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CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP
Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday

November 26, 2017

11:00 AM

PRELUDE

Prelude on "Slane"

arr. Young

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE APPROACH GOD

CHORAL INTROIT

"This is the House of the Lord"
Chancel Choir

Moore

*CALL TO WORSHIP

I John 4: selected verses

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God;
everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

God's love was revealed among us in this way:

God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him.

Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another.

*HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 268

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

Diademata

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

O God, the Church chose this Sunday to begin the last week of the Christian year. It never feels like an ending. Thanksgiving dinner and Christmas shopping are our focus. Maybe that is why we need this now. Maybe we need to call ourselves to focus on our faith. Help us this week to say thanks for the year that is past and wonder what we need for the year ahead. Help us to re-focus our lives in You. **In Christ's** name we pray. Amen.

*ACT OF PRAISE

"We Are Called to Be God's People"

Austrian Hymn – Haydn

***We are called to be God's prophets, speaking for the truth and right,
standing firm for godly justice, bringing evil things to light.***

Let us seek the courage needed, our high calling to fulfill,

that the world may know the blessing of the doing of God's will.

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 childcare)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O God, shed illuminating light on what is about to be read and heard. Help us to
see what we could not see before. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25:31-46; NT 29

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Sorting"

Teaching Elder Keith Sundberg

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

A MOMENT OF SILENT REFLECTION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE NO. 264

"At the Name of Jesus"

King's Weston

CONCERNS OF THE COMMUNITY

INVITATION TO PRAYER

"Our God Is Ever Near"

St. Michael

Chancel Choir

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

RECEPTION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

"Let All the World Rejoice"

Martin

Chancel Choir

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

*With gratitude and humble trust we bring our best to you,
not just to serve your cause, but share your love with neighbors too.*

O God who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your son,

help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TAKING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*CLOSING HYMN NO. 541

"God Be with You till We Meet Again"

Randolph

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Lord, make [us] an instrument of Thy peace;

where there is hatred, let [us] sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,
 grant that [we] may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;
 to be understood, as to understand;
 to be loved, as to love;
 for it is in giving that we receive,
 it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
 and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

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

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE	“Come, All Christians” Chancel Choir	Horman
*POSTLUDE	Recessional on “St. Anne”	Croft (arr. Young)

*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 26, 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 McGill	Sound Board:	Mark Smith
Ushers: 8:30 AM:	Lee McVey & Louise Martin		
11:00 AM:	Tanner Babb, John Fair, Hadley Jones, Jim Perkins, Samantha Wismer		
Worship Assistant:	Shawn Babcock	Acolytes:	Genna Feltmeyer & Nate Feltmeyer
Greeters:	Worship: Mary Yonkers	SN&E:	Bill Pentz
Information Table:	Shawn Babcock	Fellowship Time:	Mark Smith
Childcare:	Nursery: Gehrlein Family	Preschool:	Zimmerman Family

A reminder to those scheduled to help next week:

Church Opener:	Lee McVey	Sound Board:	Jim Allman
Ushers: 8:30 AM:	Ritch Marsh		
11:00 AM:	Pam Monaco, Rachael Sbrocco, Jonathon Sidorowicz, Mark Smith, Dan Taylor		
Worship Assistant:	Kitty Menges	Acolytes:	Aurora Fuchs & Dan Snyder
Greeters:	Worship: Jane Gilewicz	SN&E:	Carrie Bastow
Information Table:	Micki Loesel		
Childcare:	Nursery: Hurley Family	Preschool:	Tracey Bowes

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26 - DECEMBER 3, 2017

Sunday, November 26	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship	
Christ the King Sunday	9:30 AM	Chancel Choir	
	9:45 AM	Sunday School	
	11:00 AM	Celebration of Worship	
	12:00 PM	Fellowship Time/No Confirmation Class	
Monday, November 27	12:15 PM	Second Harvest Mobile Food Bank	
	6:30 PM	Sanctuary Bells	
	9:00 PM	WaYouth Facebook Group	
Tuesday, November 28	1:00 PM	Newsletter Collating	
Wednesday, November 29	12:00 PM	Naomi Circle	
	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	Hanging of the Greens	
	7:30 PM	Generosity Team	
Thursday, November 30	11:30 AM	Elizabeth Circle at Lake Shore Country Club	
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir	
Friday, December 1	6:30 PM	Serving at Overflow Shelter	
Sunday, December 3	8:30 AM	Celebration of Worship	
	Communion Sunday	9:45 AM	Advent Intergenerational/Issues of Faith
		11:00 AM	Celebration of Worship
		12:00 PM	Fellowship Time
		12:15 PM	Confirmation Class
7:00 PM	PW Christmas Party		

EYES OF THE ARTIST

This is the last Sunday to enjoy the Parlor art show featuring the watercolors of Wilda Sundberg. Beginning Sunday, December 3, paintings by Cathy McGregor, a friend of Wayside, will be on display.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CHRISTMAS PARTY

Presbyterian Women's annual Christmas party will be held on Sunday, December 3 at 7:00 PM in the Parlor. Festive holiday entertainment will be provided by our WaYouth Choir under the direction of Dawn Weborg. Dessert, coffee and tea will be served. All the women of the church are invited to join us for this evening of fun and fellowship!

