

The Newsheet

✠ Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

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WELCOME TO WORSHIP



February 18, 2024

**In-Person and
Online Worship Service
at 11:00am**

**Click on either link for
Sunday Worship Service**



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SCRIPTURES

February 18, 2024

Mark 1:9-15 & 1 Peter 3:18-22

WRPC
Food Pantry
SERVING EVERY FRIDAY
from 10:00am—Noon.

*A very special thanks goes out
to all of our Food Pantry
volunteers who are helping to
FEED THE HUNGRY
in our community.*

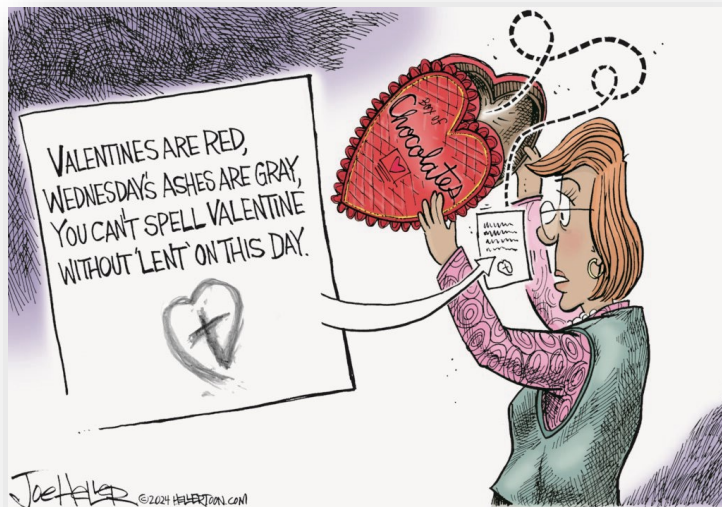


You are loved. We are blessed!

From the desk of Rachel Lawson...



Love and sacrifice. The depths of which are incomprehensible to us sinners when we merely try to contemplate Jesus' purpose on Earth. As we observe Ash Wednesday (and acknowledge Valentines Day) may we remember that no greater love and no greater sacrifice could ever be given to us than Jesus' life, death, and resurrection! The beauty of true unconditional love is that we don't have to deserve it to receive it. No one will get a better "Valentine" than that this year or any other! —*Rachel*



PRAYER REQUESTS

People in our Prayers

Rev. Dan Clark	Laci, Nicholas &
Holston Presbytery Camp	Robin Lodol
Doris Blanchard	Ann Kibler
Ted Germroth	Jeanne Jernigan
Benjamin Salyer	Sarah Hale
Howard S. Carman, Sr.	Kirk and Lola Finch
(Howard's Father)	Abigail & Ashleen Easley
Sue Hall	Travis & Kathy Adams
(Steve Hall's mother)	(Collin's parents)
Mike Lewis	Chuck Green
Dave & Sharon Petke	Marty Qualls
Steve Hall	Jack Lowe Family

Missions in our Prayers—1st Quarter

Local Missions

Cora Cox Academy
The Oasis of Kingsport

Regional / National Missions

Appalachian Miles for Smiles

International Missions

Butoke Nutrition Center, Congo
Osman Hope, Honduras

We will leave names on the Prayer Request List for three weeks unless you notify the Church Office to remain on the list for an extended amount of time.



This Week at WRPC

Indoor and Online Worship at 11:00am.

Sunday 2/18	9:45am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship Service
	8:00pm	Session, MR
Monday 2/19	6:00pm	Youth Group, YS
	7:00pm	Mission Committee, ZOOM
Tuesday 2/20	9:00am	Walking Group, Greenbelt Holston Valley Trailhead
	6:00pm	The Has Beens, FH
Wednesday 2/21	1:00pm	ZOOM Bible Study
	7:00pm	Chancel Choir Practice
Friday 2/23	10:00am	Food Pantry, FH

Season of Mission — Season of Hope Rollout

We are officially kicking off the 2024 Season of Mission ~ Season of Hope. For the first time since Covid, we are hosting a luncheon program after worship on **March 10th** in the Fellowship Hall. Two guest speakers will be joining us: **Jimmy Shafe from Congo Hope** as well as **Katherine Adraktas from Family Promise of Greater Kingsport**. For now, please HOLD THE DATE on your calendar and watch for the sign-up sheets coming soon. The nursery will be available, and we will have a service craft project for the older children and youth. Please plan on joining us to learn more about what's happening with two of the missions Waverly Road has supported for many years.



We are planning two Service Projects this year — you'll be hearing more about those in the next few weeks.

Mission Pledge Sunday is March 17th. You will be invited to submit your pledge for the 2024-2025 Mission Action Plan on that day. Last year, your generosity provided more than \$50K to missions close to home, throughout our region, and around the world. The Mission Committee is excited about what this year's Season of Hope will enable and we are extremely grateful for the generosity of this congregation.

