Room

Presented by Pastor François

## -Hospitality 101 – 11:30am, Sunday, July 20

Calling All Coffee (and tea) Enthusiasts!

Learn how to set up, serve and clean up for Coffee Hour. Join us in creating a space where great conversations brew!

Meet in the Kitchen

Presented by Chris Dearnaley

## -Ushering 101 – 11:30am, Sunday, July 27

Are you willing to usher on a Sunday morning? Not sure what you would be volunteering to do?

Meet in the Reception Room for info and a hand-out

Presented by Judy Kenworthy

**BOOKLOOK** Discuss "The Marriage Portrait" by Maggie O'Farrell, **7:30pm, Wednesday, July 16**. "A New York Times best seller, the author brings the world of Renaissance Italy to jewel-bright life in this unforgettable fictional portrait of the captivating young duchess Lucrezia de' Medici as she makes her way in a troubled court." (Amazon). Contact Walt Kaminski to order – the cost is approximately \$6.50



**NAVIGATING OUR HEALTHCARE SYSTEM** Representatives of the Delaware County Health Department will be at local senior centers to assist community members with getting medical records, signing up for services and connecting to resources.

-Schoolhouse Senior Center (600 Swarthmore Avenue, Folsom) 11:30am-1:30pm,

#### Tuesday, July 15 and Friday, July 25

-Surrey Media (302 South Jackson Street, Media) **10am-noon, Wednesday, July 16** Use the QR code for more info

JENI PEDZINSKI PREACHING Welcome our International Ministries missionary to the pulpit, 10am, Sunday, July 20.

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

Teachers for the K-5 class play the DVD lesson and interact with the kids.



<- Use the QR code to register.

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.

**ABILITIES INITIATIVE CHILDREN'S SERIES** After Time with Young Disciples, (**Sundays, 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.



**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. Media Food Bank is requesting:

-Cream of Wheat, -Crunchy peanut butter, -Canned meat (corned beef, Spam), -Canned vegetables (mixed vegetables, whole tomatoes), -Dried beans (garbanzo, kidney, lentils, pinto), -Pasta sauce with meat, -Vegetarian chili, -BBQ sauce, -Cooking staples (vegetable stock, apple cider vinegar, condensed milk), -Pudding mix, -Baby items (baby food, diapers {sizes 1, 4, 6}, pull-ups {sizes 2T/3T and 3T/4T}, wipes), -Feminine hygiene products, -Personal care items (deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste, bar soap), -Household essentials (toilet paper, paper towels, laundry detergent pods, dish detergent), -Pet food (dog/cat; wet/dry), -Egg cartons

## WPC Week at a Glance

Sunday, July 06	Thursday, July 10
10.00am- Worship	Friday, July 11
11.00am- Coffee Hour	Saturday, July 12
Monday, July 07	Sunday, July 13
03.00pm- Flute Lessons	10.00am- Worship
07.00pm- WPC Connections	11.00am- Coffee Hour
Tuesday, July 08	11.30am- Liturgist 101
Wednesday, July 09	
01.30pm- Stephen Ministry	
03.30pm- Brass Lessons	