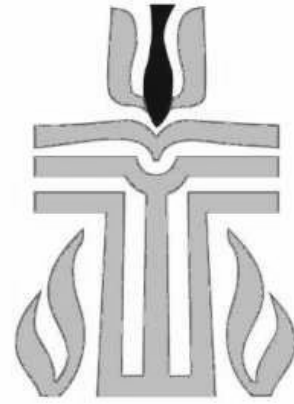




The Cross



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The Fish



The Book



The Pulpit



The Cup



The Robe



The Fire



The Trinity

JUNE 14TH, 2026

3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CELEBRATION OF NEW MEMBERS

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.

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



If You Need a Little Help Hearing, portable listening devices are available, or sync your Bluetooth enabled hearing aids to our sound system. Scan the QR code for instructions.



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

CHURCH OFFICE

• Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:00pm

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FINANCIAL SECRETARY: Michelle Hall

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

This Week

USHERS: Bowe Hansen

Thomas Hansen

LITURGIST: Roger Demos

COFFEE HOUR: Deacons

Next Week

USHERS: Mary Lou Day

Carol Freidinger

Roger Freidinger

Frank Noyes

LITURGIST: Bob Kenworthy

COFFEE HOUR: Worship Council

*Those who are able, please stand.

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

WORDS FOR MEDITATION

The cosmic conflict is not between a small good thing and a vast evil thing. It is a conflict between a heavy, sluggish despair and a light, singing defiance. Jesus did not just endure the shadows of Gethsemane; he mocked the coming darkness with a melody. — G.K. Chesterton

They sang a hymn... to teach us to keep up our spiritual joy in the midst of our deepest afflictions. Here, at the [Communion] table, Christ was in the midst of his enemies, and yet he could sing. Let us copy this example, and when our sorrows abound, let our praises much more abound. It is a holy defiance of the powers of darkness when, in the shadow of death, we can still tune our hearts to the praises of God. – Matthew Henry

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

On the night he was betrayed, a shadow fell over the world.

Yet in the midst of the shadows, a holy melody arose.

Before facing the cross, our Savior stood and sang.

He sang of God's enduring love, a light no darkness can overcome.

Let us follow our Master into the night, anchoring our hearts in praise.

Come, let us worship God together!

*OPENING HYMN #188

Jesus Loves Me!

JESUS LOVES ME

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that when our own trials loom large, our voices grow silent. When we face seasons of pain, we forget that you have already walked the darkest path before us. Forgive us for giving in to despair. Draw close to us in our midnights, and forgive our sins which increase the darkness, so we might be children of light. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, remember this truth: Jesus descended into the ultimate darkness of death so that our darkness would only ever be temporary—a passing shadow. In his perfect love, the power of sin is broken, and you are entirely forgiven and set free. Hear and believe the good news of the gospel! **In 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.

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 ages 12 months through 5th grade are invited to Sunday School in the Reception Room, or to stay with us in worship. If this is your child's first time going to Sunday School please accompany them so that we may register your family with the Sunday School workers.

WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 118: 1-2, 5-11, 13-14, 17, 21 -29

NRSV OT 565

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

Out of my distress I called on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me in a broad place.
With the Lord on my side I do not fear. What can mortals do to me?

The Lord is on my side to help me; I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in mortals.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in princes.

All nations surrounded me; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!
They surrounded me, surrounded me on every side; in the name of the Lord I cut them off!
I was pushed hard, so that I was falling, but the Lord helped me.

