


## Coming Soon....


### For our Visitors

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.

### 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.

### CarePortal Informational Luncheon Sunday, August 27,

 after worship in the Fellowship Hall  
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### SMILE for August



Our wish list for August includes gently used jeans (all sizes) and new feminine supplies.

### Youth Group begins in September!

Monday, September 11, 6:00 – 8:00pm.



Trinity has some fun things planned for our WRPC Youth. You don't want to miss out!

## WRPC Weekly Calendar

<b>Sunday 8/13</b>	9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Sunday Worship Service 7:00pm Personnel, Library
<b>Tuesday 8/15</b>	9:00am Walking Group, meet at Holston Vally Trailhead 6:00pm Has Beens, FH
<b>Wednesday 8/16</b>	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
<b>Thursday 8/17</b>	6:00pm Stephen Ministry, MR & ZOOM
<b>Friday 8/18</b>	10:00am Food Pantry, FH

### Acolyte

Mason Wilson

### WRPC Staff

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# Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

## Service of Worship

August 13, 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** "We Are An Offering" Mark Hayes

**GATHERING PRAYER** Blair Adams

## CHORAL INTROIT

**CALL TO WORSHIP** (from Psalm 2)

As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.

*My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God?*

These things I remember as I pour out my soul:

*how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival.*

Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me?

*Hope in God; for I shall again praise him, my help and my God.*

**\*HYMN 435** "There's A Wideness in God's Mercy"

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

(Based on Psalm 69:1-3; Matthew 14; Hebrews 12:1-2)

*Save us, O God, for the waters have come up to our necks. We sink in deep mire, where there is no foothold; we have come into deep waters, and the floods sweep over us. We are weary; our throats are parched. Our eyes grow dim with waiting for our God. Gracious God, forgive us for taking our eyes off Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.*

*When the storms of life swirl around us, we forget your unfailing goodness and power to save us. When we hear Jesus say, "Come," we make excuses about why it is too hard to follow him, especially when the way seems dangerous and challenging. Forgive our sins, Lord, and help us to step out in faith. Be merciful to us when we cry out, "We believe; help our unbelief!" In Jesus' name we pray. AMEN*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** (from "How Firm a Foundation")

Hear these words of assurance: "When through the deep waters I call you to go,/ The rivers of sorrow shall not overflow,/ For I will be with you, your troubles to bless/ And sanctify to you your deepest distress." Friends, hear and believe the good news:

*In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God!*

**TIME WITH CHILDREN** Wanda Kerns

**ANTHEM** "I Will Joyfully Sing" Mary McDonald

*I will joyfully sing in the morning, I will joyfully sing all the day.  
I'll sing praises to Thee in the morning, for the Lord is the strength of my day.*

*I will lift up my eyes in the morning, for the Lord will not turn me away.  
I'll sing praises to Thee in the morning, for the Lord is the strength of my day.  
I will sing! I will sing!*

*I will sing of praises His goodness to me, I will sing!*

**SCRIPTURES** Romans 10:5-15 & Matthew 14:22-33

**SERMON** "Calling Out" Rev. Collin Adams

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (from A Declaration of Faith)

*We believe Christ gives us and demands of us lives in pilgrimage toward God's kingdom. Like Christ we may enjoy on our journey all that sustains life and makes it pleasant and beautiful. No more than Christ are we spared the darkness, ambiguity, and threat of life in the world.*

*We are in the world, but not of the world. Our confidence and hope for ourselves and other people do not rest in the powers and achievements of this world, but in the coming and hidden presence of God's kingdom.*

*Christ calls each of us to a life appropriate to that kingdom: to serve as he has served us; to take up our cross, risking the consequences of faithful discipleship; to walk by faith, not by sight, to hope for what we have not seen.*

## 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** Ken Marsh

## 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**

*Lord Jesus, you call us to follow you in faith and promise to provide us everything we need for ministry in your name. Bless these gifts we bring, that we may use them faithfully to share the good news of your love and mercy. In your holy name we pray. AMEN*

**\*HYMN 408** "There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

## 435 There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

1 There's a wide - ness in God's mer - cy, like the wide - ness  
 2 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sures

of the sea. There's a kind - ness in God's jus - tice,  
 of the mind. And the heart of the E - ter - nal

which is more than lib - er - ty. There is no place where earth's  
 is most won - der - ful - ly kind. If our love were but more

sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven. There is no place  
 faith - ful, we would glad - ly trust God's Word, and our lives re -

where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.  
 flect thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of our Lord.

These stanzas, excerpted from quite a few more, offer a reminder that the model for our dealings with others should be God's generosity rather than limited human tolerance. The text is effectively set to a broad and sturdy Dutch folk melody, probably from the 17th century.

## 408 There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

1 There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I  
2 There are bless - ings you can - not re - ceive till you

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are  
know him in his full - ness and be - lieve; you're the

sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I  
one to prof - it when you say, "I am

know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.  
going to walk with Je - sus all the way."

This gospel hymn grew out of this African American author and composer's intense experience of prayer with her interracial choir in Los Angeles one Sunday morning before worship. She recalled that sense of "a sweet, sweet Spirit" when she sat down at her piano the next day.

## Refrain

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav - en - ly Dove, stay right here

with us, fill - ing us with your love; and for these bless - ings we

lift our hearts in praise; with - out a doubt we'll know that we have

been re - vived when we shall leave this place.



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**Number of Adults** \_\_\_\_\_

**Number of Children/Youth** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dietary restrictions we need to know about:** \_\_\_\_\_

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