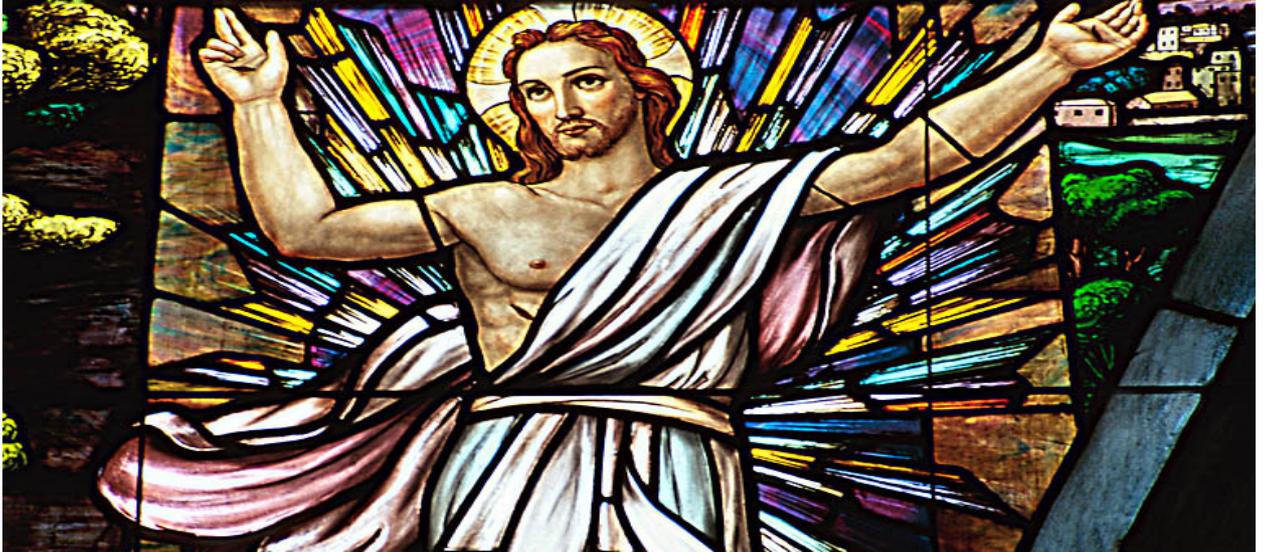


THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of WYOMING - CONNECTING with GOD, EACH OTHER & the WORLD
May 13, 2018 - Seventh Sunday of Easter - Communion Service



Welcome to Sanctuary Worship!

We are so glad that you have joined us for worship today. Please take a moment to let us know who you are in the Friendship Pad. If you need a hearing-assist device, a large-print hymnal, or a Children's Worship Kit, please see an usher.

GATHERING

Please listen meditatively to the prelude to prepare yourself for worship.

PRELUDE 8 a.m.

Henry Limouze, piano

11 a.m. "First Arabesque"

Claude Debussy

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT "You Are All We Have"

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 1, Contemporary English Bible)

One: *The truly happy person doesn't follow wicked advice, doesn't stand on the road of sinners, and doesn't sit with the disrespectful.*

Many: **Instead of doing those things, these persons love the Lord's Instruction, and they recite God's Instruction day and night.**

One: *They are like a tree replanted by streams of water, which bears fruit at just the right time and whose leaves don't fade. Whatever they do succeeds.*

Many: **That's not true for the wicked! They are like dust that the wind blows away.**

One: *And that's why the wicked will have no standing in the court of justice—
neither will sinners in the assembly of the righteous.*

Many: **The Lord is intimately acquainted with the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked is destroyed.**

***HYMN 150** *“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”* (8 a.m., first/last verses; 11 a.m., all)

***PRAYER of CONFESSION** (*unison*)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved You with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done Your will;
we have broken Your law;
we have rebelled against Your love.
We have not loved our neighbors,
and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Response: “Thanks Be to God!”

***GLORIA PATRI** (*Hymn 579*)

**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.**

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

ANTHEM *“Who Do People Say I Am?”*

Craig Courtney

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 1:1-11 In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus did and taught from the beginning until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Ephesians 1:15-23 I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

SERMON "Trees"

the Reverend J. Christopher Torrey

***HYMN 507** "I Come with Joy"

(8 a.m., first/last verses; 11 a.m., ALL sing vss 1, 2, 5; Men/low vs 3; Women/high vs 4)

THE EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY "How Will They Know?"

Natalie Sleeth/Lois Bell, mezzo-soprano

***DOXOLOGY** (Hymn 592)

**Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

COMMUNION PRAYER

One: The Lord be with you.

