

Music & Visual Arts Ministries

**Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, Music Ensembles,
Concerts & Visual Arts**

A Place for Music

Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir & Music Ensembles

Music is a vital part of worship at Waverly Road as well as being a great fellowship opportunity for those involved in our programs. Variety is key as we worship using different styles and genres of music. We believe it is important for musicians in our congregation to have an opportunity to offer their gift to the Creator of all gifts.



About our Director of Music Ministries

Dr. Kate Stubbs is the Director of Music Ministries here at Waverly Road. She also serves as our Pianist and Organist.

Chancel Choir

Rehearsals are scheduled for Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:00pm and 10:40am on Sunday mornings. Our Chancel Choir consists of adults dedicated to sharing their time, talent, and love of singing. Youth who are interested and able are welcome to participate. We also have a vocal scholarship program for our college students and organize special music for our youth on events like Youth Sunday.



Handbell Choir

The WRPC Earnest Ringers enhance our music program and worship experience throughout the year. We present selections during Advent and Easter Sunday. Rehearsals are scheduled for Wednesday evenings at 5:15-6:15pm (seasonal).

Concerts

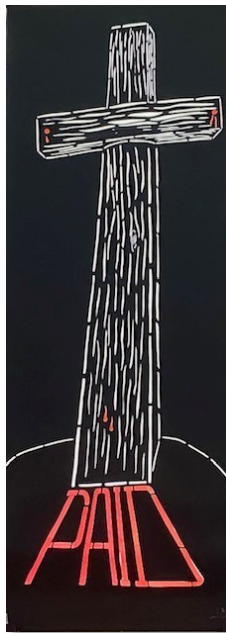
We are fortunate to host concerts throughout the year at WRPC. Cantemus Women's Choir shares their love of choral music and commitment to vocal excellence with our community, presenting their music seasonally at WRPC. The Dobyys-Bennett Chamber Choir, Kingsport Music Club, and a local Piano Studio have all performed in our Sanctuary. We also host The Has Beens for their weekly practice in our Fellowship Hall.



A Place for Visual Arts

Waverly Road encourages our members to express their love of God in a multitude of creative ways. With that in mind, we have hosted art shows, welcomed visiting artists, incorporated crafts for children, and provided art opportunities for adults. One of our members has developed cutwork banners to hang in our sanctuary windows to enhance Bible passages throughout the year, especially during Lent.

Lenten Window Banners



The original Lenten Window Banners were first created in 2000. We knew so little, but fumbled, laughed, listened to opera, practically cried in frustration several times when things went wrong, and were on a VERY steep and fast learning curve as we explored this new art form we grew to love. We treasure those memories, and miss our friend Miklos Bus, who passed away in 2013, each year as we make and hang up the banners.

The banners are made from original designs drawn on photographic background paper and cut with an Exact-o knife. The first two banners go up on Ash Wednesday. Then each Sunday for six weeks, another is added that coordinates with the theme of the sermon. During Holy Week, the last two banners go up for Maundy Thursday and, Good Friday. As each Sunday passes, and we get closer and closer to Good Friday, the sanctuary gets darker and darker. Remember that Christ knew what lay ahead for him. He kept telling the disciples, who did not want to believe it. But Christ led them on toward Jerusalem, still teaching them, healing, encouraging, and loving them all the way.

It is our hope and prayer that viewing these banners will enhance your appreciation of how much God loves you, and the enormity of what Christ did for us all.

