

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church  
and College Chapel  
**SERVICE OF WORSHIP**  
*19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*  
October 15, 2017  
11:00 a.m.

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

*“But I give best when I give from that deeper place; when I give simply, freely and generously, and sometimes for no particular reason. I give best when I give from my heart.”*

Steve Goodier

**The Gathering of the People**

**THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE PRELUDE**

**Vivian Hare**

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt**

Leader: We are God’s work of art—each one of us a precious gem, a marvelous melody, a potter’s delight.

**Sung Response:** (GTG #399)

*God welcomes all, strangers and friends;  
God’s love is strong and it never ends.*

Leader: We are God’s handiwork—woven together in love, shaped with infinite compassion, painted with incredible beauty.

**Sung Response:**

*God welcomes all, strangers and friends;  
God’s love is strong and it never ends.*

Leader: We are the community of Jesus —diverse in human qualities, united in our call to love God with our heart, mind, soul, and strength, and our neighbor as our self.

**Sung Response:**

*God welcomes all, strangers and friends;  
God’s love is strong and it never ends.*

**All: Let us worship God!**

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

**GTG #436**

*God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us*  
(O QUANTA QUALIA)

**\*THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Vicki Collins**

O God, we confess that in the face of questions we can’t answer, our faith sometimes wavers. In the face of grief we cannot bear,

our hope can falter. In the face of sadness that overwhelms us, our lament can turn to anger. Have mercy on us, O God. Restore our faith by your grace. Renew our hope by your very presence here among us. Receive our sadness, our lament and our anger and transform them into something beautiful, something healing, something redemptive. Through Christ we pray.

*Silent Prayer*

**\*THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

**\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

**\*THE GLORIA**

*Now let our voices raise; Alleluia! Amen!*

*To give to God our praise; Alleluia! Amen!*

*Mercy and grace abound! In God our lives are found!*

*Long may our joy resound; Alleluia! Amen!*

**The Proclamation of the Word**

**A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL**

*All those children and youth who are present are invited to come forward at this time. After, children six and under, may go to the nursery. Children’s bulletins and worship bags are available for older children in the Narthex of the Church to use during the service.*

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Vicki Collins**

**A READING FROM THE PSALMS**

Psalm 42:1-8,11

**THE ANTHEM**

*What Does the Lord Require of You?* Strathdee

**The Chapel Choir**

**THE SECOND READING**

Micah 6:1-8

**THE MESSAGE**

**Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt**

*The Prophet as Pastor*

**The Response to the Word**

**\*THE HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

**GTG #250**

*In the Bulb There Is a Flower*  
(PROMISE)

**\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**Vicki Collins**

**I believe in God,**

**the source of all life, wholeness, and love.**

**I believe that God was and is revealed in Jesus Christ.**

**I believe that in his life,**

**Jesus revealed God in grace, mercy, forgiveness, and justice.**

**I believe that in his death,**

**Jesus revealed God’s determined presence in the world, even in the face of violence and pain.**

**I believe that in his resurrection,**

**Jesus revealed God calling us to abundant life both now and forever.**

**I believe that God lives among us, within us, and through us, by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**I believe that God calls us to be together in communities of faith, hope, and love.**

**I believe these things not out of certainty but out of faith;**

**as one who trusts in the reality of God**

**revealed in Jesus Christ through the Holy Spirit**

By Dan Sire (adapted)

**THE CANDLES OF CELEBRATION AND CONCERN**

At this time, please feel free to light a candle of celebration or concern for your loved ones. If you wish, you may step to the microphone and share these with the congregation.

