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# God's Proof



## What's up in worship?

**Today:** Our favorite seminary student Becky Sausser is going to talk about how God's greatest proof for His existence can be found in creation, and the greatest proof of his love can be found in Jesus. Acknowledge Earth Day at Wesley Church!

**Next Week:** Returning to an issue our church identified at the beginning of last year, love is the number one identified value at Wesley. Yet it must have some parameters. How do we define love in the sense of being in (non-romantic) relationship with one another? One thing is for sure: There is no love for God if there is no love for brother and sister. Join us as we consider: "What's Love Got to Do with It?"

## Today's Community Connections:

- The Northampton County Outstanding Seniors Awards will take place at Wesley Church on Thursday, April 26, 2018
- The "We Got Your Back" Backpack Ministry would like to remind you of their spaghetti dinner THIS SATURDAY, April 28<sup>th</sup>. Dinner at 6 p.m.; Auction begins at 7 p.m. Visit the ministry table in the atrium for more information.
- If you are interested in providing fresh flowers for worship, please sign up at the *Connections Corner* table. (See bullet point below.)
- Feel like you missed something? The *Connections Corner* table can help. Head across the atrium and get the information you need just under the tv monitor.
- Don't receive our weekly e-news? Please email Sue Kiefner at: [SueK@wesleychurch.com](mailto:SueK@wesleychurch.com) or sign up at *Connections Corner* to get on the list!

Due to the presence of illnesses making their way around the congregation (and the community), you are encouraged not to shake hands, but rather fist bump or elbow tap your friends and fellow believers during the greeting.

## Worship Alert!

Please be aware of the following time change in worship:

**May 20<sup>th</sup>:** You are invited to a Celebration of Church and Faith as we celebrate Pentecost all together at **9:00 AM** (please note the time!). 14 youth will be confirmed and we will acknowledge the 50<sup>th</sup> birthday of the United Methodist Church. Come party with us!

In addition to the above change, Wesley Church will be moving to its summer schedule on May 27<sup>th</sup>. We will worship together in one blended worship style through the summer at 10 AM. Any questions can be asked of Pastor Andy, preferably during the week. Please call or email!

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## Today's morning schedule:

9:00 – Contemporary worship  
10:15 – Sunday School for all ages  
11:00 – Classic (traditional) worship  
Hospitality is offered in the atrium.

Church office hours are  
from 9 AM-3 PM weekdays  
during the school year.

† invites all to stand, if able.

## Contemporary Worship Order

April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 – Fourth Sunday of Easter; Earth Day Recognition

- † Welcome and Greeting Andrew Krpata, Pastor
- † Praising God in Song *Lord Most High and Famous One* The Ensemble
- † Scripture Job 38:1-7,16-18; John 1:1-14 Sam Graybeal, Reader
- Children's Message Pastor Andy, Leader
- Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer** Bob and Pastor Andy  
Whether offering your prayer aloud or keeping it confidential, please continue to fill out the blue cards and place them in the offering so that the prayer team may continue to faithfully do its work. Thank you!  
**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass 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.**
- Giving Our Tithes, Offerings and Other Gifts**  
*2 Cor 9:13: Men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else.*  
The blue *Sign-in Cards / Prayer Cards* are available in the pew racks. They, as well as your morning offering, can be placed in the offering plates as they are passed along your pew. Thank you!
- Music during the Offering:** *Your Grace Finds Me* The Ensemble
- Message** "God's' Proof" Rebecca Sausser, Supervised Ministry Student
- Musical Response** *How Great Thou Art* (Newsong) The Ensemble  
The words to the musical response are identical to the hymn by the same name, which can be found in the hymnal, #77 . The chorus is modified slightly, adding the following phase in the chorus:  
*Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
Then sings my soul, my Savior, God, to Thee  
How great Thou art, how great Thou art  
How great You are, how great You are*
- Community Connections** (Please see front of bulletin) Andy and Bob
- † Closing Song *I Could Sing of Your Love Forever* The Ensemble
- † Closing Words
- † Dismissal

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## Classic Worship Order

April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 – Fourth Sunday of Easter; Earth Day Recognition

**Prelude**      *Sonatine, Movement II (Mouvement de Menuet)* (M. Ravel)      Becky Graybeal, Piano

† **Welcome and Greeting**      Andrew Krpata, Pastor

† **Opening Hymn**      *All Creatures of Our God and King*      #62, United Methodist Hymnal

### Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Bob and Pastor Andy

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**Offertory**      *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (Arr. C Berry)      Becky, piano

† **Doxology: #94**      Hymnal

### † Prayer of Dedication

† **Scripture**      Job 38:1-7,16-18; John 1:1-14      Beverly Mariner, Reader

† **Hymn:**      *All Things Bright and Beautiful*      #147, Hymnal

**Message**      "God's Proof"      Rebecca Sausser, Supervised Ministry Student

**Musical Response**      *For the Beauty of the Earth* (Arr. Sally DeFord)      Chancel Choir

The words to the musical response are identical to the hymn by the same name, which can be found in the hymnal, # .

