


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.

Christmas Drive for Lincoln Elementary Students

The Leadership Class at Dobyns-Bennett is coordinating a Christmas drive for Lincoln Elementary students. If you would like to bring a few items by that are listed, you may leave them in a box in the mail room at the church and they will come pick them up December 1.

This year Lincoln will be participating in a Community Service Project to help send food home with children in need over the school break. **They will be collecting:**

- * canned chicken
- * syrup
- * muffin mix
- * canned pasta (ravioli etc.)

Any of these items can also be left in the box in the mail room until November 20 and Rachel will deliver them to Lincoln.

SMILE for November



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

Our Santa for Seniors and Foster Angel Trees are up in the Narthex!

Be sure to stop by and select an item or two to remind the receivers that they are thought of, loved, and prayed for this holiday season. Santa for Senior items are due in by November 30. Foster Angel items are due by December 6. You may leave these items in the box under the tree table in the Narthex.

WRPC Weekly Calendar

Sunday 11/19	9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service 7:00pm Session, MR
Monday 11/20	6:00pm Youth Group, YS 6:30pm Mission Committee, ZOOM
Tuesday 11/21	9:00am Walking Group, meet at Holston Valley Trailhead 6:00pm Has Beens, FH
Wednesday 11/22	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
Thursday 11/23	8:00am Thanksgiving Holiday – Church Offices CLOSED
Friday 11/24	8:00am Thanksgiving Floating Holiday – Church Offices CLOSED 10:00am Food Pantry, FH

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Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

Service of Worship

November 19, 2023, 11:00 am

1415 Waverly Road Kingsport, TN 37664 423.247.5121 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.

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 “As The Deer” with ‘Fairest Lord Jesus”
arr. Mark Hayes

GATHERING PRAYER Barbara Lane

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord, you have been our dwelling place;
we come today to rest in you.

You have been the voice that guides us;
we come today to listen.

You have been the host who feeds us;
we come today to be filled.

You have been our joy and crown;
we come today to sing your praise!

***HYMN 312** “We Praise You, O God”

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that once again, we have done what is evil in your sight. We’ve made mistakes. We’ve made missteps. We have hurt people, by action and inaction. We have wounded creation, by action and inaction. We have chosen our ways over yours, by action and inaction. And if the sum total of what we have done and what we have not done adds up to evil in your sight, then in your sight we ask you to turn us towards goodness. Forgive our past, and shape our future that we might build your kingdom here. In the strong name of Christ, we pray. AMEN

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the good news! Who is our God?

Slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

We are forgiven, rescued and redeemed. Alleluia! AMEN

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Rev. Collin Adams

ANTHEM

“Above All Else”

Joel Raney

Lord, you have called us chosen and beloved.

*And you have held us close and made us your own, your very own.
Fill our hearts with kindness, teach us forgiveness and compassion.*

*Let our song resound in perfect harmony.
Above all else, Lord, bind us in love.*

*Filled was a gentle, quiet understanding,
may we strive for justice and peace, God’s perfect peace
Humble and willing, loving, accepting one another.*

*Grateful hearts we bring, matchless grace we sing,
as we have been forgiven, we forgive.
Above all else Lord, bind us in love.*

SCRIPTURES

Psalm 123:1-4 & 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

SERMON

“Morning Chores”

Rev. Collin Adams

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(adapted from the Confession of 1967)

God’s redeeming work in Jesus Christ embraces the whole of our life. It is the will of God that God’s purpose for human life shall be fulfilled under the rule of Christ and all evil be banished from creation. Already God’s reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in people and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption. With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

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

Bree Fox

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

Generous God, with Thanksgiving quickly approaching, we are reminded to give you thanks for the ministries of this congregation with which you have entrusted us. We are honored by the opportunity to be your holy body here. Bless these offerings, however they are given, that our efforts may be ever more worthy of your name. AMEN

***HYMN 816** “If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee”

*BENEDICTION and CHORAL BENEDICTION

We Praise You, O God

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1 We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
 2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and moth - ers;
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
 through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.
 and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
 With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.

we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
 To you, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

The author wrote this text when only nineteen years old in response to a request from the organist of the Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City, who wanted another Thanksgiving text to sing to this Dutch tune. He regarded the usual text (see no. 336) as too full of conflict.

If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee 816

1 If thou but trust in God to guide thee, with hope - ful
 2 On - ly be still, and wait God's lei - sure in cheer - ful
 3 Sing, pray, and swerve not from God's ways, but do thine

heart through all thy ways, God will give strength, what - e'er be -
 hope, with heart con - tent to take what - e'er thy Keep - er's
 own part faith - ful - ly. Trust the rich prom - is - es of

tide thee, to bear thee through the e - vil days. Who trusts in
 plea - sure and all - dis - cern - ing love hath sent. No doubt our
 grace; so shall they be ful - filled in thee. God nev - er

God's un - chang - ing love builds on the rock that nought can move.
 in - most wants are clear to One who holds us al - ways dear.
 yet for - sook at need the soul se - cured by trust in - deed.

This hymn is a testimony of experience. The original seven-stanza German text (based on Psalm 55:22) and its tune were created by the author/composer at the age of twenty in thanksgiving for finding employment many weeks after being left almost penniless following a robbery.



WRPC Christmas Poinsettia Order Form

You can participate in the tradition of beautifying our Sanctuary during the Advent season by ordering a Poinsettia. If you would like to contribute a Poinsettia in memory of or in honor of someone, or to celebrate someone special, please write the name of the person(s) to be honored or memorialized and any other appropriate information in the space below and return it to the church office, along with your check **no later than Sunday, December 17**. The cost of each Poinsettia ordered is \$10.00. Checks should be made payable to Waverly Road Presbyterian Church and marked "for Poinsettias". Please indicate below whether you will be picking your Poinsettia up after Christmas Eve Service on Sunday, December 24.

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Lincoln Elementary Secret Santa



Donate New Toys for Elementary Kids

A Dobyns-Bennett Leadership Class project

What: Donate new toys, clothes, and toiletries

When: November 7 - December 1, 2023

Where: Lincoln Elementary Front Office

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