

July 30, 2017



**WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN
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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 30, 2017

10:00 AM

PRELUDE

"Holy, Holy, Holy"
"Jubilate"

Nicaea
arr. Wilson (Russian Hymn)

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE APPROACH GOD

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *(please sign with the children)*

The Spirit and the church say, **come!**

And let everyone who hears say, **come!**

And let everyone who is thirsty, **come!**

Let everyone who wishes, take the water of life as a gift, **come! Amen!**

***HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 188**

"Jesus Loves Me"

Jesus Loves Me

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

VBS SONGS – children and staff

GOSPEL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Teaching Elder James Bernhardt

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *(please sign with the children)*

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak.

Blessed are my ears for they hear.

For God will speak peace to God's people.

Blessed are my ears for they hear.

To God's faithful; to those who turn to God in their hearts

Blessed are my ears for they hear. Amen

CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 13;31-33; 44-52; NT 14, 15

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

SERMON

"The Kingdom is Like..."

Teaching Elder Keith Sundberg

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

***HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 175**

"Seek Ye First"

Lafferty

CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

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

RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

"The Time For Turning"
Julia Day Grandinetti, Soloist

arr. Courtney

*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. 487

"These Treasured Children"

Puer Nobis Nascitur

*CHARGE AND BLESSING - summary of VBS "Digging for Treasure"

God bless our eyes **that we might see!**

God bless our ears **that we might hear!**

God bless our lips **that we might sing!**

God bless our hearts **that we might love!**

Amen! **Amen!**

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Lord, Make Us More Holy"

African-American Spiritual

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

*POSTLUDE

"Festival Recessional in G"

Scarmolin

*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 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.

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: Jim Perkins

Ushers: **8:30 AM:** Mardy and Jim Marsh

10:00 AM: Missy Grimm, Kitty Menges, Natalie Thompson & Beth van Helden

Worship Assistant: Linda Lorah

Sound Board: Matt McGill

Greeters: The Potocki Family, Worship

Information Table: Nancy Fye

Fellowship Time: The Potocki Family

A reminder to those scheduled to help next week: REMEMBER: THIS IS THE WORSHIP AT THE BEACH. THERE WILL BE NO EARLY SERVICE.

Ushers: **10:00 AM:** Pam Monaco, Rachael Sbrocco, Mark Smith and Dan Taylor

Worship Assistant: Shawn Babcock

Fellowship Time: Worship, Music & Fine Arts and Congregational Development & Nurture Committees

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 30, 2017

Sunday, July 30	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
Dessert Sunday	10:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
VBS Kids Sing	11:00 AM	Fellowship Time
Monday, July 31	10:00 AM	Dessert Monday Deadline
Sunday, August 6	10:00 AM	Worship on the Beach & Picnic
Worship at Perry Monument Pavilion		

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary Flowers are provided by the Babcock family in honor of Betty Babcock's 94th birthday. They would like to share the flowers with you. If you would like a bouquet, please come to the communion table following the service.

TODAY'S SPECIAL MUSIC

Our special music today is provided by Julia Day Grandinetti. Julia is an animal lover, proud aunt and sister and avid crafter/DIY'er.

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.

SUMMER WORSHIP

Next week, August 6, is our **Worship On the Beach** at Perry Monument 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.

Need transportation? Meet at Wayside no later than 9:15 AM to ride in the church van. Please sign up at the Information Table, on your Worship +2 form or by contacting Karen Shor in the Office.

GENEROSITY OPPORTUNITIES

EMMAUS SOUP KITCHEN DESSERT MONDAY

Tomorrow, Monday, July 31, is Wayside's day to provide desserts to the Emmaus Soup Kitchen. **Please bring your desserts to Wayside clearly marked "Emmaus Soup Kitchen Dessert" no later than 10:00 AM tomorrow.** 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.

SERVING DINNER AT EMMAUS SOUP KITCHEN

Volunteers are needed to assist with serving dinner at Emmaus Soup Kitchen, 218 E. 11th St. and Holland St. at 3:00 PM Wednesday, August 9. If you would like to help, please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby.

