

# WORTHINGTON

*PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*

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**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

**MARCH 10, 2019**

**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](mailto:bnordquist@worthingtonpresbyterian.com).*

## GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

### WELCOME AND RENEWAL OF THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Dr. Tom Rice

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

Moment for Mission: Habitat for Humanity

Richard Birnie

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

"If Thou but Trust in God To Guide Thee"

setting by Paul Manz

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

### OPENING SENTENCES

One: The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

**All: The journey begins in the wilderness.**

One: We follow the way of Jesus, who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

**All: Like Jesus, we are not alone. The Holy Spirit is with us.**

### \* HYMN #618

"O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High"

DEO GRACIAS

*(stanzas 1, 2, and 5)*

### \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**O God, our refuge and fortress, forgive us when we fail to trust in you. We fall into temptation, we are swayed by false words, we speak false words of our own. We choose our ease and comfort over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world. In turning from you, we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend. Forgive us, we pray. Hear us as we call to you and show us your salvation. In Christ's name we pray. 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

*All glory to our Lord and God, for love so deep, so high, so broad:  
the Trinity whom we adore forever and forever more. 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 Lucy Anne 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: Lucy Anne Leonard, daughter of Katy and Lance Leonard)

\* The Apostles' Creed

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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

Jenni Whitford

*After the Children's Message, children ages 3 years through 6<sup>th</sup> 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    3-4<sup>th</sup> grade: Chapel  
  1-2<sup>nd</sup> grade: Room 112    5-6<sup>th</sup> grade: Room 111*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Shayne Caples

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 91:1-2, 9-16

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."

Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent.

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them, and show them my salvation.

One: The Word of our Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

"My Song in the Night"

Paul Christiansen

*O Jesus my Savior, my song in the night, come to us with Thy tender love, my souls' delight. Unto Thee, O Lord in affliction I call, my comfort by day and my song in the night. O why should I wander, an alien from Thee, or cry in the desert Thy face to see, my comfort and joy, my soul's delight, O Jesus my Savior, my song in the night.*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'"

Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

One: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

SERMON

"Shut De Do"

Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont

1<sup>st</sup> of 5 in "*Temptations Along the Way*"

\* HYMN #166

"Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days"

ST. FLAVIAN

### **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Wayne Morrison

Sharing of Prayer Requests and Blessings

Call to Prayer #740

LEAD ME, GUIDE ME

***Lead me, guide me, along the way, for if you lead me, I can not stray.***

***Lord, let me walk each day with thee. Lead me, O Lord, lead me.***

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

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PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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Offertory

"Brother James' Air"

Searle Wright

\* 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 #43

"On Eagle's Wings"

ON EAGLE'S WINGS

Cantor, Martha Duersten-Pettit

*Congregation sings refrain only.*

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Deo gracias"

setting by Mark Sedio

*The Postlude is the final Alleluia of our worship. Please be respectful of fellow worshippers, 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  
Scot & Kathryn Hindall in honor of their Families.*

### SERVING US THIS MORNING

**Audio:** Mark Ranck

**Carillon:** Sue Rapiere

**Flower Delivery:** Judy Hazelton & Mark Ranck

**Usher Team E:** John Gray and Dick Jones, Co-Captains; Andy Balser, Don Batton, Spencer Budros, Dennis Decker, Jack Dicke, Cliff Frasher, Joyce Hinkle, Laurie Holden, Simmey Ketchum, Shirley Lambert, Larry & Leslie Snyder, Joann & Dury Sudduth

### PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER

*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:wmorrison@worthingtonpresbyterian.com).*

Prayers of healing for Ann Cupp and Sharon Stohrer.

### 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 Hempling

### 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  
*Vacant*, 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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We are a Stephen Ministry congregation. For more information, please contact Rev. Betsy Rice at [brice@worthingtonpresbyterian.com](mailto:brice@worthingtonpresbyterian.com).

## TODAY

Your suggestions for future **ELDERS, DEACONS, and NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS** are due. Now is your time to influence our church!

**Sermon Series begins today: Temptations Along the Way.** Lent is a time to take stock of our faithfulness, to take a careful look at the stumbling blocks in our way. Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont will deliver a 5-part series to reflect on the “devils” that tempt us, how to notice them, and how to encourage one another to withstand them confidently, as Jesus did. This series is a companion to the Bible study described below.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **BRIDGE GROUP** will meet Friday, **March 15<sup>th</sup>** at 1:30 p.m. at Friendship Village of Dublin. Call Rodney Harrison at 614-885-9875 to make a reservation.

**A MARCH MUSICAL** ~ Looking for a night out with church friends? How about Otterbein University’s “Singin’ in the Rain”? On Friday, **March 29<sup>th</sup>**, meet in Fellowship Hall at 6 p.m. for light refreshments, and then drive together to the musical. Cost is \$30; make checks out to WPC (memo: Otterbein). Please sign up in Fellowship Hall on today or tell Pastor Betsy Rice.

