

A Way in the Wilderness



Wayne Presbyterian Church

Sharing the Ministry of Jesus Christ through Worship, Education and Mission



October 17, 2021

Thank you for joining us at Wayne Presbyterian Church. We are glad you are here. Worship is an opportunity to encounter God's grace. We receive grace in hearing God's Word, sacraments, music, liturgy, and in our relationships with each other. Grace also frees us from anxiety and perfectionism. Sing the wrong line of the hymn? Forget the name of the person next to you? Your child hollers during the prayers? Worry not. Here, grace abounds! Grace is God's free gift of love that sets us free, and we hope that you will feel the freedom of Christ in this service.



Liturgy

Liturgy literally means "the work of the people." We think worship should be interactive. It is designed to engage the whole person—heart, mind, soul, and body. Therefore, we sing, speak, stand, sit, eat, watch, think, and sit in silence. If worship is a performance, it is the church's performance for God. Each week we do our best to make sure that God is praised using everything we have.



Prayer

Our lives are full of lament and celebration. We therefore come to God with honesty recognizing that God wants to hear our deepest pain and most pressing questions, and loves to see the Church joyfully celebrate God's great gifts.



Offering

We give tithes and offerings as a response to God's grace in our lives. Knowing that all good blessings come from God, the offering is an opportunity to joyfully spread that blessing throughout the world. Guests are not expected or obligated to give.



Communion

Christ is the host of the communion feast. Everyone who is searching to know Christ is welcome at the table.



Childcare

We love children. As a child-cherishing church, we provide a variety of educational opportunities for children. They are welcome in the worship service or in Sunday school. We also have a lovely nursery staffed by professional childcare workers if you need a break.



Masks

With the increased rate of cases of the Delta variant, we are asking all congregants to mask while in the building for worship or other meetings.

CHILDREN THROUGH GRADE 5

9:00 am

Children's Program - 204

10:30 am

Children's Sunday School - Davidson Hall

Childcare available in the nursery at all services

YOUTH GRADES 6 - 12

9:00 am

Confirmation Class - 208, 209

10:30 am

MS / HS Sunday School - 208, 209

6:00 pm

Youth Group

ADULT ED

9:00 am

Bible Study w/ Joe Modica - Knox Rm. or Zoom

For a full calendar of events in the life of our church visit our website at www.waynepres.org

WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 9:30a - Fireside & Zoom

WEDNESDAY PSAD GROUP - 6:45 PM - Zoom

A support group for parents of adolescents and teens challenged by anxiety and depression (Parent Support for Anxiety & Depression - PSAD).

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER TIME - 7:00-8:00PM VIA ZOOM

THURSDAY MORNING MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - 7:00a

- Fireside & Zoom - We are offering a "hybrid" format on Zoom and the Fireside room. Dr. Frederic Clarke Putnam, Associate Professor of Biblical Studies at Eastern University is our speaker for October.

THURSDAY MOMS (Ministry of Motherhood)

GROUP - 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM Bi-weekly. Join us and enjoy great fellowship with other parents in the Fireside or via Zoom.

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Sunday, October 17, 2021 - 9:00 & 10:30 am Services

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Please silence electronic devices during worship.
+This sign is an indication to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Rondo Passacaglia
A Canticle of Praise
TE DEUM BELL CHOIR

Cynthia Dobrinski
C. William Goff

Introit

O Come Let Us Worship
CHANCEL CHOIR

Shephard

Call to Worship

(adapted from Psalm 103)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—

who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Come, let us worship God!

+ Hymn 320 *The Church of Christ in Every Age*

WAREHAM

+ Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

O God, have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. Christ calls us stewards, but we squander your gifts. He gives us tasks to perform, yet we do as we please. He sends us to serve on behalf of those suffering; we are slow to respond until our needs are met. He expects us to praise you in all that we do; we take all the credit for those things we do well. Forgive us and help us to be more faithful.

+ Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

+ Gloria Patri (Hymn 581)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

+ Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

----- Seating Interval -----

Anthem

Cantique de Jean Racine

Gabriel Fauré

QUARTET / TIM EVERS, PIANO

O Redeemer divine, our sole hope of salvation, Eternal Light of the earth and the sky, we kneel in adoration, O Savior, turn on us Thy loving eye! Send down on us the fire of Thy grace all consuming, whose wondrous might dispersed the powers of hell, and rouse our slumbering souls with Thy radiance, all illumining, that they may waken Thy mercy to tell! O Christ bestow Thy blessing on us, we implore Thee, who here are gathered on penitent knee. Accept the hymns we chant to Thine everlasting glory, and these Thy gifts we return unto Thee!

First Scripture Reading: Jeremiah 29:4-12

Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, says the Lord. For thus says the Lord: Only when Babylon's seventy years are completed will I visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer Concerns and Choral Orison

Give Ear to My Prayer

Nelhybel

CHANCEL CHOIR

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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 the glory forever. Amen.

+ Hymn 716 God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

BEACH SPRING

Announcements and Offering

Giving by text is an easy way to give. Simply text the word GIVE (not case sensitive) to our church's Giving Number (610 819 4483). If it's your first time, you'll be prompted to register before completing your gift. If you've given before, you can give immediately without having to re-enter any of your information.

Minute for Stewardship

Susan & Vijay Aggarwal

Musical Offertory

Ain'a That Good News!

William Dawson

CHANCEL CHOIR

I got a crown up in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news! I'm a-goin' to lay down this world, Goin'-a shoulder up my cross, goin'-a take it home-a to my Jesus, Ain'-a that good news! I got a robe up in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news! I got a Saviour in-a the Kingdom, Ain'-a that good news!

