
4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

JUNE 25, 2023



WORTHINGTON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

In Christ's love, we connect, serve, and transform

4TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST EARLY MORNING WORSHIP

IN THE CHAPEL

JUNE 25, 2023 – 8:00 AM



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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

** Please rise in body or spirit.*

GATHERING MUSIC

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us with
More Love to Thee*

Melissa Sengstack Robol, pianist

Stuart Townend and
William Doane; arr.
Bethany Smith and
Mary McDonald

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

MOMENT FOR MISSION: Community Friendship Dinners

Harry Pukay-Martin

WELCOME AND OPENING SENTENCES

Rev. Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont

* HYMN #327

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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(Silence)

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PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

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Greetings.

My brothers and sisters, whenever you face various trials, consider it all joy, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance complete its work, so that you may be complete and whole, lacking in nothing.

If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given you.

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers and sisters. Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave birth to us by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures.

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SERMON

"Consider It All Joy"

Dr. Piermont

MUSICAL INTERLUDE #396

"Holy Manna"

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SHARING OF PRAYER REQUESTS AND BLESSINGS

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

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.

Living God, Holy and One, as you set your blessing upon us nine years ago to begin a chapter of shared ministry together, set your blessing upon now as we bring that chapter to a close. For all the ways you have watched over us, directed us, redeemed us, and dwelt within us, we praise and thank you. For all the ways we have shared with one another, we praise and thank you. For all the ways we have reached beyond ourselves, to share the lives of others and touch a wider world, we praise and thank you. For all the ways we have witnessed to your grace, we praise and thank you. New paths lie before us, and our futures are in your hands. In you we put our trust. Encompass us with love, and lead us by the hand. Be with us in our waiting. Be our good news for sharing. Bless us with peace, love, and courage, and lead us in the way that is everlasting. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

* HYMN #623

"I've Got Peace Like a River"

PEACE LIKE A RIVER

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"I've Got Peace Like a River"

Spiritual, arr. Alex-Zsolt

TODAY: SUNDAY, JUNE 25

- 8:00am Religious Studies (Zoom)
- 8:00am Worship, Dr. Piermont (Chapel)
- 9:00am Adult Education Bible Study of the Book of James (Room 222 + Zoom)
- 9:45am Nursery Care for Babies - Age 3 (Nursery)
- 10:00am Worship, Dr. Piermont (Sanctuary + Livestream)
- 10:15am Summer Sunday School (Room 111)
- 11:00am Reception for Pastor Julia (Hazelton Hall)

Today is Pastor Julia's final Sunday in ministry with WPC. The service will include some features of liturgy from the Iona Community in Scotland. The title of her sermon is "Consider It All Joy," based on James 1:2-3. Please join us for a reception in Hazelton Hall following the 10am service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To reach the on-call pastor: call 614-885-5355, press 1, and leave a message. Your call will be returned.

THE LEMONADE BRIGADE NEEDS YOU DURING CONCERTS ON THE GREEN!

We still need volunteers on Sunday evenings to serve lemonade, including tonight, July 16 and July 30. Scan the QR code, visit the link, or call the office to sign up. Isaiah 55:1 "Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters..." bit.ly/lemonadebrigade



COMMUNITY FRIENDSHIP DINNERS - Would you like to help prepare and serve dinners to local residents in need? WPC volunteers prepare and serve a drive-thru dinner to anyone who comes on the first Monday of each month.

Due to the holiday weekend, the next Friendship Dinner will be **Monday, July 10 from 4:45 – 6pm**. If you have questions or would like to get involved, contact Harry Pukay-Martin at pukay-martin@columbus.rr.com.

YOUTH TRIP TO KING'S ISLAND JULY 11

Come join us for our annual trip to King's Island! To keep it simple, we will be buying all tickets AND meals, so the total for the trip and food is \$75 per youth. (Scholarships are also available!) **We need Adult Chaperones to make this trip happen!** Deadline to register is JULY 5. Please contact **Nick Robison** at nrobison@wpcnow.org.

ALL-CHURCH PICNIC JULY 13 AT MIROLO PAVILION

The fun begins at 5:30pm. WPC provides hot dogs, veggies, and chips. Please RSVP so we can plan food. If you can bring watermelon, bottled water, or a dessert to share, let us know. Visit bit.ly/wpcchurchpicnic or contact Betsy Rice at brice@wpcnow.org.



OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED We need volunteers to help periodically in July, while staff is away. We have 2-hour time slots that need to be filled. The next dates are Friday, July 7 and Monday, July 17. Can you help? To sign up, visit bit.ly/wpcoffice, call the office at 614.885.5355, or scan the code.



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SANCTUARY (IN-PERSON & LIVESTREAM)
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GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

** Please rise in body or spirit.*

*If you're inspired to snap a photo today, please share it with
our Communications Coordinator at jedse@wpcnow.org*

WELCOME AND RENEWAL OF THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH

Nicholas Robison

INVITATION TO MISSION AND DISCIPLESHIP (Please sign & pass the Friendship Pads)

MOMENT FOR MISSION: Community Friendship Dinners

Harry Pukay-Martin

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.

CALL TO WORSHIP IN MUSIC

Lasst uns erfreuen

arr. Mark Hayes

Dr. Stephen Jacoby, pianist

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OPENING SENTENCES

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love.

People: **Amen.**

GLORIA (*Stanza 1 from Hymn # 582*) Sung Twice

GLORY TO GOD (VASILE)

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

(Trad. Liturgical text; adapt. Paul M. Vasile, 2008)

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

MESSAGE FOR OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

Nick Robison

After the Children's Message, children ages 4 years - 5th grade are invited to Summer Sunday School. Please pick up your child in Room 111.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Linda Hulsey

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ANTHEM

"Song of Thanks"

Russell Nagy

THE SUMMER CHOIR
Shine Robison, Director

Cool light of morning, songbird's waking call, tender green furrows fresh carpeted by the dew, incense of pine groves, slow rain's silent fall: all good things call us to you. Father, all things remind us of your loving kindness. Always before and behind us are you; only your arms enfold us, protect us and hold us. Thank you for all that you do. Warm sungraced meadow, cool stream trick'ling by, mighty white mountains their stately spires in the blue, stillness at twilight, lone star's twinkling eye: all good things call us to you.

(Joel Nagy)

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* HYMN #749

"Come! Live in the Light!"

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Rev. Kevin Horrigan

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DEDICATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Online giving is available anytime via our account with EasyTithe:
text your offering dollar amount to 614-808-8580 or go to www.easytithe.com/wpcgive.)*

OFFERTORY

"I've Got Peace like a River"

arr. Mark Hayes

THANKSGIVING FOR THE MINISTRY OF DR. PIERMONT

Elder Joan Patton, Elder Patricia
Gardner, and Dr. Piermont

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GOING IN GOD'S NAME

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Russell Nagy, piano

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POSTLUDE

Improvisation by Russell Nagy

*We request that you remain seated during the postlude as it is the final "Amen" to our worship.
If you are unable to do so, please exit quietly. Thank you.*

WORSHIP LEADERS

Ushers: **Team A – Dan Foley, Gregg Russell, Captains**

Carillon: **Bill Allman** Audio: **Andrew DeWeese**

Video/Livestream: **Emerson Greuling, Russ Nagy, Bill Yost**

To submit a concern to the Prayer Chain, please contact **Dick Jones** at 614-204-7633.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

*The flowers on the chancel are given to the glory of God
by Harry Pukay-Martin in memory of his mother, Virginia Martin*

WORTHINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SUNDAY WORSHIP DIRECTORY



Rev. Dr. Julia Wharff Piermont – Senior Pastor
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