Many: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

Many: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Many: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD *"Song of Peace"*

Jean Langlais

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF GRATITUDE *(Unison)*

Loving God, we thank You that You have fed us in this Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet in Your eternal kingdom. Send us out in the power of Your Spirit to live and work to Your praise and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING

***HYMN 145** *"Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!"*

(8 a.m., first/third verses; 11 a.m., all)

CHARGE and BLESSING *"Amen"*

POSTLUDE *"In Thee Is Gladness"*

J. S. Bach

**Please stand if you are able.*

The flowers today are given by Jo Sanders in honor of all of our mothers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are always glad to have visitors in worship at The Presbyterian Church of Wyoming! (PCW) If you would like to know more about PCW, pick up a copy of "Crossroads," our monthly newsletter. A copy can be found in the Gathering Area or online at the church website, www.pcwyoming.org. Follow us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/pcwyoming/ or Instagram: [pcwyoming](https://www.instagram.com/pcwyoming). You can also sign up to receive the weekly e-mail blast, THIS WEEK@PCW, by contacting Debi Haines in the church office, dhaines@pcwyoming.org. If you are interested in becoming a member of PCW, please speak with Pastor Lisa or Pastor Chris. They will help you look forward to the next opportunity to join as a church member. We are glad you are here and welcome you to PCW!

ADULT EDUCATION TODAY

Join us today for Adult Education as Rev. Torrey leads a class called "Presbyterian Questions, Presbyterian Answers" based on a book of the same name by Donald McKim. We hope to see you there!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY - LAST CHANCE **"Recognizing Jesus within and in Our Midst"**

Join Pastor Lisa for this study on Tuesday at 7 p.m., **May 15**. Jesus made many appearances after his resurrection: in a garden, on a beach, on a road, at a dinner table. Join us as we study these experiences and reflect on where the risen Christ is revealed in our everyday lives. Please sign up on the table in the Gathering Area or let Pastor Lisa know you are interested in joining the discussion.

CONTACTING PASTOR TORREY

Pastor Chris Torrey is part-time and only with us for a short time. He plans to be at the church on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays, and at other times as needed. If you would like to talk with Chris, please email him at jctorrey@twc.com or contact Debi in the office.

FAMILY DINNERS - WEDNESDAYS IN MAY

Join us for dinner **THIS Wednesday night** and every Wednesday in May! We will gather here at PCW for dinner and fellowship from 5:45 p.m.-7:00 p.m. We hope you can make it!

PCW PHOTOS ON FLICKR

Do you have photos from a PCW event? If so, we would love for you to share them with us. It's very easy; you can email your photos directly to our Flickr account at: say20dig@photos.flickr.com.

KEENAGERS

The Keenagers will meet **Wednesday, May 16, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Bring your own lunch and join us for conversation with Chris Torrey, our transition pastor. Chris will engage the group in looking back to each of our own spiritual lives as we look ahead for PCW. No preparation needed: Chris will lead us through a conversation we guarantee will interest you, get better acquainted with one another, and teach you some things you didn't know! We will meet in the Founders' Room.

(Keenagers is a group of retired/semi-retired people who come together to grow in faith in Christ, learn together, and support one another at this time on the journey.)

CELEBRATE OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Spring reminds us of new beginnings each year as the earth comes to life after winter. For our eight graduating seniors, they are also looking forward to their new beginnings after high school.

On **Sunday, May 20th** we will take time to celebrate our 2018 high school graduates: **Nick Denson , Olivia Haines, Kelsey Lackey, Victoria Lentz, Anna Oestreich, Lily Parker, Anna Sponaule, and Maya Stoffer.**

MEET OUR CAMBODIAN MEDICAL MISSIONARIES - SUNDAY, MAY 20th

Mark your calendars for an amazing morning. Drs. Tim Benadum and Marjie West Benadum will be with us from Mercy Medical Cambodia - the remarkable mission they've helped build and PCW supports!

The full story will be told at 10 a.m., when they will: **Share** incredible stories of healing from across the globe. **Update** us on their extraordinary progress training Cambodians to lead. **Reveal** the intelligent ways the mission is being made financially sustainable. **Invite** us to deeper understanding of how the team proclaims Christ in word and deed. **Give** us a glimpse into the videos being produced to tell the story and invite support.

A colorful Cambodian silks market will be in the Gathering Area, and breathtaking film footage will be shown at 10 a.m. Don't miss this morning of illumination and inspiration.

WEAR RED!

Next Sunday, May 20th is Pentecost Sunday. Please wear something red to church to celebrate!

PLEASE NOTE

Pastor Lisa is away this weekend officiating at her cousin's wedding at Lake Erie and will be back in town Sunday evening.

VALLEY CONCERT SERIES - MAY 20th AT 4 P.M.

Join us for Connie Golden's organ recital. Connie celebrates a career of note as performer, teacher, and church musician. Recent performances have included concerts in Washington, Kentucky and Ohio. Regional performances include Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption, Trinity Episcopal Church, Christ Church Episcopal Cathedral, and St. Thomas Episcopal Church. The recital will include works from all musical periods.

THE HEALING SPACE

Did you know The Healing Space offers centering prayer? Centering prayer is traditionally considered to be thoughts or feelings expressed in words. In contrast, Centering Prayer is a receptive mode of silent prayer. It is a method that prepares one to receive the gift of contemplative prayer – the experience of God's presence within.

