Religious Services for the WPI Community

This document is a compilation of student responses to the question “Where do you worship”? If you would like to make an addition or clarification, please send your entry to diversity@wpi.edu.

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CHRISTIAN

Baptist:

1. *Bible Way Baptist Church*

   Religion/Denomination: Baptist
   Additional classification: Conservative
   (Independent/Fundamental Baptist)
   Service times/days: Sunday Preaching Service at 11:00am and 6:00 pm
   Address/location: 18 Heard Street, Auburn MA
   Website: [http://www.biblewaybc.org/menu/id/63/Home](http://www.biblewaybc.org/menu/id/63/Home)

2. *First Baptist Church*

   Religion/Denomination: Baptist
   Additional classification: American Baptist
   Service times/days: Sunday at 10:00am
   Address/location: 111 Park Ave, Worcester
   Walk time from Campus: 5 minutes
   Website: [http://fbc-worc.org](http://fbc-worc.org)
3. Rice Memorial Baptist Church

Religion/Denomination: Baptist
Additional classification: Southern Baptist
Service times/days: Sundays at 11:00am
Address/location: 85 Lincoln St, Northboro MA
Website: http://www.ricebaptistchurch.org

4. Worcester Baptist Church

Religion/Denomination: Baptist
Additional classification: Southern Baptist
Service times/days: Sundays at 10am
Address/location: 717 Main Street, Worcester
Walk time from Campus: About 30 minutes
Website: http://www.ebcmass.org
Catholic:

1. **Alden Hall- WPI’s On-Campus Service**

   **Religion/Denomination:** Catholic

   **Special Programming/appeal for college students:** Having service on campus is convenient and it is also special to share in worship with other members of the WPI community. Additional services and social activities are occasionally offered down at the Collegiate Religious Center on Schussler Road.

   **Service times/days:** Sunday at 11:30am in Alden Hall and during the week at the religious center.

   **Website:**
   [http://www.wpi.edu/offices/multicultural/CRC_chaplains.html](http://www.wpi.edu/offices/multicultural/CRC_chaplains.html)
2. Cathedral of Saint Paul

**Religion/denomination:** Roman Catholicism

**Any Additional Classification/Description:** Traditional Worship

**Service times/days:** Sat: 4:00pm; 7:00pm (Spanish)
Sun: 7:30; 8:45am (Spanish), 10:15am; 12:00pm (Spanish), Mon thru Fri: 9:00am; 12:10pm; 7:00pm (Spanish)

**Address/location:** 38 High Street, Worcester

**Walk Time:** 20-30 minutes

**Website:** [http://cathedralofsaintpaul.com/](http://cathedralofsaintpaul.com/)
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints:

1. *Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints*

   **Religion/denomination:** Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints  
   **Service times/days:** Sundays at 9:00am, 12:10pm (Spanish), 2:50pm  
   **Address/location:** 67 Chester St, Worcester  
   **Walk time from Campus:** 1 hour  
   **Website:** [http://www.lds.org](http://www.lds.org)
Episcopal:

1. All Saints Church

**Religion/Denomination:** Episcopal
**Service times/days:** Sunday at 7:45am (Rite I, no music),
10:00am (Rite II), Tuesday Prayer Service at 7:45am,
Wednesday at 7:00am (Holy Eucharist Rite II)
**Address/Location:** 10 Irving St., Worcester
**Walk Time from Campus:** 1.0 mile/20 minute walk.
**Website:** [http://allsaintsw.org/](http://allsaintsw.org/)
Jehovah’s Witness:

1. Kingdom Hall of Jehovah’s Witnesses

   Religion/Denomination: Jehovah’s Witness  
   Service Times/Days: Thursdays at 7:30pm (Congregation Bible Study), Sundays at 3:30pm (Public Meeting) in 2015, Sundays at 9:30am (Public Meeting) in 2016  
   Address/Location: 659 Franklin St, Worcester  
   Walk time from Campus: 1 hour  
   Phone: (508) 832-6711  
   Website: http://www.jw.org/en/
Lutheran:

1. **Concordia Lutheran**
   
   **Religion/Denomination:** Lutheran  
   **Address:** 86 Murray Avenue, Worcester  
   **Phone:** (508) 755-7351  
   **Walk time from Campus:** 25-30 minutes  
   **Additional Info:** No website but call the number above for more details.

