

***August 13, 2017***



**WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

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**CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP**  
**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**August 13, 2017**

**10:00 AM**

**PRELUDE**

“Intermezzo”

Fighthorn

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WE APPROACH GOD**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Acts 27:41

But striking a reef, [the soldiers, guarding the Apostle Paul and the other prisoners,] ran the ship aground; the bow stuck and remained immovable, but the stern was being broken up by the force of the waves.

**This is the story of the Church.**

Psalms 65:1,2,7

Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion; and to you shall vows be performed,  
O you who answer prayer!  
You silence the roaring of the seas,  
the roaring of their waves,  
the tumult of the peoples.

**This is the affirmation of the Church.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 816** “If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee” Wer Nur Den Lieben Gott

**A SCRIPTURE ECHO**

“Do Not be Afraid”

Isaiah 43:1-5

**\*ACT OF PRAISE NO. 616** “Our God Is an Awesome God” (sing 2 times)

Mullins

***Our God is an awesome God who reigns  
from heaven above with wisdom, power, and love;  
our God is an awesome God!***

**WE HEAR GOD’S WORD**

**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**

**Spirit, come and reinterpret this ancient story for the world in which we live. Reveal to us wisdom of old and wisdom of new life. In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.**

**CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE READING**

Matthew 14:22-33; NT 16

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

**SERMON**

“A Walk on the Water”

Teaching Elder Keith Sundberg

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 184 "Calm to the Waves"(sung 3 times:each time softer) Calm Seas

### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Prayer of the Congregation

**God of new beginnings, thank you for the pathways you make for us, so that we join the way with others, united in life and ministry through your amazing and wondrous love. We thank you for Matt and Maureen, for their faith and for their uniqueness. We rejoice in your will and way, and look forward with hope and expectation for all you may show us and do in and through us as your people, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Hymn of Fellowship

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" (Verse 1)

***Blest be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.***

### CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

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

### RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

"This We Pray"

Althouse

Brian Ripley, Soloist

\*Offertory Response No. 698 "Take, O Take Me as I Am" (sing 2 times)

Bell

***Take, O take me as I am; summon out what I shall be;  
set your seal upon my heart and live in me.***

### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 815 "Give to the Winds Thy Fears"

Festal Song

### \*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "May the Love of the Lord"

Lim

***May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.***

***May God's love dwell in you, throughout every day.***

***May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.***

***May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.***

### \*POSTLUDE

"Trumpet Postlude in D"

Broadhead

\*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, August 13, 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: Dale Massing

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

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

Worship Assistant: Nicki Jares

Sound Board: Mac Pollard

Greeters: Gwen & Mark Smith, Worship

Information Table: Mark Smith

Fellowship Time: Mary & Dave Yonkers

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

Church Opener: Jim Perkins

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

**10:00 AM:** Paul Carpenedo, Tom Lewis, Halle Martin, Nolan Martin,  
Ron May, Matt McGill, Ken Reitingner, Lorah Momeyer, David Sundberg

Sound Board: Mark Smith

Fellowship Time: Gwen & Mark Smith

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 13-20, 2017

Sunday, August 13	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
New Members Join members	9:30 AM	Session meets with new members
	10:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
Monday, August 14	11:00 AM	Fellowship Time
Tuesday, August 15	12:00 PM	Trustees
Friday, August 18	7:00 PM	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Sunday, August 20		Newsletter Deadline
	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
	10:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
	11:00 AM	Fellowship Time

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary Flowers are provided by the Flower Fund in memory of Paul Zarenko whose birthday would have been August 11.

### THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL MUSIC

Brian Ripley is a member of Wayside and a political science professor at Mercyhurst.

### WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS

Maureen Cress is from Mars, PA. Maureen also attended Penn State Behrend where she obtained a Plastics Engineering degree. She is currently employed in Erie.

Matt Schneider was born and raised in Oil City, PA, where he was confirmed a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Oil City. After high school, he attended Penn State Behrend to obtain his Mechanical Engineering degree. Matt is currently employed at CMI Energy in Erie.

Maureen and Matt now reside in Millcreek township and are engaged with plans to marry at Wayside on November 4.

### IN GRATITUDE

Kay and Rudy Lascek express their deep gratitude for the thoughts and prayers from their friends during the loss of their grandson, Vincent.

### NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR ASSISTANCE

The Church Officer Nominating Committee would appreciate your input. If you have suggestions of Waysiders who you think would serve well as Elders, Deacons, or Trustees, please submit their names on one of the forms that can be found on the Information Table. **Deadline for submissions is September 17.** Self-nominations are also welcome.

The Nominating Committee welcomes your suggestions and will give prayerful consideration to any names submitted.

### GENEROSITY OPPORTUNITIES

#### DEACONS' BACK TO SCHOOL PROJECT

As the new school year gets closer, 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 today, Sunday, August 13, 2017.**

## **JOIN OUR JEWISH FRIENDS AS THEY BLESS THEIR NEW HOME**

Join Temple Anshe Hessed Tuesday, August 15 at 7:00 PM at their new building at Old Zuck and Zimmerly Roads as they dedicate the building and bless this new holy space. Everyone is welcome to share in their joy. They will consider your presence and support a mitzvah (good deed)!

## **SECOND HARVEST MOBILE FOOD BANK**

The next Mobile Food Bank will be held Monday, August 28. Volunteers will meet at the Federated Church, 11995 Main St. in East Springfield just off Route 20 West at **12:15 PM (NOTE the new time)**. Volunteers should park in the parking lot behind the church as the people getting the food park in the lot in front. If you would like to help, please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby.

## **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).

## **YOUTH LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY**

The Presbyterian General Assembly is offering a significant opportunity for young people in the congregation between the ages of 17 and 23 as of June 16, 2018 – the first day of the General Assembly gathering. This provides an opportunity to be a Young Adult Advisory Delegate to General Assembly for the year 2018. General Assembly will meet from June 16 to 23, 2018 in St. Louis. For the young person committed to Jesus Christ with demonstrated leadership gifts, General Assembly service offers a view of the church and an opportunity for growth that is truly unique. Not only will the YAAD participate in a multitude of decisions but he/she will also come to know about 150 YAADs from across the country.

If you or your son/daughter are interested in more information, please contact Keith or James. Applications must be postmarked by September 30, 2017.

## **SECOND HARVEST FARM GLEANING PROJECT**

The first gleanings have been scheduled! This program gleanes fruits and vegetables from local farms after the regular harvest. Picking dates and locations will vary through October. Children under age 9 may participate with adult supervision and 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](mailto:gregg.rabenold@gmail.com) or [james@wayside-erie.org](mailto:james@wayside-erie.org). Forms are on the Information Table in the Lobby.

## 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 signup sheet at the Information Table. Karen Shor will send out reminders when you're week arrives.

## 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".

## 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.

## SOME MORE 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."
- 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)*

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:wpc@wayside-erie.org). We would like to have the schedule for the year available by September 10 so please sign up soon!

## PARENT & TEEN PICNIC & POOL PARTY

Parents and teens from 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to attend a picnic and pool party at the home of the Morrows, 4638 Basswood Drive (off Asbury) on Sunday, August 27, from 12:30-3:30 PM. Meat and drinks will be provided. All are asked to bring a dish to share.

Part of the time will include a discussion of youth ministry as we think about what we would like to offer. Contact Keith or Karen Shor in the office to reserve your space.