

WORTHINGTON

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22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 21, 2018
10:00 A.M.

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
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* *Please rise in body or in spirit.*

*If you are inspired to snap a **photo** today, please share it with our Communications Specialist at bnordquist@worthingtonpresbyterian.com.*

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME AND RENEWAL OF THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Rev. Betsy Rice

Invitation to Mission and Discipleship (*Please sign & pass the Friendship Pads.*)

Moment for Stewardship

Drew Sheppard

Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Please stand and greet one another in the Peace of Christ.

Prayer requests may be shared via the Prayer Cards in the pew racks.

Please pass them to the center aisle. Ushers will pick them up after the Assurance of Forgiveness.

CALL TO WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC

Beach Spring: An American Folk Hymn
Carol Hofer, guest organist

arr. Wilbur Held

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

OPENING SENTENCES

One: Sing to the Lord a new song;

All: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

One: Those who love the Lord, God will deliver;

All: When they call, God will answer them.

One: Let us worship God.

* HYMN #32

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

ELLACOMBE

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we confess that we have failed to seek your will. We try to master your creation but cannot grasp your great design. We want to share the throne of glory but cannot bear the cross of grief. Forgive us, God of grace. Save us from ourselves and give us the humility to trust in you alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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 u - on us.

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Rev. Wayne Morrison

The Congregation's Promise: **We, members of the Church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Caroline Louise Bell by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of His church.**

(Baptized: Caroline Louise, daughter of Jeff and Lindsey Bell)

Congregation Singing:



Child of blessing, child of promise. Baptized with the Spirit's sign. With this wa-ter God has sealed you Un-to love and grace di-vine.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

MESSAGE FOR OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

Brian Edwards

After the Children's Message, children ages 3 years through 6th grade may go to the Chapel for a large group worship. Following the postlude, please pick up your child in his/her classroom.

Classroom locations: Preschool-K: Room 113 3-4th grade: Room 222
 1-2nd grade: Room 112 5-6th grade: Room 111

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dick Surface

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Job 38:1-7

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind: "Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Gird up your loins like a man, I will question you, and you shall declare to me. "Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone when the morning stars sang together and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?"

One: The Word of our Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"Awake, My Soul"

Franklin Ashdown

The Chancel Choir

Awake, my soul, and with the sun Thy daily stage of duty run; shake of dull sloth, and joyful rise to pay the morning sacrifice. Awake! All praise to thee, who safe has kept and hast refreshed me while I slept. Grant, Lord, when I from death shall wake, I may of endless light partake. Awake, ye heavenly choir, may your devotion me inspire, that I, like you, my age may spend, like you may on my God attend. Awake! Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 10:35-45

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism

with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.”

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

One: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

SERMON

“When Bad Things Happen...”

Dr. Tom Rice

* HYMN #716

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

BEACH SPRING

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Wayne Morrison

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

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”
The Celebration Ringers

Anna Laura Page

* Dedicatory Praise (Tune #607)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures, here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

GOING IN GOD’S NAME

* HYMN #625

“How Great Thou Art”

HOW GREAT THOU ART

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Postlude on *Ellecombe*

Setting by Douglas Wagner

The Postlude is the final Alleluia of our worship. Please be respectful of fellow worshipers, who wish to listen, by refraining from conversation until the postlude concludes. Following worship, all are encouraged to enjoy a time of conversation and refreshment in the Hazelton Fellowship Hall.

WELCOME!

WE ARE GLAD THAT YOU ARE WORSHIPPING WITH US.

Welcome to Worthington Presbyterian Church. This congregation has worshiped together in the Worthington community since 1805 and has had a building at High Street and Dublin Granville Road since 1830. We welcome all who seek faith, hope, and joy in the Lord Jesus Christ.

*The flowers on the chancel are given to the glory of God by
Tom & Nancy Jack in honor of their 57th Wedding Anniversary.*

SERVING US THIS MORNING

Audio: Brian Edwards

Carillon: Bill Allman

Sunday Secretary: Leslie Snyder

Usher Team D: Jeff White and Bob Harrington, Co-Captains; Steve Burk, Robyn Caples, Emma Edwards, Doug Haddix, Susan Hershberger, Milo Hilty, Don Lynne, Rex Lynne, Brent Mulgrew, Mike & Debbie Murphy, Bill Woods

PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER

Prayers of comfort and strength to those affected by Hurricane Michael.

Congratulations to Mark & Betsy Senff on the birth of their grandson, Seth Senff, on September 27th.

Due to privacy laws regarding medical information, we are not always aware when someone is in need of pastoral care. Please share joys, concerns and sorrows with Reverend Wayne Morrison at [wmorrison@worthingtonpresbyterian.com](mailto:w Morrison@worthingtonpresbyterian.com).

