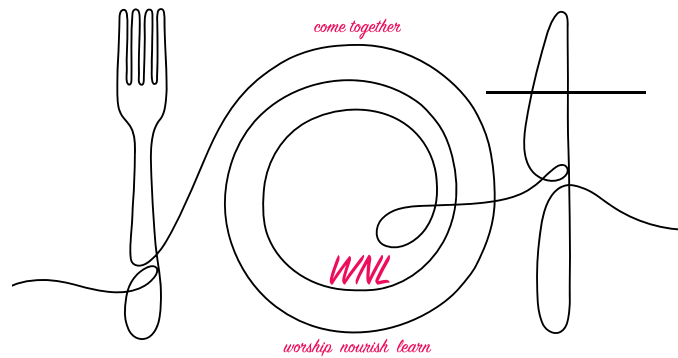


Wednesday Evening Worship • 5:30pm • May 8, 2024
St. John's United Church of Christ • 500 West Main Street • Lansdale, PA • 19446



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

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather having heard the call of your love in our lives.

We're here, mindful that you have nourished our lives on the journey.

We've come to acknowledge that without the nourishment you give we become brittle and frayed.

We've come to give thanks,

and we've come to listen to the song God will teach us in a new key for a new time.

It's a very old song, the message cascading down through the ages; its promise to all of creation.

It's song about heaven coming to earth, love overcoming hate,

justice coming down like an unbridled stream; and peace flowing like a river.

*OPENING HYMN

Shall We Gather at the River – NCH 597

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 1

Happy are those

who do not follow the advice of the wicked

or take the path that sinners tread

or sit in the seat of scoffers,

but their delight is in the law of the LORD,

and on his law they meditate day and night.

They are like trees

planted by streams of water,

which yield their fruit in its season,

and their leaves do not wither.

In all that they do, they prosper.

The wicked are not so

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment

nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous,

for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous,

but the way of the wicked will perish.

REFLECTION

JOYS AND CONCERNS

HOLY COMMUNION

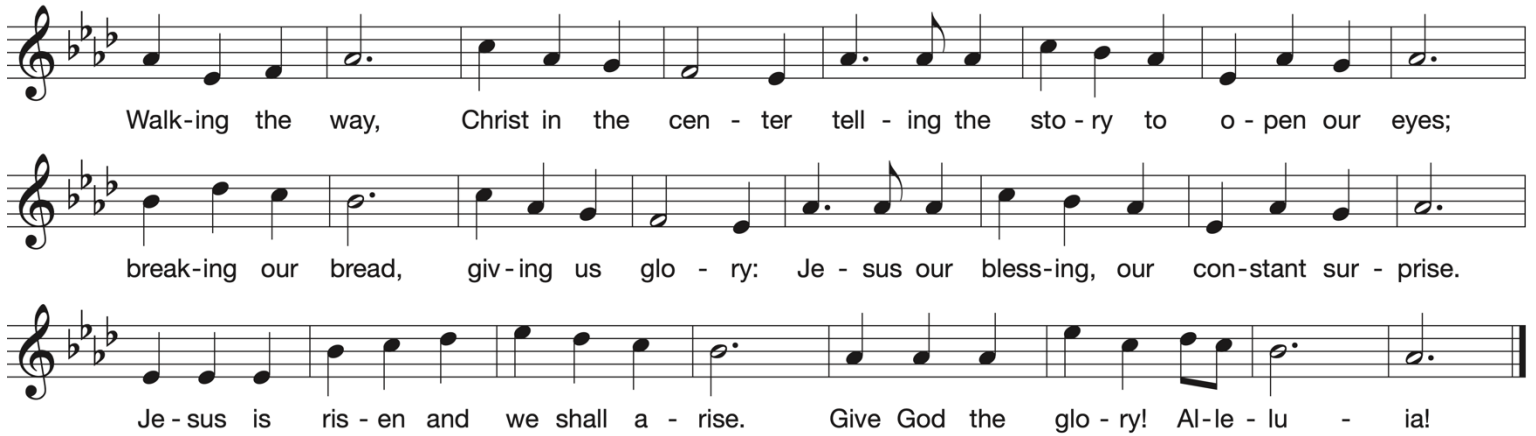
Holy Communion is served by intinction. You are invited to take a piece of bread and dip it into a chalice of non-alcoholic grape juice. A gluten-free station is also available. All are welcome.

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

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!



Walk-ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
break-ing our bread, giv-ing us glo - ry: Je - sus our bless-ing, our con-stant sur - prise.
Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise. Give God the glo - ry! Al-le - lu - ia!

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

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