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## 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)*

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO OUR SIXTH GRADERS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy Spirit, we all can read. We all can listen. But can we all understand?  
Probably not without You. So, grant us insight as the scriptures are read  
**and we listen. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.**

CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 3:4b-14; NT 198

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

**"Right Opinions or Right Visions?"** Teaching Elder Keith Sundberg

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 772

**"Live into Hope"**

Truro

CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

INVITATION TO PRAYER

**"Prayer for Peace"**  
Chancel Choir

Daley

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

RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

**"You Are Mine"**  
Chancel Choir

arr. Hayes

\*Offertory Response No. 701

**"Sanctuary"**

Thompson

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy,  
tried and true; with thanksgiving,  
**I'll be a living sanctuary for you.***

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

## TAKING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*CLOSING HYMN NO. 765 **"May the God of Hope Go with Us"**

Argentina

\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

Because our world is poor and starving, we will seek to offer bread.  
Because our world is filled with fear, we will seek to be courageous.  
Because our world is in despair, we will seek to be hopeful.  
Because our world is living lies, we will seek to be truthful.  
Because our world is sick with sorrow, we will seek to be joyful.  
Because our world is weary of wars, we will seek to be peaceful.  
Because our world is seldom fair, we will seek to be just.  
Because our world is under judgment, we will seek to be merciful.  
Because our world will die without it, we will seek to be loving.

With your help O God.

The peace of Christ be with you, And also with you.

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**"Six-Fold Amen"**  
Chancel Choir

Moore

\*POSTLUDE

**"Be Joyful in the Lord!"**

Jordan

\*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, October 8, 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 are invited and welcome to stay in the service, in whatever manner befits their person: they should feel free to squirm, whine, dance, sing, cry, pray, or otherwise make themselves known. **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.

## AUDIO AND VISUAL ASSISTANCE

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	Sound Board:	Mark Smith
Ushers: 8:30 AM:	Tim Feltmeyer & Kurt Menges		
11:00 AM:	Maria Carpenedo, Bobbi Jo Fye, Jon Hoyt, Ron Kolb, Bill Pentz, Barb Sundberg, Axel Swanson		
Worship Assistant:	Lois May		
Greeters:	Carol Christie & Tom Eckard, Worship; Britt Daehnke, SN&E		
Fellowship Time:	Lisa, Kerry & Kerrisa Moyer	Information Table:	Shawn Babcock
Childcare:	Hutzelman Family, Nursery; Stacy Fox, Preschool		

A reminder to those scheduled to help next week:

Church Opener:	Jim Perkins	Sound Board:	Jim Allman
Ushers: 8:30 AM:	Colleen Loeslein and Mac Pollard		
11:00 AM:	Paul Carpenedo, Tom Lewis, Haile Martin, Nolan Martin, Ron May, Matt McGill, Ken Reitingen, Lorah Momeyer, David Sundberg		
Worship Assistant:	Marilyn Russell		
Greeters:	Pattie Pora, Worship; Bobbi Jo Fye, SN&E		
Information Table:	Tracey Bowes	Fellowship Time:	Gwen & Mark Smith
Childcare:	David & Kylie Sundberg Family, Nursery; Hurley Family, Preschool		

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 8-15, 2017

Sunday, October 8	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
Zucchini Bread Sale	9:30 AM	Chancel Choir
Presentation of Bibles	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
	12:00 PM	Fellowship Time
	12:15 PM	Confirmation Class
Monday, October 9	12:00 PM	Trustees
	6:30 PM	Sanctuary Bells
	7:30 PM	Outreach Committee
Tuesday, October 10	7:00 PM	Sophia Circle
Wednesday, October 11	3:30 PM	Serving at Emmaus Soup Kitchen
	4:00 PM	<b>WOW Kids' Club</b>
	4:45 PM	WaYouth Choir
	5:30 PM	Primary Choir
	6:00 PM	Fellowship Dinner
	6:30 PM	Adult Bible Study
	7:30 PM	Session
Thursday, October 12	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir
Friday, October 13	7:00 AM	Habitat Build
		Newsletter Deadline
Saturday, October 14	7:00 AM	Habitat Build
Sunday, October 15	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship
	9:15 AM	Congregational Meeting
	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	10:00 AM	Chancel Choir
	11:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
	12:00 PM	Fellowship Time
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### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary Flowers are provided by Tim and Laurie Brugger in memory of deceased family members.

### SPECIAL MUSIC

Our thanks to Sallee Rabenold for sharing your talents with us today. She has been a member of Wayside for over 3 years and formerly taught music. Sallee is currently serves as a Trustee.

### MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION

**A meeting of Wayside's Congregation and Corporation** is next Sunday, October 15, at 9:15 AM. Please plan to join us for the annual election of officers.

### WAYSIDE PHOTO DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!

Our new church photo directories have arrived! If you had your picture taken to be included in this directory, you may pick up your free copy at the table in the church lobby before or after church for the next few weeks. The directories will be in the church office during the week if you would like to drop by and pick yours up. Many thanks to everyone who participated in this project!

