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PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 22, 2020

WORTHINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Thanksgiving Celebration Sunday

November 22, 2020

Livestreaming at 10:00 a.m.

* *Please rise in body or in spirit.*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

Rev. Betsy Rice

CALL TO WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

“Lasst uns erfreuen”

arr. Robert A. Hobby

The music is a call to open one's spirit to God's presence in our midst.

OPENING SENTENCES

* HYMN #327 (next page)

“From All That Dwell Below the Skies”

LASST UNS
ERFREUEN

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

DR. TOM RICE

Generous God, we are quick to voice our pleas and petitions when we find our strength lacking, our health failing, our spirits heavy. But when we enjoy the blessings of life—an ear to listen, a hand to hold, a sense of purpose, a chance to grow, the simple gift of a new day dawning—we are slow to offer prayers of praise. We treat the good things of life as our due, rather than generous gifts from a gracious God. In this season of thanksgiving, make us ever mindful of your mercy, and transform us by your grace, until it flows forth from us in gratitude and praise. Amen.

A moment for silent confession

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

“The Kyrie”



Lord, have mer-cy u-pon us. Christ, have mer-cy u-pon us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* GLORIA #582

GLORY TO GOD

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

MESSAGE FOR OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

Pastor Tom

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

327 From All That Dwell Below the Skies

(Psalm 117)

Unison

1 From all that dwell be-low the skies let the Cre - a - tor's praise a -
 2 In ev - ery land be - gin the song; to ev - ery land the strains be -
 3 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord; e - ter - nal truth at - tends thy

Harmony *Unison*

rise: Let the Re - deem - er's
 long: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! In cheer - ful sound all
 word: Thy praise shall sound from

name be sung through ev - ery land, in ev - ery tongue.
 voic - es raise and fill the world with joy - ful praise.
 shore to shore, till suns shall rise and set no more.

Harmony

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Because Psalm 117 contains only two verses, Watts's paraphrase had only two stanzas. Most later hymnals have created or borrowed additional stanzas, like the one included here, to enlarge the hymn. Perhaps the best solution is found by adding Alleluias, as this tune invites.

Unison

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The image shows a musical score for a unison setting of 'Al - le - lu - ia!'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the accompaniment is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the treble staff. The music features a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady accompaniment.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 8: 7-11, 18

For the LORD your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing, a land whose stones are iron and from whose hills you may mine copper. You shall eat your fill and bless the LORD your God for the good land that he has given you. Take care that you do not forget the LORD your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. But remember the LORD your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today

One: The Word of our Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

John Rutter

Octet

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For the beauty of each hour, of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light: Lord of all, to thee we raise this our grateful hymn of praise. For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: Lord of all to thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise. For each perfect gift of thine to our race so freely given, graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven: Lord of all to the we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 17: 11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" When he saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" Then he said to him, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well."

One: The Gospel of our Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

"One out of Ten"

Rev. Betsy Rice

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

Sharing of Prayer Requests and Blessings

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*(Online giving available anytime via our account with EasyTithe:
text your offering dollar amount to 614-808-8580 or go to www.easytithe.com/wpcgive.)*

Offertory

"Nun danket alle Gott"

Wayne L. Wold

643 Now Thank We All Our God

1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voic - es,
 2 O may this boun - teous God through all our life be near us,
 3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in high - est heav - en,

who won-drous things hath done, in whom this world re - joic - es;
 with ev - er joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us;
 to Fa - ther and to Son and Spir - it now be giv - en:

who, from our moth - ers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
 and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when per - plexed,
 the one e - ter - nal God, whom heaven and earth a - dore,

with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day,
 and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
 the God who was, and is, and shall be ev - er - more.

Although this hymn is often used on large and festive occasions, its first two stanzas had much humbler beginnings: they originated as a family table prayer during the Thirty Years' War (1618–1648). These words have been associated with this tune since the mid-17th century.

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

* HYMN #643 (previous page)

"Now Thank We All Our God"

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Nun danket alle Gott"

David P. Dahl



*The flowers on the chancel are given to the glory of God by
Dave & Jean Arthur in honor of their 50th Wedding Anniversary on November 25th.*



Carillon: Debb Wilson

Quartet Selected From: Samantha Reeves, Martha Duersten-Pettit, Ailsa Prohn, Emily Dunaj,
Logan Fletcher, Harper Markiewicz, Robert Boyd, Robert Fischer

Audio: Andrew DeWeese

Usher: John Smith

Video/Livestream: Emerson Greuling, Russ Nagy, Nick Robison, Bill Yost

To submit a concern to the Prayer Chain, please contact Dick Jones at 614-204-7633.

