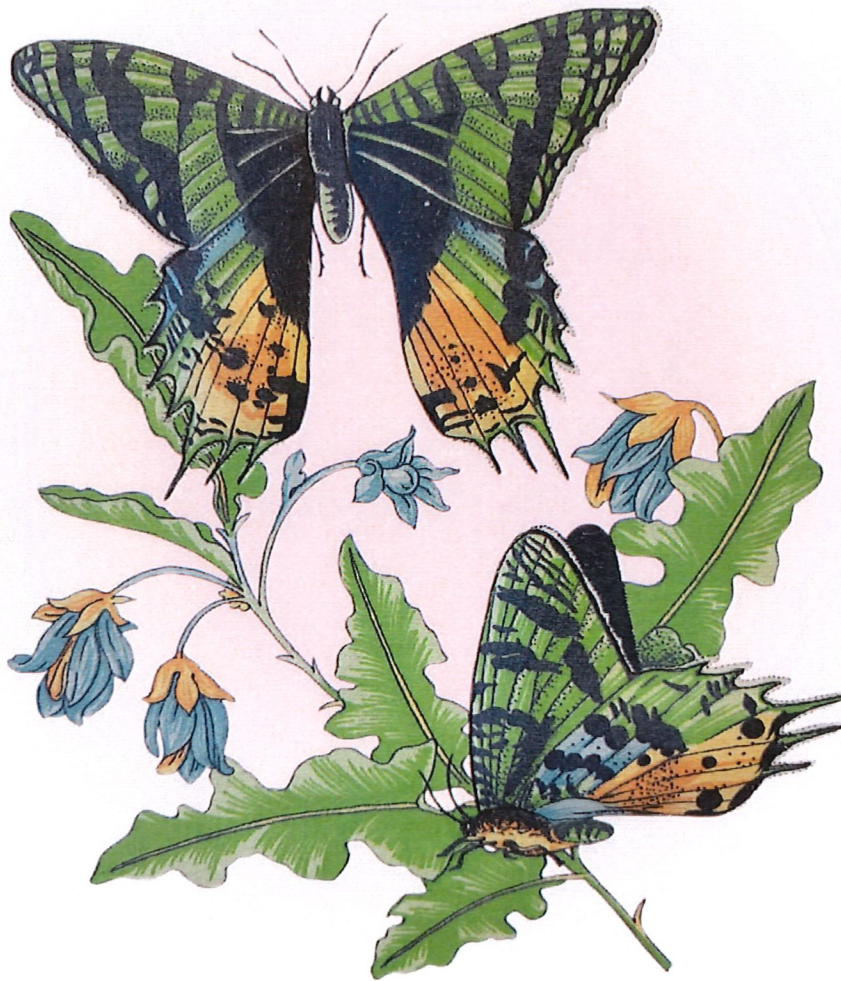


¹⁷ O God, from my youth you have
taught me,
and I still proclaim your
wondrous deeds.

¹⁸ So even to old age and gray
hairs,
O God, do not forsake me,
until I proclaim your might
to all the generations to
come.

Psalm 71:17-18



Abington Presbyterian Church

April 24, 2022

10:00 a.m. Celebration Worship

Older Adult Sunday

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Intergenerational Witness of God's Goodness
April 24, 2022

GATHERING

The people gather wherever they may in response to God's call, offering praise in words of scripture, prayer, and song. The people acknowledge their sinfulness and receive the good news of God's forgiveness.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP *A time for quiet preparation before worship*

O God, from my youth, you have taught me. I still proclaim your wondrous deeds. So even to old age and gray hairs, O God, do not forsake me, until I proclaim your might to another generation, your power to all those to come. Psalm 71: 17-18

PRELUDE O store Gud (How Great Thou Art) *Robert A. Hobby*

LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

* CALL TO WORSHIP – MaryAnne “Tink” McDevitt

God who has called you into fellowship
With his Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, is faithful.
**He is a faithful Lord, keeping his covenant of love to a thousand generations
of those who love him and keep his commands.**
His faithfulness reaches to the skies and
continues throughout all generations on into eternity.
**We therefore praise the faithfulness of our Lord Jesus Christ in this assembly,
saying, “Great is your faithfulness!
We will exalt and praise your name,
for in perfect faithfulness, you have done marvelous things.
Great is your faithfulness to us, O Lord, our God.”**

* HYMN 239 Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! GELOBT SEI GOTT
Verses 1 & 3

**1 Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!
Now is the triumph of our King!
To all the world glad news we bring:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**3 Praise we in songs of victory
that love, that life which cannot die,
and sing with hearts uplifted high:
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION – Trish Miller

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all people,
we confess that we have sinned
and we are deeply grieved as we remember the wickedness of our past lives.
Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love.
According to your abundant mercy, blot out our transgressions.
Forgive us for disregarding and disrespecting our senior adults.
Forgive us for viewing seniors as weak and disposable.
Forgive us for not receiving their wisdom as a gift from you.
Forgive us for not depending upon you completely in all circumstances.
We know our transgressions and our sin is ever before us.
We are hopeless without your grace.
Help us to forgive as we want you to forgive us.
Give us strength to serve and please you in newness of life
and to honor and praise Your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God has created in us a clean heart. God has placed a new and right spirit within us.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

* HYMN 625

O Lord My God

HOW GREAT THOU ART

* THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Greet one another with the sign of peace.