—The Mission Committee



Join us every Wednesday at 1:00pm for ZOOM Bible Study. We will send out log-in instructions to your email.

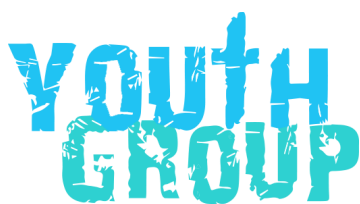


Try One of Our Adult Sunday School Classes!

Apprentice Class - Hybrid Format via Zoom and in-person in Room 105. 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.



**Monday, February 19,
6:00—8:00pm**

We will be gathering in the Youth Suite for a fun evening of learning and fellowship!

**In case of inclement weather,
Trinity will send an email to cancel Youth Group.**



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.



Views from the

FOOD PANTRY

by Peter Lodol

February 18–24, 2024

To all:

We delivered 43 bags Friday.

We also had assistance from a D-B student in packing bags last week. She is a part of the Tennessee Promise program, which requires 8 hours of community service as a part of their commitment. She worked for more than an hour with Susan to pack last week's bags.

As always, thank you for your support and prayers.

—Pete Lodol



The Good Samaritan

Together the Godly Play Lessons form a spiral curriculum that enables

children to move into adolescence with an inner working knowledge of the classical Christian language system to sustain them all of their lives. The parable box is golden with something valuable inside, do not be discouraged if you do not understand the parable. Just keep coming back to it again and again. Parables are gifts given to you long ago.



There was once someone who did such amazing things and said such wonderful things that people followed him. As they followed him they heard him speak of many things and sometimes people asked them questions.

One day someone asked, "What is the most important thing in life?" Jesus said, "You already know." "This is true. I do. It is to love God and to love, people just like they are your neighbors. But who is my neighbor?"

Jesus answered with this parable, "There was someone who went from Jerusalem down to Jericho. As he went along his way he was attacked by robbers. They hurt him and took everything he had and left him beside the road half dead. There was also a great Priest of the temple who went on the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. As he went along his way, he came to the place where the person who

had been hurt, had everything taken from him, and had been left by the side of the road half dead. When the Priest came to him, the priest went to the other side of the road and went along his way.

There was also someone else who worked at the temple who went along the road from Jerusalem to Jericho. He was one of the people who helped the Priests. He took care of the temple and helped with the music. He was called a Levite. When the Levite came to the place where the person who was hurt, had everything taken from him, and had been left by the side of the road half dead, he went to the other side, and he went along his way.

There was also a person who went on the road; who did not live in Jerusalem. He was visiting from a country called Samaria. The people in Samaria did not like people in Jerusalem. The people of Jerusalem did not like the people of Samaria. When the stranger came to the place where the person had been hurt, had everything taken from him and had been left by the side of the road half dead, THE STRANGER CAME TO HIM.

The stranger put medicine on the places where the person had been hurt. The stranger gave the hurt stranger his coat. He then put the hurt stranger on his donkey and took him to a place to spend the night. The Samaritan even stayed with him all night. In the morning he gave the innkeeper enough money for him to stay there until he was well."

Now I wonder, who is the neighbor to the person who was hurt, everything taken from him, and was left by the side of the road half dead? Which one could the neighbor be?



Now I wonder, what would happen if the people in the parable were women and not men? What if the person finding the injured traveler were a child?

The wondering questions do not normally have a right or wrong answer. They are just used to help the child think deeper. A lot of time is not spent with the wondering questions unless the children begin a discussion.

Encouraging Words

"It is not just about giving up our favorite food but it's about going further and giving up things like hatred and unforgiveness. You need to clean your heart and prepare yourself for purity."—Amanda Jobs

A Recipe for Lent

Lemony Vegetables and Pasta

Yields: 7 servings

Ingredients

- 1 pound fresh asparagus, trimmed and cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 medium sweet red pepper, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 medium red onion, sliced
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 4-1/2 cups uncooked bow tie pasta
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- 1 cup vegetable broth
- 1 cup shredded Parmesan cheese



- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 tablespoon grated lemon zest
- 1/2 cup chopped pistachios
- 1/4 cup fresh basil leaves, thinly sliced
- Additional shredded Parmesan cheese

Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine the asparagus, red pepper, onion, oil, salt and pepper. Transfer to a greased 15x10x1-in. baking pan. Bake at 450° for 10-15 minutes or until golden brown, stirring once.
2. Meanwhile, cook pasta according to package directions. In a large saucepan, melt butter over medium heat. Stir in the flour, garlic and pepper flakes until blended. Whisk in broth until blended. Bring to a boil over medium-high heat; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened and bubbly.
3. Reduce heat. Stir in the cheese, sour cream, lemon juice and zest; heat through. Drain pasta and place in a large bowl. Add cheese sauce and asparagus mixture; toss to coat. Sprinkle with pistachios, basil and additional cheese.