

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
and College Chapel
SERVICE OF WORSHIP
20th Sunday after Pentecost
October 10, 2021
11:00 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“Surrender the ego and the heart will take it from there.”

Bert McCoy

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

One voice: A new day has dawned.
God’s gift of life is renewed in you and me.

Many voices: We praise God for today!
We praise God for the holy, creative spirit
in our midst.

One voice: Be still and know that God is here.
Let the Spirit comfort and speak to you.

Many voices: We are ready to pray and think and rejoice.
We are ready to hear God’s word.

One voice: Then listen for God, who meets us in new ways
in our worship, and every day in the world.

Many voices: Come to us, O God, and speak to us;
Open our ears to the word we need to hear.

All: Let us worship God!

***HYMN 307** “God of Grace and God of Glory”
Text by Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930
Music by John Hughes, 1907
CWM RHONDDA

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O most gracious God, we confess that we spend much of our lives on that which does not satisfy. We sometimes crave to possess things and are instead possessed by them, putting our souls at risk. We do not always count our time and resources as precious gifts, sometimes squandering them on trivial things. Look graciously upon us, for the temptation to waste is overwhelming in our world. Enable us to understand what is important, and to use the gifts you give us responsibly, for we want to be your people in word and deed. Amen

THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

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

Many voices: We are forgiven, we are set free.
By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are loved forever.

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL

All those children and youth who are present are invited to come forward at this time.

A READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 90:12-17

¹² Teach us to number our days,
that we may gain a heart of wisdom.
¹³ Relent, LORD! How long will it be?
Have compassion on your servants.
¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,
that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.
¹⁵ Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,
for as many years as we have seen trouble.
¹⁶ May your deeds be shown to your servants,
your splendor to their children.
¹⁷ May the favor^o of the Lord our God rest on us;
establish the work of our hands for us—
yes, establish the work of our hands.

THE ANTHEM

“Praise, My Souls, the King of Heaven”

Arranged by Mark Andrews

*Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King,*

*Fatherlike He tends and spares us; well our feeble frame He knows;
In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows.*

*Angels in the height adore Him! Ye behold Him face to face;
Saints triumphant bow before Him! Gathered in from every race.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.
Amen, Amen.*

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Mark 10: 17-31

THE SERMON

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*HYMN 450

“Be Thou My Vision”

Text: Irish Poem; trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905

Music: Irish ballad, harm. David Evans, 1927
SLANE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

God’s love frees me to be the person I am
without having to become

more attractive,
more intelligent

or more popular.

God’s love frees me to live in confidence,
not needing to be self-absorbed,

but ready to listen and to hear the stories of others.

God’s love frees me to take risks,
sometimes to come up short,

but always to move onward with the knowledge that
God is with me and for me.

God’s love frees me to view the world

not from the standpoint of wealth or ambition,
but from the perspective of relationships lived

and human love shared.

God’s love frees me to put my failures behind me,
knowing that none of my mistakes are too great

or too small to be healed by God’s grace.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN 725

“Oh Jesus, I Have Promised”

Text by John Ernest Bode, 1866

Music: Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans, 1927
NYLAND

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able.

CHAPEL STAFF

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister
Joel P. Rogers, Director of Music, Organist
Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator
Leslie Sayyar, Brent Roberts, Treasurers
Barbara Escalante, Bookkeeper

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist:

Elder of the Day: Nancy Garrison



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PRAYERS GO OUT TO: Erika Lytle; Jackie Ligon Cole; Rick Garrison; Fran Roberts' sister-in-law, Linda Briggs; Blake Joslin; Flo Bishop; Jon Hettrick and his family; Jon's mother, Marjorie Hettrick; Mark Laabs, friend of the Griswolds; Kim Reece, daughter of Nancy and Rick Garrison, and Pat Crumpler.

OFFERING We will not receive a formal offering today but offering plates are available as you gather.

SVCM WALK FOR YOUR NEIGHBOR Join us today at 2:00 as we walk to help our neighbors in need. Registration begins at 1:00 pm, the walk begins at 2:00 in front of First Baptist Church Black Mountain. Funds raised this year will be used for rental assistance, utility assistance, food pantry needs, and many other needs our neighbors have. After the walk enjoy music, food, and time spent together.

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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!