As God has given us peace through Christ, so let us pass the peace of Christ with each other.
The Peace of Christ be with You.
And also with you.

ANTHEM

Praise His Holy Name!

Keith Hampton

Sing till the power of the lord come down.
Shout Hallelujah! Praise his holy name.

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved that wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found Was blind but now I see.
Jesus, Jesus how I love thee: Shout Hallelujah! Praise his holy name.

Must Jesus bear the cross alone And all the world go free?
No there's a cross for everyone And there's a cross for me.

WORD

God's Word is read and its message is proclaimed in scripture, music and interpretation.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THEME: Intergenerational Witness of God's Goodness

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God,
By the Word and Spirit,
That in your light we may see light,
In your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace,
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 71:17-19

Miriam Sall

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMONIC MEDITATION – Karen Hoyle

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 46:3-4

Grace McDevitt Loveland

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMONIC MEDITATION – Ralph McDevitt

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Wayne Gibbons

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMONIC MEDITATION – Ahtoi Gibbons, Nicky Feden & Ethan Feden

* HYMN 634

To God Be the Glory

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from a portion of the Heidelberg Confession (Q & A 1)

**My only comfort in life and in death is that I am not my own,
but belong-body and soul in life and in death-to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.
He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven:
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.
Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for him.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER – Mary DeVan

**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**

THANKSGIVING & SENDING

After the proclamation of God's Word, we respond with gratitude prepared to go into the world where we are called to live according to God's will.

HONORABLE MENTION OF OLDER ADULT MEMBERS WITH 50+ YEAR MEMBERSHIP

Grace Karschner, Anne Rife and Linda Doyle

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

(You can leave your offering in the plates at the exits or use the QR code to go to APC's giving page or you can mail your gifts to the church office.)

OFFERTORY

Festive Air

Sandra Eithun

* DOXOLOGY

Hymn 606

**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

* HYMN 837

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

SHOWALTER

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Gelobt Sei Gott

David Schelat

Worship Leaders:

Worship Participants: Mary DeVan, Ethan Feden, Nicky Feden, Ahtoi Gibbons, Wayne Gibbons, Karen Hoyle, Sheila Jackson, Grace Karschner, Grace McDevitt Loveland, MaryAnne "Tink" McDevitt, Ralph McDevitt, Trish Miller, Anne Rife, Miriam Sall

Worship Coordinator: The Rev. Dr. Jade King Bass

Liturgist: The Rev. Kirby Lawrence Hill & The Rev. Aaron Twitchell

Children's Message: Ruth Sall

Organ: Erik Meyer

Chapel Choir: John Sall, director

Celebration Ringers: Nathan Lazarus, director

Program Cover: Eric Gildner

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In need of special prayers this week: MM Harris, Herb Harris, Doris Boerner, Ira Greenbaum (nephew of Marlyn Whyte), Helen Porter (mother of Joe Porter), Suzy Paravla (daughter of Susan Davis), Linda Maisenhelder, Christine Kim (wife of Stephen Kim), Will Pompilli (son of Teresa Pompilli), Wayne Gibbons, Jr., Susan Arnhold (friend of Joanne and Jeff Bates), Judy Meissner, Susan Johnson, John and Phyllis Frazier, Robin Cupo, Laura Lafferty, Emil Kupper, Joanne Lieb (friend of Ian & Amy Beck), Erma Yerkes, Linda Doyle, Tim McCabe (friend of Marlyn Whyte), Joseph May, John & Carolyn Burrell (Janet Gildner's parents), Victor Johnson III (Pete Johnson's nephew), Laurie Betts, Sally Hardy, Barbara Benson, Katie Link, Gerald May (Debbie Gallagher's brother), Kevin Alexander (Betsy Alexander's son).

For Pastoral Care: To notify the church of an illness, hospitalization, death, or to request prayer, contact a minister or call your Deacon or the Church Office at (215) 887-4530.

Abington Presbyterian Church celebrates God's infinite love and believes all people are equal in the eyes of God. We welcome all to worship and serve with us. We seek to work together to oppose intolerance, racism, and injustice that threaten the unity of humankind.

