

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
2nd Sunday after Pentecost
June 19, 2022
11:00 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*“If there is magic on this planet,
it is contained in water...”*

Loren Eiseley

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

*THE CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Sarah Grace Montgomery

One voice: Welcome to this space where the ordinary is sanctified,
Where the unexpected is to be expected,
Where diversity is celebrated, and life is revered.

Many voices: **We come into this space where perfect has no place,
Where pain is not ignored, and potential is recognized
Where everybody is somebody and Jesus is Lord.**

One voice: Come into this place where God calls us in
and sends us out,
where laughing and running are not hushed and stilled,
but celebrated and delighted in.

All: **Come and worship God.**

*HYMN 14 “For the Beauty of the Earth”
Text: Folliot Sanford Pierpoint, 1864
Music: Conrad Kocher, 1838
DIX

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION Donna Eagle Joslin

Gracious, loving and merciful God, we confess that often we buy
into who others tell us we are, rather than remembering that we are
your children, wonderfully and fearfully made. We let ourselves
forget that we are included in your family through Jesus Christ and
decide that we are alienated and alone. Remind us that we are
always called to sit around your welcome table and help us to extend
that welcome to everyone we meet. In the name of Jesus Christ,
Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One voice: Friends, come to the fountain of life, dine at the welcome
table, and make yourself at home.
Jesus has included you too.
God’s claim on you can never be broken.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL

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

THE PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 121

THE SCRIPTURE

Genesis 1:1-2

THE SERMON

Rev. Sarah Grace Montgomery

“Come to the Water”

*HYMN 370

“This Is My Father’s World”
Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901
Music: Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915
TERRA BEATA

THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our
Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy
Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom
alone we worship and serve. In sovereign love God created the
world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, to live as
one community. God acts with justice and mercy to redeem
creation. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is
faithful, and God is love. Amen.**

(Adapted from the Brief Statement of Faith)

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN 435

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”
Text: Frederick William Faber, 1854
Music: Dutch melody, 1906
IN BABILONE

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister
Rev. Sarah Grace Montgomery, Associate in Ministry
Joel P. Rogers, Music Director, Organist
Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator
Leslie Sayyar, Brent Roberts Treasurers
Barbara Escalante, Bookkeeper

Acolytes: Anne Hamilton, Carolynne Cowal
Liturgist: Donna Eagle Joslin
Coffee Hour Hosts: Pat Wilson, Elizabeth Cook
Elder of the Day: Sharon Lytle



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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME VISITORS! If you are worshipping here for the first time
today, welcome! We are glad to have you with us on this joyous day.

PRAYERS GO OUT FOR: Milt and Sandee Butterworth, and family; Shane Reece, Nancy Garrison's son; Pat Wilson's son, Kell; Gina Marvin; Brooks and Carol Lee Joslin, Blake's parents; Erika Lytle; Jackie Ligon Cole; Rick Garrison; Fran Roberts' sister-in-law, Linda Briggs; 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.

TODAY'S LITURGY Call to Worship and Confession Liturgy written by Rev. Kelly Fitzgerald and Rev. Anne Russ. Used with permission.

GUEST ORGANIST Virginia McKnight has degrees from Stetson University and Florida State University as well as a Certificate from the Neuchatel Conservatory in Neuchatel, Switzerland. She has made a career of collaborative piano including work at Yale University. Ithaca College, Cornell University and in New York City. Before moving to Asheville, Virginia taught and accompanied at Stetson University. In Asheville, she has worked as pianist at the Asheville Community Theater, Haywood Arts Repertory Theater, Southern Appalachian Repertory Theater, Mars Hill University, UNC Asheville, and Reynold's High School. Virginia is retired from her position of Organist and Music Director at St. Mary's Episcopal Church, but continues to cover services when needed.

JUNETEENTH On June 19, 1865, the last of the black Americans who were in the condition of chattel servitude were freed. Texas, the last state to hold out on the edict of the Emancipation Proclamation issued by President Abraham Lincoln more than two years prior, had finally been forced into compliance. And so, it is this date in June that many black Americans consider to be Independence Day and thus a cause for annual jubilation that we have entitled Juneteenth.

On this Juneteenth, even though we still battle racism, white supremacy and a painful past, we celebrate the hope of a tomorrow where the promise of equity, equality and true liberation are perhaps achievable.

POSTCARDS Our Communications Team has followed up on the message Steve sent out on May 29 concerning the school shooting in Uvalde Texas. We've created postcards to sign and send out to our senators, thanking them for their courage in putting progress over politics, and helping our children have a future that's safe. The postcards are on the table as you enter the sanctuary. Please take two, one for each senator, sign them and put them in the offering plate or mail them yourself (they are pre-stamped for your convenience.). Thank you.

OFFERING We will not receive a formal offering during our service however, there are offering plates as you enter the pavilion, or you may mail your offering to: Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church 101 chapel Lane, Swannanoa, NC 28778, or make donations directly and securely on our website by going to, www.warrenwilsonchurch.org,

COFFEE HOUR Looking for summertime coffee hour hosts! If you are in-town this summer or know your summertime schedule, please sign up for a date on the sign-up sheet in the narthex or contact the church office. Easy instructions are posted in the parlor kitchen. Thank you, from the Congregational Life team!

LITURGISTS We are looking for people to be liturgists throughout the summer. If you are interested, call the church office, or email the church administrator at deagle@warren-wilson.edu. Thank you!

PERSONNEL REVIEW TEAM The Administration Ministry Team named Derron Daugherty, Bob Gambrell, Beth Meriwether, and Ken Murchison as the action team to prepare the annual review for the church staff. To complete its work, the team needs input from the entire congregation. Please share with the team your words of praise for the work our staff has done in the past year and your suggestions as to how we can improve our ministry in the future. You may send your responses to Ken Murchison by email at ekmurchison@gmail.com, by mail to the church office, or by delivery to the AMT mailbox in the office. Please submit your responses to the team before the end of June so it can complete its report for the Session in a timely matter.

A NOTE ABOUT SUMMER WORSHIP We know there are a variety of opinions about the best time to worship in the summer. This year, at the recommendation of our Worship Team, and with Session's approval, we will continue to worship at 11:00 throughout this summer.

SAVE THE DATE July 4th Picnic, which will be on Sunday, July 3rd following our service. Please bring a side dish to share! Congregational life will provide the meat, buns, and lemonade. Seating will be on the porch and outside.

PASTORAL EMERGENCIES Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt is on Sabbatical through August 16, 2022. For Pastoral emergencies, please contact Rev. Sarah Grace Montgomery at 704-962-8975

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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!