


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.

SMILE for November



Our wish list for November includes gently used pajamas (all sizes) and NEW Christmas stocking stuffers.

WRPC Weekly Calendar

Sunday 11/5	9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service / 5 Cents-a-Meal Offering
Monday 11/6	6:00pm Youth Group, YS
Tuesday 11/7	9:00am Walking Group, meet at Holston Valley Trailhead 11:00am Staff Meeting, ZOOM 6:00pm Has Beens, FH 7:00pm Private Meeting, GS
Wednesday 11/8	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
Thursday 11/9	12:00pm Worship Committee, ZOOM 6:00pm Stephen Ministry,
Friday 11/10	10:00am Food Pantry, FH



Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

Service of Worship

November 5, 2023, 11:00 am

Acolyte

Mason Wilson

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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 "Isn't He?" Arr. Mark Hayes

GATHERING PRAYER Tim Nolen

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

The Psalmist sings: O send out your light and your truth;

Let them lead me;

Let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy;

And I will praise you with the harp, O God, my God.

***HYMN 305** "Come Sing, O Church, In Joy"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We acknowledge before you, O God, that we are drawn to false teachings. We succumb to the adoration of this world when we seek to be noticed, crave being honored, and look for the best seats. We have ignored the true teacher who calls us to lives of humility, kindness, and service toward others. Forgive us. Help us to practice the teachings of Jesus. As we long to place our burdens on you, confident that you will lighten our journeys so we long to ease the burdens of our friends, families, neighbors, and creatures of earth. Set us on your path, O God; in Jesus' name.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God's love for us is genuine. When we need it the most, God's grace washes over us seeping into the cracks of our brokenness and saturating our thirsty hearts. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

Alleluia, AMEN

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Wanda Kerns

ANTHEM "Come To The Water" arr. Lynda Hasseler

O let all who thirst, let them come to the water.

And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord: without money, without price. Why should you pay the price, except for the Lord?

And let all who seek, let them come to the water.

And let all who have nothing, let them come to the Lord: Without money, without strife. Why should you spend your life, except for the Lord?

And let all who toil, let them come to the water.

And let all who are weary, let them come to the Lord: all who labor without rest. How can your soul find rest, except for the Lord?

And let all the poor, let them come to the water.

Bring the ones who are laden, bring them all to the Lord: bring the children without might. Easy the load and light, come to the Lord.

SCRIPTURES Matthew 23:1-12 & 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13

SERMON "Trusting God's Word" Dave Petke

*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

Holy God, through these gifts you nourish us. You create and sustain our bodies and minds and all the creatures and elements of the earth that enable us to move and grow. With these gifts, we turn our lives towards the needs of your people and all in want. Bless what we offer, in Jesus' name. AMEN

***HYMN 687** "Our God, Our Help In Ages Past"

*BENEDICTION and CHORAL BENEDICTION

305 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

1 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
 2 Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns su - preme,
 3 Let cour - age be our friend; let wis - dom be our guide,
 4 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!
 em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!
 as we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!
 For Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!

In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!

This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988–1989 observance, which had the theme “Celebrate the Journey.” The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.

687 Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

(Psalm 90)

1 Our God, our help in a - ges past, our
 2 Be - neath the shad - ow of thy throne thy
 3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood, or
 4 A thou - sand a - ges in thy sight are

hope for years to come, our shel - ter from the
 saints have dwelt se - cure; suf - fi - cient is thine
 earth re - ceived its frame, from ev - er - last - ing
 like an eve - ning gone, short as the watch that

storm - y blast, and our e - ter - nal home:
 arm a - lone, and our de - fense is sure.
 thou art God, to end - less years the same.
 ends the night be - fore the ris - ing sun.

- 5 Time, like an ever rolling stream,
 bears all our years away;
 they fly forgotten, as a dream
 dies at the opening day.
- 6 Our God, our help in ages past,
 our hope for years to come,
 be thou our guard while life shall last,
 and our eternal home.

Many people sing this hymn unaware that it paraphrases Psalm 90, partly because this text speaks so immediately to the human condition. Since the middle of the 19th century, it has usually been joined to this tune named for the London parish where the composer was organist.