

**Welcome to Penn Wynne Presbyterian Church
130 Haverford Road
Wynnewood, PA19096**



**First Lesson: Isaiah 5: 1-7
Second Lesson: Luke 12: 49-56
Sermon: "Jesus, the Great Divider"
August 17, 2025**

Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship**

LEADER: In the midst of meaningless

PEOPLE: You call us to meaning, O God.

LEADER: In the midst of divisiveness

PEOPLE: You call us to community through Christ.

LEADER: Out of our brokenness

PEOPLE: You call us to wholeness and a new life in the Spirit.

ALL: In praise and thanksgiving, let us worship God!

***Opening Song:**

Responsive Reading Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-19 (NIV)

1 Hear us, Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock.

You who sit enthroned between the cherubim, shine forth ² before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh. Awaken your might; come and save us.

⁸You transplanted a vine from Egypt; you drove out the nations and planted it.

⁹**You cleared the ground for it, and it took root and filled the land.**

¹⁰The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches.

¹¹**Its branches reached as far as the Sea, its shoots as far as the River.**

¹² Why have you broken down its walls so that all who pass by pick its grapes?

¹³ **Boars from the forest ravage it, and insects from the fields feed on it.**

¹⁴ Return to us, God Almighty! Look down from heaven and see!

Watch over this vine, ¹⁵ the root your right hand has planted, the son you have raised up for yourself.

¹⁶ Your vine is cut down, it is burned with fire; at your rebuke your people perish.

¹⁷ **Let your hand rest on the man at your right hand, the son of man you have raised up for yourself.**

¹⁸ Then we will not turn away from you; revive us, and we will call on your name.

¹⁹ **Restore us, Lord God Almighty; make your face shine on us, that we may be saved.**

***Song of Confession**

Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Song of Confession Reprise

First Lesson: *Isaiah 5: 1-7 (NIV)*

⁵ I will sing for the one I love a song about his vineyard: My loved one had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. ² He dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines. He built a watchtower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then he looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit. ³ “Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and people of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. ⁴ What more could have been done for my vineyard than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? ⁵ Now I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge, and it will be destroyed; I will break down its wall, and it will be trampled. ⁶ I will make it a wasteland, neither pruned nor cultivated, and briars and thorns will grow there. I will command the clouds not to rain on it.” ⁷ The vineyard of the Lord Almighty is the nation of Israel, and the people of Judah are the vines he delighted in. And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed; for righteousness, but heard cries of distress.

Second Lesson: *Luke 12: 49-56 (NIV)*

⁴⁹ “I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ But I have a baptism to undergo, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division. ⁵² From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three. ⁵³ They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.” ⁵⁴ He said to the crowd: “When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, ‘It’s going to rain,’ and it does. ⁵⁵ And when the south wind blows, you say, ‘It’s going to be hot,’ and it is. ⁵⁶ Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky. How is it that you don’t know how to interpret this present time?”

Children’s Sermon:

Sermon: “Jesus, the Great Divider”

Heather Cronan

Song of Praise

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostle’s Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Sharing of the Peace

Prayer Requests

Pastoral Prayer 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 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.

Offering

***Doxology** (Hymn #625)

*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.*

***Closing Song:**

***Benediction**

***Song Reprise**

**Congregation is invited to stand.*

Today's preacher is: **Heather Giardinelli-Cronan**

Heather holds multiple positions at Penn Wynne Presbyterian Church including Church Administrator, Ruling Elder and Lay Minister. Heather sits on the Outreach and Finance Committees and is the chair of the Property Committee. She is a graduate of the Lutheran Theological Seminary's Urban Theological Institute and holds a certification in Christian Ministry. Heather lives in Lansdowne, Pennsylvania with her husband, adult daughter and a menagerie of animals.

NEXT SUNDAY'S TEAM (Aug. 24):

Preacher – Heather Cronan

Worship Assistant –

Audio/Visual -- Judy Maurer

Coffee Hour:

Opening the Building –

Weekly Announcements:



Help us fill a backpack with school supplies for a local student! Please see Linda Patterson for a list of needed items.

Monthly Fellowship Brunch



Our monthly Fellowship Brunch will take a hiatus for the summer. We will meet to share fellowship and tasty treats again in September.



Coffee Hour & Worship Assistant

Sign-up sheets for future coffee hours and worship assistant slots will be in the lounge during coffee hour. Thanks to ALL of you for stepping up to support these important ministries in the life of the church. We really appreciate it!

Audio/Visual Support

The audio/visual ministry needs additional support. If you are interested in participating (or simply learning about it), please reach out to our Music Director, Frank Coates (frank@musicplaypatrol.com). Thanks to Judy for all she does!

We welcome all visitors to our service today. We are delighted to have you. Penn Wynne is a loving and inclusive congregation. We welcome people from all backgrounds and all nations. We are committed to seeking justice in the world and in our nation, to caring for the poor and advocating on behalf of the powerless. Our congregation includes people from many different backgrounds, people in 12 step recovery as well as members of the LGBTQIA community. We are both a neighborhood church and a gathered congregation. Wherever you come from and whoever you are—you are welcome here!

Love,

The Session of Penn Wynne Presbyterian Church

Penn Wynne's Mission Statement

We are loving Christians who welcome all of God's children as they are. We serve our neighbors with kindness and compassion. We are an inclusive congregation that strives for justice. We each seek to nurture our own faith and the faith of others in God, Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit.

At Penn Wynne, we: Demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ, Welcome and support LGBTQ+ people, Welcome and support people of all races and nations, Welcome and support people who are suffering, Educate ourselves and others about anti-racism, environmental justice, and other social justice issues, and Support initiatives working to make this a better world for all.

We serve by: Educating children and adults, and Providing space for community programs (for example, 12-step programs and Girl Scouts).



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