## IN THE EYES OF THE ARTIST

Join us in the Parlor for a reception after each service today for Wilda Sundberg, the featured artist of the newest "In the Eyes of the Artist" display. We are featuring her wonderful watercolors.

### PW CIRCLES

- Sophia Circle will meet Tuesday, October 10 at 7:00 PM at the home of Nicki Jares. Linda Lorah will be the study leader. We are starting a new Bible study - "Cloud of Witnesses": The Community of Christ in Hebrews. Please e-mail or call Nicki and let her know if you can attend. At the October meeting we will discuss the date for our next meeting. No decision has been made to change from the second Friday; this month is just an attempt to give a different day a try. Please attend and add your voice to this discussion.
- Naomi Circle will meet on Wednesday, October 25 at noon in the Parlor.
- Elizabeth Circle will meet on Thursday, October 26 at 11:30 AM in the Parlor. This month is OctoberFest. A hearty soup and dessert will be provided by Betsy Deimel so leave your sandwich at home!

### REFORMATION CELEBRATION

Join us Sunday, October 22 from 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM at the Siebenbuerger Club, 2114 French St., for a Celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation. Activities include dinner, worship and hymns, entertainment and a cash bar. Sponsored by local Lutheran Churches, the proceeds benefit LWR. Cost is \$20 donation. For tickets, see James Bernhardt.

### *GENEROSITY OPPORTUNITIES*

#### ERIE CITY MISSION THANKSGIVING FOOD BAGS

Your response has been amazing! We not only met our goal of filling 50 bags, we actually had to get another 25! Erie City Mission distributes 1200 of these Thanksgiving turkey baskets every year. Any extra food donations can be placed in the basket under the table to fill additional bags.

- Did you take a bag to fill? Please remember to bring it back and mark the date you returned it.
- We are also still accepting donations to the turkey fund. We are hoping to help purchase 20 turkeys.

#### ZUCCHINI BREAD SALE TO BENEFIT MISSION

Today, October 8, will be an example of what may be done with Seed Money for Mission. Dawn & Micki will share their talents for baking to provide us with a multitude of delicious zucchini breads – including gluten free – available for sale in the Lobby. All proceeds will go toward our Mission Fund.

Seed money is still available so if you have an idea you would like to fund, please complete one of the forms that can be found on the Information Table.

#### SERVING DINNER AT EMMAUS SOUP KITCHEN

Volunteers are needed to assist with serving dinner at Emmaus Soup Kitchen, 218 E. 11<sup>th</sup> St. and Holland St. at 3:30 PM until 6:15 PM (note the new time) Wednesday, October 11. If you would like to help, please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby or on the Worship +2 form.

#### HURRICANE RELIEF

We would like to thank everyone who has donated to the Hurricane Relief Fund. So far we have collected \$ 3,000.00. If you are interested in participating in a mission trip to TX or FL, please sign up at the Information Table.

## WAYSIDE NOTE CARDS

Updated versions of our Wayside note cards are now available in the Lobby. Share your generosity of spirit by picking up a card or two and reaching out to a Waysider who deserves your thanks, appreciation or concern.

## SECOND HARVEST MOBILE FOOD BANK

The next Mobile Food Bank will be held Monday, October 30. 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). If you would like to help, please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby.

## WEST MILLCREEK FOOD PANTRY

**Next week's suggested items for the Food Pantry are** tuna & canned spaghetti. 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.

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

### REFORMATION CELEBRATION

In celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation, our congregation is sending a letter of gratitude to the churches and religious communities who have enriched our faith with their own. Along with the letter, **we will send a children's book that was written by two Jewish scholars. They have offered their understanding of three of Jesus' best-known parables. Their conclusion is that everyONE in the world is important. We invite you to help us mark this anniversary with gratitude. We are looking for suggestions of recipients, donations for the book, and folks to deliver the book and card the week of Reformation Sunday. We will hold a congregational intergenerational event on Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday School hour.**

## WOW (WAYSIDE ON WEDNESDAY) KIDS' CLUB

**The WOW Kids' Club is a Wednesday program** for youth from 2nd to 5th grade beginning at 4:00 PM. October 11 we will make Spiritual Word bracelets for the Worship Service. October 18 we will go bowling.

## SIXTH GRADERS

The Spiritual Nurture and Education Committee will present our youth with *The CEB Student Bible* on Sunday, October 8, during the Worship Services. The verses are written in common English and the Bible is interjected with helpful essays by teens and adults.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

This Sunday in Confirmation Class we will wonder about that mysterious and beloved book that is at the center of our faith tradition: The Bible. Come ready with questions, ideas and thoughts you have about the Bible, and how it came to be.

## ISSUES OF FAITH

For **this week's** Issues of Faith class we will hear from Robert von Thaden, PhD, Religious Studies, **Mercyhurst University will discuss "White Supremacy and the Bible".** **October 15** our program will be Mary Ann Owoc, Ph.D, Anthropology/Archaeology, Mercyhurst presenting about **"Graveyards and Grief Rituals".**