

WORTHINGTON

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 23, 2018
10:00 A.M.

earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you.

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“What Are You Hungry for?”

Dr. Tom Rice

HEAD, SHOULDERS, KNEES AND TOES: EMBODYING CHRISTIAN LIFE (Part 4 of 4)

* HYMN #839

“Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!”

ASSURANCE

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

“MAKING A DIFFERENCE”

Harry Pukay-Martin

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Betsy Rice

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

Bunessan

Setting by Dale Wood

* 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 #702

“Christ Be Beside Me”

BUNESSAN

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION (“Christ before us...” – *please follow the pastor’s lead.*)

* CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

Sonata 2: Allegro Maestoso

Felix Mendelssohn

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 WORSHIPING 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
Lois Fulmer in memory of her husband Gary Fulmer.*

SERVING US THIS MORNING

Audio: Dennis Decker

Carillon: Alice Miskell

Flower Delivery: Becky Ament

Usher Team E: John Gray and Dick Jones, Co-Captains; Andy Balsler, 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

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

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.

Those Serving Our Country

| <u>Army</u> | <u>Navy</u> | <u>Air Force</u> | <u>Marines</u> |
|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Jeff Gibbons | Tyler McMillen | Cody Albright | Joseph Hempfling |
| Leighann Holcomb | Michael Sargent | Kelly Mason | |
| Nate Holcomb | 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
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

IMMERSION, A NEW WORSHIP EXPERIENCE FOR YOUTH: During the Passing of the Peace all Jr/Sr High youth are invited to go to the Choir Room for a Bible study focusing on today's Bible passages with Brian Edwards, our Director for Youth Ministries. Youth will rejoin the congregation during the hymn after the sermon.

HEAD, SHOULDERS, KNEES AND TOES: EMBODYING CHRISTIAN LIFE. Our sermon series concludes today. The New Testament Letter of James is a feisty, impassioned appeal to ways we can put faith into action. For James, faith is not just what's in your mind and heart; it takes your whole body!

OUR CLOSING BLESSING for this sermon series, we are using the benediction that is used daily by the children of Montaña de Luz (the orphanage we support in Honduras). It is also a favorite of our Choir Plus children. We "embody" a modern version of a very old prayer. St. Patrick in the 5th century had this prayer on his breastplate (his armor), as a reminder of God's presence and power with him each day as he brought the good news of Jesus to Ireland, facing great danger.

LUNCHESES FOR THE HOMELESS are due today.

On the 4th Sunday of each month, **PASTOR WAYNE** leads worship at Hoge Memorial Presbyterian Church on West Broad Street. This continues a long history of support that our church has shared with Hoge.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to join the women of **EVENING CIRCLE OF GRACE** as we start a new year of programs. Circles are small groups that belong to the larger community of Presbyterian Women United and meet regularly for participation in local outreach programs, Bible study and to promote Christian fellowship. Our Circle generally meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month from September through June and is also the only one that meets in the evening. Our next meeting is on Tuesday, **September 25th** at 7:00 p.m. in Room 111. We enjoy conversation, devotions and fun charitable projects such as making cookie trays for Kobacker House or making blankets for foster children. It is a great way to make new friends and support local service projects in our community. We are always looking for ways to serve through prayer, study, service and love. For more information, contact either Sue Funk at 614-436-4792 or Nancy Currie Atkinson at 614-766-4767.

Interested in becoming more active at Worthington Presbyterian Church? You are invited to a single-session **MEMBERSHIP SEMINAR** on **September 30th**, from 2:30 to 5 p.m. We will discuss what it means to be a follower of Jesus, what makes us Presbyterian, and how to grow in faith and service. Refreshments will be served. All who choose to join the church will be received on October 14th. Childcare is available. Please RSVP to Betsy Rice at brice@worthingtonpresbyterian.com. Next membership seminar is January 13th-27th.

