

NOVEMBER 8TH, 2026

24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

WALLINGFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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, 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

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WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

This Week

COFFEE HOUR: Stewardship

Next Week

COFFEE HOUR: Trustees

*Those who are able, please stand. *A community where all who seek God are Welcome…*

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A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION

Order of Worship

Words for Meditation

A coin bears the image of the emperor, but the human soul bears the image of God.
- Augustine of Hippo

Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, but offer your whole self to God, for upon you is stamped the divine image. - Early Christian Commentary

Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

*Call to Worship

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it!
Coins and kingdoms bear the marks of worldly power.
But we bear the image of the living God.
Let us render our hearts, our worship, and our lives to the One who created us.
Come, let us worship God with joy and devotion!

*Opening Hymn #708 We Give Thee but Thine Own SCHUMANN

*Gathering Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, we admit that we often divide our hearts. We give our best energy, trust, and devotion to the treasures and powers of this world, while offering you only what is left over. In our pride, we want our identity to be made in our own image, and we actively rebel against who you made us to be. Forgive us when we place wealth, security, or national identity above our loyalty to your kingdom. Transform our priorities, re-stamp your love upon our lives, and guide us to serve you with wholehearted devotion. Amen.

Kyrie #579 Lord, Have Mercy KYRIE ELEISON (ORTHODOX)

Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.
Christe eleison, Christe eleison, Christe eleison.
Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison, Kyrie eleison.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: God does not measure us by earthly currency or status. In Jesus Christ, we are redeemed, forgiven, and restored to reflect God's love to the world.
Thanks be to God! Amen.

*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 grades K-6 are invited to Sunday School classes or to stay with us in worship. The Nursery is open 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 please accompany them so that we may register your family.

WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 22:15–22 NRSV NT 24

15 Then the Pharisees went and plotted to entrap him in what he said. 16 So they sent their
disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere,
and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one, for you
do not regard people with partiality. 17 Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes
to Caesar or not?" 18 But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the
test, you hypocrites? 19 Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius.
20 Then he said to them, "Whose head is this and whose title?" 21 They answered, "Caesar's."
Then he said to them, "Give therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the
things that are God's." 22 When they heard this, they were amazed, and they left him and
went away.

SERMON Give to Caesar What is Caesar's Rev. Taylor Cornelius

ANTHEM I Will Go As You Have Sent Me J. Alberty

I will go as you have sent me, knowing I am not alone, with your spirit to defend me on the path your love has shown, let my peace come from your gospel, let my strength be found in you. I will go as you have sent me, taking nothing for the road. For you know before I as it what I need to carry this load. Let my bread come from your gospel. Let my riches be in you. Jesus, in your holy name, spirits of fear and hatred cease their torments and depart. Jesus, in your holy name, blessed healing comes at last, bringing peace to broken hearts, I will go as you have sent me, living to proclaim your grace and love. With the guidance of your Spirit, reconciled to God above. Let me live to live your gospel. Let my life be found in you.

Ordination and Installation of Deacons

Presentation of Deacons

Constitutional Questions

Questions to the Congregation

Welcome

Mission and Ministry

Offertory — Voluntary in C — H. Heron

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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

Generous God, these gifts represent our labor and our resources, but our whole lives represent your creation. Bless these offerings that they may be used for your kingdom, caring for neighbors and demonstrating your justice and love. Amen.

Prayer of Intercession the Lord's Prayer

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 #697 — Take My Life — HENDON

* 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 Karen Barnes, in honor and memory of loved ones.

We Give Thee but Thine Own 708

1 We give thee but thine own, what - e'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine a - lone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

2 May we thy boun - ties thus as stew - ards true re - ceive,
and glad - ly, as thou bless - est us, to thee our first - fruits give.

3 The cap - tive to re - lease, to God the lost to bring,
to teach the way of life and peace: it is a Christ - like thing.

4 And we be - lieve thy word, though dim our faith may be;
what - e'er we do for thine, O Lord, we do it un - to thee.

Each successive stanza here expands the implications of the familiar affirmation of the first one. Much more than a concern with money, stewardship shapes our relationship with God and with other people. Despite this tune's name, no source has been found in Schumann's works.

TEXT: William Walsham How, c. 1858
MUSIC: Mason and Webb's *Cantica Laudis,* 1850

SCHUMANN
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Take My Life 697



5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne,
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself and I will be
ever, only, all for thee,
ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.

