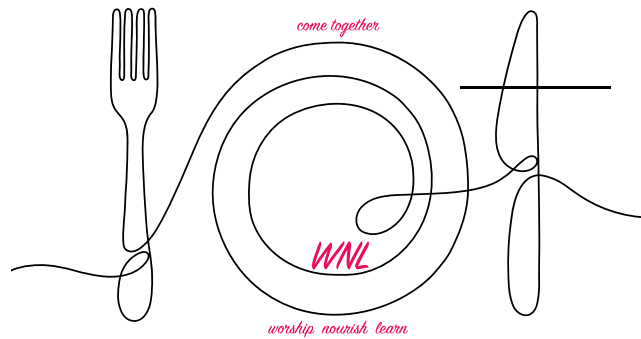


**Wednesday Evening Worship • 5:30pm • January 24, 2024**  
St. John's United Church of Christ • 500 West Main Street • Lansdale, PA • 19446



*You are invited to stand when indicated by an asterisk and speak the words in bold if able.*

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WELCOME

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Siblings in Christ, what hopes do you bring to worship?

**We bring hope for health and wholeness.**

What pain do you bring to worship? Physical pain?

**From illness and injury.**

Emotional pain?

**From sad and scary life situations.**

Mental pain?

**From dis-ease of many kinds.**

With all of these burdens, it's a miracle that any of us have made it to this time of worship!

**But where else would we be?**

**We yearn to feel God's presence and to know that wholeness is possible.**

Only when we bring all of who we are before God,  
can we fully experience God's powerful, healing, and freeing love.

**Come, let us enter this time of worship with our whole selves.**

Come, let us worship! Amen.

**\*OPENING HYMN**

We Yearn, O Christ, for Wholeness – NCH 179

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:21-28

REFLECTION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HOLY COMMUNION

SHARING THE SACRED MEAL

*Holy Communion is served by intinction. You are invited to take a piece of bread and dip it into a chalice of non-alcoholic grape juice. A gluten-free station is also available. All are welcome!*

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.**

**\*SUNG BENEDICTION**

Go, My Children, with My Blessing – Reverse Side of Bulletin.

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## GO, MY CHILDREN, WITH MY BLESSING

Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone;  
Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own;  
In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have made you mine for-ev - er,  
Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own.

The musical score is written on four staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and repetitive, with a final double bar line at the end of the fourth staff.

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Tune: AR HYD Y NOS, Traditional Welsh Melody

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Worship Leaders: Rev. Dale Davis, Rev. Addie Stong, Andrew Paulson, and members of the congregation.