Have you ever felt God's call to act but doubted your abilities and thought yourself inadequate for the task? We invite you to join **CHRISTIAN LIFE CIRCLE** on **Thursday, October 4th** as we discuss how God's presence with Moses and Gideon in their weakness equipped them for their calling. Pastor Tom Rice will lead our Bible study entitled "God with Us in our Uncertainty" (lesson 2) from 1:15-2:00 p.m. in Room 222. Come early and join us for fellowship, coffee and cookies at 12:15 p.m., followed by an update on Presbyterian Women United's activities at 12:45 p.m.

Our Presbyterian Women United is proud to present "**Worthington Presbyterian CARES**" t-shirts, polo shirts, baseball shirts, and jackets. These are available to order online at www.ElkPromotions.com/wpc. Samples are on display on Sunday in Fellowship Hall. Shirts are on sale to the end of September. Any orders placed can be picked up in the church office. *Our thanks to Amanda Trueman for the new design and to Scott Wieclaw, President of Elk Promotions, for his advice, production and special pricing.* Let's show everyone that "Worthington Presbyterian Cares."



We need to add some **bass and baritone voices** to the **CHANCEL CHOIR**. At this point, we will gladly accept lower tenors as well for this voice part. A full bass section functions as the firm foundation of the choir. The Chancel Choir rehearses each Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Also, our **Celebration Ringers** handbell ensemble can use more players (adults and high school students). Beginners are welcome. The group meets on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. For more information about these opportunities contact David Rives at drives@worthingtonpresbyterian.com.

Do you need a **NAME BADGE**? We will place the last order of the year at the end of this month. Please place your order with Lori by calling her at 614-885-5355 or email lsheppard@worthingtonpresbyterian.com by September 30th. Thank you!



International Potluck



POTLUCK, FELLOWSHIP, FRIENDSHIP! Plan to bring an international dish and stay for lunch at 11:00 a.m. on **October 14th**. Christians worship Jesus all over the world; let's share foods from all nations. Bring a food that is part of your family heritage or culture, or choose a nation you love. Please sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409of45aeae2da7fe3-international> or on the clipboard outside Fellowship Hall.



A presentation by Delaware County Sheriff Russell Martin on **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE** and the new **"TURNING POINT"** domestic shelter will be on Tuesday, **October 16th** at 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. We have met

Sheriff Martin at recent Sunday "Minute for Mission" as he shared his concerns and faith. Sheriff Martin indicates domestic violence is among the most common types of incidents to which our law enforcement officers respond. Domestic violence is an equal opportunity crime. It crosses all boundaries and demographics without regard to gender, age and economic status. Both WPC as a church and Presbyterian Women United have pledged financial assistance to Turning Point. Come! Learn about how we can support the shelter's mission to respond to the needs of victims through a safe shelter, counseling advocacy and education that will confront the causes of domestic violence. WPC Adult Education and Presbyterian Women United are sponsoring this program. Come at 6:30 p.m. for coffee and dessert.

CONGREGATIONAL RETREAT: Friday, November 9th-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!"

ADULT EDUCATION

SEASONS OF THE SPIRIT: Learning about the Church Year a 4-week series continues with Dr. Rice at 9 a.m. Breakfast and childcare are provided. Come on a spiritual journey through the seasons.

UPCOMING CLASS: "SPEAKING OF MISSION" Join us for a special 4-week series starting **October 7th** on Sundays at 9 a.m. in Room

222. Come talk with the Executive Directors of Drug Safe Worthington, the Worthington Resource Pantry and NNEMAP Food Pantry. Meet our guest pastor from Sri Lanka. Learn about the needs and the ministries. Breakfast and childcare provided.

WPC SMALL GROUPS: Friends for the journey. A safe place for holy conversations. Our church has many different small groups meeting monthly (October to May) find one that works for you. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30eob4fa9ac2ca6f58-worthington> or contact Dr. Rice about new groups forming.