2. **Trinity**
   
   **Religion/Denomination:** Lutheran  
   **Additional Classification/Description:** ELCA  
   **Special Programming/Appeal for College Students:** They have youth seminars, bible school, friendly pastors and discussions.  
   **Service times/days:** Mon-Fri 9-4 and Holy Eucharists on Sunday at 8 (spoken) and 10 (sung)  
   **Address/location:** 73 Lancaster Street  
   **Directions from Campus:** Across the street from TKE  
   **Walk time from campus:** Less than 5 minutes  
   **Website:** [http://www.trinityworc.org/](http://www.trinityworc.org/)
Methodist:

1. Epworth United Methodist Church

**Religion/denomination:** Christian/Protestant/United Methodist

**Special Programming/appeal for college students:**
none…it’s mostly older people with some younger families with young kids.

**Service times/days:** Sunday 10-11am

**Address/location:** corner of Salisbury and Lancaster

**Transportation available?** No but if you need a right you can call the church office and they can find you a ride; I used to get rides from the church secretary.

**Walk Time:** About 10 minutes

**Additional Info:** The pastor is a great preacher.

1. Wesley United Methodist Church

**Religion/denomination:** Christian/Protestant/United Methodist

**Special Programming/appeal for college students:**
Youth programs, bible study groups, several choirs, one specializing in African music. WPI undergrads or grad students have sung with the choir taught Sunday school classes or volunteered at the food pantry (known as Carty Cupboard).

**Service times/days:** 8:30-9:30 am and 10:30-11:30 am Sundays

**Address/location:** 114 Main Street, corner of Main Street and State Street
**Phone:** 508-799-4191  
**Email:** office@wesleychurchworcester.org  
**Walk Time:** About 10 minutes  
**Additional Info:**  
Wesley is a very diverse, multicultural church with many people from around the Worcester area and other parts of the world. The occasional international lunches have all sorts of American, African, Indian, Caribbean, Middle Eastern, and Korean food. Wesley has weekly bible study classes in Twi, a language in Ghana. There are also services in Korean in the afternoons on Sunday. Lots of people are there from WPI, Clark, and Holy Cross. The music program is great.
Non-Denominational Christian:

1. Bethlehem Bible Church

   Religion/denomination:  Non-denominational Christian
   Additional classification:  Conservative
   Service times/days:  Sundays 10am and 6pm
   Address/location:  307 Lancaster Street West
                      Boylston
   Transportation available?  WPI Christian Bible Fellowship
                            members carpool.
   Additional Information:  http://bbcchurch.org/

2. Chapel at the Mill

   Religion/Denomination:  Christian
   Special Programming/appeal for college students:  place
                                                  where Bible believing Christianity college students may
                                                  enjoy the contemporary Christian music provided by various
                                                  live bands every Friday night in the “Café” and on Sunday
                                                  morning during worship before service.
   Address/Location:  River Street, Millbury, MA
   Phone:  (508) 865-1517
   Transportation Available?  Call Ernie at above number.
3. First Congregational Church of Hopkinton, MA

Religion/denomination: Christian/Protestant
Special Programming/appeal for college students: The senior pastor was previously the youth pastor, great music!
Service times/days: Sunday 9am and 10:45am
Transportation available? Yes, email taryn@wpi.edu
Additional Info: Contact Taryn (774) 280-0619 or Church Office (508) 435-5900 for questions.

4. Heritage Bible Chapel

Religion/denomination: Non-denominational
Additional classification: Contemporary
Service times/days: Sunday 10am – 11:30am
Address/location: 182 Brooks Station Rd, Princeton, MA
Transportation available? Contact Edwin and Aimee James (508) 574-1825 or aimeemj@alum.wpi.edu
Additional Information: http://www.heritagebiblechapel.org
5. Wachusett Valley Christian Church

