

WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 27, 2024

THE SPIRIT WORLD

OCTOBER
SERIES



WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

WHAT DO PRESBYTERIANS BELIEVE?

October 27, 2024

10:00 am

Order of Worship

Text in **bold** congregation reads together. *Indicates congregation standing, if able.

Please turn off cell phones & other devices.

CENTERING MUSIC & LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS (please share announcements not reflected in the bulletin)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

I was glad when they said to me, let us go to the house of God!

With gladness and joy we worship our Creator today!

Weeping may endure for a night,

But joy comes in the morning.

The ransomed of God shall come to Zion with singing;

They shall obtain joy and gladness; sorrow and sighing shall flee away

Before God, even the wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert: and blossom.

Before God, the mountains and hills shall break forth into singing and the filed shall clap their hands.

O sing for joy to the God of joy!

God has blessed the people!

Let us praise the name of God with joy!

Let us bless God's holy name together!

*HYMN #667 When Morning Gilds the Skies

(Glory to God)

OPENING PRAYER

In the beauty of this place, we have come to pray, to worship, to receive healing and hope. We come from the struggles and triumphs of the week, needing to feel the soothing presence of God. Lord, be with us this day. Calm and soothe our souls. Cause us to rejoice that you have provided a special place where we may gather to talk of your presence and love; to sing your praises; and to be empowered to go forth to serve you. Amen.

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Rev. Molly Golando

(Following the sermon, the children are excused to attend Sunday School Class.)

CALL TO CONFESSION

Patient Lord, we are a culture that wants the quick and easy answers to all of life's problems. We want to be able to open the Bible and place our fingers on the passage that will answer all our questions and heal all our hurts. It is difficult for us to deal with the knowledge that discipleship requires patience and perseverance. Jesus' own disciples struggled with his teachings. It took a long time for them to understand fully what Jesus was saying and how they were to respond. We are no different. The words of Jesus take time for us to comprehend.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Forgive us, Lord, when we are so impatient; when we just want to "get on with it", and be where the action is. Help us to understand the commitment we make in discipleship, through the rocky times and the smooth seas alike. Push us in our ministry of help and compassion to do more than we ever thought we could do in helping others. Give to us that extra measure of faith and commitment that we may truly serve you by serving others. In Jesus' Name, we pray. **Amen.***

(Silent Meditation)

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*Even though you doubt and question, God's love is poured on you, in you, and through you to others. Rest assured in God's presence and love for you, that will never fail or abandon you. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are healed, restored, and forgiven. **Amen***

PASSING THE PEACE *(Please share the peace however you feel comfortable)*

*Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.***

PEACE RESPONSE #2277 Lord, Have Mercy

(The Faith We Sing)

OFFERING OF TITHES & GIFTS

The Lord is indeed good, for God has blessed us richly. Let us offer back a portion, in gratitude and love.

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE** #2036 Give Thanks

(The Faith We Sing)

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*God, the creator of the universe, we offer to you these gifts for the glory of your kingdom, in the name of God, Father and Mother, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.***

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*Lord, open our eyes to the spiritual battle at hand, with confidence and assurance that you have given us everything we need each day to overcome. Solidify these truths on our hearts and in our minds as we learn this morning. **Amen.***

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Ephesians 6:10-20 The Armor of God

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³ Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith,

with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. ¹⁹Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

HYMN #621 I Will Call Upon the Lord

(Glory to God)

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

ANOINTING *(Those who wish to receive anointing and prayer may come forward.)*

*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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN #838 Standing on the Promises

(Glory to God)

*CHARGE

*BLESSING

...and always remember...

The Light of God surrounds us, the love of God enfolds us, the power of God protects us, the presence of God watches over us. Wherever we are, God is! Alleluia! Amen.

Special Thanks to...

Becky Ventre, C.C.D. *(Worship Leader)*

Deb Hurd *(Worship Assistant)*

Mark Panfil *(Musician)*

Deb Tyler, Laura Glista, Shari Perkins,

Alicia Faust, Molly Golando *(Choir)*

David English, Bev Hall, Al Peiffer *(Greeters)*

Maria Glass, Brian Horwood, Nate Ventre *(Video & Sound)*

Mirella Ventre, Myla Ventre, Phyllis Carriere *(Sunday School)*

Wayside Deacons, & helpers *(Coffee Hour)*

All the passionate volunteers that make Wayside special.

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT WAYSIDE!

LET'S CONNECT

Name	
Address (City, State & Zip)	
Email	
Phone	

Welcome to Wayside Church!
Please take a moment to share a bit about yourself with us.
We appreciate your willingness to connect and be a part of
our community!

If you're joining us at Wayside for the first time today, welcome! We're excited to have you joining us in worship. Please take a moment to fill out our "Let's Connect" card located on the podium near the entrance door. After completing the card, you can place it in the collection basket passed around during the service.

Please join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall, immediately after service, for coffee, goodies and fellowship!

If you would like to become a member or have any questions about it, please call the office or see Becky Ventre, C.C.D. after the service.

Please notify our office if you or a family member are in the hospital, so that we may arrange a visit and offer prayers.

The Holiday Shopping Spree is just around the corner! Join us on Friday, November 15, from 6 to 9 PM, and Saturday, November 16, from 9 AM to 3 PM. Explore a variety of crafts, jewelry, home décor, delicious food, and don't miss our fantastic basket raffle. We look forward to seeing you there!

