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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

*Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
Communion Sunday
Church Triumphant Sunday*

November 5, 2017

11:00 AM

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Evan"
"Siciliano"

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GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE APPROACH GOD

CHORAL INTROIT

"This is the House of the Lord"
Chancel Choir

Moore

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to affirm the warmth of our faith, giving **thanks...**

For the connectedness that forms whenever Christ gathers us,
for the caring that marks us as a church family.

We gather to receive the nourishment of our faith, giving thanks...

For the prayers that strengthen our spirits, for the energizing power
that Word and sacrament release within us.

We gather to celebrate the texture of our faith, giving thanks...

For the rich variety that characterizes us as a family, for the

multiple ministries that call us into God's service.

We give heartfelt thanks for a faith to savor and to share.

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 691

"Lord, When I Came Into This Life"

Land of Rest

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace, in kindness you call us your own children and cover us
with your love. We would seek to be merciful as you are, and to show
compassion as you do, but we so often fail to live the life to which we
have been called. Where we ought to forgive, we condemn; the evil
we should avoid, we embrace. Lord, have mercy on us! Forgive our
sin, tame our wayward wills, and make us more like Christ, until that
day we are complete in him. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*ACT OF PRAISE **"We Are Called to Be God's People"** Austrian Hymn – Haydn
We are called to be God's people, showing by our lives his grace,
one in heart and one in spirit, sign of hope for all the race.
Let us show how he has changed us, and remade us as his own,
let us share our life together as we shall around his throne.

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 **"Shout to the Lord!"** Zschen
WaYouth Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
Come, Holy Spirit, so that these ancient words may speak to us with a new voice.
Guide our hearing and our understanding so we may see you more clearly, love you
more dearly, and follow you more nearly, today and every day. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 9:1-15; NT 183
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON **"Examining Our Motives"** Teaching Elder James Bernhardt

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

WE CELEBRATE THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

INVITATION TO PRAYER **"Our God Is Ever Near"** St. Michael
Chancel Choir

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MOMENTS FOR MISSION

RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory Anthem **"Gentle Voice"** Dengler
Chancel Choirs

*Offertory Response **"As Those of Old Their First-fruits Brought"** Forest Green

*As those of old their first-fruits brought of vineyard, flock and field
to God the giver of all good, the source of bounteous yield,
so we today our first-fruits bring, the wealth of this good land:
of farm and market, shop and home, of mind and heart and hand.*

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

The Invitation

Communion Hymn No. 516 “For the Bread Which You Have Broken” Kingdom
The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord’s Prayer (debts)

The Sharing of the Meal

Prayer after the Meal

O God, you have so greatly loved us, long sought us, and mercifully redeemed us. Give us grace that in everything we may give our will, our substance, and our actions as an unending thank-offering to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

TAKING GOD’S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 326 vss. 1, 3, 5 “For All the Saints” Sine Nomine

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Come, All Christians” Horman
Chancel Choir

*POSTLUDE Postlude on “St. Michael” Genevan Psalter

*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, November 5, 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:

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| Church Opener: | Tom Momeyer | Sound Board: Matt McGill |
| Ushers: 8:30 AM: | Louise Martin & Mac Pollard | |
| 11:00 AM: | Rachel Sbrocco, Jonathon Sidorowicz, Mark Smith & Dan Taylor | |
| Worship Assistant: | Linda Lorah | |
| Acolytes: | Hannah Morrow & Eli Yahn | |
| Greeters: | Worship: Framer Family | SN&E: Missy Grimm |
| Information Table: | Penny Mechley-Porter | Fellowship Time: Nancy Fye |
| Childcare: | Nursery: Karen Latimer | Preschool: Rush Family |

A reminder to those scheduled to help next week:

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| Church Opener: | Dan McGill | Sound Board: Kitty Menges |
| 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: | Micki Loesel | |
| Acolytes: | Cole Daehnke & Oliver Paris | |
| Greeters: | Worship: Tracey Bowes | SN&E: Bill Pentz |
| Information Table: | Karen Carpenedo | Fellowship Time: Consecration Luncheon |
| Childcare: | Nursery: Lorie & Ryan Marsh | Preschool: Tracey Bowes |

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 29-NOVEMBER 5, 2017

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| Sunday, November 5 | 8:30 AM | Celebration of Worship |
| Communion Sunday | 9:30 AM | Chancel Choir |
| Daylight Savings Ends | 9:45 AM | Sunday School |
| Church Triumphant | 11:00AM | Celebration of Worship |
| WaYouth Sing | 12:00 PM | Fellowship Time |
| | 12:15 PM | Confirmation Class |
| Monday, November 6 | 6:00 PM | Officers' Consecration Sunday Dinner , Sheraton |
| | | NO Sanctuary Bells |
| | 9:00 PM | WaYouth Facebook Group |
| Tuesday, November 7 | 7:00 AM | Election Day/PW Election Day Bake Sale |
| Wednesday, November 8 | 4:00 PM | WOW Kids' Club |
| | 4:45 PM | WaYouth Choir |
| | 5:30 PM | Primary Choir |
| | 6:00 PM | Fellowship Dinner/WaYouth |
| | 6:30 PM | Adult Bible Study |
| | 7:30 PM | Session |
| Thursday, November 9 | 12:30 PM | Lunch Bunch at Lorie's Wildridge Café |
| | 7:00 PM | Chancel Choir |
| Friday, November 10 | 7:00 PM | Sophia Circle |
| Sunday, November 12 | 8:30 AM | Celebration of Worship |
| Consecration Sunday | 9:30 AM | Chancel Choir |
| Children Sing | 9:45 AM | Sunday School |
| | 11:00 AM | Celebration of Worship |
| | 12:15 PM | Consecration Luncheon |
| | | Confirmation Class following the Luncheon |

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Sanctuary Flowers are provided by AP and Mollie King in memory of Julie. They would like to share the flowers with you. If you would like a bouquet, please come to the communion table following the late service.

CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

With joy and thanksgiving, **we celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** this morning. Everyone who comes in faith and trust, including young children with their parents, is welcome to share in the Sacrament. Gluten-free wafers are available on a separate tray. Please indicate to an usher or communion server if this is your preference.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY

Please join us on November 12 for Consecration Sunday. Rev. Jim McCormack is our guest preacher. A luncheon will follow the 11:00 AM service where **we will report the congregation's pledged financial commitment** collected during that **day's worship services**. NOTE: Pledge cards will be given out during the service on November 12. Those unable to attend on Consecration Sunday will receive their pledge card in the mail the following week.

ELECTION DAY NOVEMBER 7

Tuesday, November 7, is Election Day. Please remember to exercise your right to vote.

CARPET CLEANING

Tuesday, November 7, we will be cleaning the carpets in the Administrative and Christian Education wings. Please use the north entrance by Fellowship Hall that day.

LUNCH BUNCH

The next meeting of the Lunch Bunch will be Thursday, **November 9 at 12:30 PM at Lorie's Wildridge Restaurant**, 5455 W. Ridge Rd. Please contact Linda Lorah at 450-2108 or Annette Rothschild at 836-0835 for reservations.

SPECIAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Celebrate Thanksgiving at a special Sunday evening worship service, November 19, 7:00 PM at **St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 3108 Sterrettania Road**. James Bernhardt will preach and share worship leadership with Anita Bernhardt, who is pastor of St. Paul's. You are invited to a dessert fellowship afterward. Let us give thanks to the Lord, who is good. **God's steadfast love endures forever!**

PW CIRCLES

- The next meeting of the Sophia Circle is Friday, November 10 at 7:00 PM at the home of Jill Abbott. Please contact her and let her know if you are able to attend. The lesson leader is Karen Haas. We will be doing Lesson 2. We will be contributing to a special mission project to be discussed at the November meeting. If you have any questions regarding the Sophia Circle, please contact Karen Haas at karenhaas79@gmail.com.
- Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the next meeting of Naomi Circle will be Wednesday, November 29 at 12:00 PM. Bring your own sandwich or salad. Dessert will be provided.
- The next meeting of Elizabeth Circle will be Thursday, November 30 at 11:30 AM in the Greenview Room of Lake Shore Country Club, 5950 Lake Shore Dr. Cost of lunch is \$15. Please **bring a \$10 gift to exchange and warm socks or gloves to donate to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home**. Also, if you have a picture of yourself from years past, especially celebrating Christmas, please bring it to the lunch.

THANKSGIVING FELLOWSHIP DINNER

Please join us for our annual Thanksgiving Fellowship Dinner on Wednesday November 15 at 6:00 PM. No reservations required. Good will donations gladly accepted.

THANKSGIVING WEEK

There will be no Wednesday activities on November 22 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. The office will be closed on Thursday November 23 and Friday November 24. In case of emergency, please contact Rev. Keith Sundberg on his cell phone at 814-440-5376.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

The annual "Hanging of the Greens" will be Wednesday November 29th following our weekly Fellowship Dinner. All are welcome!

GENEROSITY OPPORTUNITIES

BAKERS NEEDED

Our superb bakers are asked to help provide baked goods for the PW General Election Bake Sale to be held on Tuesday November 7. Bring your bake goods pre-packaged and clearly labeled as **"PW Election Day"** to the church no later than noon Monday November 6. The signup sheet is on the Information Table in the Lobby.

SECOND HARVEST MOBILE FOOD BANK

The next Mobile Food Bank will be held Monday, November 27. 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 spaghetti and sauce. 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".

COATS FOR KIDS

Waysiders are encouraged to bring in gently used coats, jackets, mittens, scarves, gloves, hats, and boots (any outerwear for Erie winters) of any size infant through adult. These items will be distributed as needed through the **Erie City Mission's** Family Care Center. Items should be left on the coat rack just inside the ramped entrance by the parlor.

OVERFLOW SHELTER TOILETRIES COLLECTION

The overflow shelter at First Presbyterian Church of the Covenant provides facilities and toiletries for showers for their clients. We are still collecting trial size items such as shaving cream, shampoo, combs, deodorant, toothpaste, disposable razors and feminine products to help fill this need. A basket is in the Lobby next to the West Millcreek Food Pantry basket. Please remember these folks as you travel and shop.

Spiritual Nurture and Education (SN&E)

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

A scholarship is available to Presbyterian students who attend Westminster College in New Wilmington, PA. If one of our seniors has applied or been accepted to this good school, contact Keith and he will submit an application for the funds.

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. November 8 we will make Thanksgiving cards and gifts for our Wayside neighbors. November 15 we will deliver the cards and gifts to our neighbors.

WAYOUTH

We are going to Hoss's for dinner this Wednesday, November 8. Bring \$5 to help cover the cost.

Have you joined the "Wayside Youth Group" Facebook page yet? Jill will make you a member by request. She will be on line each Monday at 9:00 PM to share a spiritual devotion. If you can't be on line at that time, listen to the recording any time during the week.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

This week, November 5, our class will discuss "Your Statement of Faith". November 12 we will attend the Consecration Sunday Luncheon and afterwards discuss "Who is the Holy Spirit?"

ISSUES OF FAITH

This week, November 5, **Rick Lorah, Erie Police Department Patrol Captain, will present "The Police and Our City."** November 12 we will hear from Senator Dan Laughlin of the PA State Senate.