

## Welcome to Wallingford Presbyterian Church

Members and friends gather here each Sunday morning (and lots of times during the week!) to celebrate and serve. We rejoice that you are here with us, and hope that you'll feel right at home. Please join us at 10:30 AM for fellowship and light refreshments in our Fellowship Hall.

***Please ask an usher,***

Visitors are always welcomed and encouraged to participate in any of our programs, activities and ministry opportunities.

A Nursery is available downstairs for preschool children.

Large Print Bulletins, Bibles and Hymnals are available on request.

If you need a little help hearing, portable listening devices are available.

Restrooms are located in the Narthex and throughout the church building.

*We are ready to assist you.*

**Sunday, February 23**

**7th Sunday after Epiphany**

9:30 am-Worship/Sunday School

9:30 am-Adult Forum

9:30 & 11:00 am-Nursery Care

11:00 am-Worship

**Monday, February 24**

9:30 am-Learning through scripture

12:15 pm-Co-op EC meeting

6:15 pm-GS Troop 5962-B2

7:30 pm-Stephen Ministry

7:30 pm-Care Council

**Tuesday, February 25**

7:00 pm-Bear 145-B1

7:00 pm-Stewardship committee

8:00 pm-Stewardship council

**Wednesday, February 26**

8:45 am-Breakfast Group

10:00 am-Fellowship of Friends-Library

3-6:00 pm-MS Youth to Philabundance

**Wednesday, February 26 continued**

6:30 pm-GS 5732-B2

7:00 pm-Tiger Den 228-B1

**Thursday, February 27**

7:00 pm-Boy Scouts 277-FH

7:30 pm-Chancel Choir

**Friday, February 28**

6:00-10 pm-MS Multi-church Photo

Scavenger Hunt

**Saturday, March 1**

3:00 pm-Sons of Norway-library

**Sunday, March 2**

**Transfiguration of the Lord**

9:30 am-Worship/Sunday School

9:30 am-Adult Forum

9:30 & 11:00 am-Nursery Care

Pastor Rob preaching

11:00 am-Worship

4:40 pm-Dancing

**MS YOUTH HAPPENINGS** – ALL MS students are welcome to youth group at WPC. We get together to play games, listen to music, laugh together, pray together, serve others together, or discuss a different topic. If you have questions about youth ministry at WPC please call or email Pastor Rob, 610-357-6067 or [rob@wallingfordpres.org](mailto:rob@wallingfordpres.org).

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Times</b>	<b>Event/Activity</b>
<b>2/26</b>	<b>3-6 pm</b>	<b>Visit to Philabundance</b>
<b>2/28</b>	<b>6-10 pm</b>	<b>Multi-church photo-Scavenger Hunt-bring \$10</b>
<b>3/5</b>	<b>7:30 am</b>	<b>Breakfast and Ash Weds. service before school</b>
<b>3/5</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Ash Weds. service in the sanctuary</b>
<b>3/12</b>	<b>4:30-6:30 pm</b>	<b>Throwback Week</b>

**SHROVE TUESDAY CHURCH DINNER: MARCH 4TH, 5:30-7:30 PM** - Members and friends of all ages are invited to a Shrove Tuesday dinner. Shrove Tuesday, also known as Fat Tuesday, or Mardi Gras, is the day before Ash Wednesday, and is the final day before the start of Lent. There will be pancakes and sausage, beads and masks for children, and some fun entertainment for everyone. We hope to see you there!

**THE 2014 MEMORIAL FLOWER CALENDAR** is posted in the office. Some available dates are 3/30, 6/1, 6/8 and ALL of September. The requested contribution is \$50. Please call or email Susan at [office@wallingfordpres.org](mailto:office@wallingfordpres.org).

**STOP HUNGER NOW – ALL CHURCH MISSION PROJECT (SUN, MAR 22)** - WPC is teaming up with an international anti-hunger organization called Stop Hunger Now to pack and ship 10,000 meals in two hours. The event will take place Sat, Mar 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10 am – noon and will be followed by lunch (noon-1 pm). We are looking for 40-50 volunteers to help package the meals. Children as young as 6 and adults of all ages can volunteer and make a meaningful contribution. (If you have questions about your or your child's ability to participate, please contact Pastor Rob [rob@wallingfordpres.org](mailto:rob@wallingfordpres.org) or 610-566-1644 ext. 13.) To find out more information about Stop Hunger Now, learn about the meals that we will be packaging, and learn about the packaging process (including videos from previous events), please go to: [www.stophungernow.org](http://www.stophungernow.org). Our Mission and Service committee is paying the bulk of the cost for the event. Participants are asked to bring \$5 each to defer the cost of the supplies we'll be packing. Because we need so many volunteers, we are asking people to RSVP for the event. You can RSVP on our church's website ([www.wallingfordpres.org](http://www.wallingfordpres.org)), by calling the church office, or by signing up in Fellowship Hall. Hope to see you there!

