

The Newsheet

✠ Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

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Jesus Christ is Risen!
Forevermore.



Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022

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

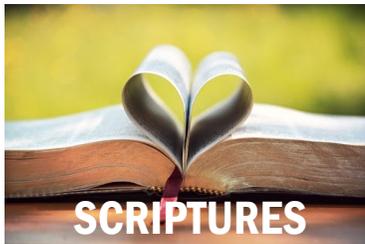
**Click on either link for
Sunday Worship Service**



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SCRIPTURES

April 17, 2022

Luke 24:1-12

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 Pastor Collin...

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ,

It seems that it was ages ago when we gathered for Ash Wednesday and began our Lent journey. From that time until now we have been remembering who God is and who we are. Remembering is not just about our minds, but about all of us, putting ourselves back together (re-mem-bering) in the light of what God is doing and has already done.

Now, as we go through this Holy Week we come to the empty tomb of Easter. We see that our journey is not at an end, but instead that all things are made new! We are made whole in the dawn of Easter, seeing that all that would separate us from God has been left behind with the grave clothes. It is because of this truth that we can pick up our cross and follow Jesus. We know that the cross has no threat to us, it is only a reminder of what we will gain.

Family of God, let us keep our journey going. Tend to the flame of your faith as we move forward into this new dawn.

May God continue to bless,

—*Rev. Collin*



People in our Prayers

Mary Margaret Bowles	Laci, Nicholas & Robin
Mike Lewis	Lodal
Rev. Dan Clark	Joyce Caldwell
Jackie Britton	Sarah Valk
Holston Presbytery Camp	Ann Kibler
Patients receiving Dialysis	Jo Morrison Family
Debbie Reiff	Dr. Bob & Jeanne Jernigan
Rorie Parker Family	Sarah Hale
Lee Bockman	Susan Avery
Doris Blanchard	

Missions in our Prayers—2nd Quarter

Local Missions

Family Promise / IHN
Second Harvest Food Bank of Northeast TN
Waverly Road Childcare Center

Regional / National Missions

Holston Habitat for Humanity

International Missions

Annapurna Panchakanya Primary School, Nepal
Congo Hope, Congo
Osman Hope, Honduras

Special Offerings

One Great Hour of Sharing (Easter – April 17)
Pentecost Offering (June 5)

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 4/17	9:45am In-Person Sunday School – Preschool through Grade 12
	11:00am Sunday Worship Service / Easter Sunday <i>(Godly Play Children’s Church in Room 102)</i>
Monday 4/18	3:00pm Youth Group
Tuesday 4/19	6:00pm The Has Beens, FH
Wednesday 4/20	7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
Thursday 4/21	6:00pm Stephen Ministry – ZOOM
Friday 4/22	10:00am Food Pantry



**Early Morning Outdoor
Easter Service**
with
**Mafair United Methodist
Church**

Sunday, April 17, 2022, 9:00am
in Mafair's parking lot

Please bring a lawn chair and
dress for the weather.



April 17, 2022 Worship at 11:00am

He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.' — Luke 24:6-7

Maundy Thursday Worship Service

April 14, 7:00pm
Communion will be served.

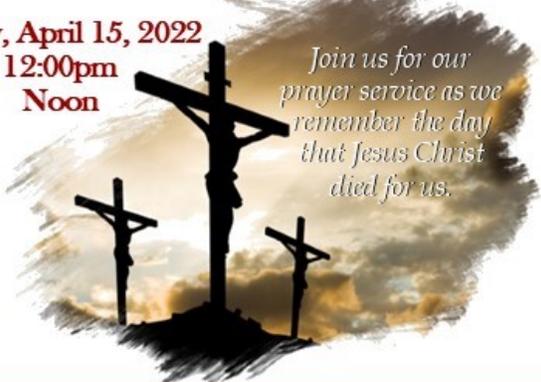


"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another." — John 13:34

Good Friday Prayer Service

Friday, April 15, 2022
12:00pm
Noon

Join us for our
prayer service as we
remember the day
that Jesus Christ
died for us.



We will NOT have ZOOM Bible Study on Wednesday April, 20.



For the month April

**April is the month for
donating gently used infant
to 24 months clothes.**

**APRIL SHOWERS
bring new hygiene
items, too.**

**Thanks so much
for your support!**



**Youth Group is on Mondays from 3-5 pm!
Pick-up by 5:15 pm.**



We pick up kids from school and
parents pick them up. Volunteers
are needed. Please contact Trinity
with questions at
trinity@waverlyroadpc.org.



Views from the

FOOD PANTRY

by Peter Lodol



April 17–23, 2022

To all:

This past Friday we delivered 28 bags, almost identical to the previous week. (Dare we say trend?)