Questions about Worthington Presbyterian? Want to be more involved? Attend the **MEMBERSHIP SEMINAR** for three Sundays: **March 31<sup>st</sup>, April 7<sup>th</sup>, April 14<sup>th</sup>**, 9-9:45 a.m. Those who would like to join the congregation will also meet at 4:30 p.m. on **April 28<sup>th</sup>**. Questions? Ask Pastor Betsy Rice.

WPC visits **JAZZ at the MAC** for the beloved jazz classic “Rhapsody in Blue” and more (Tony Hagood plays Gershwin). On Friday, **April 5<sup>th</sup>**, we will gather in Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m. for light refreshments and fellowship, then head over to the McConnell Arts Center for the performance. Ten tickets are already purchased; more may be available. Cost is \$25 with checks made out to WPC (memo: Gershwin). Checks may be mailed or dropped off at the office, attention Pastor Betsy Rice.

## ADULT EDUCATION

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY: 6-Week Bible Study for Adults: *Temptation in the Desert*.** We face in our lives the urges and temptations that were real to Jesus in his time of temptation. This study, written by Princeton Seminary president (and

renowned preacher), the Rev. Dr. M. Craig Barnes, explores these temptations and the resources of faith that help us withstand them. Led by Dr. Tom Rice. **Sundays at 9 a.m.** (3/10-4/14) and **Wednesdays at 7 p.m.** (3/13-4/17). Room 222 (next to Chapel).

“**CAN WE BE CIVIL?**” Have you noticed the lack of civility in the world these days? And how about in our government? **Ted Celeste** noticed it even as he was running for the Ohio legislature where he served 2007-2012. He was one of the only candidates for state office who insisted on running a positive campaign. Come hear him tell about how his national organization, *Next Generation*, which deals with helping legislators and citizens dealing with better decision making and respectful dialogue. Join us on **Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall. Presbyterian Women United invite all to attend to hear Ted Celeste. Dessert will be served at 6:30 p.m.



**FAITH SEEKERS** are studying *Basic Christian Doctrine* by John Leith at 9 a.m. in Room 124. Our current topic is salvation and how justification and sanctification are united in the experience of salvation. In justification God turns toward human beings; in sanctification, God turns human beings toward himself. Sanctification is a process that continues throughout human life.

## MISSION

**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 **March 24<sup>th</sup>**.

**NNEMAP NEEDS coffee, flour and salt.** As always, any shelf stable food or grooming item is helpful. Please deposit any contributions into the NNEMAP bin in the Fellowship Hall.

**A PROJECT FOR US ALL:** Have you heard of a *barn raising*? We'll have a *house raising* on the Village Green on **Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>**, starting at 9 a.m. and finishing around 12:30 p.m. Breakfast, lunch, and hammers will be provided, and there will be a bounce house for children. 120 volunteers are needed to build the walls for our Habitat for Humanity house, including help with hospitality and food. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090544A8A622A6FC1-habitat1> Questions? Please contact Pastor Tom.

## Church Activities This Week at WPC

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 10 Daylight Saving Time Begins**

- 8:00 AM Worship & Communion, Dr. Piermont 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, Room 124
- 9:00 AM Religious Studies, "Living" Room
- 9:00 AM Temptation in the Desert, Room 222
- 10:00 AM Worship, Baptism, Dr. Piermont Preaching, Sanctuary
- 10:15 AM Church School: Preschool - Grade 6, Chapel, 111, 112, 113, 222
- 11:00 AM Coffee Hour, Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 PM New Connections Worship, Dr. Piermont preaching, Chapel
- 6:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High Youth Activity, Fellowship Hall, Youth Room

### **MONDAY, MARCH 11**

- 4:30 PM Facilities Committee, Room 111
- 5:00 PM Worship & the Arts Committee, Room 124

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 12**

- 5:00 PM YAPNC, Room 222
- 6:00 PM PW ~ Can We Be Civil with Ted Celeste, Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM Membership/Fellowship Committee, Room 222

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13**

- 11:00 AM Wednesday Small Group, "Living" Room
- 6:00 PM Nominating Committee, Room 111
- 6:30 PM Celebration Ringers, Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM Book Lovers, "Living" Room
- 7:00 PM Small Group (Timothy Dickey), Room 124
- 7:00 PM Temptation in the Desert, Room 222
- 8:00 PM AA, Fellowship Hall

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 14**

- 10:00 AM Endowment Meeting, Room 111
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir, Choir Room, Sanctuary

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 15**

- 7:00 PM Bridge Group, Offsite

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 16**

- 7:30 AM Men's Breakfast Bible Study, Youth Room
- 9:30 AM Renaissance Ensemble Rehearsal, Choir Room

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 17 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent**

- 8:00 AM Worship & Communion, Dr. Piermont preaching, Chapel
- 8:45 AM Childcare: Infant & Toddler, Nursery
- 8:45 AM Coffee Hour & NNEMAP Breakdown, Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Confirmation Class, Youth Room
- 9:00 AM Faith Seekers, Room 124; Religious Studies, "Living" Room
- 9:00 AM Temptation in the Desert, Room 222
- 10:00 AM Worship, Dr. Piermont Preaching, Sanctuary
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