The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.
I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.
I thank you that you have answered me, and have become my salvation.
The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
Hosanna, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. We bless you from the house of the Lord. The Lord is God, and he has given us light.
Bind the festal sacrifice with branches, up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God; I will extol you.
O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

ANTHEM More Precious Than Silver with When I Survey the Wondrous Cross arr. S. Pethel
ft. Diane Gerlach, cello

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 26:26-31

NRSV NT 30

SERMON

Songs in the Dark: Part III: The Last Hymn

Rev. Taylor Cornelius

CELEBRATION OF NEW MEMBERS

Karen Barnes
Cathy Chamblee
Christina Forwood

Heather Santomieri
Dave Chamblee
Mark Forwood

PROFESSION OF FAITH

PRAYER

WELCOME

HYMN OF WELCOME #306 Blest Be the Tie that Binds (v. 1, 3 and 5) DENNIS

MISSION AND MINISTRY

OFFERTORY

Andante

J. Brahms, arr. L. Smith



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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

Holy God, You gave us life, breath, and every blessing, and You went to the depths for us. May we give our whole lives in gratitude to the One who gave it all! Consecrate our hearts, that we might become living sacrifices to your glory, and bless these gifts, that they may become a harvest of blessing for those in need. Amen.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

What a God! **Who is like the Lord? Our King of Light!**

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 glory forever. Amen.

SENDING

*CLOSING HYMN #238

Thine is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*Thank you to everyone who assisted with worship this morning.
This week's flowers were given to the Glory of God by Judy and John Leet,
In celebration of their anniversary.*

Jesus Loves Me!

1 Je - sus loves me! This I know, for the Bi - ble tells me so.
 2 Je - sus loves me! This I know, as he loved so long a - go,

Lit - tle ones to him be-long. They are weak, but he is strong.
 tak - ing chil - dren on his knee, say - ing, "Let them come to me."

Refrain

Yes, Je - sus loves me! Yes, Je - sus loves me!

Yes, Je - sus loves me! The Bi - ble tells me so.

Few songs of faith have supported people from cradle to grave like this one. The great theologian Karl Barth said that its opening two lines were a summary of all that he had learned. The composer formed the refrain from those lines when creating this universally used tune.

Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*Or "Maker's"

Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

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Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con- quering Son; end - less is
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
 he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
 with - out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con - querors

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

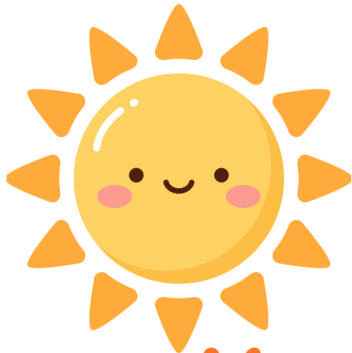
where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering
 to thy home a - bove.

This Easter text, first in French and later in English, was written to fit the music, a chorus created for Handel's oratorio *Josua* and moved to *Judas Maccabeus* in 1751. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.



JULY 13 - 17

6pm- 7:30pm



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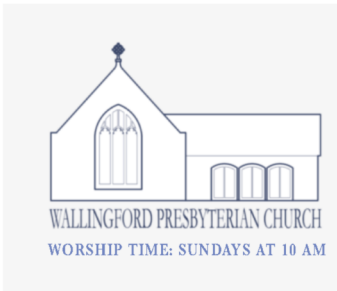
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WPCFAM



THIS WEEK AT WPC

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY If you attended the New Member Class on May 31, or attended a previous New Member Class, and are ready to officially call WPC your church home, please arrive at **9:15am today, Sunday, June 14**, to meet the Session and be voted into membership. You will be officially received into membership during this morning's service.

DAN GLENN MEMORIAL SERVICE A memorial service for Dan Glenn will be held **11am, Tuesday, June 16**, at WPC. A catered luncheon will follow the service.



ROSE TREE PARK SUMMER FESTIVAL The festival offers free concerts featuring all types of entertainment **beginning 7:30pm, June 17**. It also includes two morning concerts for children (10am, June 24 and July 3). Use the QR code for more info.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED The church office will be closed **Friday, June 19**, in observance of Juneteenth.

ROSE TREE POPS ORCHESTRA Plan to attend the Rose Tree Park Summer Festival featuring the Rose Tree Pops Orchestra (and our own Diane Gerlach on cello), **7:30pm, Saturday, June 20**.

