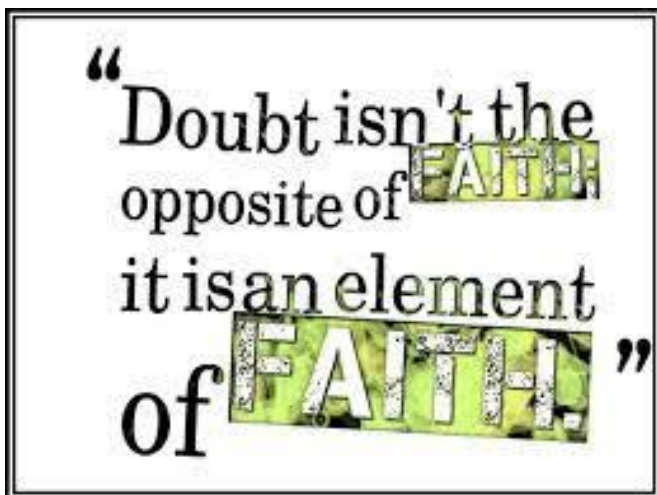




Wasatch Presbyterian Church
www.wpcslc.org

*Wherever you are on your journey of faith,
You are welcome here!*

Let Us Worship Together!



*Inaction breeds doubt and fear.
Action breeds confidence and courage.
If you want to conquer fear, do not sit home and think about it.
Go out and get busy.*
—Dale Carnegie

***Second Sunday of Easter
April 7, 2024 10:00pm***

About This Week...

Welcome to Worship Today. We gather in this beautiful place to reconnect with old friends and meet new friends, to reflect upon life and its complexities from fresh spiritual perspectives, and to connect with the One who created us, loves us dearly, and connects us into one fortunate family. Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you are welcome here, as we journey together in faith and hope.

Everyone is Welcome at the Lord's Table!

Today we celebrate one of only two sacraments in our church, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. It is also known as "communion." When we eat the bread (**which is all gluten-free**) and drink the cup, we remember Jesus' last supper with his followers, and the connection God has made with humanity through Jesus. All of you are welcome to partake, regardless of your denomination or church membership. God invites us all to share the "feast" which has been prepared.

About Today's Service

On the second Sunday of Easter, we explore the uneasy reality of doubt. While it can sometimes hold us back, doubt can often drive us forward into new learnings and leanings.

Prayer for Today

Dear God, Easter was really nice last week. I really liked the music and the excitement of the day. It all seemed real to me! But then this week I went back into my regular life, and the "realness" of Easter seemed to fade away into the background. What I would really like is to hear the words, "Peace be with you." Peacefully yours. Amen.

Notes for Worship

Additional children's worship materials are near the side door.

Childcare is available for ages 4 & under in the nursery.

* Indicates that you may stand if you desire.

Prayer requests are gathered by Deacons during children's message.

Please note that all worship services are live streamed and recorded.

Deacon on Duty: Elaine Jarvik Ushers: Mark Huff, Rocky Cox
& Peter Stirba

Prior to the service, you are invited to prepare yourself for worship. Some people prefer to meditate or pray, while others may chat quietly with their fellow-worshippers as a way to connect and focus.

Organ Prelude We Walk by Faith Dr. Ken Udy
by Charles Callahan (1951–2023) & Robert J. Powell (b. 1932)

Gathering Together

Our worship leaders call us together to draw our attention forward and upward. We all sing together to join our voices and our hearts.

***Gathering Song** Oceans (Where Feet May Fail) pg 87 Green Book

***Welcome**

***Chiming of the Bell**

***Call to Worship** Psalm 133:1-3

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!
It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the Lord ordained his blessing, life forevermore.

*We focus our attention first on God's glory,
and offer our praise in word and song.*

***Opening Prayer**

Mighty Lord Jesus, in your resurrection you not only defeated death and triumphed over evil, you also returned to us.

You breathed your Holy Spirit upon us, and empowered us to follow you all the days of our lives. Continue to return to us and strengthen us in our weakness. Continue to empower us.

Continue to call us and to raise us from our deadly enslavement to sin and death. Amen!

***Opening Hymn** We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight Hymn 817

Reflecting on God's glory makes us aware of our human sinfulness and need for forgiveness. This honesty before God and each other opens our hearts to receive God's forgiveness, which we celebrate with song and sharing.

