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*PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*  
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**SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT  
& ST. PATRICK'S DAY**  
MARCH 17, 2019  
10:00 A.M.



# WORTHINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
Second Sunday in Lent and St. Patrick's Day

March 17, 2019

10:00 a.m.

\* *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

Rev. Betsy Rice

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

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 Georg Boehm

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

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE (from Psalm 31)

One: Love the Lord, all you God's saints.

**All: The Lord is our rock of refuge, a strong fortress to save us.**

One: Be strong and let your heart take courage,

**All: All you who wait for the Lord.**

\* HYMN #215

“What Wondrous Love Is This”

WONDROUS LOVE

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. 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.***

ANTHEM

“Meditation on Beautiful Savior”  
The Celebration Ringers ~ Jennifer Fry, Director

arr. Cathy Mocklebust

### **PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD**

MESSAGE FOR OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

Pastor Julia

*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

Gordon Clark

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 31:1-5

In you, O LORD, I seek refuge;  
do not let me ever be put to shame;  
in your righteousness deliver me.  
Incline your ear to me;  
rescue me speedily.  
Be a rock of refuge for me,  
a strong fortress to save me.  
You are indeed my rock and my fortress;  
for your name’s sake lead me and guide me,  
take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge.  
Into your hand I commit my spirit;  
you have redeemed me, O LORD, faithful God.

One: The Word of our Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

“My Wordless Prayer”  
The Chancel Choir

Craig Courtney

*My words lie still and lifeless as dust upon the sand. I can no longer voice one request or one demand. My cup of tears is empty, I can no longer cry. My lips have fallen silent, my prayer is but a sigh. Spirit come and rest Your ear upon my heart. O come and hear my wordless prayer, my silent plea and take them far away from me. Take them from this heart of mine to the Father’s heart divine. Speak in tones unknown to man that God may hear and understand. My voice is weak from calling to You both night and day. How long will You be silent? Why do You turn away? Spirit, come and rest Your ear upon my heart; O come and hear my wordless prayer, my silent plea and take them far away from me. Take them from this heart of mine to the Father’s heart divine. Speak in tone unknown to man that God may hear and understand.*

SECOND SCRIPTURE READINGS

Romans 10:11-13

The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation and brings no regret, but worldly grief produces death.

One: The Word of our Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Ain’t That a Shame”  
Part 2 of 5 in *Temptations Along the Way*

Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont

\* HYMN #415

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

RESTORATION

### **RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Dr. Tom Rice

Sharing of Prayer Requests and Blessings

\* Call to Prayer #740 (in unison)

***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

*(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](http://www.easytithe.com/wpcgive).)*

Offertory

“Ah, Holy Jesus”

arr. Susan Ullom Hungerford

The Celebration Ringers ~ Jennifer Fry, Director

\* 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 FOR ST. PATRICK’S DAY #702 “Christ Be Beside Me”

BUNESSAN

*The text of this song adapts a traditional Irish prayer known as “St. Patrick’s Breastplate,” a prayer for spiritual “armor” in an environment often hostile to Christianity.*

*It is set to a Gaelic melody that gained wide popularity in the 1970s.*

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Restoration”

setting by Wilbur Held

*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 Eva Goode and Ninna Anderson in loving memory of their mother, Mary Wheeler.*

### SERVING US THIS MORNING

**Audio:** Duane Cable

**Flower Delivery:** Dick Patton and Kevin Wadsworth

**Carillon:** Bill Allman

**Sunday Secretary:** Eva Goode

**Usher Team A:** Gregg Russell and Dan Foley, Co-Captains; Jeff Appel, Brendan Beck, Dan Bevan, Diana & Bob Clouse, Walt Furnas, Michael Geiger, Dan Gibson, George & Cindy Leonard, Harry Pukay-Martin, Don Sandoval, Mark & Betsy Senff

### 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 thanksgiving for Jayne Beck, 20-year long-time cancer survivor, on her 70<sup>th</sup> birthday, March 21<sup>st</sup>.

Prayers of healing for Ann Cupp and Sharon Stohrer.

### Those Serving Our Country

<u>Army</u>	<u>Navy</u>	<u>Air Force</u>	<u>Marines</u>
Jeff Gibbons	Scott Testa	Tyler McMillen	Cody Albright
Leighann Holcomb	Zach Wilson	Michael Sargent	Kelly Mason
Nate Holcomb	Jacob T. Wixom	Joseph Seida	Robert Pukay-Martin
Maura Stepanski			

### 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

God bless **Rev. Dr. Tom Rice**, whose **25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Ordination** to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament was on March 13<sup>th</sup>. Please stay after the 10 a.m. worship service and share your thanks and blessing with him. We are blessed deeply by his ministry with WPC!

**NNEMAP FOOD PANTRY:** Come to Fellowship Hall after the 8:00 service this morning to help repackage food donations into family-sized portions.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Our SERMON SERIES continues: 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.

**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 Sally Hough. Please sign up in Fellowship Hall today or tell Pastor Betsy or Sally.

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.

After Christ's resurrection and ascension into heaven, the ongoing presence of Jesus became apparent through the power of the Holy Spirit. **CHRISTIAN LIFE CIRCLE** invites you to join us on Thursday, **April 4<sup>th</sup>**, from 1:15 - 2:00 p.m. in Room 222 as we discuss the topic **“God With Us as the Holy Spirit,”** led by Pastor Tom Rice. Preceding our Bible study, we welcome you to enjoy fellowship, dessert and coffee at 12:30 p.m., followed by information about Presbyterian Women United's (PWU) up-coming activities from 12:45 - 1:15 p.m.

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.** (now-4/14) and **Wednesdays at 7 p.m.** (now-4/17) in Room 222 (next to Chapel). Everyone welcome--if you can only attend some of the Lenten classes that's OK!

**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

**LUNCHEES 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>**.

**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.

**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.

## Church Activities This Week at WPC

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 17      2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent and St. Patrick's Day**

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  
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 18**

9:15 AM      WPPS Committee, Nursery  
7:00 PM      Mission Ministry, Room 222

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 19**

5:30 PM      Weight Watchers, Fellowship Hall  
7:00 PM      Board of Deacons, Chapel  
7:30 PM      Community Connections Committee, Room 112  
7:30 PM      MdL, Room 111

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

6:30 PM      Celebration Ringers, Sanctuary  
7:00 PM      Temptation in the Desert, Room 222  
8:00 PM      AA, Fellowship Hall

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 21**

7:30 AM      Finance Committee Meeting, Room 111  
9:00 AM      Sacristy Guild, Sanctuary  
10:00 AM      Horizons Endowment Meeting, Chapel  
12:00 PM      Tower Tidings Deadline  
5:00 PM      YAPNC, Room 222  
6:30 PM      Children Easter Choir Rehearsal, Chapel  
7:15 PM      Chancel Choir, Choir Room, Sanctuary

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 22**

6:00 PM      Club 56, Fellowship Hall

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 24      3<sup>rd</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, 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  
10:15 AM      Church School: Preschool - Grade 6, Chapel, 111, 112, 113, 222  
3:50 PM      Worship Rehearsal, Chapel  
5:00 PM      New Connections Worship Service, Dr. Piermont preaching, Chapel  
6:00 PM      Jr. & Sr. High Youth Activity, Fellowship Hall, Youth Room