

July 9, 2017



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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 9, 2017

10:00 AM

PRELUDE

Meditation on "Beecher"
"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Zundel
Gordon

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE APPROACH GOD

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come, all who carry heavy burdens,
And Christ will give you rest.

**For Jesus is gentle and humble in heart;
In Christ we find rest for our souls.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 409**

"God Is Here!"

Abbot's Leigh

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Holy God, we confess to you and to each other that we are tired and weighed down by mistakes we have made even in our closest relationships with family, friends and coworkers. Because you have asked us to, we offer this burden, mindful of Jesus' promise, that he will give us rest. We trust in you. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***ACT OF PRAISE NO. 595**

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

Arentine Santo

***Holy, holy, holy. My heart, my heart adores you!
My heart knows how to say to you: you are holy, Lord!***

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)

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Prayer of the Congregation

God of love, with great joy and great hope we celebrate the baptism of Parker. In Jesus' name we welcome him and offer ourselves and the church in every place to be his sisters and brothers, aunts and uncles, grandmothers and grandfathers in the faith. God, help us to do everything we can together with the whole church, to surround Parker and his family with Christian love, and by your grace and favor lead him to always be a faithful follower of our Lord and Savior. Amen.

BAPTISMAL HYMN NO. 482

"Baptized in Water"

Bunessan

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Comforting God, by your Holy Spirit, lift the burdens from our souls through the reading of your Word for us, so we may learn the ease of life in relationship with you. Amen.

CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30; NT 11
The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Learn From Me”

Teaching Elder James Bernhardt

A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

***HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 177**

“I Will Come to You”

You Are Mine

CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (debts)

RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

Air from the “Water Music Suite”
Brianna Morrow, Violin Soloist

Handel

*Offertory Response No. 710

“We Lift Our Voices”

Liles

***We lift our voices; we lift our hands;
we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.
Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands;
Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.
All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be,
we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices;
we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you:
we are an offering; we are an offering.***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

TAKING GOD’S WORD INTO THE WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN NO. 267**

“Come Christians, Join to Sing”

Madrid

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE NO. 313** “Lord, Make Us More Holy African-American Spiritual

***Lord, make us more holy; Lord make us more holy;
Lord make us more holy, until we meet again;
holy, holy, holy, until we meet again.***

*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, July 9, 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.

Some of our teens have been trained to be buddies for children with challenges. The teens are available during worship and Sunday school to allow parents to have some time to themselves. Speak with Keith if you would welcome this new ministry.

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 McCullough

Ushers: **8:30 AM:** Tim Feltmeyer and Kurt Menges

10:00 AM: Maria Carpenedo, Bobbi Jo Fye, Jon Hoyt, Ron Kolb, Bill Pentz, Adam Snyder, Ed Snyder, Barb Sundberg and Axel Swanson

Worship Assistant: Mark Smith

Sound Board: Jim Allman

Greeter: The Jewell Family, Worship

Information Table: Nancy Fye

Fellowship Time: Bill Pentz

A reminder to those scheduled to help next week:

Church Opener: Tom Momeyer

Ushers: **8:30 AM:** Colleen Loeslein and Mac Pollard

10:00 AM: Paul Carpenedo, Tom Lewis, Haile Martin, Nolan Martin, Ron May, Matt McGill, Ken Reitingger, Lorah Momeyer and David Sundberg

Worship Assistant: Linda Lorah

Sound Board: Kitty Menges

Greeter: Lenora Lewis, Worship

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 9-16, 2017

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| Sunday, July 9 | 8:30 AM | Celebration of Worship |
| Baptism of Parker Reed Stachowiak | 9:30 AM | Session receives Parker Stachowiak |
| Election of Officers | 10:00 AM | Celebration of Worship |
| | 11:00 AM | Congregational Meeting |
| | | Fellowship Time |
| Monday, July 10 | | No Trustees |
| Wednesday, July 12 | | No Session |
| Thursday, July 13 | 5:30 PM | Branding Committee |
| Friday, July 14 | | August Newsletter Deadline |
| | | No Sophia Circle |
| Sunday, July 16 | 8:30 AM | Celebration of Worship |
| Installation of Officers | 10:00 AM | Celebration of Worship |
| | 11:00 AM | Fellowship Time |
| | 11:20 AM | New Member Class |

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary Flowers are provided by Carol Christie and Tom Eckard in honor their wedding anniversary.