MINISTRY DIRECTORY

Rev. Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont, Senior Pastor
Rev. Betsy Rice, Pastor for Member Ministries
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A full staff directory may be found on our website.

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We are a Stephen Ministry congregation. For more information,
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~ ~ ~ **THINGS TO DO & WAYS TO HELP** ~ ~ ~

WPC is trying to provide **250 THANKSGIVING DINNERS** for Worthington and Columbus school families--the need is greater than ever. Dinners will cost approximately \$55 each. Here's how you can help:

1. **GIVE** (checks payable to WPC with "Thanksgiving dinner" on memo line)
 2. **PACK BOXES** Call Marylou Posey at 614-846-8452 for your family to come on **Monday evening, November 23** to help load the boxes with food (masks and social distancing will be required). *** You **MUST MAKE A RESERVATION** for your family for an arrival time by calling Marylou Posey at 614-846-8452. **
 3. **DELIVER:** Tuesday, November 24 at 8:00 a.m. (call Pam Hume at 614-668-0349 to sign up).
- We thank God for blessing us so that we can be a blessing to others!



WPC **SPONSOR-A-FAMILY** needs your help with sponsoring families in need this Christmas Season. This year due to Covid 19, we are sponsoring our families by providing gift cards instead of purchasing gifts. To sign up for a specific family contact Mindy Steel. We are asking a minimum of 25 dollars per person in household. General donations of gift cards for Walmart and Target in 25 increments are also helpful. All gift cards need to be at the church office by Friday, December 4, so that recipients have time to shop before Christmas. Salem Elementary, St. Stephens Community House and Guadalupe Center families will benefit from your generosity. God bless you for your help! If you have any questions or wish to sign up for a specific family contact Mindy Steel at bob-mindy@sbcglobal.net or call/text 614-209-9603.

Show us your **CRÉCHE or NATIVITY!** Last year, we held our 1st Crèche or Nativity Sunday. It was a huge success! People really loved looking at other church members Nativities and share special stories about them. This year we are asking folks to **SEND US A PHOTO** of your Nativity or Crèche. We will show photos before and after the livestream Sunday 10 a.m. worship service. Please send a photo with a brief description (how old is it, is it a family heirloom, was it made in another country, etc.) Send your photos to Jenni Whitford at jwhitford@worthingtonpresbyterian.com by December 1st (we will continue to accept photos throughout the month, however we need a FEW to get us started, so please don't procrastinate...thank you!)



A **LUMINARY** is simply an object that gives off light. Our theme this year for Advent is "Fill the night with music and light". We are asking our church family to light luminaries on each of the four Sunday's in Advent from 6-8:00 p.m. (November 29, December 6, 13, 20 and Christmas Eve, December 24). You can place them on your porch, sidewalk or driveway. Feel free to add more of your "own" luminaries. They can be made from paper bags, recycled milk jugs, mason jars or even ice! <https://craftsbyamanda.com/luminary-crafts-luminaries/> Luminary kits are available – please rsvp to Jenni Whitford by November 18. Kits may be picked up at the church office or we will arrange for a kit to be dropped at your house (available November 20). As you light your luminary, remember Jesus words, "I am the light of the world." **John 8:12. How do we share God's light with others?** Instructions: open paper bags, place gravel or kitty litter in the bottom of the bag, place battery operated candle in the center. Place on your porch, driveway or sidewalk.

CHOIR PLUS will be on Thursdays, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Choir Plus is for children ages K-6th grade. We will wear masks, social distance and use ASL, body motions and other non-singing ways to learn music. Questions? Contact Jenni Whitford.

We are serving as a **LEARNING EXTENSION CENTER**. In response to the requests of Columbus City Schools and Worthington Schools we are providing a safe place with good Wi-Fi and adult supervision and support for students who need this during remote learning. To volunteer to help or to sign up a child, please contact Tom Rice at trice@worthingtonpresbyterian.com.

NNEMAP FOOD PANTRY: Donations of sugar, flour, coffee, salt, dry pet food, etc. can be brought to Fellowship Hall on Wednesday Noon - 3 p.m. or Sunday 8-10 a.m.

SACK LUNCHES FOR THE HOMELESS: Sack lunches can be brought to Fellowship Hall on Sunday 8-10 a.m. Each lunch is to include: a PB&J sandwich, bag of chips, small container of applesauce, piece of fruit, juice box or Capri Sun, bag of cookies, napkin and spoon.

