

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
and College Chapel
SERVICE OF WORSHIP
14th Sunday after Pentecost
September 15, 2019
11:00 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness.

Ezekiel 34:12

The Gathering of the People

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE by Alan Ridout
"Toccatina"

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

One voice: Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into God's presence with singing.

Many voices: We will give thanks and praise.

One voice: Know that the Lord is God.
We are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Many voices: We will rejoice and be glad.

One voice: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving,
and into God's presence with joy.

Many voices: We will sing and we will pray.

One voice: Know that God is good;
That God's steadfast love endures forever.

All: We will worship with living God!
From Psalm 100

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE** GTG #619
Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven
(LAUDA ANIMA)

*THE CALL TO CONFESSION

***THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)** Don Collins
Merciful God, despite our best intentions we confess that we sometimes wander off track. We get distracted by shiny things, and we get lost. Once lost, we often grow afraid. Afraid, we often hunker down, too fearful to move, unable to respond to your voice. Come to find us. Set us back safely on the right path. Through Christ we pray... *(Silent prayer)*

*WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Responsive)

One voice: This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for us all.

Many voices: We are accepted, we are welcomed.

We are washed clean, we are raised up.

We are forgiven, we are set free.

By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are loved forever.

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

***THE GLORIA** (GLORY TO GOD) GTG #582

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,

And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,

And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL Rev. Grace Boyer

All those children and youth who are present are invited to come forward at this time. Afterward, younger children may go to the nursery. Children's worship bags are available for children in the Narthex of the Church to use during the service.

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Don Collins

A READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Luke 15:1-10

THE MESSAGE Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

Where the Lost Things Are

The Response to the Word

***THE HYMN OF PROCLAMATION** GTG #803

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need
(RESIGNATION)

***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)** Don Collins

We believe in God around us,
Creator of all things, sustainer of all life.

We believe in Christ beside us,
Healer and friend, redeemer of all the broken pieces
of our universe.

We believe in Spirit deep within us,
Advocate and guide, who lives with us eternally.

We believe in God's promised reign,
Where all things are made whole,
and all creation fits together in vibrant harmonies.

We believe in God around, beside, within,
God yesterday, today and forever, the three in one,
the one in three,

We believe in God.
adapted from *Journey into Wholeness* by Christine Sine.

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 by Vajda and Graham

"A Woman and a Coin" (Hymn 173)

The congregation will please join the choir on Verse 4

***THE DOXOLOGY** (DUKE STREET)

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.*

*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

The Sending

***THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT** GTG #649

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound
(AMAZING GRACE)

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

***THE POSTLUDE** by Alan Ridout

"Fanfare"

*Please stand as you are able

CHAPEL STAFF

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister
Rev. Grace Boyer, Associate in Ministry
Joel P. Rogers, Music Director, Organist
Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator
Jack Ballard, Leslie Sayyar, Treasurers
Barbara Escalante, Bookkeeper
Tess Newman, Sound Tech

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist: **Don Collins**

Ushers: **Diana Sanderson, John Bishop, Fitz Legerton**

Elder of the Week: **Bob Gambrell**



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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 of the Chapel. 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: The Showalter family, on Christa's death; Pat Crumpler; Ray Stock; Barbara Higgins; Dr. Steven Williams; Marta Rodriguez, friend of the Stockdales, and Mary Moorrees.

NURSERY The nursery is available from 9:30 am-12:30 pm in the CE building beyond Fellowship Hall.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS Sept 8-Oct 13 at 9:45 am.

"Short Stories By Jesus: The Enigmatic Parables of a Controversial Rabbi." We will explore parables of Jesus using the research of Jewish New Testament scholar, Dr. Amy-Jill Levine, who teaches at Vanderbilt Divinity School. Each Sunday will include a 10 minute video by Dr. Levine. No preparation required, just come!