Those Serving Our Country

Army

Jeff Gibbons
Leighann Holcomb
Nate Holcomb
Maura Stepanski

Scott Testa
Zach Wilson
Jacob T. Wixom

Navy

Tyler McMillen
Michael Sargent
Joseph Seida

Air Force

Cody Albright
Kelly Mason
Robert Pukay-Martin

Marines

Joseph Hempfling

MINISTRY DIRECTORY

Rev. Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont, Senior Pastor
Rev. Betsy Rice, Pastor for Member Ministries
Dr. David Rives, Director of Music
Dr. Stephen Jacoby, Organist
Melissa Robol, Pianist for Chapel Service

Rev. Dr. Thomas Rice, Pastor for Discipleship
Rev. Wayne Morrison, Parish Associate for Visitation
Brian Edwards, Director for Youth Ministry
Jenni Whitford, Director for Children's Ministry
A full staff directory may be found on our website.

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Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; Friday: 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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TODAY

GENERATIONS OF

GENEROSITY is the theme for our Stewardship Season this year. ("Stewardship" refers to the faithful use of our time, talent, and treasure for God's purposes. This season especially focuses on spiritual preparation for making our financial pledge for the coming year.) **Stewardship packets** have been prepared for every member household. Please pick yours up today in the Fellowship Hall.



Today we welcome **JENNIFER FRY**, our new Handbell Choir Director. Jennifer has been ringing for 38 years and has been conducting group for thirty of those years. She enjoys working with all levels of ringers and helping them grow in skill and confidence. She has served as Director of Handbells at Maple Grove United Methodist Church and Director of Jubilee Ringers Handbell Choir at Worthington United Methodist Church. Jennifer is currently the Artistic Director for Handbells Columbus. She holds the Bachelor of Arts degree in Voice Performance from Otterbein College. Jennifer enjoys competing in conformation and performance events with her standard longhaired dachshunds. For information about ringing with our Celebration Ringers ensemble contact Jennifer at jfry@worthingtonpresbyterian.com.

COAT DRIVE TODAY: We are collecting coats and blankets for the Guadalupe Center, a ministry to individuals & families in need in West Columbus. New (or gently used) coats and blankets will be a blessing this winter. Please place your donations in the bin in Fellowship Hall before noon. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALLING ALL PILGRIM HELPERS, once again, WPC Mission Committee will be purchasing and assembling **THANKSGIVING DINNERS** for those in need in the Worthington Schools as well as Salem and Hamilton Elementary schools in Columbus. Last year we delivered 225 meals. We will be collecting money (any amount) in the Fellowship Hall on **October 21st, 28th, November 11th, and 18th**. Each meal cost \$50.00.

- ♥ **Sunday, November 18th** we will be asking members to help carry in food after the 10:00 worship.
- ♥ **Monday, November 19th** at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, one of the highlights of the year. We will pack 225 Thanksgiving boxes to help feed families in need. We will also be

putting together and delivering fruit baskets for residents of Stafford Village. All are welcome!

- ♥ **Tuesday, November 20th 8:00-10:00 a.m.** we need volunteers to drive and deliver the meals to area schools.

The **RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** will be here tomorrow, **October 22nd**, from 11:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to make an appointment. Walk-ins are welcome. Thank you to all who donate!

In order to continue to be a chartering organization for **SCOUT TROOP 268** and to strengthen the scouting ministry of our church, **we are looking for church members to serve on a SCOUTING COMMITTEE**. Please contact Pastor Tom at trice@worthingtonpresbyterian.org by October 31st if you are interested or if you would like to learn more.

At times we all lose heart. **CHRISTIAN LIFE CIRCLE** invites you to join us on Thursday, **November 1st** in Room 222 as we discuss **"God With Us In Our Discouragement."** Led by Pastor Tom Rice, we will learn about Joshua who led the Israelites into the promised land. Later in history, God's prophet Haggai returned with his fellow exiled Jews to their homeland in Palestine only to find it devastated. How did Joshua and Haggai find the courage and strength to help their people in the times in which they lived? What lessons can be applied to our life today? Please join us at 12:15 p.m. for fellowship, dessert and coffee, at 12:45 p.m. for up-dates on PWU's activities, and from 1:15 - 2:00 p.m. for our Bible study.



CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT: Friday, November 9th and Saturday, November 10th (7 p.m.-7 p.m.) at Kirkmont Conference Center in Zanesfield (45 minutes away). Our keynote speaker is a stand-up comedian and a Presbyterian pastor.

Programs and activities for all ages--come experience our theme: **"The Joy of Jesus!"** Registration forms are available at the main office, from Jenni Whitford or Pastor Tom, or on the worthingtonpresbyterian.com home page. Sign up by November 1st and get free s'mores at the campfire :)

ADULT EDUCATION

SPEAKING OF MISSION: Come meet the Executive Director of NNEMAP Food Pantry and learn about this fabulous ministry WPC actively supports. **Sunday, October 21st at 9 a.m. in Room 222**--learn about poverty in Columbus and ministries that are making a difference. Next Sunday, October 28th at 9 a.m. come hear from Lori Povisil, Safe and Drug Free Schools Counselor for Worthington Schools.

