


WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 27, 2023



*Prayer  
and  
Peace*

# SUMMER

Walking through the  
book of James



August 27, 2023

10:00 am

## Order of Worship

Text in **bold** congregation reads together. \*Indicates congregation standing, if able.  
Please turn off cell phones & other devices.

### We Gather to Worship

CENTERING MUSIC & LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*We gather as the body of Christ*

**We are many individuals, but together we are one.**

*Each of us has our own gifts, our own calling, our own role,*

**But all of us proclaim Jesus Christ is the Messiah!**

*Let us worship God.*

\*HYMN #1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

(Glory to God)

OPENING PRAYER

*Ever-present God, who is at the side of every creature in creation, renew our lives so that we may discern and do your will, what is good and acceptable and perfect. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.***

CALL TO CONFESSION

*Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Confident in this ever-gracious, never-failing help, we come before the Lord, confessing our sin and seeking forgiveness.*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Forgiving God, we confess that we are conformed to this world.**

**We conform to this world's frantic pace, too hectic to notice all the blessings you provide. We conform to this world's reckless**

**waste, exploiting what you entrust to our care. We conform to this**

**world's shallow values, oblivious to the giftedness of people different from us. We conform to this world's impatient attitudes, preferring**

**the latest instead of the lasting. Forgive our conformity and transform us, O God. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*Silent meditation*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*If it had not been the Lord who was on our side, we would now be lost in sin. But it is the Lord who is on our side. And so we are forgiven. Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.*



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 Christ be with you. **And also with you.***

PEACE RESPONSE #2143 O Lord, Your Tenderness (The Faith We Sing)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*God of revelation, mere flesh and blood cannot reveal divine truth; only your Spirit can give that gift. Be in my breath and voice, be in our ears and understanding, that through these words your Word may be known. **Amen.***

READINGS      *The Prayer of Faith*

James 5:13-20

*<sup>13</sup> Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. <sup>14</sup> Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup> Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. <sup>17</sup> Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. <sup>18</sup> Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops. <sup>19</sup> My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, <sup>20</sup> remember this: Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.*

Psalms 32:3

*When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.*

Acts 3:19

*Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.*

Hebrews 4:16

*Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.*

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

\*HYMN #2202 Come Away with Me

(The Faith We Sing)



We Respond to God

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.**

OFFERING OF TITHES & GIFTS

*Brothers and sisters, present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God. As an act of worship, let us now return to God our offering.*

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE #708 We Give Thee but Thine Own (vs. 1 & 2 Glory to God)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Almighty God, you took a baby from the Nile and used him to lead your people to the promised land. Take our offering and use them for your people in this land and throughout your world. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen***

\*HYMN #2235-b We Are Marching

(The Faith We Sing)

\*CHARGE

*Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.*

\*BLESSING

*The God who forgives, reconciles, heals, and blesses is with you today and forevermore. ...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.**

**Worship Leader:** Becky Ventre, C.C.D.

**Worship Assistant:** Kim Carlson

**Thank you** to our Choir and our musicians, Ken Broomell, Bruce Decker, Mark Panfil.



**WELCOME TO WORSHIP  
AT  
WAYSIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!**

**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.

**Don't miss out** on the latest news, announcements, and updates from Wayside Church! Our weekly newsletter is the best way to stay in the loop. Every Friday, we'll email you with all the important information you need to know. To subscribe, simply call Julie at 716-627-2150, text 716-983-3888, or email [waysidechurch@hotmail.com](mailto:waysidechurch@hotmail.com). And if you have anything to share, let us know and we'll help get the word out. Stay connected with Wayside Church and subscribe to our weekly newsletter today!

**Don't Miss Out on Wayside's Rummage Sale on Saturday, September 9th!** Join us for a day of fun and shopping from 8AM to 2PM. We are still accepting donations Tuesday through Friday (please call ahead at 716-627-2150) or contact Lisa at 716-335-5536 to make arrangements. Trust us, you don't want to miss out on this sale - make sure to mark your calendars!

**We're also looking for volunteers to help out during the sale. We have two shifts ( 7:30-11:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.) Please see Lisa Laffrado, Kris Passinault or call the office.**

**Join us on Sunday, September 10th** at 10AM for our Annual Outdoor Service and Picnic at the Lake Shore Fire Hall (4591 Lake Shore Rd). We are excited to have Becky, Bruce, Mirella, and some members of the team who traveled with them to Africa share their experiences and celebrate with us. The Deacons will be providing great food and beverages, but feel free to bring your own preferred drinks and lawn chairs. Lemonade and water will be provided. Don't forget to register downstairs on the bulletin board outside of our Fellowship Hall (Room 110).