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.

MISSION

A family in need is looking for a gently used **WASHING MACHINE**. If you are able to help, please contact John Hamilton at 614-888-4768.

Please Help! We are still looking for people to pick up bread and goodies from **PANERA**. Starting in January, we need someone to pick up the first and fifth Friday evenings and deliver it locally on Saturday morning. We also still need volunteers to pick up Panera's goodies every Monday night at 8:30 p.m. one Monday night of each month (you choose one evening per month) and deliver to a variety of agencies throughout Columbus, to be arranged according to the schedule of the delivery person. If you can help with this mission to feed those who are hungry in Columbus, please call Leslie Snyder at 614-404-8229 or email to lesliesnyder54@gmail.com.

Presbyterian Women United is again leading our congregation's participation in the annual **NNEMAP GROOMING KIT COLLECTIONS**. WPC will be collecting and assembling completed kits to give to NNEMAP clients during the upcoming season. We join other local churches in hopes of together making up over 1,500 health-hygiene kits to be distributed. Collection dates are **today** and **September 30th**. Items needed for each kit are:

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| Toothbrush | Shaving Cream | Bar soap |
| Toothpaste | Deodorant | Lotion |
| Dental floss | Wash cloth | Razor |

DRIVERS AND MEAL HOSTS NEEDED: The Rev. Saman Perera from Sri Lanka will be our special guest **October 12th-November 2nd**. If you could help drive him any of those days, or if you would like to host him for a meal, please contact Pastor Tom Rice. Thank you!

Church Activities This Week at WPC

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- 8:00 AM Worship & Communion, Dr. Rice preaching, Chapel
- 8:45 AM Childcare: Infant & Toddler, Nursery
- 9:00 AM Confirmation Class, Youth Room; 4th Grade Sacrament Class, Room 112
- 9:00 AM Faith Seekers, Room 124; New Officer Training, Room 111
- 9:00 AM Religious Studies, "Living" Room; Seasons of the Spirit Class, Room 222
- 10:00 AM Worship, Teacher Dedication, 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
- 11:15 AM Choir Officers Meeting, Room 124
- 11:30 AM Sunday School Teacher Training, Chapel, Room 222
- 5:00 PM New Connections Worship Service, Dr. Rice Preaching, Chapel
- 6:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High Youth Activity, Fellowship Hall, Youth Room

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

- 1:00 PM Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team, Room 111
- 6:30 PM Children's Committee, "Living" Room

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

- 11:00 AM Tower Tidings Mailing, Office Work Room
- 5:30 PM Weight Watchers, Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 PM David Bible Study, "Living" Room
- 7:00 PM Central Ohio Grotto, Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Evening Circle of Grace, Room 111
- 7:30 PM Adult Education, Room 222

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

- 12:30 PM ROMEO's Lunch, OSU Golf Course
- 6:30 PM Celebration Ringers, Sanctuary
- 8:00 PM AA, Fellowship Hall

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

- 7:30 AM Finance Committee, Room 111
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir, Sanctuary, Choir Room

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

- 8:00 AM Faith Runners, Antrim Park
- 9:00 AM Renaissance Ensemble, Sanctuary, Choir Room

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

- 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 4th Grade Sacrament Class, Room 112
- 9:00 AM Faith Seekers, Room 124
- 9:00 AM New Officer Training, Room 111
- 9:00 AM Religious Studies, "Living" Room
- 9:00 AM Seasons of the Spirit Class, Room 222
- 10:00 AM Worship, Dr. Piermont Preaching, Sanctuary
- 10:00 AM Young Children & Worship, Room 113
- 10:15 AM Church School: Preschool - Grade 6, Chapel, 111, 112, 113, 222
- 2:30 PM Membership Seminar, Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 PM New Connections Worship Service, Dr. Piermont preaching, Chapel
- 6:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High Youth Activity, Fellowship Hall, Youth Room