

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

#### March 19, 2023

In-Person and Online Worship Service at 11:00am

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# WRPC Food Pantry SERVING EVERY FRIDAY from 10:00am—Noon.

A very special thanks goes out to all of our Food Pantry volunteers who are helping to FEED THE HUNGRY



You are loved. We are blessed!

### From the desk of Rachel Lawson...

Have you ever heard the saying, "You can be the sweetest peach in the world, but someone out there hates peaches"? At the risk of flattering myself as a bit of a sweet peach, I had a run in with a peach-hater last week.

I am blessed to live a drama free life. It's been so long since I have encountered confrontation like in this situation that I had no idea how to react! I didn't take that person's words to heart but what they said was quite absurd really. But later upon reflection, the anger rose within me. How dare she judge me or my actions when

she doesn't even know me. How dare she be quick with her stinging tongue and ooze such entitlement.

After stewing awhile in my hurt feelings, a friend reminded me that we needed to pray for that person. Admittedly, not what had crossed my mind at ALL. True, they didn't know me from Eve, but that also means I didn't know them beyond what I could observe. A very nice car, a very large diamond in sight, and the throwing around in conversation about how financially successful their situation is. That's enough information to judge, right? But, what I don't know is if their entire self-worth is tied to their appearance/social status or how much money they have to throw around.

If they had just found out some unpleasant news, if everything in their world had gone wrong that day, or even if they know the love of Jesus. I will probably never know these things on this earth but I can talk to the one who does. We have a few things to discuss, like my own judgemental attitude.

-Rachel



### **People in our Prayers**

Rev. Dan Clark
Holston Presbytery Camp
Patients receiving Dialysis
Lee Bockman
Doris Blanchard
Susan Smith
Beverly Carman
(Howard's Mother)
Ted Germroth

Benjamin Salyer

Laci, Nicholas &
Robin Lodal
Ann Kibler
Dr. Bob & Jeanne Jernigan
Sarah Hale
Susan Avery
Kirk and Lola Finch
Ken Hunter Family
Sarah Valk Family
Abe Lincoln
Abigael & Ashleen Easley

We will leave names on the Prayer Request List for three weeks unless you notify the Church Office to remain on the list for an extended amount of time.

#### Missions in our Prayers—1st Quarter

#### **Local Missions**

Oasis of Kingsport Waverly Road Child Care Center

#### **Regional / National Missions**

Appalachian Miles for Smiles

#### **International Missions**

Butoke Nutrition Center, Congo Moyo wa Afrika, Tanzania



### This Week at WRPC

#### **Indoor and Online Worship at 11:00am.**

Sunday 3/19 9:45am In-person Sunday School Grades Pre-K - 12

11:00am Sunday Worship 7:00pm Session, MR

Monday 3/20 6:30pm Mission Committee, ZOOM Walking Group, Greenbelt Tuesday 3/21 9:00am

Entrance, Netherland Inn

The Has Beens, FH 6:00pm

7:00pm Season of Mission Presentation -

Living Waters for the World, ZOOM

**ZOOM Bible Study** Wednesday 3/22 1:00pm

> Handbells 6:00pm

7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice 10:00am Food Pantry, FH

Friday 3/24

# **WRPC Walking Group**

**Every Tuesday.** veather permitting!

We will gather at 9:00 am at the Netherland Inn Road entrance to begin our walk.



Join us for **ZOOM** Bible Study every Wednesday at 1:00pm



# For the month of MARCH...

Our wish list for March includes gently used sneakers of ALL sizes and NEW packs of diaper wipes.



WRPC Youth... On March 27 we will be filling Easter eggs and making games! See you at Youth Group!



Peace in Heaven and glory in the highest heaven! -Luke 19:38

# Save The Date!

April 15, 2023 \* 2-4 PM at Waverly Road

You are invited to a drop-in baby shower for Abigael and Ashleen Easley, preemie twin daughters of Tonya and David Easley, proud grandparents Judi and Gary Easley



Please contact Susan Lodal at susan.lodal@gmail.com or Anne Hill Trask at 804-347-8222 or ahtrask@gmail.com



We could really use some help ushering and assisting with **collecting Sunday** offerings!

If you are interested in helping out, please contact Stephen Bus at (423) 288-5509 or send him an email at smichaelbus@gmail.com. If you need some training, he will be glad to help with that, too.



## March 19-25, 2023

To all:

This past Friday was more typical, with a total of 36 bags delivered.

We are again seeing some supply chain issues around peanut butter and mac and cheese. I hope these will ease soon.

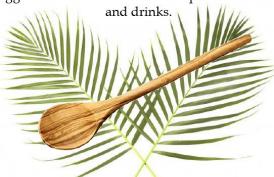
As always, thank you for your support and prayers.

-Pete Lodal

# Palm Sunday Potluck

Sunday, April 2 after Worship in the Fellowship Hall, 12:15pm

Bring your favorite potluck item and have some "egg"cellent fun! The church will provide chicken



Eggstravaganza & Caster Egg Hunt

(starts at 1:15pm)

The Easter Egg Hunt is for all children through 5th grade. They will have age appropriate games, prizes and egg hunting. Come join the fellowship and fun on Palm Sunday!



# Caster Lily Order Form

If you would like to order an Easter lily to be used in the sanctuary on Easter morning, please fill out a form for EACH lily ordered. The cost is \$8.50 for each lily. Please make checks payable to the church and leave the order form and the check in Amy's mailbox in the church workroom or in the mailbox slot on her door.

The last day to order is Sunday, April 2. You can also call the church office at 247-5121 and place your order!

