


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.

Let's go Waverly Wandering!

 The Waverly Wanderers have some exciting adventures coming up! Contact Rachel Lawson for more details about any of our outings.

Wednesday August 30th we will be traveling to Lake Lure, NC (where Dirty Dancing was filmed) to take a boat tour and have lunch. We can take up to 15 people and suspect the bus will fill up quickly so let Rachel Lawson know ASAP if you'd like to join us.

Sunday, September 24th we will be going to Bristol to see the musical Oklahoma at the Paramount Theatre. Please RSVP no later than Monday, August 20th for that.

October - Date TBD – trip to the Museum of Appalachia in Clinton, TN.

SMILE for September



Our wish list for September includes gently used leggings, athletic sweat pants (all sizes) and new infant formula.

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

Sunday 8/27	9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Sunday Worship Service
Tuesday 8/29	9:00am Walking Group, meet at Holston Vally Trailhead 6:00pm Has Beens, FH
Wednesday 8/30	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
Friday 9/1	10:00am Food Pantry, FH



Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

Service of Worship August 27, 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 “Change My Heart, Oh God” Mark Hayes

GATHERING PRAYER Rebecca Ketchie

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

When we look to the rock from which we were cut, and to the quarry from which we were dug, we see our ancestors Abraham and Sarah, who were alone until God blessed them and made them many.

When we look to the cornerstone of the church, we see Christ, the Son of the living God. Beginning with Peter, God has made us into living stones. God's house will stand forever!

***HYMN 726** “Will You Come and Follow Me?”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have conformed our lives to the ways of the world and not the ways of your kingdom. We think of ourselves too highly and regard others as lowly. We exalt our possessions and power, when you alone are to be exalted. We let our conflicts prevail over grace and divisions over harmony. Have mercy upon us, we pray. Forgive and transform us, that we may be holy and acceptable to you, discerning and doing your will. Through Jesus Christ, we pray. AMEN

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The steadfast love of the Lord never ends. When we call out to God, God answers.

God saves us with a strong and outstretched hand. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and helped to live in grace. Alleluia, AMEN

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Suzanne Huron

ANTHEM “How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place” Robert J. Powell

*How lovely is thy dwelling place, O Lord, how lovely is thy dwelling to me!
The tabernacles of thy grace, O Lord, how pleasant Lord, they be!*

*My thirsty soul longs ardently, Yea, fainthly thy courts to see;
My very heart and flesh cry out, O God, O living God, for thee.*

*Behold, the sparrow findeth out, O Lord, Behold a house wherein to rest;
The swallow for herself, O Lord, provided hath a nest.
Even thine own altars, where she safe, O Lord, she safe her young ones forth may bring,
O thou almighty Lord, O Lord of hosts, who art my God and King.*

*O blest are they who dwell with thee, they ever give me praise.
O blest the man whose strength thou art, O Lord, and in whose heart, thy ways.*

SCRIPTURES

Romans 12:1-8 & Matthew 16:13-20

SERMON

“Appealing”

Rev. Collin Adams

*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

Gracious God, we thank you for the measure of faith you have given to each of us. Increase in us generosity, compassion, and prophetic courage so we may continue to be your body in and for the world. With thanksgiving, we pray in the name of Christ. AMEN

***HYMN 716** “God Whose Giving Knows No Ending”

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

726 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C

1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?
 2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?
 3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?
 4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
 5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?
 Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?
 Will you set the pris - oners free and nev - er be the same?
 Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?
 Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus) (A)
 Gm7 B^b Am7 B^b Csus C

Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at - tract or scare?
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the world a - round,
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)
 F C7 Dm Gm7 B^b F

will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"
 Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"
 and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"
 through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"
 Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D) (Bm) (G)
F Dm B^b

1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D) (Bm)
F Dm

end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

(G) (D) (A)
B^b F C

cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm) (F#m) (Bm) (G) (A) (D)
Dm Am Dm B^b C F

to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm) (G) (D)
Dm B^b F

rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.