


## 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.

### It's Candy Time!

October is here and it's time to start collecting candy donations!

**Lincoln Elementary will be trick or treating at WRPC**

**on Halloween day.** We will need some goodies for a whole school's worth of kiddos! Please bring candy donations or small non-edible goodies by the church and leave them in Rachels office by the end of the service today.

**Can you help distribute candy on Halloween day to the Lincoln kiddos? Let Rachel know if you're available between 10:00am and 2:00pm to help!**



## WRPC Weekly Calendar

<b>Sunday 10/29</b>	9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service
<b>Monday 10/30</b>	6:00pm Youth Group, YS
<b>Tuesday 10/31</b>	9:00am Walking Group, meet at Holston Valley Trailhead 10:00am Trick-or-Treating Event with Lincoln Elementary, WRPC 6:00pm Has Beens, FH
<b>Wednesday 11/1</b>	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
<b>Friday 11/3</b>	10:00am Food Pantry, FH

### Acolyte

Michael Lawson

### WRPC Staff

Pastor | Collin Blair Adams

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# Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

## Service of Worship

October 29, 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** "I Love You Lord" Laurie Klein

**GATHERING PRAYER** Stephen Bus

## CHORAL INTROIT

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus said,

***You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself.***

On these two commandments hang all of the law and the prophets.

***Let us worship God.***

**\*HYMN 305** "Come Sing, O Church, in Joy"

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***God of love, you ask us to love one another from the center of who we are, you tell us to bless one another, you encourage us to do good. But we have not listened to your words, instead of loving we have practiced hatred, instead of blessing, we have perfected cursing, instead of doing good, we have sought to get even. Forgive us for giving up. Give us grace to try again, and encouragement to make your ways, our ways. We pray, we wait, and we hope. AMEN***

## 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

Suzanne Huron

**ANTHEM** "God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian"  
(Vocal Scholars) Alfred V. Fedak

*God the Spirit, guide and guardian, wind sped flame and hovering dove, breath of life and voice of prophets, sign of blessing, power of love: give to those who lead your people fresh anointing of your grace; send them forth as bold apostles to your church in every place.*

*Christ our Savior, sovereign, shepherd, Word made flesh, Love crucified, teacher, healer, voice of prophets, sign of blessing, power of love: in your tending may all pastors learn and live a shepherd's care; grant them courage and compassion shown through word and deed and prayer.*

*Great Creator, life bestower, truth beyond all thought's recall, fount of wisdom, womb of mercy, giving and forgiving all: as you know our strength and weakness, so may those the church exalts oversee its life steadfastly, yet not overlook its faults.*

*Triune God, mysterious being, undivided and diverse, deeper than our minds can fathom, greater than our creeds rehearse: help us in our varied callings your full image to proclaim, that our ministries uniting may give glory to your name.*

**SCRIPTURES** Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 & 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

**SERMON** "Have Compassion" Rev. Collin Adams

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(from A Brief Statement of Faith)

***We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray with out ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.***

## REMEMBERING THE SAINTS

## 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** "As the Deer" Martin Nystrom

## \*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

Gift-giving God, we bring you what we can offer, our time, our talents, our finances, our very selves, in the hope that what we bring, you might magnify, and multiply, for the work of your love in the world. AMEN

**\*HYMN 12** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

## \*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!

## Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.  
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:  
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.  
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
 thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;  
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,  
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.  
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.