**Religion/denomination:** Non-denominational/Evangelical  
**Additional Classification/Description:** Post Modern  
**Special Programming/appeal for college students:** Not your average New England church, very relaxed and dress is casual; currently 15 WPI students attending. Offers Extreme college ministries, a college ministry that exists to ignite a passion for God and to unite college students in a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.  
**Service times/days:** Sunday 11am – 1pm  
Wednesday 6pm - whenever  
**Address/location:** 325 Bullard St in Holden, MA 01520  
**Transportation available?** Contact mikeb@wpi.edu (soon to be changed to mikeburns@wpi.edu), lester@miane.rr.com, or call the church for a ride (508) 829-6475

1. The Journey Community Church

**Religion/denomination:** Baptist General Conference  
**Additional classification:** Evangelical  
**Service times/days:**  
**Address/location:** Belmont and Fountain  
**Walk time from Campus:** 10-15 minutes  
**Website:** [http://thejourneyma.org/](http://thejourneyma.org/)
2. First Assembly of God Church

**Religion/denomination:** is a full Gospel Christian Church, believes in Jesus Christ.

**Special Programming/appeal for college students:** College & Career – Friday evening schedule at 7:00 PM. Childrens’s Ministries Corner ministering to kids of ALL ages during the Sunday morning service at 10:30 AM.

**Service times/days:** Sunday Service at 10:30 AM.

**Address/location:** 30 Tyler Prentice Rd., Worcester

**Directions from Campus:** Take Salisbury St., turn to Lincoln St., then take Tyler Prentice Rd. The church is on the right.

**Transportation available?** Contact 508-852-5733

**Additional Info:** It has attendance of around 500 per Sunday. Excellence in Christian Education since 1986. Classes for Pre-Kindergarten, Kindergarten
Orthodox:

1. St George Antiochian Orthodox Cathedral

   Religion/denomination: Orthodox Christianity
   Additional Classification/Description: Conservative Christianity since 33AD
   Special Programming/appeal for college students: We’re starting an Orthodox Christian Fellowship for college students.
   Service times/days: Saturday night Great Vespers 5pm
                     Sunday morning Orthos (Matins) 9am
                     Divine Liturgy 10am
   Address/location:  30 Anna St Worcester MA
   Phone: (508) 752-9150
   Transportation available? Email georgem@wpi.edu
   Additional Info: Very Rev. Father Michael Abdelahad. You don’t have to be Orthodox to attend.
Presbyterian:

1. *Westminster Presbyterian Church*

  Religion/denomination: Presbyterian
  Special Programming/appeal for college students: A small faithful church where the Gospel is really taught and reasonable faith can be found.
  Service times/days: Sunday 10am
  Address/location: 83 Bay State Ave, Worcester MA 01606
  Transportation available? yes
  Walk Time: 1 hr walk, 10-15 min on bike.
  Phone: (508) 852-1211
  Additional Info: Pastor- Reverend Philip Adams
Unitarian:

1. First Unitarian Church

Religion/denomination: Unitarian Universalist
Special Programming/appeal for college students:
Service times/days:
Address/location: 90 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01608
Transportation available?
Walk Time: about a 15 minute walk from campus
Phone: 508-757-2708
Additional Info: Reverend Sarah Stewart
1. *Islamic Society of Greater Worcester*

   Religion/denomination: Islam  
   Special Programming/appeal for college students: Students can break their fast everyday of Ramadan in the mosque for free  
   Service times/days: Friday at 1pm  
   Address/location: 57 Laurel St, Worcester, MA 01605  
   Transportation available? msa@wpi.edu for carpool Fridays  
   Walk time from campus: 15 – 20 minutes
**JEWISH**

1. **Temple Israel**

   Religion/Denomination: Judaism
   Address/Location: 107 Walnut Street, Athol, MA 01331
   Phone: (978) 249-9481
   Additional Info: Rabbi Yosef Zylberberg

**Conservative:**

1. **Congregation of Agudat Achim**

   Religion/Denomination: Judaism (Conservative)
   Address/Location: 268 Washington St, Leominster, MA 01453
   Phone: (978) 534-6121
   Additional Info:
      Barry Lew, President and Alan Alpert, Rabbi

2. **Congregation Beth Israel**

   Religion/Denomination: Judaism (Conservative)
   Address/Location: 15 Jamesbury Drive Worcester, MA 01609
   Phone: (508) 756-6204
   Fax: (508) 757-6650
   Additional Info: Dr. Howard Fixler, President and Joel Pitkowsky, Rabbi
   Website: [http://www.bethisraelworc.org/index.php](http://www.bethisraelworc.org/index.php)
   High Holidays: tickets, but free
3. *Congregation of Beth Tikvah*