2022 50-YEAR MEMBERS BY YEAR

Savage, Peggy A.	1943	Boutcher, Walter Jr.	1964
Reed, Diane	1944	Adams, Robert C.	1964
Cunningham, Wayne A.	1947	Keebler, Bernice	1964
Hill, Lois V.	1948	Graf, Betty	1965
Risko, Carol	1948	Graf, James C.	1965
Gould, Amy E	1949	Boutcher, Carol	1965
Given, Eleanor K.	1951	Aemisegger, Sue	1965
Castor, Diane	1953	Long-Arnold, Paula	1965
Dutcher, William III	1953	High, Susan J.	1966
Gilliam, Jane	1953	Sibel, Catharine	1966
High, Jr., Gilbert P.	1953	Hollish, Charlotte A.	1966
Sonneborn, Duane G. Jr.	1953	Wanck, Nicholas	1966
Faunce, Joan R.	1953	Castor, Bruce L. Sr.	1967
Findlay, Mary	1955	Neff, John B.	1967
Harris, Herbert L.	1955	Neff, Shirley	1967
Harris, M-M	1955	Sandstrom, Frank T. Jr.	1967
Boerner, Doris	1956	Whyte, Marilyn	1967
Jacobs, Barbara	1956	Mabry, Richard E.	1968
Lufkin, Janice M.	1956	Porter, Helen	1968
Bunting, Thomas III	1957	Porter, Joseph T.	1968
Patten, Ernest Jr.	1957	Sutch, Randa R.	1968
Wynn, James M. II	1957	Sutch, William R. II	1968
Benson, Barbara	1957	Sneberger, Daniel Jr.	1968
Bunting, Caroline	1958	McNamee, Ann N.	1968
Meyers, Joan	1958	Cunicelli, Francis X.	1968
Sandstrom, Judy	1958	Adams, Sally	1969
Sheppard, Judy	1958	Benson, Stephen A.	1969
Stoll, Barbara M.	1958	Brosius, Doris	1969
Wanck, Maryland	1958	Brosius, J. Howard	1969
Stroh, Rudolph W. Jr.	1958	Derr, Sandra	1969
Cunningham, Virginia R.	1958	Heger, Anna M.	1969
Bihn, George F. III	1959	Lapham, Richard T.	1969
Wynn, J. Renee	1959	Mann, Gertrude	1969
Czarnecki, Walter III	1960	Mann, Robert J.	1969
Lafferty, Laura	1960	Tyrrell, Jr., Mary E.	1969
Lynch, Douglas R. Sr.	1960	Young, Ruth	1969
Morris, Peter H.	1960	Young, Jr., William J.	1969
Rose, Meryl	1960	Mabry, Sondra	1970
White, Denise E.	1960	Schoeller, Betty Lou	1970
Williams, Edward Jr.	1960	Sneberger, Candace	1971
Barwis, Eleanor K.	1960	Lewis, Liliias	1971
Watt, Carol	1960	Wysocki, Bernice	1971
Watt, John C. Jr.	1960	Forrest, Paul R.	1972
Mignogna, Gail	1960	Lane, Joan A.	1972
Lehnert, Patricia	1962	Lane, Charles III	1972
Williams, Edith	1963	Rowland, Baron	1972
McDermott, Carolyn G.	1963	Koch, Carolyn	1972
Miller, Edith A.	1964	Koch, Gary	1972
Webb, David B.	1964	Maisenhelder, Howard III	1972

The APC Pandemic team has these safety protocols to match community conditions:

Masks are now optional in church facilities (except masks are required when singing).

However, masks are required for all who want to sit in the full-time mask section of the sanctuary on the lectern-side rear portion (section where the video equipment is) This section will still use the color-coded guidance for social distancing.

Other areas of the sanctuary are set for an every-other-pew plan for seating, allowing for social distancing.

We do recommend that those who are unvaccinated or immune-compromised be masked while indoors and we encourage those in proximity to them to do so as well.

In addition, the way is now clear for indoor eating to take place in the Parish Hall.

Thanks to all for your cooperation. We show our love for God and neighbor by being sensitive to the needs of others.

The Pandemic Work Team consists of the following people:

Medical Professionals: Frank Sandstrom, MD; Michelle Feil, MSN, RN

Church Council Representatives: Suzin Weber, Carolyn Koch, Don Brooks

Church Facility Expertise: John Miller

From the Staff: Rev. Aaron Twitchell, John Sall, Ruth Sall, Barb Foy, Rev. Kirby Lawrence Hill

10:00 AM				
AGE/GRADE	ROOM	TEACHER	TOPIC	Pick Up
Birth- 2 years	Nursery & Toddler Room 110-112	Childcare	Childcare	110-112
3 years - Pre-K	Children's Choir Room Sanctuary Basement	Cary McAllister	Frolic Bible	Flagpole outside church
Kindergarten-6th Grade	Parish Hall Basement	Ruth Sall	Four Friends: Art & Music	Flagpole

Before you head home, Mission Council invites you to prepare lunches for Face to Face Germantown!

