

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 VBS Class continues for the next 2 Sundays!



The Intergenerational Sunday School class becomes an all-inclusive intergenerational VBS for the next 2 Sundays.

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall during regular Sunday School time.

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 of all ages you may not normally get to spend time with! A breakfast snack will be served.

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.



Online Bible Study to Restart in September



The online weekly Bible study will resume in September. The 20 minute Zoom lesson is taught by Barbara Lane, Jack Lowe, and Betsy Preston. The Present Word is the quarterly that will be used. If you would like a copy of the study booklet, please let Amy know by phone or email. She will be placing an order for the books in the near future.

WRPC Weekly Calendar

Sunday 7/16	9:45am Intergenerational VBS, FH 11:00am Sunday Worship Service 7:00pm Session, MR
Monday 7/17	6:30pm Mission Committee, ZOOM
Tuesday 7/18	9:00am Walking Group, meet at Holston Vally Trailhead Entrance
Thursday 7/20	6:00pm Stephen Ministries, ZOOM
Friday 7/21	10:00am Food Pantry, FH

Acolyte

Nicholas Cox

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Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

Service of Worship

July 16, 2023, 11:00 am

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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 "This Is My Father's World" arr. J.B. Taylor

GATHERING PRAYER Tim Nolen

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

Your word is our heritage forever, the joy of our hearts.

***HYMN 64** "I Long For Your Commandments"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Patient and persistent God, we come, polished and presentable, to this comfortable room as if we knew what to expect, as if this were a safe and predictable place, as if we could simply observe. Holy One, forgive our tepid expectation. In the mystery of your love, overshadow us. Plant the seeds of your gospel in each of our hearts until we bloom and spill with your passion to serve in a world that is wasting.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (Romans 8:1)

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. The Spirit of God dwells in you. If you hear nothing else today, hear these words: there is no condemnation. In the name of Jesus you are forgiven.
Alleluia, AMEN

TIME WITH CHILDREN Rachel Lawson

ANTHEM "On Eagle's Wings" Michael Joncas
Phyllis Wine, soprano

*You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord, who abide in His shadow for life,
Say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"*

*Refrain: And he will raise you up on eagle's wings, bear you on the breath of dawn,
make you to shine like the sun, and hold you in the palm of His hand.*

*The snare of the fowler will never capture you, and famine will bring you no fear;
Under His wings your refuge, His faithfulness your shield. Refrain.*

*You need not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day;
Though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come. Refrain.*

*For to His angel's He's given a command to guard you in all of your ways;
Upon their hands they will bear you up, lest you dash your foot against a stone. Refrain.*

SCRIPTURES Genesis 25:19-24, Psalm 119:105-112
& Romans 8:1-11

SERMON "Earworms" Rebecca Ketchie

*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

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

Giver of life, we do not want the cares of the world and the lure of wealth to choke your word among us. As the sower casts seeds abundantly, hopefully, so we long to participate in your seeding of the world. Receive these gifts as tokens of our lives. Send your cultivating Spirit to work among us until we yield and grow in grace, for we pray in the name of Jesus, who came out of love for the world. AMEN

***HYMN 32** "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

64 I Long for Your Commandments

(Psalm 119)

1 I long for your com - mand - ments; your judg - ments all are
 2 With - out your lamp to guide me I wan - der from the
 3 O God, I love your knowl - edge, more pre - cious than pure

just. With - in your words is wis - dom, your teach - ings
 way. With - out your laws and pre - cepts I stum - ble
 gold. It sat - is - fies like hon - ey, a sweet - ness

un - der - stood are com - fort to my spir - it's need and
 in the dark. Your un - der - stand - ings are my hope that
 on my tongue. It leads me to sal - va - tion's door where

in the night my so - lace. Your stat - utes are my song.
 I may run in free - dom. Your ways are my re - lease.
 you have spread your ta - ble. O, lead me to your home.

Although this paraphrase is based on only a small part of Psalm 119, it incorporates many of the synonyms that weave through this extended acrostic psalm celebrating God's Law: commandments, judgments, words, teachings, wisdom, statutes, laws, precepts, understandings, ways.

32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y
 God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them
 And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy

skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.
 good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,
 throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!
 and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn written for children and originally headed "Praise for Creation and Providence." The anonymous German tune provides a fitting sense of breadth and wonder.