

Westhampton Presbyterian Church



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SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10 A.M.
CHURCH SCHOOL FOLLOWING CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Faithfully Friendly For All – Always
Welcome † Include † Involve

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost November 12th, 2023

**Please stand as able*

Please silence all cell phones

PREPARATION

Silent Meditation Joshua 24: 1-4

Then Joshua assembled all the tribes of Israel at Shechem. He summoned the elders, leaders, judges and officials of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Joshua said to all the people, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'Long ago your ancestors, including Terah the father of Abraham and Nahor, lived beyond the Euphrates River and worshiped other gods. But I took your father Abraham from the land beyond the Euphrates and led him throughout Canaan and gave him many descendants. I gave him Isaac, and to Isaac I gave Jacob and Esau. I assigned the hill country of Seir to Esau, but Jacob and his family went down to Egypt.'

Prelude "Trusting Jesus" Mary McDonald

Greetings and Announcements

Ringling of the Bell

Introit "You Are Worthy of My Praise" David Ruis

***Call to Worship**

One: Together, we choose to serve God, which means:

All: We choose love, we choose hope.

One: We choose peace, we choose kindness.

All: We choose welcome, we choose justice.

One: We choose to serve God.

All: Let us worship.

***Hymn 82** "Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus" HYFRYDOL

CONFESSION AND PARDON

***Unison Prayer of Confession:**

Everlasting God, we say we want to see you, we say we want to know you, we say we want to serve you, but we also do not want to put in the work. We do not want to prepare for your coming

by working for your kingdom on this earth. We do not keep alert for signs of you among us, so we schedule you for an hour on Sundays. Forgive us. Inspire us to put. Our faith to action. Surprise us with your presence so we might learn to always be ready for you to arrive. (Time of Silence)

Assurance of Pardon

***Response of Praise No. 581** "Gloria Patri"

Exchange of Christ's Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you. **P: And also with you.**

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Sermon

Anthem "Thanks Be to Thee" Handel

Scripture Reading Matthew 25: 1-13

L: This is the Word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon "Stay Awake!" Rev. Vanessa Winters

***Hymn 688** "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"
MORECAMBE

Pastoral Prayer

DEDICATION AND RESPONSE

Thanking God through the Offering

***Doxology 606** Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow
OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication

***Hymn 321** "The Church's One Foundation" AURELIA

Charge and Benediction

Postlude Prelude in A Minor J. S. Bach

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR November 12-19, 2023

TODAY

24th Sunday after Pentecost

9:15 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Worship followed by Coffee Hour
11:15 AM Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY

2:00-3:30 PM E.E.H. Adult Bereavement Group
5:00-7:00 PM E.E.H. Child Bereavement Group
6:00 PM Session Meeting

THURSDAY

6:00 PM Harvest Dinner!

FRIDAY

9:00AM-4:00PM Preschool-Parish Hall

SUNDAY

25th Sunday after Pentecost

Thank Offering

9:15 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Worship followed by
 Congregational-Corporation Meeting
11:15 AM Choir Rehearsal



Pastoral Care

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-A.A. Meetings: Sat. 10am (parking area or choir room); Wed. & Sun. 6:30pm Parish Hall; Sun. 12pm classroom

-Bulletin announcements must be received to the office by Wednesday each week to be included in the Sunday bulletin.

-Tidings Articles are due by the 20th each month to be included in the monthly newsletter. All are welcome to participate!

*We welcome you as we would welcome
Christ Himself!*

ANNOUNCEMENTS for November 12, 2023

*Please sign the guest book so that the church can stay connected with you.

*Large print bulletins and hymns have been created as a full page for easy reading. Ask an usher for assistance.

*Prayer Concerns

Recent: Kyle Miller; Raymond Hann; Phyllis Styrzo, Hamptons Center for Rehab; Pat Bebon, surgery; Trisha Knotoff (Hospice Care), Kathy Tureski's sister-in-law; Terry Heffernan(chemo), friend of Mimi & Stu Wood; Jane Busking; Vita Collery, cancer, cousin of Karen Derryberry; Ralph Neubauer; Amanda Walters, cancer, friend of Karen Derryberry; Helen Fitzsimons; Kevin Fitzgerald; Marjorie Ridgway, home; Seamus Naughton, home;

Long Term: Kimberly Rogers Murawski; Ralph Downs, Florida; Dana Barrett, friend of Nancy Miller; Chelsey Carter Collins, Hamptons Center for Rehab; Ellen Pfaff; Dottie Evans



Sound/Audio/Visual Operator

Bruce Qua, Bill McDaris

Ushers

Susan Lipp and Mimi Wood

Flowers

*The chancel flowers this morning are given
in loving memory of Kay Kidde.*

By Mary Brennan

Harvest Dinner

Thursday, November 16th at 6pm

Come share great Food, Fellowship & Fun!

John & Meryle King and The Kitchen Crew will provide turkey, dressing and dessert. **Eastbound Freight Bluegrass Band** is back for your entertainment! Please sign up to bring a side dish to share!

Congregational-Corporation Meeting

A joint Congregational-Corporation meeting has been called by the Session and the Board of Trustees to be held in the sanctuary on Sunday, November 19, 2023 immediately following worship. The purpose of this joint meeting is to hear the report of the church Nominating Committee for the purpose of electing officers to the various church Boards and Committees including, but not limited to, the Board of Elders, the Board of Deacons, and the Board of Trustees; to receive the report of the election of church financial officers for 2024; and to address any other business that may come before either the congregation or the corporation during the course of this joint meeting.

Food Drive For Deacons Thanksgiving Baskets

Thanksgiving contributions can be left at the youth table in the Parish Hall or the first classroom on the left (where the tv is).

Another option is, to purchase or donate a grocery card so families may also purchase fresh items. Or you can donate cash and the Youth Group will be scanning the circulars next week, as we will be going shopping for items Friday, November 10th! Collection will be until the 19th when the baskets will be made. Thank you for your continuous generosity.

Desserts will be provided.

Ushers & Bakers Wanted!

Don't forget to sign up to usher! There are Sunday's coming up that have not been filled. It is a great way to meet and greet your fellow congregants! If you would like to bring store bought or

homemade baked goods for Coffee Hour, please sign up on the bulletin board next to the Flower Chart!

Christmas Bazaar, December 2nd!

Eloise Carter will be available during Coffee Hour for those who would like to sign up for baked goods, cookie walk and tea table sandwiches.

Youth Group Happenings

Heifer collection will happen every third Sunday of the month during our "Children's Message." Bring your quarters and help support us in reaching our goal to purchase an Ark!

Delaney's Silver Award service project for Girl Scouts:

Congratulations to Delaney for earning her Silver Award! The Youth will continue her project through May and distribute collected supplies to local animal shelters.