

# WORTHINGTON

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*PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH*  
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**TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY**  
MARCH 3, 2019  
10:00 A.M.

# WORTHINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
Transfiguration Sunday

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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. Julia Wharff Piermont

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

"Unser Herrscher"

setting by Pau Manz

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

OPENING SENTENCES

One: God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them.

**All: God wants to partner with us in building as well.**

One: God wants to build our lives:

**All: So that broken places are restored and we continue to grow.**

One: God wants to build our faith:

**All: As we study God's Word and live it out in the world.**

One: God wants to build our community:

**All: To build bridges of understanding and good news proclaimed.**

\* HYMN #192

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

SHINE, SHINE, SHINE

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Your good news is for all people, Lord—forgive us when we limit it to people like ourselves. Your grace is for all people, Lord—forgive us when we hoard it, unable to believe in your abundance. Your love is for all people, Lord—forgive us when we ignore it, fearing that we might be unworthy of your grace. Move us, Lord, to see the world as you know it: bursting at the seams with your mercy and your love. 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

***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.***

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

### **MESSAGE FOR OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES**

Pastor Betsy

*After the Children's Message, children ages 3 years through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade may go to the Chapel for a large group worship. Children in 4-5-6<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to remain in worship and take part in Communion. Following the postlude, please pick up your child in their classroom.*

*Classroom Locations:           Preschool-K: Room 113    3<sup>rd</sup> grade: Room 222  
  1-2<sup>nd</sup> grade: Room 112*

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Judy Hazelton

### **FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the LORD had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

One: The Word of our Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **ANTHEM**

“Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies”

T. Frederick Candlyn

The Chancel Choir

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only Light, Sun of righteousness, arise!  
Triumph o'er the shades of night. Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart  
appear. Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by Thee; joyless is the day's return, till  
Thy mercy's beams I see; till they inward light impart, glad my eyes and warm my heart. Visit  
then this soul of mine! Pierce the gloom of sin and grief! Fill me, Radiance divine; Scatter all my  
unbelief; more and more Thyself display, shining to the perfect day. Amen.*

### **SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

Luke 9:28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, “Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah”—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, “This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!” When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

One: The Gospel of our Lord.

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

SERMON

“With Bright, Shining Faces”

Dr. Tom Rice

\* HYMN #193

“Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain”  
(stanzas 1-3, and 5)

UNSER HERRSCHER

### RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Betsy Rice

*(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

“O Rejoice, Ye Christians, Loudly”  
The Renaissance Ensemble

J.S. Bach

*O rejoice, ye Christians, loudly. For your joy is now begun; wondrous things our God hath done; tell abroad His goodness proudly, who our race hath honored thus, that he deigns to dwell with us. Joy, O joy beyond all gladness! Christ hath done away with sadness! Hence all sorrow and repining (fretting), for the Sun of grace is shining. See, my soul, thy Saviour chooses weakness here and poverty. In such love He comes to thee, nor the hardest pain refuses, all He suffers for thy good, to redeem thee by His blood.*

\* 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

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

*All who put their trust in Christ are welcome to receive communion.  
Please note: Gluten-free bread is placed in the center of each tray.  
Grape juice is red, and wine is white.*

Invitation and Sharing of Prayer Requests and Blessings

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer (in unison)

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

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### GOING IN GOD’S NAME

\* HYMN #366

“Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

HYFRYDOL

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Hyfrydol”

setting by David P. Dahl

*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  
Dick & Marylou Posey in honor of their granddaughter Keira  
and in memory of their grandson Barren.*

*The roses on the chancel are in honor of Debbie & Steve Dieringer's  
granddaughters Lilah James and Emma Barker Currie, born February 21<sup>st</sup>.*

### SERVING US THIS MORNING

**Audio:** George Leonard

**Carillon:** Bill Allman

**Flower Delivery:** Regina Ausich and Harry Pukay-Martin

**Sunday Secretary:** Leslie Snyder

**Usher Team C:** John & Marsha Smith and Sue Funk, Co-Captains; Peggy Albright, Elaine Christian, Mary & Scott Dahs, Debbie Dieringer, Tom & Kathy Hull, Dave LaHue, Bill Leiter, Connie Lewis, Mark Ranck, Matt Smith, Pete Wilkins

### 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).*

Congratulations to Sara & Jack Currie on the birth of their daughters Lilah James and Emma Barker Currie on February 21<sup>st</sup>. Grandparents are Debbie & Steve Dieringer.

Prayers of healing for Anthony Cottone, Marylou Posey, and Ray Sanborn.

Sympathy to Jennifer Williams and the Williams Family upon the death of Tom Williams, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

### 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  
*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

Last chance for **CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CONFESSIONS** at 9 a.m. in Room 222. Most churches find a way to declare who they are, what they believe, and what they resolve to do. Presbyterians do this through a collection of creeds and confessions of faith called *The Book of Confessions*.

At each entrance to worship today we'll be receiving **SOCKS DONATED FOR THE HOMELESS**.

After the 10 a.m. service come help **NNEMAP FOOD PANTRY** as we repackage food donations into family-sized portions. After being fed at the Lord's Table we come to Fellowship Hall and feed families in need. All ages can help!

**YAHA PLANNING MEETING** at 11 a.m. in Room 222. Please share ideas for new 2019 events. All people and ideas are welcome!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Two **ASH WEDNESDAY** worship services on **March 6<sup>th</sup>**. **The Noon service is in the Chapel**, with Wayne Morrison preaching and Melissa Robol providing music, and the imposition of ashes; at **7 p.m. in the Sanctuary** is a contemplative service of music, scripture, prayer and silence. The special music will

include piano, guitar, and WPC youth will be doing the readings.

**MARCH....**can come in like a lion or a lamb. As winter (hopefully!) comes to an end, we are all ready for the gentleness of the **LAMB!** Please join us at **STAFFORD VILLAGE** on Wednesday, **March 6<sup>th</sup>** at 1:00 p.m. for our monthly program. March 6<sup>th</sup> is Ash Wednesday, so we will reflect on the 40 days of lent that lead us to the glory of Easter Sunday. March 17<sup>th</sup> is St. Patrick's Day, so we will break out in song with some fun Irish tunes! And, we will play trivia games and discuss what historical events happened in March. We look forward to seeing you. All are invited!

On Thursday, **March 7<sup>th</sup>** the topic of **Christian Life Circle's** Bible study will be "**God With Us as Emmanuel.**" In the Old Testament we studied the covenants made by God to his people which included signs as reminders of his promises, such as the rainbow after the flood. Our March lesson will focus on the New Testament where, rather than just a

sign, the promise becomes a person, Jesus Christ who is **God himself with us**. We hope you'll join us at 12:15 p.m. in **Room 222** for fellowship, dessert and coffee; an up-date on Presbyterian Women United's activities at 12:45 p.m.; and our Bible study led by Pastor Tom Rice from 1:15-2:00 p.m. All are welcome!

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME** begins next Sunday, **March 10<sup>th</sup>**. **SPRING FORWARD.**

**LENTEN SERMON SERIES: TEMPTATION ALONG THE WAY**--The season of Lent is based on the number of days Jesus endured temptation in the wilderness. A sermon series and Lenten Study will prepare for Holy Week and Easter by examining temptations in our lives.

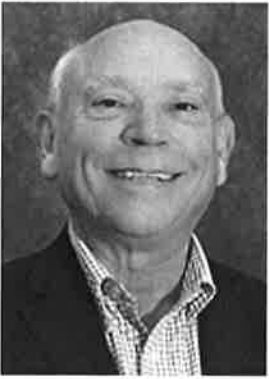


Your suggestions needed for future **ELDERS, DEACONS, and NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS**. Now is your time to influence our church! The Nominating Committee is seeking your prayerful suggestions as we discern God's calling for future Elders, Deacons, and Nominating Committee members. Elders use their gifts to guide our church to carry out our missions as faithfully as possible. Deacons use their gifts to care for our congregation especially the sick, the friendless, the struggling, and the lonely. The Nominating Committee prayerfully selects members for service and helps them discern their calling. Look for forms in the Welcome Center and Fellowship Hall. Please submit the completed "Nominating Committee 2019 Talk to Us" suggestion form by **March 10<sup>th</sup>** via the church office or the offering plate. Thank you!

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.

## ADULT EDUCATION

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY:** A 6-week series on Sundays at 9 a.m. (starting on **March 10<sup>th</sup>**) or Wednesdays at 7 p.m. (starting on **March 13<sup>th</sup>**) in Room 222. Temptation Along the Way--in conjunction with our Lenten Sermon Series. All are welcome--come learn and grow in Lent. To sign up for this class, use this link from Sign Up Genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b4fa9ac2c46f58-wpclenten1>



### **“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**

**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 3      Sock Drive**

- 8:00 AM      Worship & Communion, Dr. Rice preaching, Chapel
- 8:45 AM      Childcare: Infant & Toddler, Nursery
- 9:00 AM      Confirmation Class, Youth Room
- 9:00 AM      Conversations with the Confessions, Room 222
- 9:00 AM      Faith Seekers, Room 124
- 9:00 AM      Religious Studies, "Living" Room
- 10:00 AM     Worship & Communion, Dr. Rice preaching, Sanctuary
- 10:15 AM     Lenten Workshop, Room 111, 112, 113, 222, Chapel
- 11:00 AM     Coffee Hour & NNEMAP Breakdown, Fellowship Hall
- 11:15 AM     YAHas Planning Meeting, Room 222
- 11:30 AM     Monthly Worship & Communion, Dr. Rice preaching, Chapel
- 5:00 PM      New Connections & Communion Worship, Dr. Rice preaching, Chapel
- 6:00 PM      Jr. & Sr. High Youth Activity, Fellowship Hall, Youth Room

### **MONDAY, MARCH 4**

- 5:30 PM      Transportation Subcommittee, Room 124
- 6:00 PM      Community Friendship Dinner, Fellowship Hall, Kitchen
- 7:00 PM      Stated Session, Chapel

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 5**

- 6:30 PM      Celebration Ringers, Sanctuary
- 7:00 PM      Youth Committee Meeting, Room 111
- 7:00 PM      Prayer Shawl Ministry, "Living" Room

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6    ASH WEDNESDAY**

- 9:00 AM      Sacristy Guild, Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM     Ash Wednesday Worship, Chapel
- 6:00 PM      Ad Hoc Subcommittee, Room 111
- 7:00 PM      Ash Wednesday Worship, Sanctuary
- 8:00 PM      AA, Fellowship Hall

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 7**

- 7:45 AM      Personnel Committee, Room 111
- 12:00 PM     Christian Life Circle, Room 222
- 5:00 PM      YAPNC, Room 222
- 6:15 PM      Thursday Small Group, "Living" Room
- 7:30 PM      Chancel Choir, Choir Room, Sanctuary

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 8**

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 9**

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

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