THE TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY has expanded to provide rides for members for the following reasons: medical/dental appointments; visitation of spouses in hospitals or facilities; pharmaceutical and medical supply pickup. To request transportation, contact the Deacon Coordinator for this program, Nancy Wardwell at 614-205-0315 or email her at wardwell.2@osu.edu or Mark Senff at 614-323-9455 or msenff6435@gmail.com. Additional drivers are always welcome, to volunteer for this ministry, contact Nancy or Mark.

~ ~ ~ **THINGS TO KEEP YOU IN THE KNOW** ~ ~ ~

JOB SEARCH RESOURCE GROUP: Are you looking for a job? Would you like to connect with others who are looking as well as with people skilled in helping with networking, editing resumes, interviewing, etc.? Please contact Pastor Tom at trice@worthingtonpresbyterian.com. WPC is now forming this group.

NEW MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY: A password-protected **Membership Directory** is now available on our website. What is different (and particularly useful) about this new directory is that **it will be updated monthly**. To receive your password and access instructions, please contact Kathleen Holly at memberdata@worthingtonpresbyterian.com.

SHARING JOYS, CONCERNS, PRAYER REQUESTS: Pastor Betsy Rice has set up an online form for us to report concerns, joys, and other requests for prayer. It is viewable **ONLY** by the pastors and lets you indicate whether your submission is (1) for pastors only, (2) for weekly prayer list (like what we announce in worship), and/or (3) for the Prayer Chain.

DAILY DEVOTION CONFERENCE CALLS: At 12:15 p.m. on weekdays you are invited to call (515)606-5922 and use access code 783190 to participate in a telephone conference call. You'll enjoy a brief devotion led by a pastor and church members sharing joys and concerns and praying together.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR GIVING: Contributions to the church may be made by electronic means via your bank or by check via US mail. We also have an Easy Tithe account (which charges the church a slight fee). If you need assistance, please contact Katie Fell or Kathryn Deringer.

We are **LIVESTREAMING** our **WORSHIP SERVICES** on-line. This means:

- The service will not be available before 10 a.m. (We regret the inconvenience to those who prefer to worship earlier in the morning.)
- You can view the service as it happens, beginning at 10 a.m. on Sunday.
- If you join the service between 10 and 11 or so, it will be like getting to church late. You won't be able to pick and choose what to see.
- If you look for the service after 11 a.m. on Sunday, you'll be able to find a video, that you can pause, fast-forward, etc. It will be available whenever you want to view it.
- One important difference going forward (at least at this first stage): Viewing either live or later (video), you will not see the words to prayers or hymns on the screen. How can you take part?
 - View or print the bulletin, provided by PDF on the same page as the video.
 - Borrow a hymnal from the church. They are available for check-out in the Church Office. (Please wear facial covering in the church building.)
 - Send a request to Karen Linden for a special arrangement. You could:
 - Pick up a bulletin at church during office hours.
 - Receive the bulletin by email.
 - Receive the bulletin via USPS (mailed on Thursday, no guarantee on delivery by Saturday)
- Questions? Please contact the church, and we'll do our best to help you connect.

~ ~ ~ **CHURCH CALENDAR** ~ ~ ~

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 (Tom on Call)

9:00 AM	9:50 AM	"Incarnation," video series with Pastor Adam Hamilton (Zoom, Tom)
9:00 AM	9:50 AM	Religious Studies (Zoom)
10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Live-Streaming Worship, Rev. Betsy Rice, Sanctuary
11:10 AM	12:00 PM	Coffee Hour via Zoom. For access, please contact Pastor Betsy or subscribe to WPC weekly emails.
1:00 PM	9:00 PM	Turkey Dinner Assembled, Fellowship Hall
2:00 PM	4:00 PM	Youth Worship Team, Chapel, Choir Room

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23 (Betsy on Call)

8:00 AM	9:00 PM	Turkey Dinner Assembled, Fellowship Hall
1:00 PM	2:30 PM	PW Coordinating Team Meeting (Zoom)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24 (Betsy on Call)

8:00 AM	12:00 PM	Turkey Dinner Delivered, Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM	8:00 PM	Evening Circle of Grace, Room 222
7:30 PM	8:30 PM	Adult Education, Zoom)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25 (Wayne on Call)

OFFICE CLOSING AT 2:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26 (Wayne on Call)

THANKSGIVING DAY

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27 (Wayne on Call)

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28 (Betsy on Call)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29 (Wayne on Call) FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00 AM	9:50 AM	Religious Studies (Zoom)
10:00 AM	11:00 AM	Live-Streaming Worship, Dr. Piermont, Hanging of the Chrismons, Sanctuary
11:10 AM	12:00 PM	Coffee Hour via Zoom. For access, please contact Pastor Betsy or subscribe to WPC weekly emails.
2:00 PM	4:00 PM	Youth Worship Team, Chapel, Choir Room