

***April 30, 2017***



**WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN  
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**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**  
**Second Sunday of Easter**

April 30, 2017

11:00 AM

PRELUDES

"Adagio"

Beethoven

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WE APPROACH GOD**

CHORAL INTROIT

"Jubilate Deo"  
WOW Choir

Jothen

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Hallelujah! It's a good thing to sing praise to God;

**Praise is beautiful, praise is fitting.**

God is great, with limitless strength; we'll never comprehend what God knows and does.

**God spreads snow like a white fleece, scatters frost like ashes,**

God broadcasts hail like birdseed and brings on the winter.

**Then God gives the command and it all melts; with one breath  
suddenly it's spring!**

God puts the fallen on their feet again and pushes the wicked into the ditch.

**God is not impressed with horsepower; the size of our muscles  
means little to God.**

So, sing to God a thanksgiving hymn, give your best music, from your heart, to God,

**It's a good thing to sing praise to our God;  
praise is beautiful, praise is fitting.**

Hallelujah!

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 641** "When in Our Music God is Glorified"

Engleberg

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**Almighty God, Jesus, our risen Lord, was made known to the disciples at the table, in the breaking of the bread. As you open their eyes, open the eyes of our hearts, that we may recognize Christ's presence, and with his disciples rejoice, saying, "The Lord has risen, indeed!" With all the faith, hope and love you give us through your Spirit. Amen.**

ANTHEM

"Praise to the Lord"  
Chancel Choir

Besig-Price

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

**GOSPEL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

Teaching Elder Keith Sundberg

*(Following the time with children, our young people through kindergarten age may be excused to child care)*

ANTHEM

"Sing Praise to the Lord of Hosts"  
Primary Choir

Martin

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Lord, you opened the meaning of the Scriptures to the disciples on the road. You set their hearts on fire. By the power of your Spirit, kindle our hearts as we hear your word proclaimed, so we may receive you with joy. Amen.**

**CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 24:13-35; NT 90

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

"Walking with Jesus"

Teaching Elder James Bernhardt

**A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION**

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 231 "Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers" Suo Gan

**CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY**

INVITATION TO PRAYER "Bow Down Your Ear, O Lord" Hopson  
Chancel Choir

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts)**

**RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

Offertory Anthem Fanfare Prelude on "Old Hundredth" arr. Wagner  
Sanctuary Bells and Organ

\*Offertory Response "Praise God, From Who All Blessings Flow" Old Hundredth  
***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**

**TAKING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 804 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!" Marion

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Hallelujah Chorus" Handel  
Chancel Choir

\*POSTLUDE "Toccata in F Major" Giamanco

\*Everyone who is able may stand

**Bold lettering** is to be read responsively by the congregation

***Bold lettering that is italicized*** is to be sung by the congregation

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## WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, April 30, 2017

### WELCOME

*"I will show love to those who were called unloved and, to those who were called 'not-my-people', I will say 'you are my people' and they will answer, 'you are our God'." (Hosea 2:23)*

Wayside Presbyterian Church (PCUSA) is a place where the mind is nourished as well as the spirit, and where we affirm the dignity and worth of every person. As we are all created in the image of God, we believe discrimination is incompatible with Christ's Gospel of unconditional love. While we celebrate our Presbyterian identity, we acknowledge that we are not alone on the path to understanding God. We invite conversations that move us to seek a deeper understanding of life in the Spirit.

***Be who you are and be welcome here.***

### FOR OUR CHILDREN

Childcare is available during the entire worship hour for infants and preschool children. Children may remain for the entire service or take advantage of childcare (kindergarten and younger). Children's worship activity bags are available for children remaining in the worship service. Please return them following worship.

### CHALLENGED CHILDREN AND YOUTH

If sound is unsettling to your child or youth, ask the usher at the back of the sanctuary for earplugs.

### SERVICE NOTES

A hearing enhancement system is available for those who have a need. An usher will be happy to provide you with a receiver this morning. Large print bulletins are also available.