**THE GIFTS OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**THE OFFERTORY**

*What is the world like (GTG #771)* Morris

**\*THE DOXOLOGY (Old Hundredth)**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise God, all creatures here below;*

*Praise God for all that love has done;*

*Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.*

**\*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**The Sending**

**\*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

**GTG #79**

*Light Dawns on a Weary World*  
(TEMPLE OF PEACE)

**\*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL BLESSING**

*Rankin/Williams*

*God Be With You till We Meet Again (#541 verse 1)*

*God be with you till we meet again;*

*loving counsels guide, uphold you,*

*with a shepherd’s care enfold you;*

*God be with you till we meet again.*

**\*POSTLUDE**

*Simple Gifts*

*arr. Carter*

\*Please stand as you are able

The Call to Worship is written by David Inglis (adapted)

**CHAPEL STAFF**

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister  
Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator  
Vivian Hare, Director of Music, Organist  
Patrick Sanderson, Sound Engineer  
Ray Stock, Jerry VanEman, Treasurers  
Alisa White, Assistant Treasurer  
Nan Woodard, Bookkeeper

**THE ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ushers: **Kathy Rouse, Jerry Vaneman, Ray Stock, Fritz Ackerman**

Coffee Hour Hosts: **Congregational Life Team**

Liturgist: **Vicki Collins**

Elder of the Week: **Kay Stockdale**



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**WELCOME VISITORS!** We are pleased to have you with us this morning. We invite you to join us for a cup of coffee after the service, and to stop by our Visitors Information Station in the Narthex. There you will find copies of recent newsletters and sermons, and a welcome packet that will tell you more about who we are, what we believe, and what we do. Thanks for joining us for worship today, and we hope to see you again soon!

**PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR**

**PRAYERS:** Kristin, and the Williams family, on the death of John; Genevieve Butler; Karen Cruser; Barbara Higgins; Edythe Wiener; Joanne Lincoln; Rodney Lytle; Neil Satterfield; Dr. Steven Williams; Barbara Robinson, Jack Ballard's mother; Chuck & Lue Stephenson and Mary Moorrees.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JOHN WILLIAMS** We will host a celebration of John's life this Wednesday, the 18th, at 2:00 p.m., with a reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall.

**STEWARDSHIP** Today our Stewardship Committee will be distributing the Stewardship Letters and Pledge Forms. During the coming weeks, give thought to how you might support the Church and it's ministry to the World, our Valley and the State. As you read Micah 6:8 ask yourself, "What does the Lord require of you?"

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** On October 29, 2017 following our service, we will have a congregational meeting in the Chapel to elect new Elders for the Class of 2020.

**TAI CHI FOR ARTHRITIS** A new Tai Chi class will begin on Wednesday, October 18 from 9:30-10:30 in Lower Fellowship Hall.

**SPIRITUAL NURTURE GROUP** We are exploring the possibility of forming a Spiritual Nurture group. This group would meet once a month to reflect on Scripture, engage in spiritual practices, and share prayer concerns. Our first meeting will be Thursday, October 19, 7:00 - 8:30 PM, in the church parlor and will be led by Bill and Paulette Heck.

**NURSERY WISH LIST** The children of the nursery are looking for gently used toys! We have fun playing with each other in the nursery- we would love some new things to play with! If you have any gently used toys that are in good condition, please drop them by the nursery. Suggestions are play dishes and food, puzzles, and small toys.

**TRUNK OR TREAT!** Our October Just for Fun event is just around the corner! We will host a trunk or treat again this year on Sunday October 29th from 4-6 PM. If you would like to decorate your trunk and join the fun, please sign up on the sheet located in the Narthex.

**NEW HABITAT HOUSE BUILDING DAYS** - We will continue to help build Presbyterian/Methodist house # 26 in Arden with additional workdays on Oct. 28, Nov. 1, 9 and 10. Other dates are available if you would like to help but cannot on those dates. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Questions? Ask Larry Griswold.

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*At Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church we are mothers and fathers, single and married, gay and straight, young and old, black and white, prosperous and poor, uncertain and sure, broken and whole-and everything in between. Together we are the many faces of humanity, yet as a joyful, caring and loving community of faith, we are one in Christ!*