

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
and College Chapel
SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Reformation Sunday
October 28, 2018
11:00 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Ephesians 3:16-19

The Gathering of the People

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP Allee Williams, Lizzy Newman

THE PRELUDE Vivian Hare
Chorale Prelude on "A Mighty Fortress is our God" Pachelbel

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

Leader: We are God's work of art--each one of us a precious gem, a marvelous melody, a potter's delight.

People: **We are God's handiwork--woven together in love, shaped with infinite compassion, painted with incredible beauty.**

Leader: We are the church of Jesus Christ--diverse in human qualities, united in our call to love God with our heart, mind, soul, and strength, and our neighbor as our self.

People: **We are the Body of Christ--living in his truth, sharing his peace, carrying his hope, embodying his love in the world he loved so much.**

Leader: We are here to be reminded once more who we are, and whose we are; what our lives are about and what we are called to make of them.

People: **We are here to be inspired, renewed, and strengthened to live out our calling by the power of God working among us.**

All: **Let us worship God.**
David Inglis (adapted)

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE** GTG #275
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
(EIN FESTE BURG)

***THE CALL TO CONFESSION** Donna Eagle Joslin

*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we confess today our failure to believe that the world can change. We doubt because, trusting in our own strength alone, we have tried to change it, to make it better, more just, more peaceful, and we have fallen short. Equip us with the power of steadfast hope and unalloyed faith so that our energy and our courage might be renewed; energy to continue the work, courage to believe that change is possible, that hope can triumph over fear, that peace and justice can prevail, that scarcity can give way to abundance. 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 Donna Eagle Joslin

A READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 34:1-8

THE ANTHEM

Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me Scott

The Chapel Choir

A READING FROM THE EPISTLES

Colossians 1:1-14

THE MESSAGE Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

Always Reforming

The Response to the Word

***THE HYMN OF PROCLAMATION** GTG #687

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past
(ST. ANNE)

***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)** Donna Eagle Joslin

**We believe in God,
who is love and who has given the earth to all people;
in Jesus Christ,
who came to heal us and to free us from oppression and evil;
and in the Spirit,
who works in and through all those who are turned toward
the truth.**

**We believe in the community of faith,
which is called to serve all people, and in God's promise to
overcome the power of darkness in us all.**

**We believe that suffering need not be in vain,
that death is not the end, and that the disfigurement of the world
is not what God intended.**

**Therefore, we dare to believe, always, in spite of everything,
in God's power to transform and renew,
to fulfill the promise of new heaven, and a new earth,
where hate shall be turned into hope, where pain shall be
turned into promise, and where justice and peace shall flourish.
Amen.**

Adapted from The Confession of 1967

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION FROM PRESBYTERY Susan Denne

THE GIFTS OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

Holy God, We Praise Your Name Manz

***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

God of Our Life
(SANDON)

GTG #686

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BLESSING

Take, O Take Me as I Am

GTG #698

*Take, O take me as I am;
Summon out what I shall be;
Set your seal upon my heart and live in me.*

*THE POSTLUDE

March in B Flat

Handel

*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, Leslie Sayyar, Treasurers
Alisa White, Assistant Treasurer
Barbara Escalante, Bookkeeper

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Liturgical Artists: **Evan Williams, Hythe Hamilton**

Liturgist: **Donna Eagle Joslin**

Ushers: **Nancy & Rick Garrison, Ray Stock, Gina Marvin**

Coffee Hour Host: **Vicki Collins**

Elder of the Week: **Sally Broughton**



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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: Salyna Morgan; Marylyn Huff, following back surgery; Paulette Heck; 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 9:45 AM Children and Youth meet in the Youth Room (below the nursery) for music and lesson.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS Oct 14-Nov 18, we will be discussing Always With Us? What Jesus Really Said About The Poor, by Rev. Dr. Liz Theoharis, co-chair of the Poor People's Campaign.

TRUNK OR TREAT Today, Oct 28 from 4:00-6:00 pm. There is still time to help with this event by decorating your car trunk to give away candy! In the Fellowship Hall there will be popcorn, hot drinks and a table to decorate mini-pumpkins. And in the Youth Room, our older youth will have "scare stations."

CRAFTERS If you have an Advent or Christmas craft you would be willing to teach to our young people during the November 30 Christmas Party Craft night, please talk with Grace Boyer 828-713-1491.

EMPTY BOWLS WWC students will be on hand in the Narthex following church November 4 and 11, selling tickets to the 20th Annual Empty Bowls meal the college will sponsor on Wednesday, November 14 in Ransom Fellowship Hall at 6:00 pm. This year's beneficiary, BeLoved Asheville, provides opportunities for people from diverse backgrounds to transform their lives and communities as they tackle some of our toughest community challenges: homelessness, poverty, and racism. Proceeds will support BeLoved's Tiny House Village project, a new model of housing that is deeply affordable, sustainable, and community-oriented.

LITURGISTS AND USHERS Looking for a simple way to make a meaningful difference? Or an opportunity to engage in genuine ministry that doesn't require a three-year commitment? The Worship Planning Team invites you to consider serving on Sunday morning as a liturgist or usher. If you've never done this before, or if you feel at all nervous about speaking in public, Steve or Grace would be happy to help coach you a bit, and walk you through the basics. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex.

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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!