#### Thanks to those who helped with the service today:

Church Opener: Matt McGill  
Ushers: **8:30 AM:** Jim & Mardy Marsh  
**11:00 AM:** Missy Grimm, Kitty Menges, Natalie Thompson and Beth van Helden  
Acolytes: Cole Daehnke and Genna Feltmeyer  
Worship Assistant: Rita Brown  
Sound Board: Jonathan Jewell  
Greeters: Karen Sidorowicz, Worship; Bobbi Jo Fye, Spiritual Nurture & Education  
Information Table: Pattie Pora  
Fellowship Time: Worship, Music & Fine Arts Committee  
Child Care: Hilary & Lee Gehrlein Family, Nursery;  
Brooke & Kevin Weaver Family, Preschool

#### A reminder to those scheduled to help next week:

Church Opener: Tom Momeyer  
Ushers: **8:30 AM:** Bill Bremmer and Ritch Marsh  
**11:00 AM:** Pam Monaco, Cade Sbrocco, Rachael Sbrocco, Jonathon Sidorowicz,  
Mark Smith and Dan Taylor  
Acolytes: Bella Fried and Aurora Fuchs  
Worship Assistant: Bobbi Jo Fye  
Sound Board: Kitty Menges  
Greeters: Tracey Bowes, Worship; Carrie Bastow, Spiritual Nurture & Education  
Information Table: Chris Hoyt  
Fellowship Time: Kitty Menges  
Child Care: David & Kylie Sundberg Family, Nursery;  
Aaron & Kim Garrity Family, Preschool

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 30 – MAY 7, 2017

Sunday, April 30	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
Bread for the World Offering of Letters	9:30 AM	Chancel Choir
Music Sunday		Discussion of summer worship hours
	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
	12:00 PM	Discussion of summer worship hours
		Fellowship Time
Wednesday, May 3	7:30 PM	Deacons/Congregational Development & Nurture (CDN)
Sunday, May 7	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
Holy Communion	9:30 AM	Chancel Choir
PW Birthday Offering	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
	12:00 PM	Fellowship Time

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS & BULLETIN COVER SPONSORS

The Sanctuary Flowers are provided by Ron and Lois May in honor of their children and grandchildren.

### SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS DISCUSSION

Please join us following each service today to discuss summer worship hours. Your opinion is important so we hope you will participate.

### DEALING WITH PERSONAL, FAMILY OR SPIRITUAL ISSUES? WE CAN HELP!

The Deacons are proud to sponsor booklets on a variety of issues. Are you a teen or child wondering how to handle a bully at school? A child facing the prospect of moving a parent to a nursing home? Dealing with illness or grief or just the pains of growing older? Check out the pamphlets in the lobby for these and other topics. If there is a subject for which there is only one left or no pamphlet at all but you'd like one, please contact Karen Shor in the office.

Deacons are also available to provide transportation to medical appointments or to Sunday worship, meals for families who could use a break from cooking due to medical or family issues and other support. If you have a need and would like support, please contact Karen Shor in the office or Mark Smith, Moderator of Deacons. The Deacons will help with the utmost discretion.

Of course, both James and Keith are available for counseling if you feel a pamphlet just isn't enough. Contact either of them to set up a time to meet either at Wayside, your home or another location of your choosing. These and all their counseling services are, of course, confidential.

### THESE DAYS

One of the benefits of being a connected church with PC (USA) is a quarterly booklet entitled *These Days*. These booklets of daily devotions for living by faith are available on the Information Table, in the library and in the Parlor. Free will offerings to help defray the cost of these wonderful little books are greatly appreciated.

### PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

#### BREAD FOR THE WORLD

**Bread for the World** is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. Presbyterian Women will have letter writing supplies available in the lobby again today. Letters will be sent individually to PA Representative Mike Kelly and Senators Robert Casey, Jr. and Pat Toomey. Please stop at the tables in the lobby to write letters and add your voice to our plea to end hunger.

