

*HYMN 96 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE "When Christ Was Born" J. Slunicko

Coming Soon....

For our Visitors

Did you know that we have Godly Play / Children's Church available for children age 3 through 3rd Grade, during Worship Service? Children are welcome to attend after the "Time with Children" in the Worship Service. We also have a Nursery available for children under age 3.

Youth Group

Mondays, 3:00–5:15pm

You never know what Trinity will have in store for WRPC kids after school on Mondays! You know, it's going to be something fun!

WRPC Blessing Box 1401 Prospect Drive

Drive by and check out our Blessing Box! Is it empty? Is it full? Either way, bring an item or two to put in our blessing box! Non-perishable food items or hygiene items. Feminine products, particularly, are always needed. The cold weather is here so gloves and hats are great ideas too! This box is always open for receiving and giving!

SMILE for January

January is the month for donating baby equipment! Items needed include swings, cribs, bouncy seats, etc.

Mini Mission Grants

A couple of reminders...

Grant requests can be made by individuals, including youth and children (requests by youth under 18 years of age will require the signature of an adult who is actively involved in the life of WRPC).

Sunday School classes or other small groups can work together to submit a request.

The suggested minimum for a request is \$50.

Mini-Mission Grant request forms and instruction sheets can be picked up in the Narthex. If you would prefer to have an electronic request form, please send an email to Karen Carman at klcarman@charter.net.

WRPC Weekly Calendar

Sunday 1/9	9:45am Sunday School Preschool through Grade 12 – ZOOM 11:00am Sunday Worship Service / Communion (<i>Godly Play Children's Church in Room 102</i>) 7:00pm Personnel Committee
Monday 1/10	3:00pm Youth Group
Wednesday 1/12	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
Friday 1/14	10:00am Food Pantry, FH

WRPC Staff

Pastor | Collin Blair Adams

Pastor Emeritus | Daniel Clark

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Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

Service of Worship

January 9, 2022, 11:00 am

1415 Waverly Road Kingsport, TN 37664 423.247.5121 www.waverlyroadpc.org

Welcome to our Visitors

This church welcomes all who come within its walls or within its influence. Whatever the reason for you being here today, we hope that you find light, peace, direction and friendship.

If you would like more information about Waverly Road Presbyterian or if you are interested in becoming a member, you can fill out one of the yellow cards placed behind the pews, contact our minister at 423.247.5121, or visit our website at www.waverlyroadpc.org.

Please note the following details concerning the bulletin format:

When you see bold italics, we all read aloud together.

*An * invites those who are able to stand.*

TIME OF WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE “Our Lord’s Holy Table” Franklin Ritter

GATHERING PRAYER

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

The voice of God resounds upon the water.

The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream.

The Son of God is named, “Beloved.”

And all who worship shout out, “Glory!”

Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.

Let us worship God in holy splendor.

***HYMN 463**

“How Firm a Foundation”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We are precious in your sight, yet we often forget that we are your beloved. We confess that our love is fickle and inconstant. We follow selfish goals and deny that our way of life harms others and hurts your world. We are sorry and we want to change. Create in us a clean heart, strengthen our resolve, reconcile us one to another, and bless us with your peace.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Beloved, God forgives our sins; know that you are pardoned.
*Let us be at peace to love the Lord and serve the world.
Alleluia, AMEN.*

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Suzanne Huron

*Children ages 3 years - 3rd grade may now be dismissed to attend
Godly Play (Children’s Church) in Room 102.*

ANTHEM

“Let Us Come”

Karen Marrolli

*Let us come, let us come to the table of God.
For the banquet is spread: Cup of life, living bread.
Let us come to the table of God.*

*Let us feast on the love of our God,
Cup of hope, bread of Heaven, peace restored, healing given.
Let us feast on the love of our God,*

*Let us go, let us go to the people of God.
Granting love, granting grace in every time and place
Let us go, let us go to the people of God.*

SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 43:1-7 & Luke 3:15-22

SERMON

“The Waters”

Rev. Collin Adams

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

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

MISSION MOMENT

Susan Lodal

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table
Prayer of Thanksgiving
Words of Institution
Celebration
Prayer of Blessing

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, at his baptism, you acknowledged Jesus Christ as your beloved Son, and through him you opened to us a way to become your children by grace. May these gifts we return to you be a sign of our dedication to live as your faithful children, born in the waters of baptism by the power of the Holy Spirit; through Jesus Christ we pray. AMEN.

463 How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

It seems odd now to think of singing this text to ADESTE FIDELES, but mainline churches did so well into the 20th century because of a cultural bias against shape note music. The vigor of the present tune seems especially right for the final line's reference to Hebrews 13:5.

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1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -
 2 Then cleansed be ev - ery life from sin; make
 3 We hail you as our Sav - ior, Lord, our
 4 Stretch forth your hand; our health re - store, and

nounc - es that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,
 straight the way for God with - in, and let us all our
 ref - uge and our great re - ward; with - out your grace we
 make us rise to fall no more. O let your face up -

for he brings glad ti - dings of the King of kings!
 hearts pre - pare for Christ to come and en - ter there.
 waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.
 on us shine and fill the world with love di - vine.

This hymn shows how once-unconnected parts can work together. The text about John the Baptist was written in Latin in the 18th century and translated into English in the 19th century. Similarly, the 17th-century melody was adapted to its present form in the 19th century.