TEXT: Frances Ridley Havergal, 1874
MUSIC: H. A. César Malan, 1827

HENDON
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THIS WEEK AT WPC ….

BREAKFAST CLUB Tweens and teens – meet in the youth room, **10am today, Sunday, November 8**, for breakfast, games, a Bible lesson and fellowship. Open to grades 6-12.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER Join with Scouting America Troops 277 and 2019 and Cub Pack 228 to help package 10,000 meals to ship to those in need throughout the world, **1pm today, Sunday, November 8**. Rise Against Hunger is dedicated to helping people around the world achieve food stability. Co-sponsored by the Mission and Service Committee and WPC Scouts. Sign up using the poster in Fellowship Hall.

EARLY CHILDHOOD BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT AND EMOTIONAL REGULATION Mary Rourke, Ph.D. and Jessica Nelson, Psy.D. of Dragonfly Psychological Associates (Media) will offer guidelines for parents, grandparents and all caregivers on managing common behavioral challenges in early childhood and supporting your child's emotion regulation skills, **7:30pm, Monday, November 9**. The presentation, for parents of Wallingford Co-Op Nursery School, is open to all members and friends of the congregation. Held in Fellowship Hall.

PRIME TIME Medicare annual open enrollment – which runs through December 7 this year – is the chance to check your Medicare plan and, if needed, change it. Insurance and financial services professional Rich Logan will discuss how to get the best fit when switching plans based on doctors, prescriptions, premiums and total out-of-pocket costs, **Tuesday, November 10. Lunch begins at noon; the program, 12:30pm.**

W.O.W. Join for refreshments, **7pm, Wednesday, November 11**, and a lesson led by Chris Fox.

SPROUTS COOKIE DECORATING NIGHT Kids – have fun decorating cookies (and eating a few!), then offering the rest for the Sprouts Bake Sale (benefitting Giving Tree), **5-7pm, Friday, November 13**. Dinner included. Open to children grades K-5. Use the QR code to register.

LOOKING AHEAD ….

REGISTER FOR THE CHRISTMAS PAGEANT Registration is open for the Christmas pageant, when kids wear costumes/perform/sing songs to tell the story of Jesus' birth. Practices are 11:15am-noon, Sundays (Nov 29, Dec 6, Dec 13) and the pageant will be presented during the Sunday, December 20 service. **Deadline – Sunday, November 22.** Use the QR code to register.

SPROUTS COOKIE SALE Cookies decorated by the Sprouts will be available for purchase during Coffee Hour, **11am, Sunday, November 15**. Proceeds benefit Giving Tree (Christmas gifts for children of Chester Eastside, CityTeam and local families).

BOOKLOOK Discuss The River of Doubt by Candice Millard, “at once an incredible adventure narrative and a penetrating biographical portrait – the bestselling author of River of the Gods brings us the true story of Theodore Roosevelt’s harrowing exploration of one of the most dangerous rivers on earth.” (Amazon), **7:30pm, Wednesday, November 18**. Contact Walt Kaminski to order – the cost is approximately $6.

TEACH US WISDOM Composed by singer/songwriter and recording artist Ken Medema and WPC member Cathy Chamblee, a theory lecturer and tutor for the Music Department at the University of Pennsylvania, “Teach Us Wisdom” will be performed by the Chancel Choir, **10am, Sunday, November 22**. The team has collaborated on more than 20 choral works, with texts about justice and care of the environment among their favorites to set to music.

YOUTH GROUP DEEP DIVE BIBLE STUDY AND STUMP PASTOR TAYLOR Join for a "Friendsgiving" pizza lunch and Bible study, **11:15am-12:30pm, Sunday, November 22**. Meet in the Youth Room. Open to grades 6-12.



HANDEL’S MESSIAH Enjoy Part I and “Hallelujah Chorus” with a chamber orchestra and choir of local singers, **7:30pm, Friday, December 4**. Part of Concerts for a Cause – the suggested donation of $15 and canned goods will benefit Chester Eastside. To sing with the choir – use the QR code to register.



ADVENT OPEN HOUSE HELPERS Helpers are needed for all phases – setup, crafters and cleanup, **Sunday, December 6**. To volunteer – use the QR code or sign up in Fellowship Hall.

GIVING AND SERVICE ….

SOCKTOBER AND CLOTHING DRIVE THANK YOU Many thanks to the WPC community for contributing 756 pairs of men’s, women’s and kids’ socks – the most ever donated during Socktober! In addition, our pop-up clothing drive yielded 20 bags of fall/winter items. Thank you for your generosity. The Education Council and Mission and Service Committee.



ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN Through week seven, we have received 64 pledges totaling $358,894. Our income from pledges and plate contributions has been relatively flat for the last five years. In part, we have been able to balance the budget because we were not at full staff last year and part of this year and have used investment income. Now, thankfully, we are at full staff! If our income does not increase, we will have a deficit of about $50,000 next year, without increasing any of our costs. Please consider what our church means to you and what you can do to help us continue and expand our little piece of God’s kingdom. For those who are able, a 5% increase in your giving would help tremendously. Register your pledge using the pledge card or use the QR code to pledge on the Church Center app.

WPC Day of Service Donations The WPC Day of Service (Monday, January 18), an inter-generational opportunity to benefit others, will involve donating items Chester Eastside, CityTeam Bridge Houses, Domestic Abuse Project of Delaware County and the Nether Providence Police/Garden City Fire Company/South Media Fire Company. **For November, we are asking for full-size tubes of toothpaste and individually-wrapped toothbrushes.** Place in bin outside the church office. **Continues through Sunday, November 29.**

Dedication Sunday Dedicate the 2027 pledges as part of the service, **10am, Sunday, November 15.**

Giving Tree Take a tag from the tree in the Narthex or Fellowship Hall beginning **Sunday, November 15**. Supports Chester Eastside, City Team and local families. Watch for more details.

Turkey Donations Have a turkey you won't be cooking? Donate it to the Deacons. Mark the bird "Deacons" and place in the church freezer from **Sunday, November 15 to Tuesday, November 24**.

Chester Eastside Thanksgiving Chester Eastside has Thanksgiving on its mind – the agency will be preparing 300 boxes with all the fixins'
Here's what they need:

-Turkey gravy
-Canned sweet potatoes
-Boxed mac & cheese
-Canned green beans
-Cornbread mix
-Instant mashed potatoes
-Stuffing mix
-Canned corn
-Cranberry sauce

Donations may be made through Wednesday, November 18.

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

-Cereals
-Fruit bars/granola bars
-Crackers
-Canned salmon
-Canned vegetables
-Dry spaghetti
-Salad dressing
-Pet food
-Jams/jellies
-Soups, Chowder/Chunky/Broth
-Canned meats
-Canned beans
-Tomatoes
-Condiments
-Personal care/household items
-Paper bags

The food pantries are grateful for all your support, but please check dates when donating items. They cannot distribute expired food.

PASTOR DAVID'S INSTALLATION ....

Sunday, November 15
A day to celebrate WPC's past and present, not just one pastor.

3:45-4:45pm – Greet Former Pastors
Welcome back pastors who have previously served WPC. A slideshow of pastors through the years and historical exhibits will be on display.
Former Pastors expected to attend:

* Rev. David Drain
* Rev. Suzan Hawkinson
* Rev. François Lacroix
* Rev. Jeff Conway
* Rev. Rob Ross

Held in Fellowship Hall
Light refreshments will be served

5:00pm – Installation Service
Led by the Presbytery of Philadelphia's Administrative Commission. Rev. Mark Hanna, David's brother, will preach and his father, Rev. Jim Hanna, will give the Charge to the Pastor.

Installation Service Childcare
Sunday, November 15
4:45-6:30pm
Watch "Cars," eat pizza and make crafts to take home
Open to ages 4-11
Held in the Youth Room
Use the QR to register

Please note – no childcare will be offered during the Greet Former Pastors reception

WPC Week at a Glance

Sunday, November 8	**Wednesday, November 11**
09.30am- Chancel Choir	01.30pm- Stephen Ministry
10.00am- Breakfast Club	07.00pm- WOW
10.00am- Worship	**Thursday, November 12**
11.00am- Coffee Hour	07.30pm- Personnel Meeting
11.30am- Personnel Meeting	08.00pm- Chancel Choir
01.00pm- Rise Against Hunger	**Friday, November 13**
Monday, November 9	05.00pm- Sprouts
10.00am- Adult Bible Study	**Saturday, November 14**
07.30pm- Session	**Sunday, November 15**
07.30pm- Parent Presentation	09.30am- Chancel Choir
Tuesday, November 10	10.00am- Worship
10.00am- Staff Meeting	11.00am- Coffee Hour
12.00pm- Prime Time	05.00pm- Installation Service
07.30pm- Communications	

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