Prayer of Confession

Easter continues, dear God. As we re-experience your presence, we are reminded of our own doubts, fears and unbelief.

It isn't that we intentionally choose to reject you; it's just that we are easily distracted. Our lives are very busy and we move on to the "next thing" so quickly that sometimes the "last thing" didn't have a chance to sink in. Sometimes we are confronted with your presence and we miss the significance of the moment—it's lost from our sight. Forgive us for the many times we are distracted and miss your presence. Thank you for coming back for us—time and time again. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

The appearance of Jesus to his despondent disciples assures us that the Living Christ will not allow anything to separate us from his grace.

The Easter story continues in our lives every time we seek forgiveness and experience the abiding presence of God's grace.

The Risen Christ keeps coming back to his people, keeps sending them forth, keeps giving them what they need to be faithful.

Then let us shout the refrain for all to remember: In Jesus Christ, we all are forgiven! Alleluia! Amen!

***Gloria Patri**

Hymn 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be

World without end. Amen. Amen.

***Passing of the Peace**

May the peace of Christ be with you

And also with you!

All who are able and willing may greet those people near them by saying "Peace be with you" or other words of greeting.

Listening Together

Children's Message

All children are invited to come forward for a special message for them.

Parents are invited to bring smaller ones.

*Children are then invited to exit the sanctuary
and participate in a special time of learning and worship.*

Prayer for Illumination

Risen Lord Jesus, we gather today still unsure about what your resurrection may mean for us. As we open your word, please open our hearts to your wondrous peace given so freely in love. Amen.

Scripture Reading

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Believing When It Doesn't Make Sense

Bob Sheldon

Responding Together

*Once we hear God's Word, we want to respond in word and in deed,
so we say what we believe, we give of what God has given us,
and we pray together as an active part of our worship and witness.*

*We give and receive an offering as a response
to what we have heard in worship and what we have been given in life.
Our giving is an offering to God. All offerings, whether made in the worship
service or outside of it, are part of our worship of God.
Offerings are to be given freely, gratefully, and hopefully.*

Offertory

Pavane, op. 50 Jane Hereim, flutist
by Gabriel Fauré (1845–1924)

Use the QR code
for online giving



***Doxology**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures, here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Life of the Church

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Communion Anthem Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether Chancel Choir
by Harold Friedell (1905–1958)

(for text refer to Hymn 529)

Invitation to the Table

*Everyone is invited to partake and celebrate the connection
God has made with us through this sacrament.*

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and the 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

The Words of Institution

We remember and reiterate the words Jesus shared with his followers during his last supper with them. The bread represents his body given for all; the cup represents his blood (part of all old testament covenants), forming a new covenant, or agreement, with God.

Bread and wine were part of every first-century meal, so when Jesus said, "Do this in remembrance of me," he meant to remember him every day.

Prayer after Communion

In this meal we have tasted and seen that you are good, O Lord. Give us hearts filled with your love, minds zealous to know you, hands and feet willing to serve you, and wills set on following you into the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Going Together

We are sent into the world to bear witness to God's glory and love, knowing that God has gone ahead of us to prepare the way and to prepare the people we will help.

Worship ends on this hopeful note—and continues in all we do and become. Go into the world with confidence and love!

***Closing Song**

Believe

pg. 15 Green Book

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude

Thine Is the Glory
by Robert Jones (b. 1945)

Dr. Ken Udy

Bible Passage

John 20 v 19-31

Resurrection
Appearances

Today in church we learned that...

Jesus appeared to lots of different people after his death and resurrection including his disciples. Just like Thomas we might have questions and doubts, but we are invited to believe in him today.

Memory Verse

Romans 10 v 9

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and if you believe in your heart that God raised Jesus from the dead, you will be saved.

Why not take some time this week to revisit the Bible Passage, use the questions below to talk and share together and connect with God using these activities. You might like to try and remember the memory verse as well.

Pick the activities that work best for you.

Family Fun Together

Picnic together: There are lots of different stories in the Bible about people meeting with Jesus after he had come back to life, in one story Jesus even prepares a breakfast beach picnic to share with his friends the disciples after they have been fishing. Why not prepare and go for a picnic together this week or have a picnic style breakfast together in your own home or garden!