**Community Connections** (Please see front of bulletin)      Andy and Bob

† **Closing Hymn**      *How Great Thou Art*      #77, Hymnal

### † Benediction

† **Benediction Response**      *The Trees of the Field* (S. G. Rubin & S. Dauermann)

† **Postlude**      *Sonatina , Allegretto* (G. F. Handel)      Becky, piano

*"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything.  
Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done."*

**Philippians 4:6 New Living Translation**

**APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup>** **Laurie Bilheimer & Scott Stackhouse** ask for son to make the right decisions; Joy that my son is safe; prayers for healing for a patient who has cancer; for Andrew's health; for couple who lost adult son due to health complications. **Chris Foster** for everyone involved & present at Basic Christ Minister Training at Covenant Church; For Natasha, Josh & baby; health and safety during this home stretch. For all refugees, safety & survival and for protection and comfort to the Syrian citizens. **Marlene Glass** prayers to reduce carbs to bring sugar level down. **Cindy Ivins** asks for strength and healing for Harry Pursell dealing with increasing kidney problems. **Sandy & Andy Kereczman** pray for good health for both of them. **Sue Kiefner** for continued prayers for my father-in-law in memory care unit. **Frank Madura** asks God's healing for Dennis, Chuck & Mary – all with cancer. God's wisdom as my mother's caregiver & my job search. **Christian Lockhart** for prayers for Aunt Gloria with ongoing medical issue now includes decreased kidney function. **Wayne & Lisa Muffley** ask for prayers for AJ – has abnormal bilirubin and is being sent to a specialist; prayers that the cause is benign and can be fixed. **Sherri Navatier** for my brother Steve to get a good job & his life & heart turn in positive direction. **Kasey Renowden** for safe travels and for a healthy fortnight in Florida and return journey home. For Mary, Debbie, Jamie, & Francis with cancer. Janet & Debbie with R.A. Dick & Brenda with stage 4 cancers. **Ray & Lin Robey** for prayers for healing for Jack, Laurie, & Donna. Prayers for those grieving & dealing with loss of a loved one. Continued prayers for grandson Derek. **Karen Schaefer** asks continued prayers for Andrew and Mary; they continue to be challenged by addictions. Prayers for Sandy & her son/daughter-in-law on the very early birth of grandson & son. He has been moved to a higher level of intensive care.

**APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup>** **Craig Beach** prayers for Carol, radiation treatments for a growth in lung. **Kelly Hines** prayers for successful knee surgery. **Chris Jacobsen** for his mom, Sue Jacobsen who struggles with memory issues and for Dad who is primary caregiver to have strength to be strong. **Ray & Lin Robey** for Ashley & her family at this difficult time. Continued prayers for grandson Derek. **Deb Silliman** for growth for our teachers, preschool & families at Wesley, to be better disciples and stronger in community together.

**JOYS AND PRAISES:** **Laurie Bilheimer & Scott Stackhouse** Joy that my son is safe and prayers for his healing. **Patti Tironi** He is Risen! I share the joy of Wesley music under the loving, caring direction of Becky and Frank. Thank you for all you do! **Wendy Smith** with joy for this wonderful day – Celebrate my Lord – He has risen today!! **Audrey Vigilanti** gives Joy – Praises – Ricky is coming home in 2 weeks. All going well. Thank you for all your prayers. Praise the Lord! **Jeff Krause'** surgery for removal of cancer, **Reggie Young** the surgery was successful, all the cancer removed. **Walt & Carolyn Migliori** that **Keenan's** procedure went well. **Frank Madura** shares praise to God for the caregivers Group & the Thursday Men's Group. Praise God for my being saved. Praise for **Gabby** recovering from kidney disease.

**PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY TO:** **Ray & Lin Robey** on the passing of Ashley. **Betty Weaver** for Tom, Colleen & family on passing of Tom Crabel.

**CONTINUED HEALING/PRAYER CONCERNS:** **Tom Keel** prayers/ rehab from foot surgery. **Bob & Carol Barron** for **Louis Horwath**, Hospice. **Meg Ksenzakovic** for Keith's mom. **Walt & Carolyn Migliori** for Walt's dad, Martin, amputation recovery. **Shirley Brandon's** back. **Kelly Hines' father/** Parkinson's disease. **Andy Kereczman** cancer. **Reggie Young** lung cancer surgery. **Rebecca Flores** chemo & radiation. **Ricky Sterner**, lung transplant & heart surgery. **Melissa Day** cancer surgery. **Betty Holt**, Mesothelioma. **Peter Marmaras'** mother, Kate. **Chuck & Wendy Stehly** for Jeff, brain cancer; Ivelisse with breast cancer.

**THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP:** **At Home:** George & Martha Danner, Betty Hein, Naomi Jones  
**Gracedale** Nancy Breon, Jane Sandt, Dorothy Coolin  
**Moravian Village** Agnes Smith, Yolanda McKinnon  
**King's Daughters** Gertrude Kunsman  
**Kirkland Village** Barbara Guldner  
**Westminster Village** Howard & Shirley Beiseigel, Lorene Arnold  
**Arlington (Easton)** Sylvia Thele  
**Manor Care** Frances Brandon  
**Sterling Heights** Peggy Jacobson  
**Traditions of Hanover** Marian Jeffery  
**Traditions HOA** Betty Holt

**WESLEY CHURCH MINISTRIES:** Our teachers and facilitators; Good Grief: Men's & Women's Small groups, TEACHRwanda; Visitation/Stephen Ministry; We've Got Your Backpack Day; Backpack Buddies; Cancer Support Group; Wesley Community Garden; Lehigh Valley Outreach Depot; Young Inquirers Confirmation Class; UMC Leadership; Wesley Community Food Garden

We ask that you please update your prayer request information at **least every two weeks**.  
 This ensures that your request will remain on the Prayer List. Thank you.