**Religion/Denomination:** Judaism (Conservative)
**President:** Debby Saltzman
**Rabbi:** Alfred Benjamin
**Address/Location:** PO Box 1042, Westboro, MA 01581
**Phone:** (508) 616-9037
**Additional Info:** [http://www.beth tikvahsynagogue.org/](http://www.beth tikvahsynagogue.org/)
Orthodox:

1. Chabad of Westboro

   Religion/Denomination: Judaism (Orthodox)
   Address/Location: 54 South Street, Westboro, MA 01581
   Phone: (508) 366-0499

2. Congregation of Beth Judah; Young Israel of Worcester

   Religion/Denomination: Judaism (Orthodox)
   President: Rabbi Reuven Fischer
   Address/Location: 899 Pleasant Street, Worcester, MA 01602
   Phone: (508) 754-3681
   https://www.synagoguecouncil.org/node/414
   High Holidays: no tickets necessary, but extremely shomer Shabbas.

3. Congregation Shaarai Torah; Sons of Abraham West

   Religion/Denomination: Judaism (Orthodox)
   Address/Location: 835 Pleasant Street, Worcester, MA 01602
   Phone: (508) 791-0013
   Additional Info: http://www.shaaraitorah.org/
       Steve Kressler, President
4. **Yeshiva Tifereth Israel, Sons of Jacob**

**Religion/Denomination:** Judaism (Orthodox, Chabad)

**Rabbi:** Hershel Fogelman

**Address/Location:** 22 Newton Avenue, Worcester, MA 01602

**Phone:** (508) 752-0904

**Fax:** (508) 799-7413

**Additional Info:**

**High Holidays:** no tickets necessary
Reform:

1. **Congregation of B’nai Shalom**

   **Religion/Denomination:** Judaism (Reform)  
   **Address/Location:** 117 East Main St., Westboro, MA 01581  
   **Phone:** (508) 366-7191  
   **Fax:** (508) 870-0608  
   **Additional Info:** [http://www.cbnaishalom.org/](http://www.cbnaishalom.org/)  
   Jonathan Barnett, President and Rabbi Debra Hachen and Cantor Irving Neil  
   **High Holidays:** tickets are free, but must have a college ID and pick up forms for free tickets between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM on Monday.

2. **Temple Emanuel**

   **Religion/Denomination:** Judaism (Reform)  
   **Address/Location:** 280 May Street, Worcester, MA 01602  
   **Phone:** (508) 755-1257  
   **Fax:** (508) 795-0417  
   **Additional Info:** [http://www.temple-emanuel.org](http://www.temple-emanuel.org)  
   Carlton Watson, President and Rabbi Jordan Millstein and Rabbi Paula Feldstein and Cantor Sally Neff  
   **High Holidays:** tickets are free, but call Dianne after September 1.
4. Temple Sinai

Religion/Denomination: Judaism (Reform)
Address/Location: 661 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA 01609
Phone: (508) 755-2519
Fax: (508) 756-6059
Additional Info:
  Michael Wolpert, President and Rabbi Seth Bernstein and Cantor Claire Metzger
High Holidays: no tickets necessary, open to anyone.
SELF MEDITATION

1. **Higgins Lawn**

   **Religion/Denomination:** Buddhist/Non-denominational  
   **Special Appeal:** peaceful nature for meditation of any sort  
   **Service time:** whenever weather permits  
   **Directions from Campus:** go to the fields surrounding Higgins House.  
   **Additional Info:** Many pleasant places there. Boynton Hill is also quite nice. In general, no one will bother or disturb you in either place.
SIKHISM

1. New England Sikh Study Circle (NESSC) Gurudwara Sahib

Religion/denomination: Sikhism
Service times/days: Sunday 9am-3pm & Langar (Lunch service) on Sunday 12pm
Address/location: 224 East Main Street, Milford MA 01757
Transportation available? Nothing definite but for any carpooling question you can contact the Indian Students Org (iso@wpi.edu).
Phone: (508) 478-2469
Additional Info: email address- milford_gurudwara@yahoo.com