+ Doxology (Hymn 606) and Prayer of Thanksgiving & Dedication

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 4:16-21

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Serving in God's Future

CASEY THOMPSON

+ Hymn 36 For the Fruit of All Creation

AR HYD Y NOS

+ Benediction and Choral Response

Lord, Let Us Now Depart In Peace

Fissinger

CHANCEL CHOIR

Postlude

Toccata

Max Reger

TIM EVERS, ORGAN

LITURGIST

Katy Shevel

FLOWERS

The Chancel flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Cynthia Brown by Lisa Frevert.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ◆ The rose on the pedestal celebrates the birth of Monroe Elizabeth Mabe , daughter of Matt & Megan Mabe on October 9.
- ◆ We announce that the Celebration of Life Service for Joan and Jack Swope will be held at Newtown Square Presbyterian Church on Friday, October 22, 2021 at 11 am.
- ◆ WPC Mission Partner of the Week: Bob Beggs, Executive Director at Good Works in Chester County is a Christian home repair ministry operating in the Coatesville and West Chester region. WPC members and others have worked on several homes in West Chester with Good Works.
- ◆ PC(USA) Mission Partner of the Week: Melissa Johnson help the Church of Central African Presbyterian's in the Zambia Synod expand its holistic ministry of community development, food security and improved health. Melissa serves as a Health Education Program Facilitator.

Special note

What you can find in your pew rack: A regular church offering envelope (so marked, for miscellaneous giving), prayer cards and at this time of year - an Estimate of Giving (EOG) card and envelope to make your pledge for 2022.

upcoming events

COMPANIONS IN THE WILDERNESS ADULT ED CLASS - STARTING SUNDAYS ON NOV. 7 5:30-6:30 P.M.

Rev. Katy will introduce us to some very inspiring women and men from church history! For seven consecutive Sunday evenings, we will meet fellow companions of faith who found God with them in unexpected ways along the road of their wilderness journeys. Together we will explore the life and faith of many friends from history, including Martin Luther, the Desert Mothers, and Lemuel Haynes, the first ordained African American minister! We'll be meeting both on Zoom and in-person in the Fireside Room. Come as you are, no book purchase required! Register online to be added to Katy's class email list.

THURSDAY MORNING MEN'S MINISTRY - 7:00 AM VIA ZOOM

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CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER TIME - WEDNESDAY EVENINGS 7:00-8:00PM VIA ZOOM

Would you like to open more fully to God in your daily life and enrich your experience of Sunday's worship service? Join us Wednesday evenings at 7:00 for a guided group experience with the Christian spiritual practices of Lectio Divina and Centering Prayer. Sunday's sermon scripture text will be the focus of each week's prayer time. Come as you are. No particular background or knowledge is needed. All are welcome. Contact Buff Barnes buffbarnes@gmail.com or Jeanne Kauffman jkauffman2853@gmail.com for the weekly Zoom link. ***Be Still and Know that I am God***

WALK WITH WinGS

WinGS is launching a new program called "Walk with WinGS" which will happen every Tuesday morning meeting up at 9:30am. Our time together will be a mix of hiking and walking trails around our area. Contact Robin Herbert for more details at 267-474-7173 or email RobinE225@hotmail.com to RSVP.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2022

We have often noted the importance of good Stewardship in the practice of our faith. The practice of good Stewardship involves how we contribute our time, our talent, our ideas and our financial resources to better serve God and the mission of the Church. This is the time of year when we contemplate our contributions to the Church, and specifically, our financial contributions. We live in a world of great need and a time of unique stress. These are the times when God calls on those more fortunate to seriously consider how they will help meet the needs of those less privileged.

Paul wrote in his second letter to the Corinthians, "Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver". In this spirit, we invite you to prayerfully and joyfully consider how you will support the Church and its mission and to join us on November 4, Dedication Sunday, as we cheerfully dedicate our 2022 Estimates of Giving.

Please give generously on Dedication Sunday, November 7.

Where is God in difficult times?



Marie Monville, author of "One Light Still Shines" will speak about redemption through forgiveness.



OCTOBER 23rd 9:00-10:30 a.m.

Sign up by calling the church office at 610.688.8700
or by registering online: waynepres.org

A registration table will also be in the connector on
October 3, 10, & 17

preaching schedule

October 24	Casey Thompson
October 31	Casey Thompson
November 7	Richard Miller

Stewardship Sunday / All Saints Day

coffee hour

Join us for a time of fellowship and coffee in between worship services. Meet us in the parking lot under the tent at 10 am every Sunday morning!

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320 The Church of Christ in Every Age

1 The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by
 2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims
 3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing
 4 For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the
 5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -

change but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its
 of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for
 church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's
 fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to
 be - dience to our Lord: to care for all, with -

her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.
 bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.
 sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.
 share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.
 out re - serve, and spread Christ's lib - er - at - ing word.

In this challenging text by a British Methodist minister, the odd-numbered stanzas develop the image of "the servant church," while the second surveys the many needs and the fourth describes the true source of strength for the task.

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)
F Dm B \flat

1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D) (Bm)
F Dm

end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G) (D) (A)
B \flat F C

cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm) (F \sharp m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)
Dm Am Dm B \flat C F

to you, of - fering up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm) (G) (D)
Dm B \flat F

rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

For the Fruit of All Creation 36

1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
 2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will be done.
 3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.

For the gifts to ev - ery na - tion, thanks be to God.
 In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will be done.
 For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.

For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are
 In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de -
 For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con -

sleep - ing, fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
 spair - ing, in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will be done.
 found us, most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Originally called "Harvest Hymn," this text is much more comprehensive than that title implies. It also deals with stewardship, thanksgiving, and God's endless gifts that continue to astound us. It is set to a familiar Welsh tune whose name means "throughout the night."