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL MUSIC

Brianna Morrow is a senior at Baldwin Wallace University majoring in music and minoring in arts management and sociology. She will graduate in December and pursue graduate studies in Ireland focusing on helping marginalized people.

MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

A meeting of Wayside's Congregation has been scheduled for today following the 10:00 AM Worship Service. Please plan to join us for the election of officers. Here is information about them:

- Trustee Nominee Karen Carpenedo has been a member of Wayside for 27 years, and has served on Session and Deacons. She is retired from a career that included writing, bookselling and civil service, as well as various other jobs. She is married to Paul, and has two adult children and two grandchildren.
- Elder Nominee Don Worthington and Becky, his wife, have been members of Wayside for 39 years. They have taught Sunday School for most of their years at Wayside. Don has previously served on Session and he is currently serving on the Committee on Ministry for the Presbytery of Lake Erie.

LIFE TOUCH PICTURES NOW AVAILABLE

If you had your picture taken during our photo sessions in April and May and have not yet received your free 8 x 10 picture, they are now available in the church office during the week. Please stop by the church at your convenience and Karen Shor will be happy to help you.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

We will hold a Membership Class, Sunday, July 16, at 11:20 AM. Gather for lunch and a two-hour class about Christ's invitation to membership in the church, your journey of faith, Presbyterian particulars, the "way" of Wayside, and a tour of the facility. Speak to James or Keith, contact by email james@wayside-erie.org or call the church office at 833-7653 to indicate your interest.

SUMMER WORSHIP

Mark your calendar for our **Worship On the Beach** at Perry Monument on **August 6 at 10:00 AM**. There will be no early service that day. Worship will be followed by a potluck picnic. "Main course", dessert, drinks and table service will be provided. Please sign up at the Information Table so we know how many will be attending and let us know what kind of salad or vegetable dish you will bring.

IU PRESCHOOL

Northwest Tri-County Intermediate Unit 5 (IU5) has begun their early intervention preschool program at Wayside. Please give the staff, students and parents a real Wayside Welcome.

The preschool childcare room is again available. If you use the room, please be sure to return any toys to where you found them.

GENEROSITY OPPORTUNITIES

WORSHIP HELPERS NEEDED

Each Sunday Waysiders fill a variety of roles both prior to, during, and after services. There are plenty of opportunities to serve and, for newer members, a great chance to meet your fellow congregants! If you would like to help in any capacity, please sign up at the Information Table.

WAYSIDE SUMMER VEGETABLE GARDEN

Please sign up for a week this summer to weed, water and collect produce in our vegetable garden. There is a signup sheet at the Information Table. Produce will be available in the lobby later in the summer. A freewill offering will be accepted for any produce you take. Proceeds will go to Second Harvest Food Bank. We appreciate your support.

SERVERIE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The outreach committee is moving forward with plans to participate in this broad community effort to support Erie Schools by becoming a Church Sponsor of this summer's project at Erie High School (formerly Central Career & Technical School).

From Thursday, July 20 to Sunday, July 23, ServErie volunteers will be making critical repairs and updates to Erie High School to assist with repairs after the fire and in anticipation of the additional students that will attend there in the fall. A small army of community members will be cleaning, painting classrooms and hallways, repairing bathrooms, updating exterior doors, replacing ceiling tiles, landscaping the surrounding property, and much more. This project will also be part of the Youth Immersion Experience.

If you are interested in helping with this worthwhile project, please sign up at the Information Table.