**Wayside's Labyrinth. \*Please note: Today is the last day to place an order this year.** Remember and honor a loved one in the setting of Wayside's Labyrinth. Add a brick to this memorial path for \$50.00. You are allowed a maximum of three lines with sixteen letters (spaces between words count as a letter) per line. Any questions, give the office a call.



**Rejoicing In Recovery** ~ A DAY OF FOOD, MUSIC AND FUN! The Faith Leaders Coalition would like to invite you to join in the celebration at Rejoicing in Recovery, to be held at Sparks of Hope Recovery Support Center 107 Main Street in Hamburg NY from 12pm-5pm on Saturday, Sept. 9. Come enjoy a day of Free Food and Family Fun with great music, inspirational and educational speakers, community resources and much more! All are welcome!

**Bills Home Opener Party.** Rich and Susie Owen want to express their deep gratitude to their beloved Wayside Family. Over the years, they have received unwavering love and support from everyone, and they are truly appreciative. Their hearts are overflowing with gratitude towards everyone's kindness so now they want to treat you. Join them at their Clifton Heights Club House (4819 Southwestern Blvd, Hamburg) on **September 17 at Noon** for a Home Opener Party. Food and drinks will be provided, just make sure you sign up downstairs on the bulletin board outside of our Fellowship Hall (Room 110). They want to make sure to have enough food!

**Do your Teens have questions?** Alpha Youth Film Series is designed to engage students in conversations about life, faith and Jesus. The series offers compelling stories, images, questions, and discussion topics well spread throughout each episode to better engage youth, helping them think about how these issues relate to their lives as they discuss with their friends and leaders. ALPHA YOUTH is a place to ask questions about life and faith, whether you grew up in church or have only heard about God. Everyone is welcome. It's a place where you can say anything you like or nothing at all. Everyone's welcome no matter your background or beliefs.

**Men's Bible Study.** Exciting news! Jeff Ventre is launching a Men's Bible Study Club, which will meet on Sunday evenings at 7 pm. Although we haven't yet determined a start date, we'll announce it soon. Get ready for some insightful discussions and connections.



## 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 few weeks unless otherwise requested.

All Military Personnel  
Christopher Vargas  
Rick Tober  
Ken Broomell  
Kathy McHugh  
Paul Biellak  
Jim Drozdowski  
Dick Sutfin  
Mary Lou Zerby  
Jenna Drozdowski  
Russ Salerno  
Kevin Hejna  
Danette Wiedenbeck  
Denise Scoma

Carol Ranic  
Bill Flick  
Mary Bender  
Margaret Anderson  
Tracy Kalembkiewicz  
Karen Durst  
Dave DeLong  
Lisa Glass  
Claire & Charlotte Freid  
Ainette Marshall  
Caleb Pelka  
Rich & Judie Miller  
Carol Sherer  
Ed Nendza & Family

Doris Stein  
Janice Leigh  
Donald Minnick  
Kimberly Borkowski  
Wendy Ritchey  
Marjorie English  
Kristina Carlson  
Jill Slighter  
Kim Chase  
Rhoda Peace  
Victims of violence, & tragedy,  
their families & loved

## WAYSIDE'S SCHEDULE

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

### **Sunday 08/27**

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

### **Monday 08/28**

Summer Hours: office closed on Mondays

### **Tuesday 08/29**

9:00-1:00 Office hours

### **Wednesday 08/30**

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

### **Thursday 08/31**

9:00-1:00 Office hours

### **Friday 09/01**

9:00-1:00 Office hours  
10:30 AA Support Group

### **Saturday 09/02**

### **Sunday 09/03**

10:00 Worship  
10:00 NO Sunday School today!  
Coffee Hour and Fellowship

### **Monday 09/04**

Summer Hours: office closed on Mondays

### **Tuesday 09/05**

9:00-1:00 Office hours  
6:00 WOW Evening Sewing

### **Wednesday 09/06**

9:00-1:00 Office hours  
10:00 Women of Wayside (W.O.W.)  
10:30 AA Support Group  
4:30 Deacons





## Wayside Presbyterian Church

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## Wayside Staff

### **Congregational Care Director:**

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### **Administrative Assistant:**

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### **Bldg & Grounds Coordinator:**

Jeff Ventre

### **Custodian:**

Ashley Reardon

### **Librarian:**

Karen Peiffer

### **Music Coordinator:**

Bruce Decker

### **Pastor Emeritus:**

David Persons



### WAYSIDE *Elders*

Kim Carlson  
Bruce Decker  
Laura Glista  
Brian Horwood  
Deb Hurd  
Rich Owen  
Cheryl Panfil  
Barb Rickard

\*Clerk of Session  
Maria Glass

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### WAYSIDE *Deacons*

Karen Beamish  
Joy Boccolucci  
Barb Boquard  
Lisa Laffrado  
Kathy McKinney  
George Pacifico  
Mark Panfil  
Kris Passinault  
Michelle West