CHILDREN/YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL We meet in the youth room below the nursery. Music time 9:45-10 am. Lesson 10-10:45 am.

CHURCH WORK DAY We will have a work day at the church on Saturday, 21 September starting about 9:00. We usually finish about 1:00. Most tools, refreshments, and supplies will be provided. Please contact Bob Gambrell if you know of things to be added to the list.

RITI Room in the Inn is coming! Mark your calendars for the week of Sept. 22! We still need bag lunches and dinners for certain days. We need overnight hosts for Sunday 9/22, Wed. 9/25 and Friday 9/27. (You do not have to stay awake all night). Please check the sheets in the narthex or call Vicki Collins at 828.712.0251

SHOWER OF STOLES This extraordinary collection of Stoles celebrates the gifts of LGBT persons who serve God in countless ways, while also lifting up those who have been excluded from service because of their sexual orientation or gender identity. The collection bears witness to the huge loss of leadership that the church has brought upon itself because of its own unjust policies. WWPC will host and exhibit 50 stoles from this collection during the month of October.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTING Help us celebrate with food/coffee and fellowship following the service by signing up to be a Coffee Hour Host. Look for the white sign-up sheet in the Narthex.

TODAY'S MUSIC About the composer...Alan Ridout (1934-1996) is the composer of the Prelude and Postlude and composed in a wide range of forms, including symphonies, opera, ballet, chamber music, song cycles and church music. For over twenty years, he was a professor at the Royal College of Music and taught at both Oxford and Cambridge.

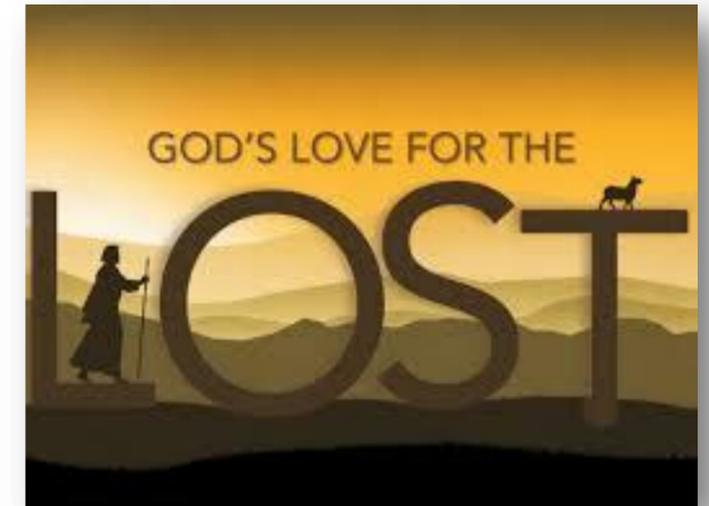
PEACEMAKING OFFERING A gift to the Peace & Global Witness Offering enables the church to address systems of conflict and injustice across the world. Individual congregations may utilize up to 25% of this Offering to connect with the global witness of Christ's peace. Mid councils retain an additional 25% for ministries of peace and reconciliation. The remaining 50% is used by the PMA to advocate for peace and justice in cultures of violence, including our own, through collaborative projects of education and Christian witness. We will collect this offering on Sunday, October 6.

HOMEcoming POT LUCK Fire up your stoves/ovens and bring out your finest potluck dishes on October 6. Please sign-up to bring a dish in the narthex! The Church/College Relations Ministry Team thanks you for your participation.

SVCM WALK FOR HUNGER RELIEF Save the date! The 2019 Walk will take place on Sunday, October 13. See Salyna in the Narthex for more information.

LITURGICAL ARTS TEAM Our Liturgical Arts Team will meet for the first time in this new programmatic year this Wednesday, the 18th. If you'd like to lend your imagination and your creative talents to enriching our worship services musically and visually, please join us! We will have pizza available at 5:00 p.m., for anyone coming directly from work, then we'll focus in on worship planning, starting at 5:30.

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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!