We are beginning the transition to key fobs in our building. If your group or committee meets at Wayside, please designate a representative to oversee your fob. The number of fobs needed will be evaluated for each group. We are currently in the initial planning stages and ask that you email the office with your needs. Please include "Key Fob" in the subject line and send your request to waysidechurch@hotmail.com, or contact Julie in the office at 716.627.2150 or on her cell 716.983.3888.

PLEASE NOTE: *For now, your existing key will continue to function with the locks until we have completed our training and officially switch to using fobs.*

Friends of Night Collection. The winter chill is settling in, and it's time to prepare. We are seeking donations of new and gently used items, including: Coats Hats Gloves Blankets Boots Warm clothing Sleeping bags You can drop off your contributions in the collection bin located in Fellowship Hall (room 110).



Giving has never been easier! Click this QR Code or see our weekly email or our FB Page and you'll find ways to support Wayside through donations, pay your Per Capita, assist families with our Family Relief Fund and honor loved ones by making Memorial donations. If you're not signed up to receive the Friday email, please let us know at 716-983-3888.

The Memorial Bricks are here! If you ordered a brick and wish to have it placed in a particular spot within the labyrinth, please reach out to Julie.

All Souls' Day is traditionally observed on November 1; however, this year we will pay tribute to our loved ones during the service on November 10.



Get a Jump on Christmas & Gift Giving



It's fall and our food bags are back. With the addition of a few ingredients, and a little cooking, you have a heartwarming meal or snack. These are great gift items for teachers, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends, students, or yourself when you need a quick meal or yummy treat. We want to be sure we can fill everyone's order, so you can ***preorder your bags*** and ***pick them up on a Sunday morning starting November 10, 2024.***

We will do our best to fill the orders, but it's on a first come, first serve basis.

FOOD BAG ORDER FORM

___ ***Friendship Soup*** – a delightfully seasoned mix of assorted peas, beans, rice, and pasta. Makes a huge pot of soup to serve family and friends. ***\$10.00***

___ ***Friendship Soup- 1/2 size***-The same great soup as above, but half the amount. ***\$5.00***

___ ***Potato Soup***- This is so easy, you only need to add boiling water and parmesan cheese and you'll have a bowl of 'deliciousness'....how easy is that? ***\$10.00***

___ ***Potato Soup - 1/2 size*** same as above, but half the amount for smaller families or appetites. ***\$5.00***

___ ***Tortilla Soup***—if you like a little spice with great taste, give this soup a try. You won't be sorry. It's ready to serve in no time at all. ***\$5.00***

___ ***Almond Joy® Brownies***—If you love Almond Joy® candy, you will Love these. Ooey, gooey, chocolatey and delicious. They make a large batch and freeze well. ***\$10.00***

___ ***Cranberry Hootycreeks***- White chocolate, pecans & cranberries combine to make this delectable cookie. You'll be back for more. Our Best-Selling Cookie mix. ***\$10.00***

Name _____ Phone Number _____ Pick Up Date _____

Full Size ~ \$10.00 each & Half Size ~ \$5.00 each

Please make checks payable to Women of Wayside. Cash also accepted.

PRAYER REQUESTS

*Please call the church office to have a name placed on here. Please remember to keep us updated. Names will be removed after a **TWO** weeks unless otherwise requested. If you would like your name on our list, please contact the office.*

All Military Personnel
Rich
Tom & MaryAnn Miller
Lakeside Baptist Church
Dave English and family
Robin Miller
Julie Brooks
Kiersten
Joan Kelly
Rebecca Herbert
Jessie Kohlmann
Dick Sutfin
Bob Brooks
Dean Aschenbrenner

Jennifer Anderhalt
Karen Longboat
Joe Matjuchin
Kathleen Lell
Janet Evert
Ainette Marshall
Kathy McHugh
Arlene Key
Mitch Carlson
Tracy Kalemekiewicz
David Gollado
Joy Boccolucci
Sara Chase
Chuck Nicholson

Linda Forti
Lisa Bermingham
Carol Ranic
Caleb Pelka
Carol Sherer
Doris Stein
Donald Minnick
Kimberly Borkowski
Wendy Ritchey
Kristina Kaminski
Kim Chase
Rhoda Peace
Victims of violence, & tragedy,
their families & loved ones.

WAYSIDE'S SCHEDULE

*Subject to change. Please check Facebook and email for updates.

Sunday 10/27

10:00 Worship
10:00 Sunday School
Coffee Hour and Fellowship

Monday 10/28

9:00-1:00 Office hours
9:00-1:00 Lake Shore Pre-School
6:30 Bible Study

Tuesday 10/29

9:00-1:00 Office hours
9:00-11:30 Lake Shore Pre-School
12:15-2:45 Lake Shore Pre-School

Wednesday 10/30

9:00-1:00 Office hours
9:00-1:00 Lake Shore Pre-School
10:00 Women of Wayside (W.O.W.)
10:30 AA Support Group

Thursday 10/31

9:00-1:00 Office hours
9:00-1:00 Lake Shore Pre-School

Friday 11/01

9:00-1:00 Office hours
9:00-11:30 Lake Shore Pre-School
10:30 AA Support Group
12:15-2:45 Lake Shore Pre-School
1:00 Bible Study w/ Rev. Molly

Saturday 11/02

Turn your clocks back tonight!

Sunday 11/03

10:00 Worship, Communion & Baptism
10:00 Sunday School
Coffee Hour and Fellowship

Monday 11/04

9:00-1:00 Office hours
9:00-1:00 Lake Shore Pre-School
6:30 Buffalo Blue Grass

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Music Coordinator:

Bruce Decker /Mark Panfil

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Rev. David Persons