*A community where all who seek God are welcome...*



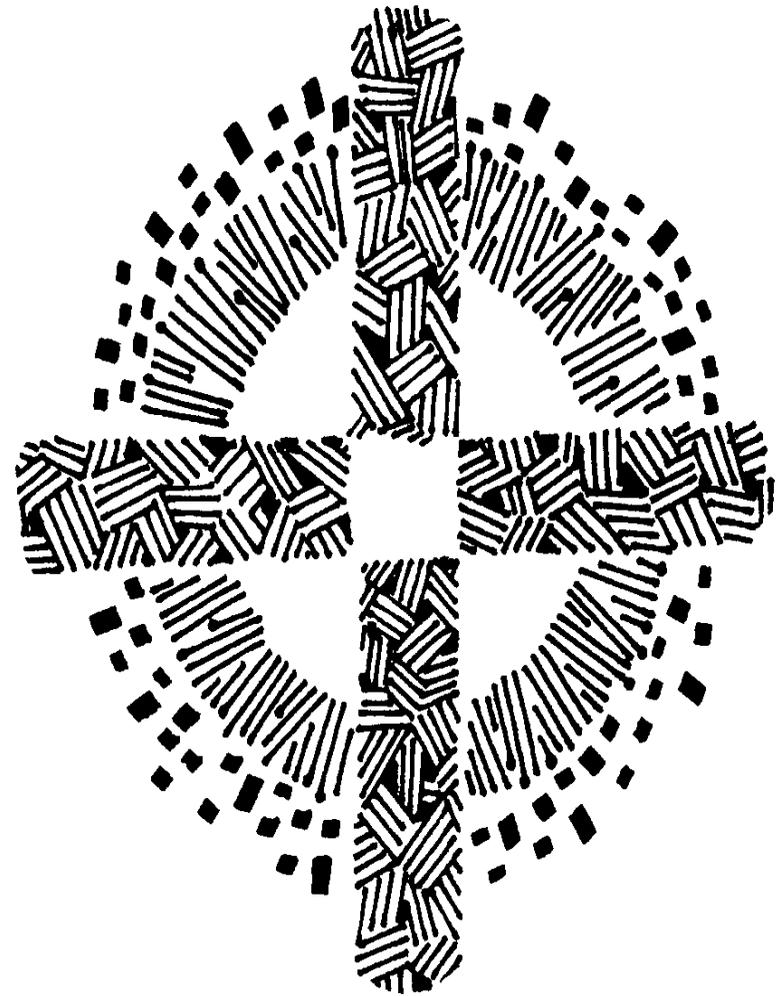
**A STEPHEN SERIES CONGREGATION**

*Cares and Concerns* Please be in prayer for:

Staff

Rev. François Lacroix, Pastor  
Rev. Robert Ross, Associate Pastor for Christian Nurture  
Elizabeth Braden, Director of Music  
Susan Schwarz, Administrative Secretary  
Cary McHugh, Sexton

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Wallingford Presbyterian Church  
*7th Sunday after Epiphany*  
*February 23, 2014*

POSTLUDE

*Toccata in C Major*

Johann Pachelbel

*Please join us for friendship and refreshments in Fellowship Hall, following the 9:30 service of worship.*

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

*++Please wait to enter the Sanctuary until the conclusion of the prayer*

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*To the Glory of God*

*The chancel flowers are the gift of Jon Bauer  
in loving memory of his parents, Belle and Pete Bauer*

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*A special thank you to those volunteering to usher, and to those assisting with fellowship time today*

**BLANKETS ARE DEAR TO OUR HEARTS** – The Mission project for the Blanket Fund to benefit Church World Service will be held during the month of February. Church World Service distributes blankets both in the US and abroad, to those in need. A contribution of only \$5 can purchase a good wool or cotton blanket. Envelopes are in the pew racks and can be placed in the offering plate or sent to the Church office anytime during the month. Checks should be made out to **Wallingford Presbyterian Church** and **blanket fund** noted in the memo.