More importantly, Girl Scout Troop 157 packed our bags. They are working on a number of community service badges, and show an extraordinary understanding of, and compassion for food security and hunger issues. Bravo!

—Pete Lodol

WAVERLY ROAD PRESBYTERIAN



We continue to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Waverly Road Presbyterian Church. All year long, our Newsheets will be filled with our history, pictures, stories, and memories of our beloved WRPC from the archives and from WRPC member contributions. If you have any of these in your own personal

memorabilia that you would like to share with us please contact Rachel Lawson.

The Story of Waverly Road Presbyterian Church (Continuing our Church History 2014—2016)

Kim Wooden came in to serve as the Administrative Assistant in spring of 2014. She stayed with us until 2016.

The long awaited Honduras Mission Trip through Osman Hope happened in 2014 from March 11-17th. Ten of our WRPC members visited some of the girls shelters in the city and on the mountain.



In August 2014, Chris Vogado bid us farewell to move on to his next call with his new wife, Rev. Rachel Vogado.

Renovations of the former Holston Presbytery office began

to transform it into a youth suite by the Facilities Task Force headed up by Eileen Butler. New carpet, fresh paint, some repairs to the ceiling and electrical work created an amazing space to house WATeR and youth activities.



WRPC youth Marshall Welch completed his Eagle Scout project by renovating the church nursery with much needed upgrades including the installation of new carpet, new paint, beautiful mural work by Judi Easley, and a new TV/DVD system.

The search for an Associate Pastor was put on hold and the search for an interim began after Rev. Dan Clark announced his retirement from ministry due to health issues in March 2015. Rev. Dan was WRPC's pastor for 12 years and a big celebration in his honor - with the customary roast - was held before his retirement in May.

Joshua Russell was hired onto staff in order to work with the Youth and Young Adults.



At the recommendation of the Personnel Committee, Rev. Dr. Angus Shaw, a retired Presbyterian minister, agreed to come and serve WRPC as the Interim from June 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016, to both fill the pulpit and to help WRPC figure out what we wanted and needed in a pastor.

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The Story of Waverly Road Presbyterian Church (Continuing our Church History, cont'd.)

The acolyte ministry began in August 2015, initiated and run by Carlista Bartells, allowed the children of WRPC to have an important part of each worship service. Fall brought a new opportunity to reach out to our next door neighbors by hosting the first WRPC Trunk or Treat.



2015 saw the completion of the refurbishment of the new Youth Suite and Prospect House by May 2016. The renovations to create the new Gathering Space were underway as well which would create a new, welcoming room in which to fellowship.



In May 2016 a special recognition for our organist and WRPC lifelong member Susan Whipple's 35 years of service was presented to her during the worship service.



At a congregational meeting in May of 2016 the Pastor Nominating Committee recommended that Rev. Collin Blair Adams - our former Columbia seminary intern - become the new minister at WRPC. In the same meeting the motion passed for Rev. Dan Clark to be honored as Pastor Emeritus and a farewell reception on the lawn on June 26th was held

to recognize Angus and Carolyn Shaw.



On July 1st, Rev. Collin, his wife Blair, and their sons MacInnes and Knox were welcomed that summer to the WRPC family.

A special new curriculum called Godly Play which was based on the Montessori Method began to teach some of our youngest ones about the church and stories of the Bible. Wanda and Bob Kerns used this precious time to teach the preschoolers and kindergartners about the church, special holidays, Bible stories and most importantly God's love for them. The Sunday School class turned into a Children's Church for kids ages 3yrs - 3rd grade where the children get to share stories, crafts and snacks together during the last part of worship after the Time with Children.



Mission Moment 4-10-22

‘Unstable Connection ...’

Those two words have taken on a deeper meaning in the past couple of years, haven't they? For many, the words “unstable connection,” “weak connection” or worse, “lost connection,” are synonymous for an online meeting that has become frozen or dropped off. These dreaded words, popping up on a phone or computer, mean whatever is being offered isn't getting through. It isn't able to be shared. The connection is in jeopardy.

But simply stated, we fundamentally need to connect. People need to connect.

Through our Church, we connect, in whatever way we are able, with one another, and celebrate the many ways God connects with us. During Lent, we celebrate that God connects with us through Jesus' resurrection and connects us with “those who have least” — that's how Matthew 25 puts it — and that's what One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) is all about. Connecting.

People who experience oppression, need, loss or lack, those are the people Jesus connected with the Bible says, and they are the people we are invited to connect with through the One Great Hour of Sharing offering Easter Sunday.

OGHS is the largest way Presbyterians connect with one another, and with our neighbors in need. We join with people whose connections are, too often, unstable; people experiencing poverty, oppression, hunger, and disaster.

