

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church  
and College Chapel  
**SERVICE OF WORSHIP**  
*16th Sunday after Pentecost*  
September 9, 2018  
11:00 a.m.

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

*"Do something wonderful, people may imitate it."*  
Albert Schweitzer

**The Gathering of the People**

**THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE PRELUDE** **Vivian Hare**  
Voluntary on "O Jesus, Most Wonderful" HIDING PLACE/ART. WOOD

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

Leader: We bid you welcome, everyone;  
to those who are searching for the truth.

**People: We come to probe and to explore;  
we come to learn and to grow.**

Leader: We bid you welcome, everyone;  
to those who are longing for relationship.

**People: We come to worship the One who is infinite;  
we come to experience God's love.**

Leader: We bid you welcome, everyone;  
to those who hunger for hope.

**People: We gather in joyful anticipation;  
we come to worship and to be inspired!**

Leader: We bid you welcome, everyone.  
**All: Let us worship God!**

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE** **GTG #26**  
*Earth and All Stars!*  
(EARTH AND ALL STARS)

**\*THE CALL TO CONFESSION** **Ken Murchison**

**\*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

We confess, O God, that we don't know everything, though sometimes we pretend to. We confess, O God, that our need to learn never ends, though sometimes we wish it would. We confess, O God, that we are all still works in progress, though sometimes we assume otherwise. Renew in us a love of learning, a commitment to growth, a devotion to discipleship, that our minds and our hearts might continue to be opened. 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** **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.*

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*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**

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

**THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION** **Ken Murchison**

**A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

Proverbs 3 (Selected verses)

**THE ANTHEM** *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* arr. Schweizer  
Derron and Susan Daugherty, Natalie Cowal, chimes  
**The Chapel Choir**

**BIBLICAL STORYTELLING** **Anne and Jamie Dale**  
Mark 7:24-37

**THE MESSAGE** **Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt**  
*How Does That Feel?*

**The Response to the Word**

**\*THE HYMN OF PROCLAMATION** **GTG #161**  
*Woman in the Night*  
(NEW DISCIPLES)

**\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)** **Ken Murchison**  
**We believe that the horizons of hope are never fixed.**  
**They always move beyond our understanding,  
in the creativity of God.**

**We believe that the powers of evil cannot dim the light of God.**  
**God walks on freely and leaps ahead of us,  
in the risen Christ of faith.**

**We believe that the Spirit can never be confined.**  
**She dances throughout the world,  
and is found in surprising places,  
including this place.**

**We believe that as Christ's followers,**  
**We are called to walk together in love,  
to seek justice and to resist evil,  
and to be Jesus' hands and feet in the world.**

**LIVING THE QUESTIONS, PRAYING THE ANSWERS**

At this time the congregation is invited to pray at one of the stations placed in the sanctuary. You may also remain seated, and pray where you are.

**THE GIFTS OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

**THE OFFERTORY**

*Come and Sing the Praise of the Lord* arr. Bell (from GTG 389)

**\*THE DOXOLOGY** (DUKE STREET)  
*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 #727**  
*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*  
(THE SERVANT SONG)

**\*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL BLESSING** **GTG #726**  
*Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.*

**\*THE POSTLUDE**

*Now With Singing and Praise* MIDDLEBURY/art. Wood

\*Please stand as you are able

### CHAPEL STAFF

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister  
Rev. Grace Boyer, Associate in Ministry  
Vivian Hare, Director of Music, Organist  
Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator  
Ray Stock, Jerry Vaneman, Treasurers  
Alisa White, Assistant Treasurer  
Barbara Escalante, Bookkeeper

### THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgist: **Ken Murchison**  
Ushers: **Sarah Anne Eller, Gina Marvin,**  
**Milt & Sandee Butterworth**  
Coffee Hour Host: **Eloise Murchison**  
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:** Bob Martin; Salyna Morgan; Olson Huff; Paulette Heck; Darrell & Mary Fran Spencer; Ron Wilson; Milt Butterworth; Barbara Higgins; Dr. Steven Williams and Mary Moorrees.

**NURSERY** The nursery is available in the CE building beyond Ransom Fellowship Hall from 9:30 am – 12:30 pm beginning September 9.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** Classes for all ages have resumed! And meet at 9:45 am. Children and Youth meet in the Youth Room (below the nursery) for music and lesson.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS** During September, the Adult Class will focus on Jesus' "I Am" statements in the Gospel of John. John is a word-made-flesh gospel where Jesus uses aspects of daily life—like bread, light, vines, shepherds, gates—to help people touch and understand who he is and who God is. The class will look at what these metaphors would have meant in Jesus' day and explore how they might still resonate in our world today.

**JOIN THE CHOIR!** The Chapel Choir meets 7:00-8:30 p.m. each Wednesday in the sanctuary. We welcome those who love music and enjoy singing with others as we offer our music for worship. All are welcome!

**SPIRITUAL NURTURE** The Spiritual Nurture group meets on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Parlor. We use the practice of Lectio Divina to explore the Psalm and Gospel reading for the following Sunday.

**ROOM IN THE INN** will start today, Sept.9 thru Sunday morning Sept.16. Paulette Heck is recovering so there is need for other help. We can use some help on Sunday setup I will not be in town on Fri, 9/14 or Sat. 9/15. The Sat. overnight volunteer will help coordinate with the students to return the rooms to their original setup Sunday morning. Thanks. Susan Laney text/cell 828-7123-1485 email [shlaney@aol.com](mailto:shlaney@aol.com)

**PLAYGROUND IDEAS MEETING** is today, September 9th after worship. If you have ideas about a possible children's playground, or would like to be a part of a group looking into it, or someday help with any construction of it, please meet with Derron Daugherty after worship in the pews closest to the piano in the sanctuary. We will keep this meeting short, and there will be a chance to write down your ideas or interests if that works better for you.

**FINAL WORK DATES FOR PRESBYTERIAN/METHODIST HOUSE # 27.** Another volunteer or two next Thursday, Sept. 13, would be helpful. Call (575-2020) or email Larry Griswold if you can work that day.

**STUDENTS!** If you would like to get updates on what's going on here at Warren Wilson Presbyterian, you can follow us on Twitter and FB. We'd also be glad to add you to our email list serve--just check out the sign-up sheet in the entryway.

**WORK DAY** Please mark your calendars for the church work day scheduled for Saturday, 22 September, starting at 9:00 A.M. This is just before the annual homecoming event in early October. A few of the things on the agenda include weeding the grounds other landscaping activities, cleaning areas inside the building, and a few repair projects. Most of the tools and cleaning supplies required will be provided, but you can bring your own if there is a particular need you want to address. Bottled water and some snacks will be provided, but it is anticipated we will finish by about 1:00 based on recent work days so we are not planning on a lunch.

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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!*