

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.

Waverly Wanderers



Did you know there are many more SALT groups up-and-coming to help us form tighter bonds in fellowship? For instance, we are reviving a program we

had for many years here as a new SALT group called Waverly Wanderers.

We are going to start wandering again! We'll enjoy plays, concerts, crafts, presentations, dinner theater, and many more adventures together. You don't have to be a senior, and you don't have to be retired. If your schedule allows, hop on the bus with us! It is not the destination we seek but the journey in getting there. If you're interested in getting on the email list about Waverly Wanderers, contact Rachel Lawson at rachelzbth@gmail.com.

WRPC Walking Group



Every Tuesday, weather permitting! We will gather at 9:00 am at the Greenbelt entrance beside PetSmart.

SMILE for July



July is the month donating gently used Kids clothing, sizes 6-20 for Back to School and NEW

school supplies. Thanks for your support!



Save the Date for VBS!



Hay there! VBS will be July 21-24, 2022. Get ready for some fun and fellowship down on the farm!

Schedule:

Thursday 7/21, 6:00pm – 8:00pm, VBS Kick-off

Friday 7/22, 5:30 – 8:00pm, Session 1

Saturday 7/23, 10:00am – 12:30pm, Session 2

Sunday 7/24, VBS Wrap-up during Time with Children during worship

Vocal Scholarship Program

If you would like to donate to the Vocal Scholarship Fund, you can place a check in the collection plate with Vocal Scholarship Fund designated in the memo line, send your check in the mail to Amy, or place in the Receiving Treasurer's metal lock box in the workroom. We can also receive online donations through the Presbyterian Foundation. The link is [Donation \(eservicepayments.com\)](https://www.pcf.org/donations/eservicepayments.com) or scan the QR code to go directly to this link.



WRPC Weekly Calendar

Sunday 7/17	9:45am In-Person Sunday School, Preschool through Grade 12 11:00am Sunday Worship Service / Communion (Godly Play Children's Church in Room 102)
Tuesday 7/19	9:00am Walking Group, Meet at Greenbelt behind PetSmart 6:00pm Has Beens Practice, FH
Wednesday 7/20	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study
Thursday 7/21	6:00pm VBS Kick-off
Friday 7/22	10:00am Food Pantry, FH 5:30pm VBS Session #1
Saturday 7/23	10:00am VBS Session #2

Acolyte

Evye Baskett

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Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

Service of Worship

July 17, 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 “Shall We Gather at the River” Donald Lee Moore

GATHERING PRAYER Sharon Nolen

CALL TO WORSHIP

Welcome to the sanctuary!
We praise God for our sanctuary!
We have come to visit, pray, confess, give, listen, and learn.
Let us now encounter the Holy Spirit!
We have come to rediscover who we were created to be.
Let us find our identity in Jesus Christ!
We have come to sing, see beauty, and find comfort.
Let us now praise God and receive His blessings!
Praise be to God!

*HYMN 186 “Come Now, You Blessed, Eat at My Table”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Rev. Sudie Niesen Thompson

Holy One, you dwell among us—the Word-made-Flesh, whom eyes long to see; the True Light, who illumines our path; the Image of the Invisible God, who reflects the fullness of God’s grace.

You dwell among us, but our eyes fail to perceive your presence. So we whisper: *when did we see you, O Christ?*

Humble One, you dwell among us – the stranger on the street corner, whose suffering we refuse to see; the other passing by, whose eyes we refuse to meet; the sick, the hungry, the lost and the least, whose faces we refuse to seek.

You dwell among us, but we fail to recognize you in our midst. So we wonder: *when did we see you, O Christ?*

For our failure to see, For our refusal to meet, For our reluctance to seek— *Forgive us, O Christ.*

Open our eyes and illumine our minds, that we might reflect the Light of the World, and draw others toward the fullness of your grace. So, as we watch: *help us to see you, O Christ.*
AMEN

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Like a debt canceled or a pardon granted, our sins have been forgiven. We are free to share forgiveness and grace to others as we have received it.

Thanks be to God for his eternally-flowing fountain of grace. 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 “The Lord’s Prayer” Albert Hay Malotte
Beth Compton, Soprano

SCRIPTURES Isaiah 58:6-12 & Matthew 25:31-40

SERMON “Stranger Things” Tim Nolen

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. 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

OFFERTORY “Deep River” arr. Moses Hogan
Beth Compton, Soprano

Deep river, my home is over Jordan. Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground. Oh, don’t you want to go, to that gospel feast, the promised land where all is peace. Deep river, Lord, I want to cross over into campground.

*DOXOLOGY
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

Dear Father, Creator and Provider, we ask that you guide us in using your generous gifts in ways that multiply the benefits. Restore our joy in giving, so that our souls are enriched by giving and our gratitude truly reflects the abundance of our lives. AMEN

*HYMN 450 “Be Thou My Vision”

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE “Be Joyful in the Lord!” Marc Jordan

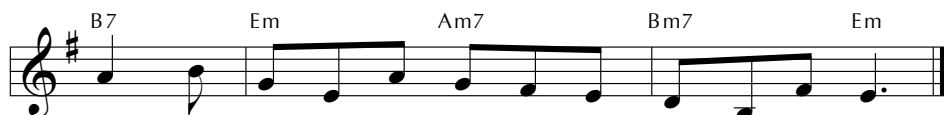
186 Come Now, You Blessed, Eat at My Table



1 "Come now, you bless - ed, eat at my ta - ble," said Je - sus
 2 When did we see you hun - gry or thirst - y? When were you
 3 "When you gave bread to earth's hun - gry chil - dren, when you gave
 4 Christ, when we see you out on life's road - ways, look - ing to



Christ to the righ-teous a-bove. "When I was hun - gry, thirst - y, and
 home-less, a strang-er a-lone? When did we see you sick or in
 shel - ter to war's ref - u-gees, when you re-mem-bered those most for-
 us in the fac - es of need, then may we know you, wel-come, and



home - less, sick and in pris - on, you showed me your love."
 pris - on? What have we done that you call us your own?
 got - ten, you cared for me in the small - est of these."
 show you love that is faith - ful in word and in deed.

This text reproduces Matthew 25:34–39 so faithfully that it can appropriately be regarded as a paraphrase of that passage; but like all effective paraphrases, it adds just enough detail to give the familiar language a sense of freshness and immediacy that helps us hear it anew.

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Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) E^b (G) A^b (D/F#) E^b/G (A7) B^b7 (D) E^b

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) B^b (D) E^b (G) A^b (A) B^b

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) A^b (D) E^b (F#m7) $Gm7$ (G) A^b (A) B^b

thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

(Bm) Cm (D/F#) E^b/G (G) A^b (D) E^b

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.