The Church offers gifts of prayer, understanding, and support by participating in ministries of poverty alleviation and natural and human-caused disaster relief, as well as self-development to ensure dignity for all.

Because of our gifts to OGHS on Easter each year, we connect with the Multicultural Alliance for a Safe Environment in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Together we unite to halt environmental degradation and its impact on the people of the Navajo Nation by assisting in a collaborative effort to secure access to clean water — and thus address the large numbers of birth defects, miscarriages and types of cancer impacting our neighbors there.

We connect with the Resource Center in Matamoros at the southern border of the United States who accompanies our neighbors who are seeking asylum due to economic problems, violence, and corruption. Together, we share food, tents, and blankets as well as a place for refugees to have access to legal teams, medical teams, and social support services.

OGHS connects us with the Civil Society Coalition for Poverty Eradication in Northern Nigeria, where cycles of

conflict and food insecurity have been a tragic reality.

For over 70 years, the offerings of thousands of congregations like ours have come together to participate in God's healing, tending, and growing to create a world where all needs are met. Through One Great Hour of Sharing ... we stabilize, we strengthen those who are weak, we connect.

The One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be distributed in this way:

- 36% to the Presbyterian Hunger Program
- 32% to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
- 32% to the Self-Development of People

Please give generously this coming Sunday, for when we all do a little, it adds up to a lot. Last year, our congregation gave \$1,600 to One Great Hour of Sharing. By connecting with other congregations across our nation, \$7.6 million was provided to help those in need.



Let us pray:

Heal us, oh Savior, that we might understand and grow our relationships with all those in need. Thank you for connecting us with one another and with you. Amen.

SMILE Spring Yard Sale

April 23, 8:00am—12:30pm



WRPC member can bring items for the sale to the BACK of the Prospect House from 6:00 — 8:00pm on Friday, April, 22. Again, thanks for your support!



Jo Morrison remembered as 'shining light' for Kingsport

By [MARINA WATERS mwaters@timesnews.net](mailto:mwaters@timesnews.net)

Apr 9, 2022



KINGSPORT — The Model City lost what might have been its greatest advocate for the homeless when Josephine Hutchison Morrison passed away at 105 this week. But those who knew and loved Morrison believe her legacy of good works and faithfulness will live on.

"She demonstrated and lived her love of individuals because she

knew she was loved by God," Morrison's dear friend of 35 years, Betsy Preston, told the Times News.

Morrison, who was often referred to as "Jo," died on Wednesday after living a life dedicated to bettering the Kingsport community and specifically aiding the homeless throughout the Model City.

"She was a servant of the Lord, a believer in taking action and moving forward to make things occur in her community and in the lives of others," Preston said. "She definitely believed in establishing and continuing ministry to low-income individuals needing housing and support services."

Morrison was the co-founder of the Holston Habitat for Humanity in Kingsport and also helped establish Habitat for Humanity groups throughout the Tri-Cities. She was also asked to serve on Tennessee Gov. Ned McWherter's housing task force.

Morrison also was the founder and vice president of the Kingsport Homeless Ministry. She started the KHM at the age of 103 with Preston, who still serves as the group's secretary.

Morrison and Preston's fervor to improve the lives of the homeless was sparked by a conversation on a stormy day in Kingsport the two never seemed to forget.

"We were coming from church on a Wednesday in 2017," Preston said. "It was a strange storm in February. It was thundering and lightning. We got to an

intersection and there was a clap of thunder and she said, 'Betsy, where are the homeless sleeping tonight?' That was the beginning of our walk towards the Kingsport Homeless Ministry."



Morrison also left a legacy of faithfulness.

She helped start Waverly Road Presbyterian Church and was a charter member along with her husband, Robert Hall Morrison, Jr., who died in 1981. She was also the first woman to be ordained as an elder at Waverly Road and served in numerous roles throughout her life and taught Sunday school until she was 100.

Morrison raised three children and will be missed by multiple grandchildren and great-grandchildren. The loss also seems to be one that stretches throughout the community.

"Citizens, I am saddened by the passing of Jo Morrison, a wonderful person deeply committed to the betterment of her community," Kingsport Mayor Pat Shull said in an email distributed to various officials on Friday. "The City expresses condolences to her family and friends."

Morrison will be remembered by her family and loved ones, but they and the community will have her life's work and legacy for the rest of time.

"She was a shining light," said the Rev. Will Shewey, of Shades of Grace United Methodist Church, which works closely with the homeless. "A big light went out when we lost her. But she left lots of little lights in Kingsport."



2022 Easter Egg Hunt



Special thanks to Charlie Foster and Jay Huron for taking photos during the 2022 Egg Hunt!



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Palm Sunday 2022 at WRPC



Special thanks to Charlie Foster and Jay Huron for taking photos during our Palm Sunday Worship Service.