


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.

Try One of Our Adult Sunday School Classes!

Apprentice Class - Room 105
Hybrid Format via Zoom and in-person. Class begins at 9:15 instead of 9:45 to accommodate the logistics with Zoom. Leaders: Howard Carman, Dave and Sharon Petke. The next study will be "Thinking Through Salvation", a 9-part video series by N.T. Wright.

Women's Sunday School Class - Room 205

Leader: Karen Carman. The class uses a variety of DVD/Workbook Small Group Studies as the basis for the lessons and subsequent discussions. A new study titled "In the Footsteps of the Savior: Following Jesus Through the Holy Land" by Max Lucado will begin on February 18.

Adult Lectionary Class - Gathering Space

Leader: Shelley Porter. Discussions are prompted by the Weekly Lectionary Text.



SMILE for the Month of February

Our wish list includes new or gently used plus-sized clothing, 2X-5X clothing all sizes and new fidget toys.

Sunday School for Children & Youth

Nursery available for children 0-3 years

Sundays from 9:30am - 12:30pm

3yrs - Kindergarten Sunday School - led by Godly Play Room 9:45-10:45am

1st-2nd grade Sunday School - led by Carlista Barttels and Charlie Foster, 9:45-10:45am

3-5th grade Sunday School - led by John and Karen Gilmer, 9:45-10:45am

6-12th grade Sunday School - led by Trinity Gibson, 9:45-10:45am

6-12th grade Youth Group
Monday evenings 6:00-8:00pm - led by Trinity Gibson and Suzanne Huron

Season of Mission ~ Season of Hope Luncheon

Sunday, March 10,

After Worship

Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for lunch with guest speakers Jimmy Shafe (Congo Hope) and Katherine Adraktas (Family Promise) to learn about recent events in their mission fields. Tell us you are coming by filling out the insert in the bulletin so we can plan accordingly.

WRPC Weekly Calendar

Sunday 2/25	9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service
Monday 2/26	6:00pm Youth Group, YS
Tuesday 2/27	9:00am Walking Group, meet at Holston Valley Trailhead 6:00pm The Has Beens, FH
Wednesday 2/28	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
Friday 3/1	10:00am Food Pantry, FH

Acolyte

Lily Baskett

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Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

Service of Worship

February 25, 2024, 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 "We Are Called" arr. Mark Hayes

GATHERING PRAYER Rachel Lawson

CHORAL INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us not be ashamed of our Savior. Let us sing and praise our God out loud.

In the midst of the crowd, we will praise you. In our community, we will bear witness to our faith.

Let us set our minds on divine things.

Let us take up our cross and follow Christ.

***HYMN 819** "Be Still My Soul"

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Savior God, the publisher spectacle of the cross calls us to account. We hesitate and hedge when opportunities arise to speak of you. We are shy in faith and not bold to proclaim. Your story saves, yet we keep it to ourselves. Forgive our reticence of faith. Forgive the ways we fail to serve as public witnesses. Help us be your candlelight, held high to set the world aglow. AMEN

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God does not forsake us. Our God is a gracious God, abounding in steadfast love. Know that in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven and be at peace.

Thanks be to God. AMEN

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Trinity Gibson

ANTHEM "We Are Held" Susan LeBarr & Jim Wilson

As the sunset by the sky. And as all the birds that fly.

By his arms, both you and I, We are held.

As the ship is by the sea, and the nest upon the tree,

Ever cradled, ever free, We are held.

As a tune rung clear and fair, And the silence trailing there,

As this music by the air, We are held.

As our life is by its spawn, So we rest in God's own hand,

And are bold to sing again: We are held!

SCRIPTURES

Mark 8:31-38 & Romans 4:13-25

SERMON "What Do We Think He's Doing?" Rev. Collin Adams

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

(From a Brief Statement of Faith)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel's, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling us all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

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

Karen Carman

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

God of grace, you provide for us in amazing ways. May our offerings provide for others and be used to further Christ's ministry and mission. AMEN

***HYMN 220**

"Go to Dark Gethsemane"

***BENEDICTION & CHORAL BENEDICTION**

819

Be Still, My Soul

1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.
 2 Be still, my soul: thy God doth un - der - take
 3 Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on

Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain.
 to guide the fu - ture sure - ly as the past.
 when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord;

Leave to thy God to or - der and pro - vide,
 Thy hope, thy con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;
 when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,

who through all chang - es faith - ful will re - main.
 all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.
 sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.

This meditative text seems to be rooted in Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God," while also reaching forward to 1 Thessalonians 4:17b, "we will be with the Lord forever." Much of the appeal of this hymn comes from its tune, named for the tone poem on which it is based.

LIVING AND DYING IN CHRIST

Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heaven - ly Friend
 Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
 Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past

through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.
 his voice who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.
 all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

220 Go to Dark Gethsemane

1 Go to dark Geth - sem - a - ne, all who feel the
 2 Fol - low to the judg - ment hall; view the Lord of
 3 Cal - vary's mourn - ful moun - tain climb; there, a - dor - ing
 4 Ear - ly has - ten to the tomb where they laid his

tempt - er's power; your Re - deem - er's con - flict see;
 life ar - rained; O the worm - wood and the gall!
 at his feet, mark that mir - a - cle of time,
 breath - less clay: all is sol - i - tude and gloom.

watch with him one bit - ter hour; turn not from his
 O the pangs his soul sus - tained! Shun not suf - fering,
 God's own sac - ri - fice com - plete; "It is fin - ished!"
 Who has tak - en him a - way? Christ is risen! He

griefs a - way; learn from Je - sus Christ to pray.
 shame, or loss; learn from him to bear the cross.
 hear him cry; learn from Je - sus Christ to die.
 meets our eyes. Sav - ior, teach us so to rise.

The composer intended this tune for "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" (no. 438), but its solemn tone and small range make it an effective setting for this series of somber vignettes portraying what Christians can learn from Christ: to pray, to bear the cross, to die, and to rise.



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Names of all attending _____

Number needing Nursery Care (≤ 5 yrs old) _____

Number of youth for Service Craft Project _____

Please RSVP using **EITHER** this form **OR** the signup sheet in the Gathering Space (but not both). Or you can call the church office.

This event is being hosted by the Mission Committee.