

\*HYMN 463

“How Firm a Foundation”

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

“Country Dance”

James Hook

## Coming Soon....

### For our Visitors

We are taking a Summer break until August 13 but...Did you know that we have Godly Play / Children’s Church available for children 3 years through 5th 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.

### Intergenerational Sunday School Class Update – Just a friendly reminder....

The Intergenerational LIFT Sunday School class will meet in the Fellowship Hall. We are so excited to offer this fully inclusive Sunday School catering to everyone of every age and ability all together. We would like you to be aware that there is a family with a young child who has a severely compromised immune system. The weeks that they attend masks will be provided to everyone for their safety and inclusion. This has been the practice for their children's Sunday school class on the weeks they attend, and so it will be our practice as well.

Absolutely all ages are welcome and we hope you'll come enjoy this opportunity to engage with congregation members you may not normally get to spend time with as we Live In the Faith Together (LIFT)! A light breakfast snack will be served. See you this summer!

### SMILE for July

Our wish list for July includes gently used Kids sizes 6-20 for Back to School and NEW School Supplies.



### 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.eservicepayments.com) or scan the QR code to go directly to this link.



### WRPC Walking Group

Every Tuesday, weather permitting! We will gather at 9:00 am at the Greenbelt Holston Valley Drive Trailhead entrance. If there is a change in plans, we will send out an email to let you know where we will be walking.



## WRPC Weekly Calendar

- Sunday 7/2**
  - 9:45am Intergenerational Sunday School Class, FH
  - 11:00am Sunday Worship Service / Communion / 5 Cents-a-Meal Offering
- Tuesday 7/4**
  - 8:00am Fourth of July Holiday – Church Offices CLOSED
- Friday 7/7**
  - 10:00am Food Pantry, FH
- Saturday 7/8**
  - 8:00am Stephen Ministry Training, MR

*Liturgy written by Ginna Bairby and provided for free distribution.*

Acolyte  
Knox Adams

### WRPC Staff

- Pastor | Collin Blair Adams
- Pastor Emeritus | Daniel Clark
- Director of Music | Dr. Kate Stubbs
- Business and Communications Administrator | Amy Boyles
- Director of Intergenerational Discipleship | Rachel Lawson
- Director of Student (K-12) Discipleship Ministries | Trinity Gibson
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# Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

## Service of Worship

July 2, 2023, 11:00 am

1415 Waverly Road Kingsport, TN 37664 423.247.5121 [www.waverlyroadpc.org](http://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](http://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

“Fantasie in C major” (Presto/Dolce and Allegro)

G.P. Telemann

Eileen Butler, flute

### GATHERING PRAYER

Rev. Collin Adams

### CALL TO WORSHIP

(Based on Psalm 13)

Let us sing to the Lord!

***Our God has dealt bountifully with us.***

The night was dark, and God’s face seemed hidden.

***In sorrow and pain, we cried out to God.***

Still we trusted in God’s steadfast love,

***And now our hearts rejoice in God’s salvation!***

### \*HYMN 720

“Jesus Calls Us”

### CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***God of Providence, your faithfulness is from everlasting to everlasting, but we fail to trust. You hold all creation in the palm of your hand, but we take our lives into our own hands more often than we would like to admit. When we trust ourselves more than your grace, forgive us. When we get caught up in our own strivings, relieve us. When we think the world rests on our shoulders, remind us. Call us back to your way. Teach us to turn our lives over to your gracious care. AMEN***

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

As a cup of cold water quenches our thirst, God’s grace soothes our souls.

***In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia!***

## TIME WITH CHILDREN

Suzanne Huron

### ANTHEM

“Come, Peace of God”

Eugene Butler

Addison Myers, mezzo soprano and Eileen Butler, piano

*Come, peace of God, and dwell again on earth,  
come with the calm that hailed thy Prince’s birth,  
come with the healing of thy gentle touch, come,  
peace of God, that this world needs so much.*

*Break every weapon forged in fires of hate,  
turn back the foe that would assail thy gate;  
Where fields of strife lie desolate and bare,  
take thy sweet flowers of peace and plant them there.*

*Bring selfish lives from shadowlands of loss into the radiance of the Savior’s cross,  
where in that gift so precious, yet so lone,  
life finds brotherhood and love its throne.*

*Come, blessed peace as when in hush of eve, God’s benediction falls on souls who grieve;  
As shines a star when weary day departs,  
Come, peace of God, and rule within our hearts.*

## SCRIPTURES

Psalm 13:1-6 & Matthew 10:40-42

## SERMON

“A Cure for Despair”

Rev. Collin Adams

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from A Brief Statement of Faith)

*We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father.*

*In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.*

*But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God’s commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation.*

*Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.*

*In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth.*

*Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.*

*Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.*

## 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*

## SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Celebration

Prayer of Blessing

## OFFERTORY

### \*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

*Giving God, we return to you the fruits of the earth and the fruits of our labor, that they may be used for the repair of the world. Bless these gifts, those who give them, and those who will receive them. May our whole lives be an offering before you. AMEN*

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## Jesus Calls Us

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1 Je - sus calls us: o'er the tu - mult of our  
 2 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship of the  
 3 In our joys and in our sor - rows, days of  
 4 Je - sus calls us: by thy mer - cies, Sav - ior,

life's wild, rest - less sea; day by day his sweet voice  
 vain world's gold - en store, from each i - dol that would  
 toil and hours of ease, still he calls, in cares and  
 may we hear thy call, give our hearts to thy o -

sound - eth say - ing, "Chris - tian, fol - low me."  
 keep us, say - ing, "Chris - tian, love me more."  
 plea - sures, "Chris - tian, love me more than these."  
 be - dience, serve and love thee best of all.

Like many hymns that adults have come to cherish, this text based on Jesus' calling of the disciple Andrew was written for a 19th-century collection of hymns for children. The popular tune used here was composed for these words more than a quarter of a century later.

## 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.