

May 10, 2026



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



**WORTHINGTON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

In Christ's love, we connect, serve, and transform

Worship Team

Rev. Dr. Matt Reeves
Senior Pastor

Rev. Dr. Tom Rice
Pastor for Discipleship

Rev. Betsy Rice
Pastor for Member
Ministries

Russell Nagy
Director of Music Ministries

Nicholas Robison
Director for Youth Ministries

Annie Barner
Director for Children's
Ministries

Kim Anderson, Organist

*Visit our website for a
complete list of WPC staff.*

Sanctuary Flowers

*The flowers on the chancel
are given to the glory of God
by The Harrison Family in
memory of Juanita Harrison
& Pauline Harrison.*

Serving Us Today

Usher Team A: Dan Foley &
Gregg Russell, captains; Jeff
Appel, Dan Bevan, Diana &
Bob Clouse, Harry Pukay-
Martin, Curtis & Ellen Payne,
Mark & Betsy Senff.

Video: Bill Yost

Carillon: Debb Wilson

In Christ's love, we...

CONNECT ♦ **SERVE** ♦ **TRANSFORM**

Welcome

Welcome to Worthington Presbyterian Church. This congregation has worshiped together in the Worthington community since 1805. We welcome all who seek faith, hope, and joy.

Visiting for the first time today? After the service, join us downstairs in Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation.

Children & Youth

After a brief message around 10:15AM, children are invited to Sunday School. After worship, please pick up your child in the Chapel or on the playground (weather permitting). Nursery care (ages 3 and under) begins at 9:45AM on the first floor. Youth are invited to the monthly High School Breakfast (Youth Room) or Middle School Breakfast (Living Room).

Accessibility

Accessible features of the building include:

- Handicap parking near east and west entrances
- Wheelchair ramp at the main entrance
- Elevator access
- Multiple accessible restrooms
- T-coil hearing capabilities for those with compatible hearing aids
- Listening devices for the hearing impaired available

If you would like a large print bulletin and/or a hearing device, please see an usher.



Prayer Requests

Please write prayer requests on the pew prayer cards and place them in the offering plate.

Contact Us

Mon - Thurs: 8AM – 4PM; Fri: 8AM – 2PM

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Worthington Presbyterian Church
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 10, 2026

10:00 AM

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

** Please stand*

WELCOME

Rev. Betsy Rice

Invitation to Mission & Discipleship *(Please sign & pass the Friendship Pads)*

Moment for Generosity: Per Capita

Megan Leitnaker

Passing of the Peace

One: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

CALL TO WORSHIP IN MUSIC

“The Trees of the Field”

Dauermann/Rubin

“Clap Your Hands”

Owens

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

Royal Oak, arr. Page



The Children of TNT

The music is a call to open one's spirit to God's presence in our midst.

OPENING SENTENCES

When you hear, “Children of God,”

respond, “God's love is always with us.”

*** HYMN #619** “Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven”

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Loving God, we do not always act like your children. We do not always love others. We do not always love you. We are truly sorry. Thank you for loving us so much that you forgive us and help us live more like Jesus. In his name we pray. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

* Congregational Response

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

* Assurance of Pardon

* Gloria

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.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

MESSAGE FOR OUR YOUNGEST DISCIPLES

Pastor Tom

Children will attend Sunday School in the chapel after the message. Please pick up your child on the playground after the worship service (weather permitting). Youth are invited to join the monthly High School Breakfast in the Youth Room or the Middle School Breakfast in the Living Room.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Don Anderson

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 131

O Lord, my heart is not lifted up;
my eyes are not raised too high;

**I do not occupy myself with things
too great and too marvelous for me.**

But I have calmed and quieted my soul,
like a weaned child with its mother;
my soul is like the weaned child that is with me.

O Israel, hope in the Lord
from this time on and forevermore.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

The Mighty Power of God

Mark Hayes

The Chancel Choir - Russell Nagy, Director

I sing the mighty power of God
that made the mountains rise.
That spread the flowing seas abroad
and built the lofty skies.

I sing the wisdom that ordained
the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at his command,
and all the stars obey.

Their luminous display reflects the power of God.

I sing the goodness of the Lord
that filled the earth with food.
He formed the creatures with His word
and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how your wonders are displayed,
where'er I turn our eye;
if we survey the ground I tread
or gaze upon the sky.

From seas to mountains high the earth cannot contain the goodness of the Lord.
The heavens are telling the glory of God!
The heavens are telling the glory of God!
The heavens are telling His story, the whole earth is filled with His glory,
The heavens are telling the glory of God!

There's not a plant or flower below
but makes Your glories known,
and clouds arise and tempests blow
by order from Your throne.
While all, that borrows life from you
is ever in Your care,
and everywhere that we can be,
O God, you're present there.

We joyously declare the power,
Your powerful love, your love!

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 1:1-18

Rev. Dr. Matt Reeves

Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,
To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are in Philippi, with the bishops and deacons:
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

I thank my God for every remembrance of you, always in every one of my prayers for all of you, praying with joy for your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. It is right for me to think this way about all of you, because I hold you in my heart, for all of you are my partners in God's grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. For God is my witness, how I long for all of you with the tender affection of Christ Jesus. And this is my prayer, that your love may overflow more and more with knowledge and full insight to help you to determine what really

matters, so that in the day of Christ you may be pure and blameless, having produced the harvest of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ for the glory and praise of God.

I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me has actually resulted in the progress of the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ, and most of the brothers and sisters, having been made confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, dare to speak the word with greater boldness and without fear.

Some proclaim Christ from envy and rivalry but others from goodwill. These proclaim Christ out of love, knowing that I have been put here for the defense of the gospel; the others proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but intending to increase my suffering in my imprisonment. What does it matter? Just this, that Christ is proclaimed in every way, whether out of false motives or true, and in that I rejoice.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Partners in Love”

Pastor Matt

* **HYMN #488** “I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry”

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Dr. Tom Rice

Sharing of Prayer Requests & Blessings

The Pastoral Prayer

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Offertory

“Invocation”

Tom Birchwood

* Doxology (tune: #609)
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures, here below.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!*



* Dedication of Tithes & Offerings
Scan the QR code to give online or visit wpcnow.org/give

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

* **HYMN #366** “Love Divine, All Loves Excelling”

* **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

Pastor Matt

POSTLUDE “A Song of Triumph”

David Paxton

Please remain seated during the postlude as it is the final “Amen” to our worship. Those who need to leave before the end of the postlude are free to do so quietly.

*Interested in learning more about TNT and our Children's Ministry?
Please scan the QR code.*



TODAY

Last Call for WPC Apparel • Support our youth while picking up WPC apparel! Proceeds support the summer mission trip and Cornerstone Youth Band. Scan the QR code below to order.

LOOKING AHEAD

TNT Potluck Party • May 12 • 6PM
Join us at Mirolo Pavilion for burgers, hot dogs, games, and fellowship. RSVP or sign up to bring a side or dessert. Friends and family welcome!

Per Capita Offering & Mission • Some members may not realize that per capita funds can come back to benefit WPC's mission and our local community. A Light to the Nations and Jacob's Porch at Ohio State are two examples. The 2026 amount is \$46 per member. Learn more at wpcnow.org under "Give" → "Per Capita Q&A." We will collect this offering next Sunday, May 17, during worship.

Children's Sunday School Sabbath May 17-31 • Children will remain in worship. Nursery care and worship bags are available. Summer Sunday School begins June 7 (VBS Sunday).

Wear Red for Pentecost • May 24
Celebrate the "birthday" of the Church with wind, fire, and joy!

Call for Summer Choir
If you love to sing, consider adding your voice to our Summer Choir on any Sunday morning in June and July. We meet in the Sanctuary at 8:55AM to prepare a beautiful anthem for the 10AM worship service. Just come wearing Sunday clothes (no robes during this season) and have some fun! Contact Russ at rnagy@wpcnow.org with questions. Happy Singing!

Part-Time Nursery Coordinator Needed
Help care for infants-3-year-olds on Sundays and special events. Learn more at wpcnow.org/careers or scan the QR code.

SUMMER CAMP @ WORTHINGTON PRESBYTERIAN



Robotics, Video
Game Design,
Coding, Animation
June 15-18, 2026
July 7-11, 2026

classroom
Antics™



Classroom Antics STEAM Camps
After VBS ends, kids ages 7-14 can join us for a week of robotics, coding, Minecraft, and LEGO-based programs. Scan the code above for details.

VOLUNTEER

Recycled items needed for VBS!

Toilet paper and paper
towel rolls



Small plastic peanut butter
(or similar in size) jars



Please drop items off in the box outside of Annie Barner's office.

VBS • June 1 - 5 @ Mirolo Pavilion
VBS for Preschool-5th grade is coming to Mirolo Pavilion! Volunteers (rising 6th grade and older) are still needed to help with snacks, crafts, games, and more. Can't volunteer? Scan the QR code below to find our Amazon Wish List or consider donating the recycled supplies above. Thank you!

Sign Ups, Opportunities & More • We can't include everything here, so visit wpcnow.org/next or scan the QR code for more details about these announcements.

