

VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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4th Sunday after Pentecost

July 06, 2025 ▪ 10:00 a.m.



Lectionary Selections of Scripture for this Sunday:

2 Kings 5:1-14 ~ Psalm 30

Galatians 6:(1-6), 7-16 ~ Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

**Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)
is a welcoming, active, community-oriented,
theologically Reformed congregation
where all people are celebrated and valued
as we worship the Triune God, engage in mission,
and serve our community and beyond.**

Gathering around God's Word

PRELUDE

CHIMES

LET THE CHILDREN COME

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL to WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 66:1-5)

Liturgist: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

All: sing God's glorious name; shout out glorious praise.

Liturgist: Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!

All: All the earth worships you; they sing praises to your name."

Liturgist: Come and see what God has done:

All: tell of God's awesome deeds among all people!

OPENING PRAYER

O Lord our God, you are always more ready to bestow your good gifts upon us than we are to seek them. You are more willing to give than we desire or deserve. Help us so to seek that we may truly find, so to ask that we may joyfully receive, so to knock that the door of mercy may be opened for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

⌘ OPENING HYMN of PRAISE

Come Share the Lord, GtG 510

CONFESSION and time of self-examination *(congregation may be seated)*

Leader: We cannot be perfect, but we can be faithful by noticing where we've fallen short and asking God to set us right. Let us therefore confess our sins together.

All: Patient God, you call and call and we come up with every excuse why we can't answer, at least not right now. Forgive our fear. Remind us that when we answer your call, we will not be sent out alone, but filled with your gifts, surrounded by your children, and held in your love. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Rock and Redeemer.

SILENT PRAYER of CONFESSION

SUNG RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy, GtG 551

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the good news! The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

⌘ GLORIA PATRI *Glory Be to the Father, GtG 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 the PEACE of CHRIST

May the Peace of Christ be with you! **And also, with you!**

Encountering God's Word

⌘ SONG of ILLUMINATION

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ, **GtG 526**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(Preschool-aged children are dismissed to the nursery)

The ANTHEM

Let Us Build a House

Choral Setting by Lloyd Larson

with

"All Are Welcome"

Words and Music by Marty Haugen

Please refer to **GtG 301, vv. 1, 2, 4, and 5.**

and

"Come Build a Church"

Words and Music by Ken Medema

Come build a church with soul and spirit,

come build a church of flesh and bone.

We need no tower rising skyward;

no house of wood, or glass, or stone.

Come build a church with human frailty.

Come build a church of flesh and blood.

Jesus shall be its sure foundation.

It shall be built by the hand of God.

The SCRIPTURE

HEBREW TESTAMENT READING:

2 Kings 5:1-14

NEWER TESTAMENT READING:

Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

The Word of the Lord ... **Thanks be to God!**

MORNING MESSAGE

Living for Jesus

Rev. Erica L. Harley

Responding to God's Word

⌘ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (adapted from the Confession of 1967)

To be reconciled to God is to be sent into the world as God's reconciling community, to share God's labor of healing the hostilities which separate people from God and from each other. Christ has called the church to this mission and given it the gift of the Holy Spirit. The church follows Christ's pattern in the form of its life and

in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.

⌘ SONG of AFFIRMATION

Please see screen.

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations, Celebrational Hymnal #446

⌘ INVITATION to the OFFERING

Leader: We are promised that the harvest is plentiful; there is more than enough to go around. Trusting that God has provided abundantly enough for our needs, let us build up God's church by making our offerings now. *(congregation may be seated)*

The OFFERTORY

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Words and Music by Sy Miller and Jill Jackson

Arranged by Jay Althouse

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Father, brothers all are we.

Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me. Let this be the moment now.

With ev'ry step I take, let this be my solemn vow:

to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth and let it begin with me.

⌘ DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow, GtG 606*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

⌘ PRAYER of DEDICATION

Holy God, bless our gifts of money, passion, time and prayer, that they may travel far in your world, blessing your children in every place. Amen. *(congregation may be seated)*

The SACRAMENT of HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Leader: This is the joyful feast of the people of God! People will come from north and south and from east and west to sit at table in the kingdom of God. According to Luke, when our risen Lord was at table with his disciples, he took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. This is the Lord's Table. Our Savior invites those who trust him to share the feast that he has prepared.

Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Leader: Praise to you, O God, for all your works. You created the world and called it good and made us in your image to live together in love. You made a covenant with us, and even when we turned from you, you remained ever faithful. Therefore, with all creation we sing your praise:

All Sing:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

Leader: We give you thanks that the Lord Jesus on the night before he died, took bread, and after giving thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me. In the same way Jesus took the cup, saying: This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you and for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith:

All Sing: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Leader: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these your gifts of bread and wine that the bread we break and the cup we bless may be the communion of the body and blood of Christ. Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, now and forever.

All Sing: Amen, amen, amen.

All please join in singing.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, which 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, Amen.

Leader: Jesus said: I am the bread of life. Jesus also said: I am the vine, you are the branches. Come to me and never be hungry; believe in me and never thirst. The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Breaking of the Bread and Pouring of Cup

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

Leader: God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

Taking God's Word out, into our Worlds

⌘ CLOSING HYMN *The Lord Now Sends Us Forth, GtG 747*

⌘BENEDICTION

⌘BENEDICTION RESPONSE

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me, GtG 700

⌘ POSTLUDE

⌘ Please stand if able.

GtG=Glory to God Hymnal

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10:00 a.m. Service of Worship regularly broadcast over WKWK-FM 97.3

Today's worship service liturgy is written by Carol Holbrook Prickett and provided for free distribution by *Presbyterian Outlook*, 2025.

AdVance Announcements

- Welcome to Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church, a traditional church with Spirit, serving the greater Wheeling Community and beyond! We welcome our radio congregation listening to our live worship on 97.3 WKWK-FM and to our Facebook Live congregation watching on facebook.com/VancePresbyterian. Remote listeners can go to vancechurch.org, select the "News" tab and choose "Bulletin" to follow along with a PDF of the worship service. If you ever need prayer or would like home communion, please contact the church office at 1-304-232-0980.
- Worship guests are particularly welcome this morning. Please stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex to receive a free gift and to leave us your contact information.
- We thank Scott Winters for serving as liturgist today.
- Next week is as follows:
 - Ushers are Diane Crowl, Audrey Abraham, Sue Abraham, John Looney, Ann Bopp
 - Greeter is Jane Hare
 - Liturgist is Jeanne Finstein
 - Welcome Center Volunteer is Frank Provance



**WHEELING
SYMPHONY
ORCHESTRA**

**Community in Concert
A Night of Music For Flood Relief
July 10, 2025, 7:30pm**

**\$20 suggested donation with 100% of all
proceeds going to United Way, Upper Ohio
Valley's Flood Relief Fund**

Vance Calendar

Week of July 06, 2025 through July 13, 2025

Sunday, July 06

- **10am, Communion Worship Service, Sanctuary**
- **6pm, Ice Cream Social, Fellowship Hall**
- 6pm, Washington Presbyterian Church Fellowship Group, *Robbie Clarke Room*

Monday, July 07

- 11am, Red Cross Blood Drive, *Fellowship Hall*
- 12pm, Al-Anon Support Group, *Wheeler Conference Room*
- **12pm, VBS Meeting, Squibb Room**
- 1pm, UOVP Peacemaking Committee, *General Presbyters Office*
- **5pm, New Believers' Bible Study, Merriman Chapel**
- 7pm, Wheeling Symphony Orchestra Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

Tuesday, July 08

- 6pm, Ohio County Master Gardener's Meeting, *Wheeler Room*
- 7pm, Scouts Troops 6 and 6000 Meeting, *Fellowship Hall & C.E. Classrooms*
- 7pm, Wheeling Symphony Orchestra Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

Wednesday, July 09

- 6pm, Narcotics Anonymous, *C.E. Chapel*
- 7pm, Jr. League, *JL 3rd Floor Room*

Thursday, July 10

- 4pm, Wheeling Symphony Orchestra Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*
- **4:30pm, Vets with Guitars, Merriman Chapel**
- **5pm, Community Dinner, Fellowship Hall**
- 5pm, Every Body Dances, *Fellowship Hall*
- **6:30pm, Celebrate Recovery, Merriman Chapel**
- 7:30pm, Wheeling Symphony Orchestra Concert, *Sanctuary*

Friday, July 11

Saturday, July 12

- 8:30pm, Alcoholic's Anonymous, *Potter Chapel*

Sunday, July 13

- **10am, Worship Service, Sanctuary**
- **12:30pm, VBS Training, Christ United Methodist Church**
- **6pm, Youth Group, Robbie Clarke Room**

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**Vance Church events are in bold type.**

Vance Church also houses the offices of Upper Ohio Valley Presbytery, Young Life,  
Junior League, Harmony House,  
and Wishing Well Learning Center.