EMMAUS SOUP KITCHEN DESSERT MONDAY

Calling all Wayside Bakers! Monday, July 31 is Wayside's day to provide desserts to the Emmaus Soup Kitchen. Please bring your desserts to Wayside when you have time and put them in the freezer in the kitchen, clearly marked "Emmaus Soup Kitchen Dessert". All desserts will be delivered to the Soup Kitchen by Wayside Deacons on Monday July 31. Thank you in advance for helping to care for others.

FARM GLEANING JUNE-OCTOBER

Volunteers are needed for our annual Erie Farm Gleaning Project. This program gleans fruits and vegetables from local farms after the regular harvest. Picking dates and locations will vary during the months of June through October. Children under age 9 may participate with adult supervision. This project qualifies for school service hours. No commitment is required. Work when you are able. If you are interested in receiving emails about these opportunities, please sign up in the Lobby.

WEEKLY GIFTS TO THE WEST MILLCREEK FOOD PANTRY

Next week's suggested items for the Food Pantry are toilet tissue and bar soap. 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".

SCRIP ORDERS

Purchasing gift cards through our Scrip cards program is a great way for you to contribute to Wayside. A percentage of your gift card purchase will go to the Wayside general fund. An order placed on Sunday will be received by the following Sunday. Stop at the Information Table today to place your order.

SEED MONEY FOR MISSION – MULTIPLY YOUR TALENT CHALLENGE

We are looking for individuals or families to take an active part in using talents to contribute to mission this summer. Wayside will be funding people by giving \$25, \$50 or \$100 to individuals, families or friendship groups to see how this money might be multiplied by your talents and creativity. The money may be used to raise additional funds or to provide goods or services for someone in need. We will tally all the stories and provide a full report and celebrate the results this fall.

If you or your family or you and your friends would like to participate please fill out a form and turn it in at the office or send an email to: gregg.rabenold@gmail.com or james@wayside-erie.org. Forms are on the Information Table in the Lobby.

SOME NEW WAYS TO HELP WAYSIDE

- Wayside is now a charity on AmazonSmile! To donate to Wayside Presbyterian Church of Erie, start each shopping session at <http://smile.amazon.com>. Similar to our Scrip Program, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases. There are quite a few churches called Wayside, so be sure you choose “Wayside Presbyterian Church of Erie.”
- Erie Gives 2017 is **Tuesday, August 8** between the hours of 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM. This year, Wayside will be one of the non-profits to whom you can donate. We would like you to consider making your weekly, monthly, quarterly or annual donation to Wayside on that day.

When you donate through their website during this 12-hour period of giving, The Erie Community Foundation will match a percentage of each donation you make to Wayside. Just imagine your money growing as soon as you donate it! Stay tuned for more details.

- Wayside is registered as a charity at Gordon Food Service (GFS). Tell them you want to donate to Wayside Presbyterian Church of Erie and a portion of your purchase will come to us!

Spiritual Nurture and Education (SN&E)

AN IMMERSION EXPERIENCE: “STORIES FROM THE EAST”

July 21-23, rising ninth graders through high school graduates are invited to an experience like no other here in Erie. Our mission trip this year will be in our hometown. As we would in other cities, our time will include service projects, times to reflect, and the meeting of new people. Unlike some of our other trips, there will be a more visceral experience of homelessness and poverty in our own backyard.

The Outreach Committee has underwritten the weekend so the cost per family is only \$50 per youth. A completed form and payment will hold a place for those who want to go.

Please pick up your registration form at the Information Table and return it to Keith with your check as soon as possible.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: NOTE DATE CHANGE

This year’s program, entitled *Digging for Treasure: Parables Revealed*, **Monday, July 24 through Friday July 28** from 10 AM to 1:00 PM. Dig into a VBS that’s all about Jesus’ parables and the treasure to be found in his words. At first, Jesus’ parables seem simple. But it takes listening and digging deeper to discover the treasures of the kingdom of heaven. Cost is \$15 per child or a maximum of \$30 per family. Registration forms are on the Information Table.

Adults and teens are needed to teach, cook, lead games, make crafts, and sing. Please sign up at the Information Table as we plan for a great week together!