

## Coming Soon....

### For our Visitors

Did you know that we have Godly Play / Children's Church available for children age 3 through 3rd 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.

### Waverly Wanderers

Did you know there are many more SALT groups up-and-coming to help us form tighter bonds in fellowship? For instance, we are reviving a program we had for many years here as a new SALT group called Waverly Wanderers.

We are going to start wandering again! We'll enjoy plays, concerts, crafts, presentations, dinner theater, and many more adventures together. You don't have to be a senior, and you don't have to be retired. If your schedule allows, hop on the bus with us! It is not the destination we seek but the journey in getting there. If you're interested in getting on the email list about Waverly Wanderers, contact Rachel Lawson at [rachelzbth@gmail.com](mailto:rachelzbth@gmail.com).

### WRPC Walking Group

Every Tuesday, weather permitting! We will gather at 9:00 am at the Greenbelt entrance

beside PetSmart....unless that location is flooded or muddy. If so, then we will meet at the Netherland Inn Road entrance. We will send out an email to let you know where we will be walking.

### SMILE for September

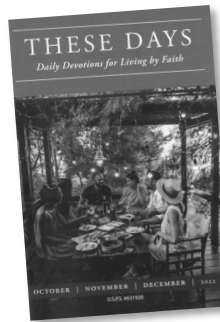


September is the month for donating gently used leggings/athletic/sweat pants (all sizes),

and NEW infant formula. Thanks for your support!



### The NEW *These Days* Publications are here!



Pick up a copy located in the Sanctuary entrance. If you would like a copy mailed to your address, just call Amy in the church office at 247-5121.

## WRPC Weekly Calendar

<b>Sunday 9/4</b>	9:45am In-Person Sunday School, Preschool through Grade 12 11:00am Sunday Worship Service / Communion / 5 Cents-a-Meal Offering ( <i>Godly Play Children's Church in Room 102</i> )
<b>Monday 9/5</b>	8:00am Labor Day Holiday – Church Offices CLOSED
<b>Tuesday 9/6</b>	9:00am Walking Group, Meet at Netherland Inn Road Ent. 11:00am Staff Meeting – ZOOM 6:00pm Has Beens Practice, FH
<b>Wednesday 9/7</b>	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
<b>Friday 9/9</b>	10:00am Food Pantry, FH

### Acolyte

Madison Wilson

### WRPC Staff

Pastor | Collin Blair Adams

Pastor Emeritus | Daniel Clark

Director of Music | Dr. Kate Stubbs

Organist | Susan Whipple

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# Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

## Service of Worship

September 4, 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**      “Glory and Grace”      Ruth Elaine Schram

**GATHERING PRAYER**      Michael Lawson

## CHORAL INTROIT

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Happy are those who delight in the Word of God.  
*They are like trees planted by streams of water, and they will flourish.*

**\*HYMN 761**      “Called as Partners in Christ’s Service”

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Holy God, like children long indulged, we are quick to presume your pardon, your sanction of the way we live. We turn away from neighbors in need, sharing fragments that remain only after our cravings have been met.*

*Merciful Maker, you created us for better use; remake us now. Where we are distorted, re-center and reshape us, bring us low and raise us up. Then fire our hearts until we shine with your glory and find our place in your purpose.*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation;  
*Everything old has passed away.*  
Family, in the name of Christ, I declare that your story is known, your sin is forgiven, your life is made new.  
*Let us live as those reborn.*

**TIME WITH CHILDREN**      Rachel Lawson

*Children ages 3 years - 3rd grade may now be dismissed to attend Godly Play (Children’s Church) in Room 102.*

**ANTHEM**      “Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee”      Mark Hayes

*Jesus, the very thought of Thee with sweetness fills my breast;  
But sweeter far Thy face to see and in Thy presence rest.  
No voice can sing, and no heart can frame,  
nor can the memory find a sweeter sound than Jesus’ name,  
O Savior of mankind!*

*O hope of every contrite heart! O joy of all the meek!  
To those who fall how kind Thou art!  
How good to those who seek!  
But what to those who find?  
Ah! This; No tongue or pen can show the love of Jesus, what it is.  
None but His loved ones know.*

**SCRIPTURES**      Psalm 139 & Luke 14:25-33

**SERMON**      “What is Life?”      Rev. Collin Adams

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN*

## 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*

## SERVICE OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table  
Prayer of Thanksgiving  
Words of Institution  
Celebration  
Prayer of Blessing

**MISSION MOMENT**      Howard Carman

**OFFERTORY**      “I Love Thee, My Lord”      Douglas E. Wagner

## \*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, we give thanks for your faithfulness to us, we give thanks for your hope in us, we rejoice in the knowledge of your unending grace. In the light of your mercy, and confident in your love, we dedicate these offerings, and ourselves to you. AMEN*

**\*HYMN 755**      “Alleluia! Laud and Blessing”

## \*BENEDICTION and CHORAL BENEDICTION

**\*POSTLUDE**      “Trumpet Rondo”      Jean-Francois Dandrieu

## Called as Partners in Christ's Service 761



1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,  
 2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,  
 3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,  
 4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or - der hu - man life



we re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
 let us fol-low, nev - er fal-tering, rec - on - cil - ing folk on earth.  
 help us bear each oth - er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.  
 that sur-round each per - son's sor-row with a calm that con-quests strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,  
 Men and wom-en, rich - er, poor - er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,  
 Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-enge, said with care,  
 Make us part-ners in our liv - ing, our com-pas-sion to in - crease,



e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful - fill God's cho-sen end.  
 blend-ing hu - man skills to - geth-er gra-cious gifts from God un - fold.  
 bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.  
 mes - sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con - fi - dence and peace.



This hymn is a celebration of mutuality and diversity as well as a challenge to the Christian community to live out a ministry of reconciliation and inclusion. This 20th-century text is set to a 19th-century tune named for the noted pastor and preacher Henry Ward Beecher.

## 755 Alleluia! Laud and Blessing

(Psalms 111 and 112)



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Laud and bless - ing to our God, whose Word is sure;  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! God sus - tains us; match - less are the gifts we share;  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Ho - ly Par - ent, all your chil - dren now re - claim;



by whose grace we find re - demp - tion, in whose love we live se - cure.  
 light in dark - ness, hope in con - flict, an - swers to our deep - est prayer.  
 may our lives re - flect your jus - tice, heirs to your most sa - cred name.



Righ - teous - ness and rich com - pas - sion shall at - tend us all our days;  
 Ours to give as we are giv - en: arms to lift when oth - ers fall;  
 Fill our hearts with un - der - stand - ing, brace our weak - ness by your might;



may God's prom - ise to be faith - ful ech - o through our songs of praise!  
 im - ag - es of God's great good - ness, faith - ful ser - vants to God's call.  
 awe - some hon - or, born in wis - dom; your great glo - ry, our de - light!



Psalms 111 and 112 are appropriately brought together in this paraphrase. Both form acrostics: each poetic line begins with a letter of the Hebrew alphabet in order. In addition, both psalms begin with "hallelujah," and they share much vocabulary as well as a theme of praise.