A question for adults to ask children

Can you think of a time when you felt like you missed out on something?

A question for children to ask adults

Can you tell me about something that happened in your life which really helped grow your faith?

Connect with God Together

Thomas wouldn't believe until he had touched Jesus' wounds for himself. We might not be able to touch God, but we can experience and encounter Him for ourselves.

We can connect to God in many ways, through quiet reflection and listening, worship and singing, reading the Bible or walking in creation. Set aside some time to do one of these things together and pray, asking God to help you feel connected to Him today.

Questions challenge

Thomas had questions and doubts when he heard what the other disciples had experienced. Having questions is part of how we learn and discover new things. It is good for us to ask our own questions and to actively seek to discover more about God and the Bible.

Everybody should come up with a question they would like answered. It could be about God, the Bible or faith. Your challenge is to help each other discover an answer to your question this week! Where might you look for the answers? Who might you ask to help you?

Spiritual Formation Sunday at 9am

Pre-K & Younger - Nursery

7th - 12th (Youth) - Loft

Adult Education - Library

K - 6th - Children's Fun Time in the Gym
"Funday School" is after the Children's
Message during Worship
(Approx 10:15am)



Adult Education
April 7 and 14
9:00am

The Hound of Heaven

by Francis Thompson

Explore this deep Christian
intrigue with

Margo Andrews



Church Library or Zoom

Meeting ID: 536 010 3387

Password: wasatch20

Bible Adventures

a weekly Bible study
All are Welcome

Engaging discussions and sharing
The Gospel of Luke

Tuesdays at 10:30am
Church Library

Wednesday Women's Bible Study

Weekly at 9am in the Library

A Welcoming and Inviting Group,
Questioning is Encouraged.
Group Led, We Read Different
Translations of the Bible to Discern
and Interpret Meaning.

The James Code

Come and explore
putting faith into action

Wasatch Presbyterian Men
& others

at weekly breakfast

Thursday at 8:30am

IHOP (4500 S. Highland Dr.)

Women of Wasatch Martha's Circle Bible Study

Thursday,

April 11

10:30am

Conference Room
or on Zoom



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Ways to Get Involved, Fellowship & Events

Women of Wasatch

Monthly Book Club

Join us each month on the
2nd Tuesday at 5pm
for dinner and discussion.

We read a book every other month and
all are welcome to come whether you've
read the book or not!

April 9th from 5-7pm

For More Info, Contact
Janet Wortley
rjwortley@comcast.net



Women's Weekend Book Club

A mission of Wasatch Presbyterian
Church's Youth Committee to
foster a small group for all moms
and other women in the church.

Join us for our
upcoming gatherings!

Saturday, April 27th: TBA

Friday, May 31st: TBA

Contact Shannon
(baker_shannon@msn.com)
if you would like to join in
and get more information.



Coffee Hour

Volunteers Make it Happen!

Each Month a Committee
is signed up to Set Up &
Clean Up Coffee Hour
and provide snacks.

 Thank You!

Coffee Hour set up & clean
up for this month is
brought to you by
Worship & Music and
Buildings & Grounds.



Wasatch Presbyterian Preschool
Annual Fun Fair Fundraiser

WINE DONATIONS NEEDED

Every Year we gather bottles of
wine to auction as part of our
Spring Fun Fair Fundraiser Auction.

Questions?
Contact our
Preschool Director
Misa Anderson
manderson@wpcslc.org



Bottles can be dropped off in the church office



Registration Open NEW 8 WEEK SUMMER CAMP

We've got a fun summer planned!
Themed weeks have different activities
like water days, a treasure hunt, dino
adventures, music play & more!

Come for as many weeks as you want.

Visit wasatchpreschool.org to
Save Your Spot for Summer Fun!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

ALL AGES, GENDERS & ABILITIES INVITED TO HELP

We Meet Monthly at WPC in the Conference Room & Zoom
Meeting ID: 536 010 3387 Passcode: wasatch20

Thursday, April 18
10:30am-Noon

- We Make Reusable items out of Plarn (Plastic Yarn)
- Sort, Fold, Cut or Crochet

Thursday, May 16
10:30am-Noon

- At least 8,000 plastic grocery bags have been kept out of the landfill so far!