“Contemplative prayer is the opening of mind and heart – our whole being – to God... Through grace we open our awareness to God, whom we know by faith is within us, closer than breathing, closer than thinking, closer than choosing – closer than consciousness itself”
(The Method of Centering Prayer).

Learn more at:

<http://thehealingspacecincinnati.org/centering-prayer/>

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FOR PRAYER

PRAISE!

Wedding of Lindsey Lewis & Adam Morton
Lads & Lassies graduation & upcoming
Science Camp
The quiet support for members in need.

THIS WEEK

Bob Sarber - recovering from back surgery
The Interim Pastor Search Committee
PCW - for **God's guidance** in this time of
transition and change.
Officers - **Ken Popham**, Elder
John Stickney, Deacon
Church Staff - **Bill Seale**,

CANCER

Paul Wilbur - cancer in remission,
son of Irv Wilbur
Anne Miller Hernandez - cancer
Eric - stomach cancer, friend of Adrienne
Palermo
Bob Thomas - Norm and Marilyn Thomas' son
Rev. Harold (Chappie) Chapman - pancreatic
cancer, friend of Tom and Debi Haines
Meredith - cancer treatment, friend of Brian
Bonner
Debbie Matthews - recovering from breast
cancer, friend of Scott and Sue Ellis
Jackie Foster - blood cancer, Tom Haines' mother
Cindy Robinson - special prayers
Susan Osha - successful treatment
Cynthia Towne - brain tumor

CONTINUED PRAYER

Dorothy Sarber - in **Bodmann**
Carolyn DeYoung - recovering from surgery
Corbin Maupin - medical test this week,
Carol Maupin's grandson

Bruce Bonner - diagnosed with stage 4 colon
cancer, brother of Brian Bonner
Daniel Henderson - young man in coma from
a fall, friend of Marilyn Kremzar
Larry Oestreich - hip replacement surgery
Larita Hayden - Recovering from appendectomy
George Koesterman - Skip's father, tumor found
on his kidney
Our Missionaries - Benadums and Myhres
Prayers for all with ongoing situations

PRAYER SCRIPTURES

Deuteronomy 33:27a The eternal God is your
dwelling place, and underneath the
everlasting arms.

Joshua 1:9b Be strong and courageous; do not
be frightened or dismayed, for the LORD your
God is with you wherever you go.

Psalms 23:1, 4b The LORD is my shepherd, I shall
not want. For you are with me; Your rod and
your staff, they comfort me.

Psalms 27:1 The LORD is my light and my
salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is
the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I
be afraid?

*It is a privilege to hold you in prayer.
Names will remain on the prayer list
for three weeks .*

PCW EVENTS for THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, MAY 13

COMMUNION SUNDAY

- 8 & 11 a.m. **Sanctuary Worship Service**
- 9:00 a.m. **Visions Worship Service**
- 10:10 a.m. JEDI HS/MS Talks, Bell Tower
- 10:15 a.m. Youth Empowered, Downstairs
- 10:15 a.m. Upper Room Class, Rm. 305

MONDAY, MAY 14

- 9:00 a.m. Organ Tuning, Sanctuary
- 4:00 p.m. Wyoming Schools, Kitchen
- 7:00 p.m. Session, Founders' Room
- 7:45 p.m. Boy Scouts, Cabin Hall

TUESDAY, MAY 15

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. LLPC Science Camp, Great Room
- 9:15 a.m. Prayer Meeting, Library
- 10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, Library
- 7:00 p.m. NA, Library
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study, Healing Space
- 7:30 p.m. Visions Band Rehearsal, Great Room

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

- 7:30 a.m. Owen Study Group, Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. LLPC Science Camp, Great Room
- 11:00 a.m. Keenagers, Founders' Room
- 12:00 p.m. Organ Practice, Sanctuary
- 5:45 p.m. Family Night Dinner, Great Room

THURSDAY, MAY 17

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. LLPC Science Camp, Great Room
- 12:00 p.m. Organ Practice
- 7:00 p.m. Wyoming Historical Society, Great Rm.
- 6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
- 7:00 p.m. Girl Scouts, Cabin Hall

FRIDAY, MAY 18

- 6:15 a.m. Bible Study, Prayer Room
- 9:00 a.m. LLPC Science Camp, Great Room
- 12:00 p.m. Organ Practice, Sanctuary

SATURDAY, MAY 19

- 10:00 a.m. Organ Practice, Sanctuary

SUNDAY, MAY 20

PENTECOST SUNDAY

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

- 8 & 11 a.m. **Sanctuary Worship Service**
- 9:00 a.m. **Visions Worship Service**
- 10:00 a.m. Cambodia Medical Mission, Found. Rm.
- 10:10 a.m. JEDI HS/MS Talks, Bell Tower
- 10:15 a.m. Youth Empowered, Downstairs
- 10:15 a.m. Upper Room Class, Rm. 305
- 4:00 p.m. Valley Concert, Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. HS Youth Group, Youth Cafe
- 7:00 p.m. MS Youth Group, Youth Rm. 305

PCW Office Hours:

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events on the PCW webpage.*