#### BIRTHDAY OFFERING

This year's Birthday Offering will be held on Sunday May 7. Since 1922, the Birthday Offering has provided and continues to provide much-needed financial assistance to numerous worthwhile programs not included in ongoing General Assembly mission support. Each year, as many as five new projects-domestic and international-are carefully and prayerfully selected by the Creative Ministries Offering Committee to help meet a crucial need for persons who are hurting or are disadvantaged. The generosity of Presbyterian women and their families and congregations, as demonstrated through their Birthday Offering gifts, helps chosen recipients find real solutions for projects related to health, education, economic development and the needs of women and children.

## **MOTHER/CHILD BANQUET**

It's that time of year again! The Mother/Child banquet will be held on Monday, May 8, 2017. Appetizers at 5:45 PM, dinner at 6:00 PM.

This year's theme: "Moms and Science: 2 things that are amazing!" Bring your best lab coat and prepare to be amazed! Please sign up at the Information Table.

**Dads**, it's your turn in the kitchen! Please sign up to volunteer and support this fun family affair.

## **GENEROSITY OPPORTUNITIES**

### **IT'S SPRING CLEANUP TIME!**

Our annual spring cleanup is scheduled for Saturday May 6. This will prepare the outside of the building, especially the gardens, for the coming spring and summer. Please sign up at the Information Table and come at a time that works for you and your family. Children are always welcome. We will begin the project at 8:00 AM and finish no later than noon. No one is expected to come for the entire morning, so come when it is convenient and stay as long as you wish! We would appreciate it if you could bring wheel barrows, shovels, rakes, leaf blowers, etc. if you have them.

### **SECOND SATURDAY PROJECT: MAY 13, 2017**

We will be assisting Second Harvest Food Bank with their Annual Letter Carrier Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive. This is the largest food drive of the year and part of a national food collection. We will unload the food collected in the mail trucks by the letter carriers and transfer it into the Second Harvest Food Bank trucks. We will be looking for volunteers for two shifts: 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM and 12:30 PM – 3:00 PM. We will be working at Asbury Woods between the barn and the pavilion. Please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby or call or email Karen Shor in the office at 833-7653 or [wpc@wayside-erie.org](mailto:wpc@wayside-erie.org).

You should receive a flyer from the letter carriers in the next few weeks. Whether or not you can help with the project, please take time to donate to the collection by hanging a bag of food at your mailbox on May 13.

### **BAKERS NEEDED**

Our superb bakers are asked to help provide baked goods for the **PW Primary Election Bake Sale** to be held on Tuesday, **May 16**. Bring your bake goods **pre-packaged and clearly labeled** as "PW Election Day" to the church no later than **4:30 PM Monday May 15**. Please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby.

### **SUMMER MUSIC**

The summer "special music" calendar is quickly filling up! Please see Dawn Weborg to secure a date for a vocal solo, duet or instrumental piece.

### **PER CAPITA CHALLENGE**

We only need \$2,530.00 to reach our goal of collecting \$8000 to help defray Wayside's \$16,680 per capita obligation in 2017 to the PC(USA). We pay \$30 for each member; see the display in the Lobby for further details. Please help us reach our goal by contributing \$30 for each confirmed member of your family. Thank you.

## **WEEKLY GIFTS TO THE WEST MILLCREEK FOOD PANTRY**

Next week's suggested items for the Food Pantry are toilet tissue and cereal. Non-perishable items such as diapers, feminine hygiene products, toiletries and pet foods are always appreciated. Checks should be made out to "West Millcreek Food Pantry".

Please keep in mind the special request from the Food Pantry to help fund the hams that they distributed to families for Easter.

## ***Spiritual Nurture and Education (SN&E)***

### **ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES**

**Issues of Faith:** Today we will hear the story of "A Year at the Monastery". Two lay women share their story of living and working at Mount St. Benedict.

### **YOUTH**

*A Sunday program for youth 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades*

Today will be a meeting for the teens and their parents to hear about the Senior High Immersion Weekend. May 7 we will have a lesson on Rahab.