

The Service for the Lord's Day

September 4, 2022 | 10:00 am

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRELUDE *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier BWV 633* | J.S. Bach

INTROIT *Bright* | Stevie Berryman

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Happy are those who walk blamelessly before God.

Blessed are those who walk in God's ways.

Happy are those who seek God with pure hearts.

Blessed are those who take shelter in God's teachings.

Happy are those who come together in unity.

Blessed are those who choose life.

*HYMN 69 *Here I Am Lord* | HERE I AM

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Holy God, for those times we have chosen death over life for ourselves, forgive us. For those times we have chosen death over life for others, forgive us. For those times we have chosen not to receive your blessings, forgive us. For those times we have prevented others from receiving your blessings, forgive us. For each time we have made the easy choice of law over the hard choice of love, forgive us. O God of mercy, hear our prayers.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 726, v. 5

The Summons | KELVINGROVE

Lord, Your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.

Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.

In your company I'll go

where your love and footsteps show.

Thus I'll move and live and grow in you
and you in me.

PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Psalm 1

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM *Christ Be All Around Me* | Michael W. Smith

SERMON TEXT Deuteronomy 30:15-20

SERMON *An Invitation to Live Well* | The Rev. Julia Fenn

RESPONDING IN GRATITUDE

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*HYMN 395 *Blessed Jesus at Your Word* | Liebster Jesu

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion Instructions: Upon invitation, please proceed up the center to the servers at the bottom of the chancel steps to receive communion elements – bread and juice (gluten-free wafers are available in the middle of each tray). Return along the side aisles to your seats with the elements. If you prefer, stay at your seat, place a hand over your heart, and a server will come to you. Once all have the elements, we will partake at the same time.

COMMUNION MUSIC *Taste and See* | James E. Moore, Jr.

CALL FOR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Under His Wings* | Don Wyrzten

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

SENDING FROM WORSHIP TO SERVICE

*HYMN 80 *You Shall Go Out With Joy*
THE TREES OF THE FIELD

*CHARGE

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Fellowship* | Patrick Lee

Leading Worship Today

The Rev. Julia Fenn, Parish Associate
Kiersten Hill, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries
Allison McQueen, Director of Children's Ministries
Wil Smith, Associate Director of Music and Organist
Patrick Lee, Principal Pianist and Accompanist
Sara Michael, Delci Lutes, Brendan Schuster and Karl Allen, vocalists
Confluence: John Ruby, Paul Day-Lucore and William Perkins
Children's Chimes:
Ellie Plenk, Owen Plenk, Elijah Rosen, Judah Rosen, Ian Rutherford
Steve Cearley & Emily Farina, Production

Flowers in the Chancel this morning are given in honor of the children of Wellshire Presbyterian Church.

Cover art: Marc Chagall, "The Ten Commandments (detail)".

Give Online



* The Congregation is invited to stand. Bold Print indicates congregational participation

Welcome visitors! Thank you for coming to Wellshire this morning. We are glad you're here:

Join us after worship for a cup of coffee in the Narthex, right outside the Sanctuary.

Childcare is located on the lower level of the building. Don't hesitate to ask for directions.

Hearing assistance devices are available at the usher's table.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rites of Passage

A HUGE THANK YOU is due some longtime volunteers who recently concluded their work in these roles: Bob Britt for his years of behind-the-scenes work for the Hunger Task Force, Carol Britt for her years of dedication to a most excellent church library, and Mark Christman for his years of work chairing the Carpenters Helpers coalition of churches supporting Habitat for Humanity. Your service is inspiring. Huzzah!

Benefit Concert – Lomagundi Clinic

Come support the Lomagundi Clinic – providing community healthcare at a church-based clinic in Chinhoyi, Zimbabwe. Featuring spirituals and jazz/funk band, Blue 88. Sunday, September 11, 5:00 at Wheatridge Presbyterian Church outdoor amphitheatre - 9180 W 38th Ave. Tickets \$20 at the door. Bring a picnic or purchase a \$6 pulled pork meal there.

Thank you from the Hunger Task Force and our neighbors that we've been able to help this summer. Your generosity allowed us to:

- Give \$1000 worth of King Sooper gift cards each to Schmitt Elementary, Ellis Elementary, Hamilton Middle School and the DPS Indian Center
- Give \$500 worth of King Soopers gift cards to Safe Open Spaces/Colorado Villages for the homeless camps
- \$1000 to Food Bank of the Rockies
- \$500 to the Lovve Project an organization in SE Denver that provides a hand up to our neighbors needing help.
- Continue our increased monthly payments of \$1,150 that benefit Metrocaring, the Gathering Place, Senior Support Services and New Genesis shelter.

Women's Retreat

Sign-up for the Wellshire Women's Retreat: September 23-25, 2022 at the Franciscan Retreat Center at Mount St. Francis in Colorado Springs. Visit the information table in the Narthex, or contact Dana Fullington at danafull@comcast.net for details.

Membership Exploration Class

Membership at Wellshire is open to ALL who affirm faith in Jesus Christ! Join the pastors for lunch and an informal information session and get-to-know-you. Sunday, October 9 at 12:00. Those interested in this formal commitment to faith in community would join in worship on Sunday, October 16. Contact krobbdavis@wpcdenver.org

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ANNOUNCEMENTS (cont.)

Reconnect Sunday—September 11

Kick off our Fall schedule with **TWO worship services at 8:45 and 11:00 am**

Ministry Fair

On Reconnect Sunday, learn how to be involved in the Wellshire community together – at the Ministry Fair in the Narthex between worship services.

DEACONS' PANCAKE BREAKFAST



Deacons Pancake Breakfast

Make no Mistake ... It's (almost) time for pancakes! There is only one more week to wait for the return of the Pancake Breakfast. Not a pancake fan? No worries, there will be eggs and ham as well. Don't waffle, just come. Follow the delicious smells wafting from the kitchen on Sept. 11, 8:00—11:00 am. Donations go to the Deacons' Fund.

Sing and Play Your Heart Out!

Choir and instrumental music groups for all ages are returning and we would love to welcome you to our community!

Mondays

- Celebration Ringers Handbell Group 7:00– 8:30 pm

Wednesdays

- Confluence Band at 5:00 pm
- Celebration Singers at 5:45 pm
- Sanctuary Choir at 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Sundays starting September 18

- Cherub Choir (K-2) at 4:15 pm
- Children's Choir (3-5) at 4:15 pm
- Middle and High School Choir at 4:15 pm by special arrangement.

Orchestra, instrumental and Wellshire Brass opportunities by special arrangement. Questions? Please contact Christine at cgaudreau@wpcdenver.org

CALENDAR

SEPT 11	Reconnect Sunday, TWO Worship services at 8:45 and 11:00 am, Pancake Breakfast, Ministry Fair
SEPT 18	3rd Grade Bibles
SEPT 23-25	Women's Retreat
SEPT 30-OCT 2	All Youth Fall Retreat



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