

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church  
and College Chapel  
**SERVICE OF WORSHIP**  
*17th Sunday after Pentecost*  
September 16, 2018  
11:00 a.m.

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

*Out of chaos, hope*

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

**The Gathering of the People**

**THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**THE PRELUDE**

*Benedictus*

**Dr. David Foster**

Max Reger

**\*THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt**

One voice: When the seas roar and the winds howl.

**Many voices: God is our refuge and strength.**

One voice: Though the earth should shake,  
And the mountains tremble.

**Many voices: God is our refuge and strength.**

One voice: In times of tumult  
And in times of trial.

**Many voices: God is our refuge and strength.**

All: Let us worship the living God!

From Psalm 46

**\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

**GTG #645**

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*  
(MIT FREUDEN ZART)

**\*THE CALL TO CONFESSION**

**Carolyn Cole**

**\*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God, in faith we believe that out of the darkness and chaos, you created everything that is. But when we see such darkness and chaos with our own eyes, when the wind howls and the sun disappears and the rains pour down and the sea rises and floods our cities, our faith can fail us. We lose sight of who you are, a God of love and compassion, the God of all creation; and we lose sight of who we are, people of hope, people of prayer, people of action. Forgive us, O God; strengthen our faith and renew our vision as we look toward a bright hopeful future. 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**

(MADRID)

*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**

**Rev. Grace Boyer**

*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**

**Carolyn Cole**

**A READING FROM THE PSALMS**

Psalm 19

**THE ANTHEM** (Congregation joins the choir on verse 5) GTG #771

*What Is the World Like*

**The Chapel Choir**

**A READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Mark 7:1-8

**THE MESSAGE**

**Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt**

*How Has the World Changed?*

**The Response to the Word**

**\*THE HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

**GTG #432**

*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*  
(REPTON)

**\*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)**

**Carolyn Cole**

**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

**PRESENTATION FROM PRESBYTERY**

**Susan Denny**

**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**

*The God of Abraham Praise*

Richard Proulx

**\*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 #436**

*God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us*

(O QUANTA QUALIA)

**\*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**

*Toccata in C Major*

Johanne Pachelbel

\*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: **Carolyn Cole**

Ushers: **Fitz Legerton, Jack Ballard, Jerry Vaneman, Kathy Rouse**

Coffee Hour Host: **Congregational Life Team**

Elder of the Week: **Jack Ballard**



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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:** Billie Martin and family, on Bob's death; Salyna Morgan; Olson Huff; Paulette Heck; Darrell & Mary Fran Spencer; Ron Wilson; 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.

**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.

**THE SIMPSON partner family** for Habitat Presbyterian/Methodist House # 27 will visit our service on Sept. 30 for a Habitat for Humanity Moment for Mission. We will also receive a special offering that morning to help purchase building materials for this house.

**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.

**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.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPERS:** Would you be willing to be a children's Sunday School helper sometime this Fall? This is an additional adult in the classroom whose responsibility is to give one-on-one attention during art projects or lessons. It does not include teaching or preparing a lesson, but simply being present with and attentive to the children. If so, please find the sign-up sheet in the narthex or speak with Grace Boyer.

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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!*