# The West Alexander Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)

108 Main Street, PO Box 303 West Alexander, PA 15376



# **Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve**

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 a.m. November 17, 2024

# Welcome to Morning Worship Today's message will be delivered by

## Sarah Angelo

**Prelude** 

Welcome and Announcements Chris Teagarden

(please stand, if able)

**Hymn of Preparation** 219 Surely the Presence

(please stand, if able)

Call to Worship Sarah Angelo

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy

and confidence!

People: For God has done wondrous things for us.

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of

the rushing wind so that we may faithfully

serve you in all that we do.

People: For Christ has called each of us and blessed

us!

Leader: Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.

People: Help us to boldly proclaim Christ Risen.

AMEN.

**Hymn** 793 For the Beauty of the Earth

(please be seated)

Call to Confession Sarah Angelo

**Prayer of Confession (Unison)** Sarah Angelo Lord God, you know us too well. You know that we would be like the disciples following the crucifixion and even the resurrection. We would rather hide and mutter and weep than proclaim the power of your love. The world is a difficult place. We fear so much. We want people to like us, and so we hold back on our proclamation of our faith. We don't want to offend anyone. But your love and presence are not offensive. They are empowering and healing. Bring your holy fire upon us this day to ignite a spark of joy in our hearts and our voices. Bring the power of your rushing wind through our spirits so that we may be turned in new directions for service and witness. We pray this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

## **Silent Prayers of Confession**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Friends, let us proclaim the Good News:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Leader: Let us go out into the world as people made

new by God.

People: Amen!

(please stand, if able)

Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, it is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Amen.

(please be seated)

**Prayers of the People** 

Chris Teagarden

The Lord's Prayer (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.

## Children's Message

(please remain seated)

**Scripture Reading** 

Sarah Angelo

Old Testament Reading Ezekiel 36:24-28

New Testament Reading Acts 2:38-40

**Message** The Gift

Sarah Angelo

(please stand, if able)

**Hymn** 786

**Count Your Blessings** 

(please be seated)

Affirmation of Faith\* Sarah Angelo We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all

goodness and beauty, all truth and love.

We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.

We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need.

We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.

We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service.

We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters.

We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.

## **The Offering**

Sarah Angelo

(please stand, if able)

**Doxology-**Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Prayer of Dedication** 

**Benediction** Sarah Angelo

**Hymn of Praise 340** Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

**Postlude** 





CHRISTIAN MUSIC CONCERT AT FAITH UP - Sun., Nov. 17th, 6PM. All are invited to an evening of Christian music by the Ron Retzer Trio. Light refreshments will be provided and a love offering will be re-

ceived. Faith UP is located at 900 E. Beau Street, Washington, PA. Please call the church office with any questions at 724-225-2110.

## CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST AND PUPPET SHOW AT



THOMAS PC - Dec. 14th at 9AM - Kick off the Christmas season with a delicious full breakfast and fun entertainment! This event features a balloon twister, crafts, a puppet show performed by Pittsburgh Puppet Works, and a

visit from Santa Claus. Tickets are \$10 per person with a maximum of \$40 per family (Cash or check only, no credit cards). Tickets can be purchased at the door, but reservations are preferred. For tickets or more information, contact the church office at 724-941-8910.

ETHIOPIA CHILDREN'S LITERACY PROJECT
TODAY is the "mini" Turkey Dinner after service in the
fellowship hall. Donations will be accepted for the
Ethiopian Children.



## CITY MISSION 'BOXES OF LOVE' THANKSGIVING

**DRIVE** - This Thanksgiving, let's come together to ensure that every family in need can enjoy a warm Thanksgiving meal filled with love and gratitude. and share with your congregation!

## **HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE...**

Amazon Wish List: Shop online and send a Box of Love Drop-Off In Person: Visit the City Mission in person to donate directly at our Samaritan Care Center located at 84 W. Wheeling Street, Entrance A4, Washington, PA 15301. Monday – Friday, 10 AM – 3 PM. Should you have any questions or wish to learn more, please don't hesitate to reach out to Anne at the City Mission at 724-222-8530 x266.

## **Upcoming Rehearsals**

Tuesday 12/3, 6 pm, Bell practice

Tuesday 12/10, 6 pm, Bell practice, 7 pm, Choir practice

Tuesday 12/17, 6 pm, Bell practice

7 pm, Choir practice.



## **Upcoming Services**

Sunday, Nov 24 Message by Kable Dale

Sunday, Dec 1 Message by Kable Dale

#### Events this week

Sunday, Nov 24-Sunday School 9:30am, Morning Worship 11am

Sunday, Dec 1-Sunday School 9:30am, Morning Worship 11am Bulletin announcements must be submitted to the church office by Wednesday of each week!

## **Ongoing events:**

**Truck to Trunk** — 2nd Wednesday of every month, 9-11 am, West Alexander Fair Grounds.

**Golden Agers** —1st Thursday of each month, 12:00 noon, fellowship hall of West Alexander Presbyterian Church.

## Opportunities to learn and grow with others

Children's Christian Education-Nursery-9:30 am Adult Friendship Class Choir Room-9:30 am Adult Praying Hearts Group Fellowship Hall- 9:30am

## THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

Clerk of Session - Jane Noble

Trustees Chairman - Dwight Hunter

2024

**The Session**- Lynne Glessner, Mary Lea Dutton, Jane Noble, Chris Teagarden, Bob Morgan, Dianna Smith

**The Deacons** - Candi Noble-Greathouse, Bethany Greathouse, Beverly Philabaum

The Trustees - Dwight Hunter, Dennis Dutton

#### 2025

The Session- Louis Winters, Karen Johnson, BobiJo McCuen

The Deacons- Kathy Morgan, CeCe Burig

The Trustees- Helen Buckholt, Dick Burig, Will Noble

#### 2026

**The Deacons**– Gino Delbert, Lee Ann Delbert. Kathy Strawn **The Trustees**– Lee Rodgers, Barb Rodgers, Michele Buckholt

# Staff & Church Information

Secretary: Susan Mason Treasurer: Levi West

Custodian: Julie Fonner

Church info: 724-484-7542. wapc-admin@comcast.net

Facebook group: West Alexander Presbyterian Church Family

and Friends

## **Prayer Requests**

To request prayer by the church, call or email the church office at <a href="wapc-admin@comcast.net">wapc-admin@comcast.net</a> or 724-484-7542. Praying Hearts Christian Education Class will receive your request and honor it. Also, Elder Jane Noble, Clerk of Session, 304.639.9148, and Deacon Kathy Morgan, 724.255.1845, welcome your prayer requests. Please tell us if your request is to be held in confidence or included in the Prayers for the People in morning worship.

# Shut-ins and Military Information

#### Martha McAdoo

Visit:

Presbyterian Sr. Care, Southmont
Washington, PA 15301
\*Correspondence to:
163 Crawford Road
Fredericktown, PA 15333

Major Garrett Hunter address currently unknown

#### Nancy Gashel

Greenery Rehabilitation 2000 Hill Church-Houston Road Room 121 Canonsburg, PA 15317



Lectionary Readings for this month can be found in the newsletter.

Copies are available in the rear of the sanctuary.

# MY NOTES FROM TODAY: