



WILLIAMSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1ST SUNDAY IN LENT
COMMUNION SUNDAY
MARCH 9, 2025

PRAYER FOR PREPARATION

God Most High, thank you for signs of your power and grace, shown to us even in the wilderness. Give us courage to stand firm in your Word in every time of trial and testing, that we may enter the land of your freedom and receive the salvation you so generously give; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GATHERING PREPARING TO HEAR THE WORD

PASTORAL GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. John E. Morgan

(9:30) INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Pastor Pam Hrcir

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Anne Nordin

MINUTE FOR MISSION: Open Door Concert

Norman Elton

PRELUDE I'm Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger
 Joyful Ringers

arr. Tammy Waldrop

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

People: The journey begins in the wilderness.

Leader: We follow the way of Jesus,
 who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

People: Like Jesus, we are not alone.

The Holy Spirit is with us. God's Word is on our lips.

Leader: Our call is to trust in God alone,
 to do God's will in all things.

**People: For God leads us not only into the wilderness,
 but also through the wilderness.**

*Please rise in body or spirit. The people's responses are in **bold type**.

***HYMN 738**

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

MARYTON

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

Leader: God is faithful, leading us into freedom, but we are conditioned to the slavery of sin. Comfortable with the way things are, we lose sight of the way God intends them to be. We bring our confession before the One who is more powerful than Pharaoh in Egypt, mightier than the devil in the wilderness.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (unison)

**O God, our refuge and fortress,
forgive us when we fail to trust in you.**

**We fall to temptation;
we are swayed by false words;
we speak false words of our own.**

**We choose our ease and comfort
over your demanding claims upon us and upon the world.**

**In turning from you,
we settle for less than the abundant generosity you intend.**

Forgive us, we pray.

Do not let us be put to shame, O God.

Hear us as we call to you and show us your salvation.

In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

A TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER

***KYRIE** (responsive)

Lord, Have Mercy

Leader: Lord, have mercy.

People: Christ, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: Scripture declares,
The Lord is generous to all who call on God's name.
Friends, believe the good news:
God does not turn away from us,
but desires to bring us into the glorious freedom
offered in Jesus Christ.

GLORIA IN ABEYANCE DURING LENT

738 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee
2 Help me the slow of heart to move
3 Teach me thy pa - tience, still with thee
4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray

in low - ly paths of ser - vice free;
by some clear, win - ning word of love;
in clos - er, dear - er com - pa - ny,
far down the fu - ture's broad - ening way;

tell me thy se - cret; help me bear the
teach me the way - ward feet to stay, and
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in
in peace that on - ly thou canst give, with

strain of toil, the fret of care.
guide them in the home - ward way.
trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.
thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

In honestly admitting the limits of human ability, this prayerful hymn does not seek a sense of God's presence for self-comfort but for strength and companionship in pursuing the tasks that God sets before us. The author specifically chose this tune to accompany his words.

(11:00) SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

Megan Davis

*At this time any and all children through the 5th grade
are invited to come forward for Sharing Faith with Children.*

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Anne Nordin

**By the power of your Holy Spirit,
help us to respond to your word
with our whole lives
until you become our dwelling place;
through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: *Deuteronomy 26:1-11*

Anne Nordin

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

PSALM 91:1-2, 9-16 (responsive)

Leader: You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,

**People: will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress;
my God, in whom I trust.'**

Leader: Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
the Most High your dwelling-place,

**People: no evil shall befall you,
no scourge come near your tent.**

Leader: For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways.

**People: On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.**

Leader: You will tread on the lion and the adder,
the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.

**People: Those who love me, I will deliver;
I will protect those who know my name.**

Leader: When they call to me, I will answer them;
I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honour them.

**People: With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.
for the Lord our God is holy.**

SECOND LESSON: *Luke 4:1-13*

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Led by the Spirit”

Rev. John E. Morgan

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN 166

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES' CREED (unison)

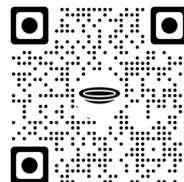
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

Thank you for your continued faithful stewardship to WPC. May our offerings continue to help us be the light for our neighbors and our siblings in Christ all over the world. Offering envelopes can be found inside the friendship register book. We invite you to make your offering or pledge payment in one of the following ways:

- Place your offering into the plates as you exit the sanctuary
- Visit mywpc.org/offering or scan the QR code at the right to give online
- Mail your offering to the church office at 215 Richmond Road, Williamsburg, VA 23185.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

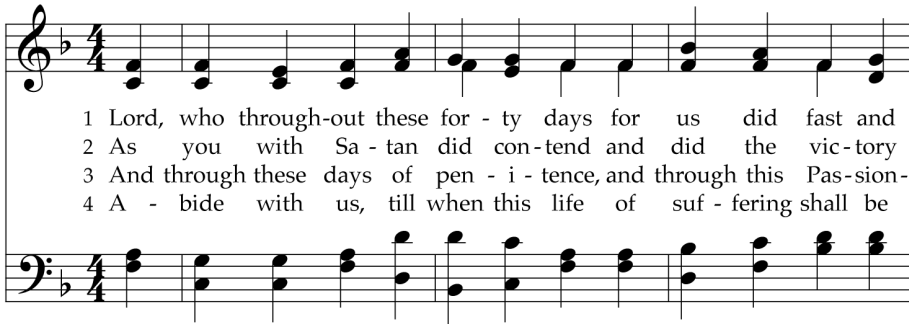
Lenten Walk

arr. Hal Hopson

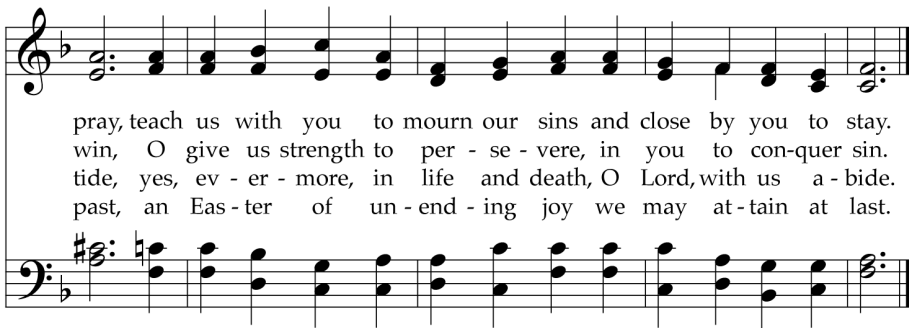
Jesus walked this lonesome valley,
He had to walk it by himself;
Oh, nobody else could walk it for him,
He had to walk it by himself.

(Anthem continues on the next page.)

Lord, Who throughout These 166 Forty Days



1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us did fast and
2 As you with Sa - tan did con - tend and did the vic - tory
3 And through these days of pen - i - tence, and through this Pas - sion -
4 A - bide with us, till when this life of suf - fering shall be



pray, teach us with you to mourn our sins and close by you to stay.
win, O give us strength to per - se - vere, in you to con - quer sin.
tide, yes, ev - er - more, in life and death, O Lord, with us a - bide.
past, an Eas - ter of un - end - ing joy we may at - tain at last.

Like many of this author's hymns, this text was written primarily for children but works equally well in reminding adults how Lent connects us with Christ's temptation in the wilderness and prepares us for Easter. The 16th-century English psalm tune provides sturdy support.

We must walk this lonesome valley,
We have to walk it by ourselves;
Oh, nobody else can walk it for us,
We have to walk it by ourselves.

Jesus bore the cross of sorrow;
He had to bear it by himself;
Oh, nobody else could bear it for him,
He had to bear it by himself.

We must take our cross and follow;
Yes, we must follow by ourselves;
Oh, nobody else can follow for us,
We have to follow by ourselves.

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise

God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Williamsburg Presbyterian Church welcomes all who believe in Jesus Christ to share the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with us today. We receive the elements by means of intinction, taking a piece of bread and dipping it into the cup. For those who desire an individual serving, regular or gluten free, they will be on a table in front of the baptismal font and on the small tables located in the balcony. If you are seated on the main floor of the sanctuary, you are invited to come forward to the chancel area by way of the center aisle and return to your pews by the side aisle. If you are sitting in the balcony, an usher will guide you to the sacrament. If you are unable to come forward easily, please signal to one of the ushers or elders so the communion elements can be brought to your seat.

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

Pastor: Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God! They will come from east and west, and from north and south, and sit at table in the kingdom of God. All are welcome here without regard to denomination or membership. This is the Lord's Table and all are welcome to join in Holy Communion.

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

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

Pastor: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, O God our creator and redeemer. In your wisdom, you made all things and sustain them by your power.

You formed us in your image to love and serve you, but we forgot your promises and abandoned your commandments. In your mercy, you did not reject us but still claimed us as your own.

When we were slaves in Egypt you freed us and led us through the waters of the sea. You fed us with heavenly food in the wilderness, and satisfied our thirst from desert springs. On the holy mountain you gave us your law to guide us in your way. Through the waters of Jordan you led us into the land of your promise, and you sustained us in times of trial. You spoke through prophets calling us to turn from our willful ways to new obedience and righteousness. You sent your only Son to be the way to eternal life.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

(Liturgy continues on the next page.)

Choir: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Pastor: You are holy, O God of majesty, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord. He took upon himself the weight of our sin and carried the burden of our guilt. He shared our life in every way, and though tempted, was sinless to the end. Baptized as your own, he went willingly to his death and by your power was raised to new life. In his dying and rising, you gave birth to your church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this wine from the gifts you have given us, and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine, that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. By your Spirit unite us with the living Christ, and with all who are baptized in his name, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world. Help us, O God, to be obedient to your call to love all your children, to do justice and show mercy, and to live in peace with your whole creation. Guide us through the desert of life, quench our thirst with the living waters, satisfy our hunger with the bread of heaven. Give us strength to serve you faithfully until the promised day of resurrection, when with the redeemed of all the ages we will feast with you at your table in glory.

People: 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.

Pastor: Through Christ, all glory and honor are yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now and forever. Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

SHARING OF THE MEAL

ORGAN MEDITATION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (unison)

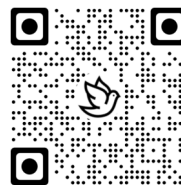
So many things in this world try to draw our attention away from what is truly important. Lord, in this moment, through these elements, restore to us the right relationship we should have with you. Remind us again of the blessings and good fortune we have to be in your house and to celebrate this testament of your love for us. Amen.

GOING OUT TO BE THE CHURCH

*INVITATION AND THE LORD'S DAY GREETING

We are glad you are worshiping with us today. If you are joining us online, please remember to 'sign' our online friendship register:

- Click on the *Welcome to WPC!* Click here to sign the Friendship Register banner at the top of the website page
- Visit mywpc.org/friendship or scan the QR code at the right to access the online friendship register.



*HYMN 817

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

DUNLAP'S CREEK

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in E Minor

Pachelbel

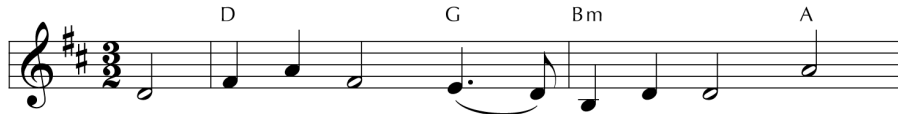
The service of worship concludes after the postlude. The music can be enjoyed or used as an opportunity for prayer. You may remain seated; if you wish to depart, please do so quietly and without disturbing those who choose to stay.

↻ NOTES ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC ↻

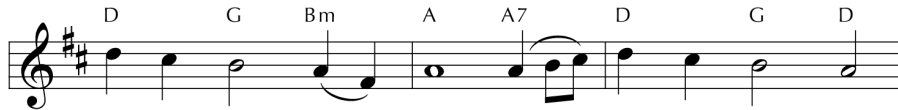
Our anthem, "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley," has roots both in Appalachian folk music and African-American spirituals, representing a cross-cultural exchange between these communities. Both cultures have many songs about a "lonesome valley" and "journey songs" about walking and wandering. Our anthem features a constant drumbeat that represents heavy footsteps as Jesus walks in the lonesome valley.

"I'm Just a Poor Wayfaring Stranger," our bell prelude, is another journey song from Appalachia. The bells in this setting evoke the style of Mountain and Bluegrass music: the bass bells mimic the plucked strings of an acoustic bass, and the short high chords resemble the percussive "chop" of a mandolin.

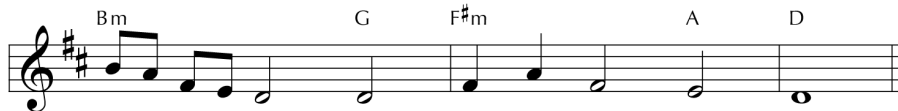
817 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The opening line here is essentially a quotation of 2 Corinthians 5:7, but that affirmation is fleshed out by references to the appearance of the risen Christ to Thomas (John 20:19–29). The shape note tune, named for a stream in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, adds resolution to the words.

☞ THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ☞

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of his wife, Gladys, by Leon Looney.

☞ THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY ☞

PASTOR

John E. Morgan, Pastor/Head of Staff

Pam Hrcir, Associate Pastor

MUSIC MINISTRY

Christopher Bechtler, Director of Music Ministries

Norman Elton, Organist and Assistant Director of Music

Joyful Ringers directed by Chris Bechtler

WPC Chancel Choir

LITURGIST

Anne Nordin

SHARING FAITH WITH CHILDREN

Megan Davis

COMMUNION SERVERS

WPC Elders and Deacons

GREETERS

9:30am Liz Favre, Cheryl Roettger

11:00am Bruce Powell, Karen Thuermer

USHERS

9:30am Carolyn Morgan, Lynn Newcomer, John VanAken, Rebecca Caprio

11:00am Bob Bolstad, Donna Powell, Mike Hawley, Rick Cheston

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOST

Jim Carey, Laura & Pete Osman

***WILLIAMSBURG LANDING USHERS AND COMMUNION SERVERS**

Dick Sahlen, Ric Cheston, Linda Eichhorn

***WINDSOR MEADE USHER**

Carl Stein

***WINDSOR MEADE COMMUNION SERVERS**

Carl and Mary Stein

AUDIO AND VIDEO TECHNICIANS: Matt Slack and John Schoenberger

*Satellite campuses

⌘ WPC Elders, Deacons & Staff ⌘

SESSION: CLASSES OF 2025, 2026, 2027

Moderator: John E. Morgan

Clerk of Session: Diane Schwarz

Administration: Faith Shartzter* (25), Sarah Houghland (25), Margie Newcomer (26), Larry Pulley (26)

Christian Education: Sallie McLain* (25), Kelly Kirkpatrick (26), JD Due* (26), Kathryn Hall (27)

Christian Outreach: * Jim Winthrop* (25), Joseph Kinard (27)

Communications: Ellen Peters (27)

Facilities: Dale Trowbridge* (25), Jerry Howell (26), Ric Cheston (27)

Resources: Elaine McBeth (25), Jay Eaton (26), Marc Moyers (27)

Worship: Becky Mckinley* (27)

ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE:

Hank Vernon* (25), Jim Austin (26), Joseph Kinard (26), Martha Squire (27), Al Thomas* (25)

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: CLASS OF 2024-25

Moderator: Jerry Howell*, Ric Cheston**, Roban Graham, Ellen D'Orsogna, Jay Hardy, Dave McLain, Bev Whitley

**Moderator **Second Chair*

BOARD OF DEACONS: CLASSES OF 2025, 2026, 2027

Moderator: Copper Perry (25) **Vice-Moderator:** Eric Beckhusen (26)

Pastoral Advisor: Pam Hrcir, Associate Pastor

Secretary: Jo Ann Youhas (25)

CARE TEAMS

Care Connections: Harold Herring (25), Jennifer LaDow (26), Suzanne Stuart (27)

Grief: Copper Perry (25), Bev Whitley (27)

Brookdale and Other Asst. Living: Robin Sabo (26)

Patriot's Colony: Sue Rennagel (25)

Williamsburg Landing: Doris Gilfillan(26), Carolyn Lodzieski (26)

Windsor Meade: Happy Simmons (25), Martha Burian (26)

MINISTRY TEAMS

Celebrations and Concerns: Sarah Horner (25), Laura Osman (27)

Christian Fellowship: Happy Simmons (25), Sue Rennagel (25), Sarah Dulaney (25), Jim Carey (27)

Flower Sharing: Laura Bechtler (25): Leigh Sutherland (26), Carol Thomas (26)

New Member: Deborah Rockafellow (25), Eric Beckhusen (26), Rodney Lawrence (27)

Memorial Receptions: Rebecca Caprio (26), Jo Ann Youhas (25), Karen Lauritzen (27), Julia Smith (27)

Memorial Services: Ford Mosely (27), Jack Lassiter (27), Kathy Chambers (27), Dave Littell (25)

STAFF

Pastoral Staff: John E. Morgan, Pastor/Head of Staff; Pam Hrcir, Covenant Pastor for Congregational Care

Program Staff: Melody Dillon, Director of Children and Family Ministries; Cory Cathcart, Director of Youth, College and UKirk Ministries

Music Staff: Chris Bechtler, Director of Music; Norman Elton, Organist, Assistant Director of Music; Rebecca Elton, Carol Choir Director

Administrative Staff: Stephen Foster, Director of Finance and Administration; Vanessa Gamble, Church Secretary; Martha Reier, Administrative Assistant; Sherry Volk, Director of Communications; Barbara Walker, Accounting Assistant

Facility Staff: Elbert Fleming, Facility Manager; Hugh Jamerson, Sexton

Audio Booth: John Schoenberger, Technician

✧ CHILDREN'S STATEMENT ✧

Children are welcome at WPC! We have Sunday School for all ages at 9:30am. **In order to encourage full family participation on March 16th, Children's Sunday, we will not have a nursery at the 11:00am service.** Children of all ages are welcome to attend the service!" We also have children's worship bags and sensory objects available to be borrowed while in the building. Please ask an usher if you need assistance in locating anything.

The way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to The Church, to God, and to one another. Let them know, and let us show them, that they are at home in this house of worship. Parents, feel free to sit near the front where children can see, explain the parts of the service to them, and invite them to learn by watching and copying. And relax, God put the wiggle in children, so don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

✧ SUPPORT FOR OUR MEMBERS ✧

- **In need of one-on-one prayer? Please look for a Stephen Minister in the Fellowship Hall or the church foyer after the morning services. They will find a private place to talk and pray with you. Just look for the blue Stephen Ministry name tags.**
- **Monthly grief support group** meets the first Wednesday of the month at 10am in room 220 on the second level. During this meeting we check in with one another and occasionally watch videos about a specific grief topic. All are welcome to attend.

✧ PRAYER CONCERNS, JOYS, & TOUCH NOTES ✧

To share a joy or concern, please visit www.mywpc.org, select GET CARE on the menu bar, then PRAYER REQUEST from the drop-down menu. Complete the form and click SEND REQUEST on the bottom of the form. Per your instructions, your request will be shared with our pastors, prayer chain or will be included in the worship bulletin. If the internet is not available to you, please call the church office (757) 229-4235 with your request. The Prayer Chain Coordinator is: Jo Ann Youhas (handbellringer2@gmail.com). Please notify Jo Ann when you would like to remove your name from the prayer chain.

If you are in need of a pastor after hours or on the weekend with an emergency request, please contact the Pastor-on-Call listed below for this week. During the week, please call the church office.

Sunday, March 9 – Saturday, March 15 • Pastor Pam • phrncir@mywpc.org • 757-508-4668

Joy:

- Our Church Secretary, Vanessa Gamble, is delighted to be increasing her time back in the office. She returned part-time on Monday, January 6, after a 2-month absence due to injuries sustained in a car accident. Still recovering, Vanessa is now in the office Monday—Thursday, 11am-5pm. We will inform you when she is back fulltime. Vanessa would like to thank you for your continued prayers.

Please pray for:

- Linda Gustafson, Denny Yeigst, Bob Siclari, Wolf Koenig, Nell Stowe, Carole McNeel

Please pray for those:

- Recovering from various surgeries, who are homebound, who have family and friend concerns, affected by the recent airplane tragedies, affected by the fires in California, still affected by Hurricanes Helene and Milton, attending and serving in the school systems, serving our country in the military services and their families, serving our country in leadership roles, affected by the possibility of job loss, homelessness and hunger, affected by the wars in Gaza, Israel, Sudan, and Ukraine.

🌀 ANNOUNCEMENTS 🌀

- **Last call for lunch orders for the March 12 Lenten Service.** The theme for this year's mid-week Lenten services is "*Jesus Prays*," based on a segment of *From Wilderness to Glory* by N.T. Wright. **Noon services will be held on March 12, March 26, and April 9 in Stevenson Hall.** Join Pastor John and Pastor Pam for a time of worship, followed by fellowship over lunch. Bring a brown bag lunch or pre-order a box lunch at mywpc.org/lentlunch or in the Welcome Center. The deadline for lunch orders is the Monday morning before each noon service. **The Wednesday Lenten services on March 19 and April 2, will be held at 7pm in the Sanctuary.**
- **Our Lenten Devotional for this year is titled "*Local Pilgrim: A Wandering, Wondering Daily Devotional*."** New this year is the option to receive the devotional daily as an email or text message. **Sign up for the daily devotionals at mywpc.org/lent-devotionals.**
- **Volunteers Needed! Sign up to provide meals for our Youth Group on Sunday evenings at 5:30pm. You cook, pick up, or assemble simple meals and feel free to bring desserts, too!** The kitchen will be available if you need to prep, warm food or set-up. This is a great opportunity for a PW Circle, a Sunday School class or bible study group, a couple, or just a few friends to provide a meal for our youth. Please consider to help make a difference in the lives of our Youth Group! We average around 10 youth and 2-4 staff and volunteers. **To sign up to provide a meal, please visit <https://mealtrain.com/87y1vn>.** Questions? Contact Cory Cathcart, Director of Youth, College and UKirk Ministries (gcathcart@mywpc.org) or Melody Dillon, Director of Children and Family Ministries (mdillon@mywpc.org)
- **The Flower Sharing Mission is running low on vases and volunteers.** Volunteers are needed for delivering the broken down smaller arrangements to our special members in need of some cheer on Sunday afternoons (takes less than 2 hours). The vases can be any size and should be new and/or like new. You may leave the vases in the Welcome Center. Contact Laura Bechtler*. Beginning in May, contact Leigh Southerland* or Carol Thomas*.
- **Installation Service for Pastor Pam:** We've been together five years and we are making it official. Join us for the installation service for Pastor Pam as Associate Pastor on **Saturday, March 15, 2025, 11am followed by a reception in Stevenson Hall.**
- **The WPC Book Club will meet on Monday, March 24, 2025,** at 2 pm in Room 220 (and on Zoom) to discuss *Dinners with Ruth: A Memoir on the Power of Friendships*, by Nina Totenberg.
- **Williamsburg Landing Church Usher Needed:** When we can't get to church, we can still worship God. When we can't get to church, we don't get to see and speak to friends. We don't have an opportunity to personally say "thank you!" to our Pastors, Choir Members, Music Directors, Ushers, Fellowship hosts, Greeters, those who make us feel good with a smile. At Williamsburg Landing, our church service is streamed every Sunday for Residents who have no way to attend our church in person. We need volunteers to serve as ushers at Williamsburg Landing. Ushers welcome all who attend the service, operate the computer to show the service on the big screen, hand out bulletins, and help all feel glad to worship God together. **Please contact Linda Eichhorn* to volunteer.**
- **The Upper Elementary Sunday School Classes (Grades 3, 4 and 5) continue to collect food to support** The Grove Christian Outreach Center in classroom 204 every Sunday from now through mid-March. Thank you for your support in making this project a success.

Contact information can be found in our online directory.

You may also contact the church office at 757-229-4235.

More information about the events and announcements listed above can be found on our website at mywpc.org/news/ or on the church calendar.

☞ THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS ☞

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

- 9:30am-12pm Nursery open during both worship services
9:30am Sunday School / Christian Education Wing
9:30am In-person Worship / Sanctuary; Live-Stream Worship; visit mywpc.org to access
11:00am In-person Worship / Sanctuary; Broadcast on FM93.5 The Burg and AM740 or wmbgradio.com
4:00pm ODCS: Solas / Sanctuary
5:30pm Youth Group / CE Wing

MONDAY, MARCH 10

- 1:00pm Caregiver Support Group / Rm 123
1:00pm Presbyterian Women's Circle-Miriam / Rm 220 and Zoom
5:00pm Hunger and Homeless Ministry Mtg / Rm LL10
5:30pm Christian Education Ministry Mtg / Rm 220
6:30pm Williamsburg Choral Guild Rehearsal / Sanctuary

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

- 10:00am Adult Bible Study—Christian Believer: Knowing God with Heart and Mind / Rm 220
1:00pm Staff Meeting / Zoom
2:00pm Stewardship Committee Mtg / Rm 220
5:30pm Resources Ministry Mtg / Rm LL10
6:30pm Presbyterian Women's Circle 5-Eunice / Rm 222
6:30pm UKirk Dinner & Dialogue / UKirk Rm LL012 and LL011
7:00pm Class of 2028 Elders and Deacon Training / Stevenson Hall
7:00pm AA Williamsburg Big Book Study / LL009 and LL049

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

- 7:30am Men's Bible & Bacon Study / Stevenson Hall
10:00am Presbyterian Women's Circle 14 / Rm 220
12:00pm **Lenten Mid-week Service and Luncheon / Stevenson Hall**
6:00pm Joyful Ringers Rehearsal / Choir Rm
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Rm

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

- 9:00am Sanctuary Cleaning
9:30am Presbyterian Women Circle 7-Elizabeth / Rm 220
4:30pm Carol and Junior Choir Rehearsal / Choir Rm
5:00pm Worship Ministry Mtg / Rm 220
5:30pm King's Kids Worship Dance / LL049
6:00pm ARC Irish Dancers / Stevenson Hall
7:00pm Deacon Mtg / Rm 220
7:30pm Westminster Ringers / Bell Rm

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

- 11:00am Installation and Reception of Pastor Pam Hrcncir / Sanctuary and Stevenson Hall

✧ UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

March 12, 2025 • Mid-Week Lenten Service and Luncheon

Pastor Pam Hrcir sermon will be based on Matthew 11:25-30.

March 16, 2025 • 2nd Sunday in Lent • Children's Sunday

Pastor John's sermon, "*Love Your Neighbor*," will be based on Luke 10:25-37.

✧ UPCOMING WORSHIP INFORMATION ✧

- The season of Lent began with our Ash Wednesday. Our Wednesday Lenten worship services will continue at **Noon in Stevenson Hall on March 12, 26 and April 9** and at **7pm in our sanctuary on March 19 and April 2**. You may order box lunches online or in the Welcome Center for the noon services in Stevenson Hall or bring your lunch.

Holy Week begins with our regular 9:30 and 11am service on Palm Sunday, continuing with the Maundy Thursday communion service at 7pm, Good Friday Family Service at 5pm and Tenebrae service at 7pm.

Easter services are at 8, 9:30, and 11am in our sanctuary.

Our Sunday School classes will not be held on Easter Sunday.

Our Church Office will be closed on Easter Monday and will reopen on the following Tuesday.

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- Our services Wednesday afternoon and Sunday morning are a wonderful way to prepare our hearts and minds for the Passion and Resurrection of Easter Week. Worship services at WPC are open to all and we encourage you to invite your family and friends to join us.