We encourage you and your families to stop by the Parish Hall after the 10:00a.m. worship service on Sunday, May 1, to make two or three PB&J sandwiches, to fill bags with snacks, or to write notes of encouragement to be included in the bags. The goal is 100 lunches. They will be delivered to Face to Face and help to ensure that hungry members of the Germantown community can enjoy a nutritious meal during times when hot meals are not being served in the on-site dining room.



Many organizations are calling for donations to help humanitarian efforts in Ukraine and the neighboring countries. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is also providing opportunity for folks to help with financial donations that will support Ukraine with emergency humanitarian aid such as food, shelter and hygiene items. PDA is hearing that the reformed churches in Ukraine and the region are also feeling called to join in the humanitarian response. PDA, therefore, anticipates that their response will include both financial and technical assistance as the network of faith communities providing humanitarian assistance grows in the months ahead. As is the mission of One Great Hour of Sharing, PDA responds with immediate aid and long-term assistance.

If you wish to donate through PDA, you can give by check, made out to APC and marked Ukraine, or through the APC online portal (at <https://apcusa.org/give/donate/>). Please indicate your donation only in the box for "Special Offering" and mark for Ukraine).

Monetary donations will be collected through May 31, 2022.



APC is looking for members who have an interest in taking photos to capture the many events at the church. These photos will be used on-line and in print for publicity. Pictures can be uploaded to the link below:

APC photos upload site:

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/3W7cvUEPPukAfL2n5MqQ>

2022 1st Quarter Contribution Statements

The 1st quarter contribution statements were mailed; look for them in your email or mailbox.

Emailed statements will have the following message in the "From Line" and "Subject line" since they are sent through our vendor, CCIS:

From line: support@ccissoftware.com

Subject line: Contribution Detail - Etc.

If you changed your email, please send an email to bettyg@apcusa.org requesting your email to be updated including whether "individual name and/or family update".

Thank you! Any questions, please contact Betty Gwiazdowski in the Church Office.

Are you a caring individual with a heart of compassion? The care team ministry is alive and active at Abington Presbyterian Church. We make in-person visits, make phone calls, send greeting cards and encourage our members who are sick, recuperating, grieving and feeling a little down. We also celebrate the joys of new births, birthdays, anniversaries and graduations.

If you have a desire to serve the members at APC in this ministry, please reach out to Pastor Jade at jkb@apcusa.org or call the church at 215-887-4530 and leave a message with the church secretary, Susan Schied.



at Music **50TH** ANNIVERSARY
Abington SEASON 1972-2022

4:00 p.m. Sunday, April 24, 2022

Erik Meyer, organ

performing Petr Eben's *Musica Dominicalis*
and other works

masks and distanced seating for audience
preregistration for limited seating recommended • livestream option
www.apcusa.org/MusicAtAbington

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We are updating our church quarterly envelope mailing list.

If you no longer need or wish to receive offering envelopes, please contact either Betty Gwiazdowski or Susan Schied at the church office at 215-887-4530.

Thanks to all who give church envelopes in-person, via mail or who give electronically.

This QR Code takes you to the donation page on our APC website





4th Annual WKM Golf Outing

(Benefiting West Kensington Ministry)



Monday, May 9, 2022

Best Ball / Scramble Format

9:45 a.m. Shot-Gun Start

(Sign-In/Registration starting at 8:45 AM)

~ **Jeffersonville Golf Club** ~

Donation: \$175.00 per player

Includes: Lunch

Greens Fees and Cart

Putting Contest

Hole Prizes, Door Prizes

Post-Tournament Reception

A fun day to benefit a Critical Urban Ministry

And/Or: Sponsor a Hole - \$250

Sponsor or Donate a Prize - \$300 or prize value

Sponsor Golf Balls, with your logo - \$1000

Sponsor or Co-Sponsor Golf Outing - \$6000

Sponsor or Co-Sponsor Lunch - \$1500

Sponsor or Co-Sponsor Reception - \$2500

Silent Auction - Bid or Donate an Auction Item

Purchase Mulligans, 50/50 Raffle

To Register: go to www.westkensingtonministry.com
Click on the GREEN "Golfer Registration" icon
[It's near the bottom of the home page](#)



More info? Contact: Chad Pilling – pillingcb@gmail.com