LOOKING AHEAD

SUMMER CHOIR Meet in the choir room to rehearse an easy anthem, then perform it for worship, **9:30am, Sunday, June 21**. Adults and youth (high school aged +) – all are welcome! Sings again Sundays, July 19 and August 16.

SAVE THE DATE Plan to attend the service, **10am, Sunday, June 21**, when the candidate selected by the PNC to be our next Head of Staff will be preaching at WPC. More details to follow.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING Session has called a special congregational meeting at the conclusion of the worship service, **Sunday, June 21**, for the purpose of voting to extend a call to the candidate selected by the Pastor Nominating Committee to be WPC's next Head of Staff. Please plan to attend!

VBC REGISTRATION Register your children now for a great week at VBC "Road Trip", including

- High-energy music and dancing
- Immersive storytelling
- Creative hands-on crafts
- Action-packed games
- Mission – Red Wagon



VBC will run **6-7:30pm, Monday, July 13 – Friday, July 17** and is open to kids ages 4-11 (grouped by age for stories/crafts). Cost – \$25 per student. Registering the whole crew? Use code WPCFAM at checkout for our 40% off multi-child discount. Use the QR code for more info and to register.

NAME TAGS Having trouble remembering the names of those sitting near you in church? Name tags can help! Visit one of the name tag stations (in the narthex and Fellowship Hall) for a temporary, self-adhesive tag or a holder for a more permanent one you can bring to church each week. If you previously had a permanent name tag, check the file box in the narthex. If you would like one, contact Mary Lou Day.

GIVING AND SERVICE

WPC DAY OF SERVICE MINI SUMMER DRIVE It's never too early to start giving! Following last year's successful first run, the Abilities Initiative Committee is asking for non-perishable donations for next year's Day of Service (Monday, January 18). Suggested items for the summer include men's and women's disposable razors and deodorant; combs, brushes and hair ties; and back to school supplies like notebooks, pens, pencils and crayons. Find the donation bin in the hallway outside the church office, or just bring in your loose change to add to the Least Coin Jar in the narthex. Continues through Sunday, August 30.



SUMMER COFFEE HOUR Like to help host coffee hour? Summer is the perfect time and serving goodies is a great way to meet people. Home baked goods are optional (there is always an assortment of cookies in the closet) and instructions are posted in the kitchen. If it's your first time, we'll pair you with a "Coffee Hour Pro" who knows all the ropes. Use the QR code for more info and to sign up for a Sunday from **July 5-August 30**.



CONTAINER WATERING Pick a week between May and 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 volunteer.



SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS Looking for a simple way to make a big difference? Volunteer for Summer Sunday School to help create a fun, welcoming space for our children. Play the video lesson and interact with/supervise kids ages 12 months – 11 years. **Available dates - June 21, July 19, August 2, 23 and 30**. Use the QR code to volunteer.

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

Chester Eastside is requesting:

- Cereal/oatmeal/Cream of Wheat
- Peanut butter/grape jelly
- Canned soup
- Canned chicken/salmon/tuna
- Canned fruit (peaches, pears, pineapple, fruit cocktail)
- Canned vegetables (peas, green beans, carrots, corn, collard greens)
- Sides (mac and cheese, stuffing, mashed potatoes, rice)
- Pasta (spaghetti, macaroni, egg noodles)
- Pancake mix/pancake syrup
- Apple sauce
- Ramen noodles/cup of noodles
- Knorr side dishes

WPC Week at a Glance

Sunday, June 14	Thursday, June 18
09.15am- New Members Meeting	Friday, June 19 - Juneteenth
10.00am- Worship	Church Office Closed
11.00am- Coffee Hour	Saturday, June 20
Monday, June 15	Sunday, June 21 - Candidate Sunday
Tuesday, June 16	09.30am- Pick-Up Choir
11.00am- Dan Glenn Memorial Service	10.00am- Worship
Wednesday, June 17	11.00am- Congregational Meeting
07.30pm- Strawberry Fest Follow-up	11.00am- Coffee Hour

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