PW CIRCLES

- 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. Please sign up at the Information Table.**

GENEROSITY OPPORTUNITIES

PW THANK OFFERING

On November 19, Presbyterian Women celebrated the annual Thank Offering. We are still taking donations for this worthy project. Pew envelopes are provided for your generous contributions.

Each year the Thank Offering travels the world, meeting needs all over. The Thank Offering funds programs that provide education, safe housing, clean water, health care, help for prisoners, justice for women, and so much more.. *"On either side of the river is the tree of life . . . and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations."* (Revelation 22:2b NRSV)

SECOND HARVEST MOBILE FOOD BANK

The next Mobile Food Bank will be 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 or on your Worship+ 2 insert.

HANGING OF THE GREENS

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

WAYSIDE SERVES DINNER AT OVERFLOW SHELTER

On Friday, December 1, Waysiders will be serving dinner to visitors to the Overflow Shelter at The First Presbyterian Church of the Covenant, 250 West 7th Street. We need donations of homemade pies and cakes for dessert and loaves of Italian bread to serve with the meal. We also need 6-8 people from 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM December 1 to help prepare, serve and clean up from the dinner. We are also looking for one volunteer (preferably male) to join our female volunteer for the 3:00 AM to 7:00 AM shift. If you can help in any way, please sign up at the Information Table, on your Worship +2 insert or contact Karen Shor in the office.

POINSETTIAS

You can help in decorating the church for the Advent and Christmas season by purchasing poinsettias for the Sanctuary. The price is \$12 per plant. Sign up at the Information Table. Deadline to sign up is December 3.

SECOND SATURDAY PROJECT: SALVATION ARMY BELL RINGERS

Help the Salvation Army by ringing bells for donations on Saturday, December 9. Donate one hour of your time with a friend, spouse or child at the K-Mart at W. 26th Street and Peninsula Drive. Shift hours are between 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM. Please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby.

WAYSIDE DEACONS ANGEL TREE

Once again, Wayside will partner with Community Shelter Services to provide Christmas gifts for children who will have no gifts for Christmas without our help. Please select a tag from our Angel Tree, purchase your gift and return it to the church no later than Sunday, December 10, so that we can deliver all the gifts to the children in time for Christmas. We hope that your participation in this project will be a blessing to you and your family as we prepare to **celebrate God's Gift to us.**

MULTICULTURAL DINERS' CLUB

The next Wayside Multicultural Diners' Club will be on Sunday, December 17 at 5:00 PM at the Wayne Park Baptist Temple, 923 East 6th St. Everyone is invited to a meal, which will be prepared by neighborhood youth under the guidance of Tim Farley. The cost is \$15 per person. There is a parking lot behind the church.

Read Tim's story in the November 6 *Erie Times-News* (available at GoErie.com) as he has journeyed from a troubled life of crime to Community Outreach Worker. Now he guides young people by teaching cooking classes.

Reservations need to be made by December 14. Sign up at the Information Table, on your Worship + 2 insert or contact Karen Shor in the office at 833-7653 or email wpc@wayside-erie.org.

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. Please leave items on the coat rack just inside the ramped entrance by the Parlor.

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.

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".**

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 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)

ADVENT INTERGENERATIONAL

Sunday December 3 is the first Sunday of Advent. This year's Intergenerational is to create Advent wreaths. Cost for the event will be \$10 per family to cover part of the cost of materials. Please sign up at the Information Table or on your Worship + 2 form.

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

A Wednesday program for youth from 2nd to 5th grade beginning at 4:00 PM.

November 29 we will help with the Hanging of the Greens. December 6 we will make gifts for the Shower for Baby Jesus.

WAYOUTH

November 29 we will help with the Hanging of the Greens. December 6 we will plan the Shower for Baby Jesus.

"Wayside Youth Group" Facebook moderator Jill McGill 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. **Not signed up yet? Contact Jill and she'll make you a member.**

CONFIRMATION CLASS

There will be no class today. December 3 we will discuss "Presbyterianism, Wayside Committees and Mission, and Your Gifts for Ministry".

ISSUES OF FAITH

This week, November 26 Christy Rieger, PhD Mercyhurst University & American Association of University Women (AAUW), will share information about **"Victorian Cult of Death & Mourning"**. December 3 Betty Rositer, Director of the Therapeutic Riding Center (TRC) will discuss **"Hope on Horseback"**.