**THE BOOK LOOK – THE FAITH CLUB** - If you like to read, please consider joining “The Book Look,” a group of book lovers who meet bi-monthly to discuss books. The next meeting is scheduled for **TUESDAY, MARCH 25**, and the book to be discussed is *The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian, A Jew -- Three Women Search for Understanding*. The book centers on the true account of three American women from three faiths seeking to educate their children about their respective religions in the aftermath of 9/11. Per Amazon, “None of them guessed their regular meetings would provide life-changing answers and form bonds that would forever alter their struggles with prejudice, fear, and anger. Personal, powerful, and compelling, *The Faith Club* forces readers to face the tough questions about their own religions.” If you have any questions about the Book Look group, please contact Chris Darr 610-357-3587 or Walt Kaminski 610-334-2025.

## *The Worship of Our Lord*

### GATHERING BEFORE THE WORD

#### WORDS OF MEDITATION

You and I live in a world with a low tolerance for mystery, confusion and ambiguity. We like things simple, explained, straightforward. Yet in our hearts, we also know that life is anything but simple and the world is more mysterious than we like to admit. *William Willimon*

#### WELCOME MEMBERS, FRIENDS AND VISITORS!

*We welcome you here this morning! We count your presence at this worship service as a blessing. May the grace of God dwell in us all.*

#### WELCOME, TIME OF GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Your presence here, whether a long time member or a first time visitor, is important to us. Please sign the black friendship pad found at the end of your pew, and then learn the names of your “pew neighbors” by passing the completed register back down the pew. Thank you.*

#### OPENING PRAYER

#### PRELUDE

*More Love to Thee, O Christ*

arr. Douglas Wagner

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Our loving God is ever present in our lives, forever seeking us and always teaching us.

***We come and open now our minds to the truth of God’s care.***

We come to this sanctuary and open our hearts to the gentle power of God’s love.

***We come to open our lips to share stories of faith.***

We come and open our hands to help create beauty, to do justice, and to show kindness.

***We come and open our souls to the breath of God’s Spirit.***

We come now and open our mouths to sing boldly our praises to God .

#### \*OPENING HYMNS

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

++UNISON PRAYER

*O God, Who brooded over the world when it was created, and broods now over us, your children, until we are shaped in the image of Christ, we confess our daily sins: the word sharply spoken, the praise withheld, the embrace not shared, the hurt disguised, the envy felt, the self indulged, the need neglected. (Silent confession)*

Receive us now, O Lord,.

*Broken, penitent, wishing it were otherwise. Enfold us in the arms of love and forgiveness, and restore a new spirit within us. Make us one with ourselves, with each other, with the world and all the saints and most of all with You. Amen.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*SUNG RESPONSE 579

Glory Be to the Father

GLORIA PATRI

*“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, Amen.”*

ENCOUNTERING GOD’S WORD

A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

*Children 1st - 5th grades are invited to come forward for a “Time with Young Disciples.” At the conclusion, children will be excused with their teachers. Visiting parents with children are welcome to escort their children along with the teachers. MS Students are also invited to leave with their teachers for Sunday School. Nursery care is available, and is located downstairs near the parking lot entrance.*

ANTHEM

*Put Peace Into Each Other’s Hands*

*arr. Jane Holstein*

*Put peace into each other's hands, and like a treasure hold it,  
Protect it like a candle flame, with tenderness enfold it.*

*Put peace into each other's hands, with loving expectation;  
Be gentle in your words and ways, in touch with God's creation.*

*Put peace into each other's hands like bread we break for sharing;  
Look people warmly in the eye: our life is meant for caring.*

*Give thanks for strong - yet tender hands, held out in trust and blessing.  
Where words fall short, let hands speak out, the heights of love expressing.*

*Put Christ into each other’s hands, He is love’s deepest measure;  
In love make peace, give peace a chance and share it like a treasure.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS AND SERMON “Do You Mean That Literally?”

Pastor François

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*RESPONSIVE HYMNS

CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY

Children of the Heavenly Father

arr. Robert Lau

\*DOXOLOGY

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*“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”*

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\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

FRIENDSHIP, CARES AND CONCERNS

*If you have a prayer request or celebration, sermon topic or favorite hymn, or help needed issue, please use the prayer requests & ponderings card found in the pew racks and leave it in the offering basket.*

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

*“Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen”*

GOING OUT WITH GOD’S WORD

\*SENDING HYMNS

\*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE 535

Go with Us, Lord

TALLIS’ CANON

*Go with us, Lord, and guide the way;*

*Through this and every coming day*

*That in Your Spirit strong and true;*

*Our lives may be our gift to You.*

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