DEACONS' BACK TO SCHOOL PROJECT

As this school year ends, please start planning to again support the Deacons' yearly Back to School Project. As in past years, we will partner with Community Shelter Services to help their families purchase clothing and supplies for next fall. The easiest way to do this is send a check made out to Wayside and designate it to "Back to School" on the memo line. Another great idea is to purchase gift cards from the Scrip program and donate them, creating a win-win. And finally, you could also purchase a book bag and school supplies and leave them at the office. We thank you for your ongoing generosity to this important cause. **Deadline for donations is Sunday, August 13, 2017.**

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 or check your Worship + 2 insert to be put on the email list(s).

WAYSIDE SUMMER VEGETABLE GARDEN

The harvest has begun! We've already harvested some truly beautiful cucumbers & hot peppers. Produce is on the counter in the kitchen. Donations go to support Second Harvest Food Bank.

Please sign up for a week this summer to weed, water and collect produce in our vegetable garden. There is a sign up sheet at the Information Table. Karen Shor will send out reminders when you're week arrives.

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. If you were on the list last year, there is no need to sign up again. If you don't want to stay on the list, please contact Karen Shor.

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.

WEST MILLCREEK FOOD PANTRY SPECIAL REQUEST

For the next few weeks we are asking you to bring in cereal. This is a special request from the food pantry. 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".

SOME MORE WAYS TO HELP WAYSIDE

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

Spiritual Nurture and Education (SN&E)

SUMMER ENDS SOON: MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday school will return on Sunday, September 10 beginning at 9:45 AM. If your child will be attending Sunday school for the first time, please contact Keith or Karen Shor in the office so we can make sure s/he is registered in the correct class.

All volunteers over age 18 or older must have their clearances. If you don't know if you have valid clearances, please contact Karen Rae at 833-7653 or email her at steward@wayside-erie.org.

If your child is 3 years old or younger, please register her/him for the preschool and/or childcare program. Families with children who utilize childcare may sign up in the Nursery for the dates they would like to volunteer or contact Karen Shor at 833-7653 or at wpc@wayside-erie.org. We would like to have the schedule for the year available by September 10 so please sign up soon!

THANKS TO OUR WONDERFUL VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS & STAFF

Registrars:	Karen Rae Pastewka, Karen Shor
Nursery:	Charleen Arnold-Conrad
Class Shepherds:	
Preschool:	Alivia Garrity, Nick Grimm, Elisabeth Waka, Brooke Weaver
Younger Elementary:	Jessica Day, Eli Fuchs, Alex Grimm
Older Elementary:	Sarah Boyd, Ella Garrity, Joey Turner
Ethan Partner:	Aurora Fuchs
Reila Partner:	Alivia Garrity
Biblical Response Teachers:	Karen Potocki, Kylie Sundberg
Creative Response Teachers:	Linda Lorah, Kerrisa Moyer, Pattie Pora, Rachel Swanson
Made Crafts in advance:	Diana and Jessica Day
Contributed to cost of crafts:	Diana Day, Pattie Pora
Lunch Response Teachers:	Mary Yonkers, Diana Day, Bethany Hurley, Lenora Lewis, Brittany Shaffer, Kristy Stack
Lunch providers:	Laurie Brugger, Britt Daehnke, Alice Edwards, Jill Gomes, Lenora Lewis, Lorie & Ryan Marsh, Mardy Marsh, Karen Rae Pastewka, Jay & Brittany Shaffer, Mark & Gwen Smith, Dawn Weborg
Active Response Teachers:	Amy Gilewicz, Owen McCullough, David Sundberg
Worship:	Keith Sundberg, Aurora Fuchs, Eli Fuchs, Dawn Weborg
Opening Music:	Kylie Sundberg
VBS Music:	Dawn Weborg, Alivia Garrity, Ella Garrity, Micki Loesel
Photographers:	Georgi Harrington, Karen Shor
Set up, take down and cleanup:	David Sickles
Helped transport families:	Mary & Ritchie Marsh, Keith Sundberg