#### I would like to order....





# Lenten Window Banners Open House

Good Friday, April 7, 2023 10:30am—2:30pm



The 2023 Lenten Window
Banners are brand new this year.
Judi Easley has designed 10 unique
and thought provoking works of art
for all to enjoy. Everyone is
welcome! Please invite your
family, friends and members of the
community and share the stories of
Lent, the journey to Holy Week
and the death and resurrection of
our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

# Mission Moment Update... Season of Mission ~ Season of Hope

Please join us for our last Zoom session on Tuesday March 21 at 7pm. Our guest speaker will be **Steve Young, Executive Director from Living Waters for the World**. Steve will tell us how this ministry trains, equips and supports volunteers to work in partnership with international communities to install and sustain water purification systems. Please join us live to learn about this amazing ministry and to show support for Steve and all those who make it possible. The Zoom invitation will be provided via email just prior to the event.

If you missed the first two Zoom sessions (Appalachian Miles for Smiles, and SMILE Foster Closet), you can watch the recording on WRPC's YouTube channel. <u>Link to YouTube Channel</u>
Don't forget to check out the Osman Hope display in the Narthex, prepared by Peter Borg.

Donations for our service project (specific hygiene products needed by our Food Pantry clients, SMILE Foster Closet families, and the staff of the Child Care Center) may be dropped off in the bin in the Narthex through **Sunday April 2**. If you are not able to shop, you may also make a monetary donation specifically for this project.

#### Hygiene products requested items:

Bar Soap	Toilet Paper	Chapstick
Toothbrushes (adult)	Toothbrushes (for 0-2 yr olds)	Toothbrushes (for kids)
Toothpaste	Training Toothpaste (for infants)	Toothpaste (kid flavored)
Diapers (any size)	Diaper Cream	Baby Wipes (any brand)
Sam's Club Members Mark Premium Fragrance Free Baby Wipes (specific brand needed due to allergies)	Shampoo and conditioner for African American Hair: need infants and kids	3-in-1 shampoo/conditioner/ bodywash for kids
Infant Shampoo/Bodywash	Mens 3-in-1-Shampoo/ Conditioner/Bodywash	2-in -1-Shampoo/Conditioner
Bodywash	Loofahs	

If you prefer online shopping, click the link below to see a list Rachel created for SMILE.

#### https://www.walmart.com/lists/shared/WL/eac79c2f-2772-418f-b5d7-89b065112afd

Remember to pray for our volunteers who will conduct the Work Project to help the Child Care Center with several "construction-type" improvements to their facilities. Please also pray for the dedicated staff and children of the Child Care Center.

Mission Pledge Sunday is March 26th. You will be invited to submit your pledge for the 2023-2024 Mission Action Plan on that day. Last year, your generosity provided more than \$59,000 in funds distributed to missions close to home, throughout our region and around the world. The Mission Committee is excited about what this new Season of Hope will enable and we are extremely grateful for the generosity of this congregation and the trust you place in us to share with others on your behalf in the name of Jesus Christ.



If it seems like pollen season gets worse every year, it could be because pollen season has been growing for years, a new report says.

Climate change has caused temperatures to rise in 203 American cities since 1970, contributing to longer allergy seasons in more than



170 of them, the report by Climate Central says. Some areas of the country see first blooms weeks earlier.

The "freeze free" seasons are growing longer and more intense, the group says – and that's bad news for the quarter of adults and fifth of children who suffer with seasonal allergies.

All seasonal allergies are being affected, experts say – springtime's trees, summertime's grasses, and autumn's weeds.

"The plants can grow earlier and they can pollinate earlier. Allergies are just getting worse and worse," Kari Nadeau, MD, professor at the Harvard School of Public Health, told ABC News.

Respiratory illnesses like asthma can make pollen reactions worse.

"This is a major problem, and it will only get worse if we do not limit climate change and limit carbon dioxide production from greenhouse gases," Nadeau said.

Pollen levels now peak earlier than they used to, ABC reported, and pollen counts are higher.

Allergy season grew by an average of two weeks, the research found. Reno, NV saw an increase of 99 days, one of the biggest. The western part of the country saw the biggest increases generally.

"Climate change will potentially lead to both higher pollen concentrations and longer pollen seasons, causing more people to suffer more health effects from pollen and other allergens," the CDC says.



"FIRST COMES FAT TUESDAY, THEN ASH WEDNESDAY, FOLLOWED BY TEMPTATION THURSDAY."

# A Recipe for Lent **Greek Lemon Potatoes**

## **Ingredients**

- 1/3 c. fresh lemon juice (from about 2 large lemons)
- 1/3 c. low-sodium chicken broth
- 1/4 c. olive oil
- 11/2 tsp. kosher salt, plus more to taste
- 1/2 tsp. garlic powder
- Black pepper, to taste
- 3 tbsp. fresh oregano leaves, roughly chopped
- 21/2 lb. medium Yukon Gold potatoes, cut into 1-inch wedges

#### **Directions**

- 1. Position a rack in the lower third of the oven and pre-heat to 425°.
- Whisk together the lemon juice, chicken broth, olive oil, salt, garlic powder, a few grinds of pepper, and two-thirds of the chopped oregano in a liquid measuring cup. Spread the potatoes on a heavy-duty rimmed baking sheet, then pour the dressing on top and toss well to coat.
- 3. Roast the potatoes on the lower oven rack until they're almost tender and the pan juices are bubbling and mostly absorbed, 30 minutes. Toss, then continue roasting until the potatoes are tender and golden and the juices have reduced to a glaze, 10 to 15 minutes more. Toss again, then sprinkle with the remaining oregano and season with salt.





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# **WRPC Blessing Box**



If you would like to contribute items, please feel free to place them inside the box unless it is full. If the Blessing Box is full, just bring your items to the WRPC Workroom and we will replenish when the box is empty again. Thanks to everyone for your continued support!