WELCOME TO THE REV. SAMAN PERERA, PRESBYTERIAN PASTOR FROM SRI LANKA! He is part of a PCUSA program called "Mission to the USA."



On Wednesday, October 24th at 7:30 p.m. he is leading a seminar in the chapel entitled "Religion and Conflict." The seminar is co-sponsored by the Interfaith Association of Central Ohio. Help welcome guests from throughout the Columbus area as we learn together from a brother in Christ. (This morning Saman is preaching at West Berlin Presbyterian Church. He will be participating in our New Connections service this evening at 5 p.m.)

SOME PEOPLE WOULD SAY an hour a month for 8 months is too much of a commitment. Others would say it is **TOTALLY** worth it! **WPC Small Groups begin meeting this month** at a day and time that can fit your schedule. Groups watch a wonderful 14 minute video about faith, talk about it, and share joys and concerns. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4fa9ac2ca6f58-worthington> or contact Pastor Tom.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES is discussing *The Theology of Paul the Apostle* by James D. G. Dunn. Join us in the "Living" Room at 9 a.m.

FAITH SEEKERS are studying *Basic: Christian Doctrine* by John Leith at 9 a.m. in Room 124. Our current topic is Sexuality in the chapter on *The Human Creature* as created by God.

MISSION

Presbyterian **Disaster Assistance** is supporting recovery from **HURRICANE MICHAEL**. Donations may be made payable to WPC with "PDA Hurricane Michael" on the memo line, or google "Presbyterian Disaster Assistance," then click on "Hurricane Michael." God bless you.

LUNCHES FOR THE HOMELESS: Please pick up bags in the Fellowship Hall! Fill each with a large peanut butter sandwich, a bag of chips, a bag of cookies, a small container of applesauce, a juice box or Capri Sun, a piece of fruit, a napkin, and a plastic spoon. Lunches due **October 28th**.

Church Activities This Week at WPC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21

8:00 AM Worship & Communion, Dr. Rice preaching, Chapel
8:45 AM Childcare: Infant & Toddler, Nursery
8:45 AM Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM Confirmation Class, Youth Room
9:00 AM Faith Seekers, 124; Religious Studies, "Living" Room; Speaking of Mission, 222
10:00 AM Worship, Dr. Rice Preaching, Sanctuary
10:00 AM Young Children & Worship, Room 113
10:15 AM Church School: Preschool - Grade 6, Chapel, 111, 112, 113, 222
11:00 AM Coffee Hour, (Collecting for Thanksgiving Dinners) Fellowship Hall
5:00 PM New Connections Worship, Dr. Rice preaching, Chapel

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22

11:30 AM Red Cross Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall, Kitchen
1:00 PM Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team, Room 111
4:30 PM Y Family Dinner Hosting, Offsite
6:30 PM Children's Committee, "Living" Room
7:00 PM Evening Circle of Grace, (Breakdown) Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23

6:30 PM David Study, "Living" Room
7:00 PM Evening Circle of Grace, Room 111
7:30 PM Adult Education, Room 222

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24

12:00 PM Tower Tidings Deadline
12:30 PM ROMEO's Lunch, OSU Golf Course
1:00 PM Columbarium Board, Room 124
6:30 PM Celebration Ringers, Sanctuary
6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Supervision, Room 111, Room 112
7:30 PM Seminar with Rev. Saman Perera, Chapel

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

5:00 PM Choir Plus, All Rooms
5:00 PM Parent Discussion (Choir Plus), Room 124
7:30 PM Chancel Choir, Sanctuary, Choir Room

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:00 AM Faith Runners, Antrim Park
9:00 AM Renaissance Ensemble, Choir Room, Sanctuary
2:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High Youth Corn Maze Activity, Offsite

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28 Reformation Sunday

8:00 AM Worship & Communion, Dr. Piermont preaching, Chapel
8:45 AM Childcare: Infant & Toddler, Nursery
9:00 AM Confirmation Class, Youth Room
9:00 AM Faith Seekers, 124; Religious Studies, "Living" Room, Speaking of Mission, 222
10:00 AM Worship, Dr. Piermont Preaching, Sanctuary
10:00 AM Young Children & Worship, Room 113
10:00 AM Immersion Sunday, Choir Room
10:15 AM Church School: Preschool - Grade 6, Chapel, 111, 112, 113, 222
11:00 AM Coffee Hour, (Collecting for Thanksgiving Dinners) Fellowship Hall
5:00 PM New Connections Worship, Dr. Piermont preaching, Chapel