Scan QR code to Learn More about Plasticity & How to help if you can't make it Thursday.



100% of donations go to outreach, supplies, & operating cost

Plasticity is a non profit organization
Environmental Service Project
Sponsored by the Women of Wasatch

You, too, can be a
Happy Camper!



Come join us for a week of enjoying God's mountains with children who need you. Utah Royal Kids is a week-long summer camp for kids from the foster care system. Each of these precious children has been abused, neglected, and has had a very rough start in life. This is a ministry in your own backyard that costs you nothing but your time. There are two different times this summer, come to one or both!

June 23-28 and July 28-Aug 2

All kinds of jobs available: No experience is necessary!

counselors
mentors
social workers
nurses
support staff
registration
organizing
arts and crafts
reading bedtime stories
hanging out with the kids
playing music

These children do not require much, and sadly, they don't expect much.

If you can sit and listen, see them, hear them, and stand by them, you're a shoe-in!

For More Info, Visit: www.utahroyalkids.org

Call/Email Shelley Horel

801-870-9454 rochellehorel@gmail.com.

She would love to answer questions!

See you at camp!

WPC Elders (Session Members)

Kent Anderson	<i>Administrative</i>
Clare Coonan	<i>Buildings & Grounds</i>
Jeremy Cunningham	<i>Membership</i>
Russ Fericks	<i>Personnel</i>
Liz Harald	<i>Preschool & Nominating</i>
Michael Holloway	<i>Budget & Finance</i>
Shelley Horel	<i>Mission Ministries</i>
Stephan Jacob	<i>Personnel</i>
Ethan Kiburtz	<i>Youth Ministry</i>
Stasha Lewis	<i>Children's Ministry</i>
Bretta Pirie-Srivastava	<i>Worship & Music</i>
Stacey Riekhof	<i>Membership</i>
Marty Shannon	<i>Adult Education</i>
Sam Whitaker	<i>Congregational Life</i>
Elizabeth Zeldes	<i>Nominating</i>

Board of Deacons

Jerri Crawford	<i>Moderator</i>
Anna Cordes	<i>Secretary/Treasurer</i>
Anne Elliott	<i>FH Kitchen</i>
Valerie Greer	<i>Meals Coordinator</i>
Linda Griffen	<i>Care & Concern</i>
Paul Hewitt	<i>Care & Concern</i>
Pat Homer	<i>Prayer Cards</i>
Elaine Jarvik	<i>Funerals/Memorials</i>
Alec Lalonde	<i>Card Ministry</i>
Rachna Masih	<i>St. Vincent's</i>
Patrick Newton	<i>Flowers</i>
Kellie Noring	<i>Funerals/Memorials</i>
Lisa Vitkus	<i>Transportation</i>

Monday, April 8

- 5:00pm: SAC Committee Mtg
- 7:00pm: Adult Ed Committee
- 7:00pm: Bell Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday, April 9

- 10:30am: WPC Staff Mtg
- 10:30am: Bible Adventures
- 4:00pm: Buildings & Grounds Mtg
- 5:00pm: WoW Book Club
- 5:30pm: Budget & Finance Mtg
- 6:30pm: Cub Scouts
- 7:00pm: Youth Committee Mtg
- 7:30pm: Congregational Life Mtg

Wednesday, April 10

- 9:00am: Women's Bible Study
- 4:30pm: Girl Scout Troop #2260
- 6:00pm: Worship & Music Mtg
- 6:00pm: Pastor Nominating Mtg
- 7:00pm: Boy Scouts
- 7:00pm: Children's Ministry Mtg

Thursday, April 11

- 8:30am: Presbyterian Men IHOP gathering
- 10:30am: WoW Bible Study
- 7:00pm: Mission Ministries Mtg
- 7:00pm: Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, April 12

- 5:00pm: Officer Orientation

Saturday, April 13

- 9:00am: Officer Orientation

Sunday, April 14

- 9:00am: Adult & Youth Spiritual Formation
Children's Fun Time
- 9:30am: Chancel & Children's Choir
- 10:00am: Worship + Livestream
Children's Sunday School
- 11:00am: Coffee Hour

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