

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
and College Chapel
SERVICE OF WORSHIP
26th Sunday after Pentecost
November 18, 2018
11:00 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“Thanksgiving is the holiday of peace, the celebration of work and the simple life...a true folk-festival that speaks the poetry of the turn of the seasons, the beauty of seedtime and harvest, the ripe product of the year – and the deep, deep connection of all these things with God.”

Ray Stannard Baker

The Gathering of the People

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOMENT FOR THANKSGIVING

Lynn Morton, President, WWC
Sierra Davis, Class of '22, WWC

THE PRELUDE Overmountain Recorder Consort *Andreas Christi Famulus*

*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

Leader: Let us gather together in thanksgiving
to our Creator.

People: **The earth belongs to God and all that dwells upon it.**

Leader: Let us gather together in gratitude for the fullness of
life and for all we've been given.

People: **The birds of the air, the fish in the sea, the abundant
life of field and forest, everything that lives and
breathes reflects the bountiful vision of the Creator.**

Leader: Let us gather together in reverence of the Holy One,
the one God of all people, of all life on earth.

All: **Let us worship and give thanks!**

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE GTG #367 *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* (ST. GEORGES WINSOR)

*UNISON PRAYER Don Collins
For the good world and for the wonders of creation, for seen and
unseen splendors; for good work to do and strength to do it; for all
those in this community who work on farms and fields, in the
gardens and on the grounds, for the gift of food and plentiful
harvests, for loved ones and family and the grace of friendship,

for eyes that see and ears that hear, for hands that can touch and
be touched in return, for the gift of wonder and miracle of life
itself, we give our thanks to God. Amen!

Silent Prayer

*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 Don Collins

A READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Psalm 16

THE ANTHEM Beth Meriwether, flute

Praise the Lord of Harvest Catherwood
The Chapel Choir

A READING FROM THE CHRISTIAN SCRIPTURES

Matthew 13 (selected verses)

THE MESSAGE Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

Story Time

The Response to the Word

*THE HYMN OF PROCLAMATION (verses 1 & 2) GTG #36

For the Fruit of All Creation
(AR HYDY NOS)

*LITANY OF THANKSGIVING (Unison) Don Collins

To the Creator:

We return thanks for our mother, the earth,
which sustains us.

We return thanks for the rivers and streams,
which supply us with water.

We return thanks for all herbs,
which furnish medicines for the cure of our diseases.

We return thanks for the corn, and for her sisters,
the beans and squashes,
which give us life.

We return thanks for the wind,
which, moving the air
has banished diseases.

We return thanks for the moon and stars,
which have given to us their light when the sun was gone.

We return thanks for the sun,
that has looked upon the earth with a beneficent eye.

Lastly, we return thanks for the Great Spirit,
in whom is embodied all goodness,
and who directs all things for the good of his children.

Iroquois Prayer (Adapted)

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE GIFTS OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

Gloriosus confessor Domini

*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 #37

Let All Things Now Living
(ASH GROVE)

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BLESSING (Verse 3) GTG #36

For the Fruit of All Creation

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God.

For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.

*For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
Most of all that love has found us, thanks be to God.*

THE POSTLUDE (seated)

Tu Es Petrus

*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

Liturgist: **Don Collins**

Ushers: **Fran & Burnace Roberts, Vicki & Don Collins**

Coffee Hour Hosts: **Susan Laney and Friends**

Elder of the Week: **Diana Sanderson**



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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: Susan Laney and family, on the death of her brother Tom; Ron Wilson; Barbara Higgins; Dr. Steven Williams and Mary Moorrees.

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES NOV 25 There will be no classes for children or adults on Nov 25. The Nursery will be available only from 10:30 am -12:30 pm on Nov 25.

ADULT ADVENT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS DEC 2-23

"The Messiah", a curriculum by Old Testament scholar Rev. Dr. Walter Brueggemann, examines the four royal titles used in Isaiah 9:2 7: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

THANKSGIVING HARVEST SERVICE Please give a special *Thank You* to the students of the many crews on campus that contributed to this incredible harvest display! The work crews that made this possible are: the Farm Crew; the Landscape Crew and the Garden Crew.

SPECIAL MUSIC We also thank The Overmountain Recorder Consort for adding their wonderful music to this celebration. All three pieces are by Cristóbal de Morales (c.1500-1553). Members of the group are: Nick Frost; Arlin Geyer; Sharen Hafner; Carol Martinez and Susan McCann.

THANKSGIVING DINNER Congregants, students, faculty, staff, friends and neighbors are invited to the Second Annual Thanksgiving Feast on Thursday, November 22 in Ransom Fellowship Hall. We will start gathering at 1:00pm for fellowship and appetizers with dinner at 2:00pm. Appetizers, drinks, turkey, ham, and vegetarian options will be provided. Attendees, except students, are asked to bring the traditional fixings. Sign-up sheets are in the narthex. If you can bring a cooked ham or turkey let Diana Sanderson know. If you are unable to come but would like to donate food, then please sign-up. Contact Mike Levi or Diana Sanderson if you have questions.

HANGING OF THE GREENS Bring your greens, clippers, gloves and join the fun at 2:30 on Friday, November 30 in the Chapel! We'll decorate the Sanctuary, Narthex and Ransom Fellowship Hall for the Advent season. We'll have hot cider and treats. All are welcome!

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY Also on November 30 at 5:30, join the Advent fun in Ransom Fellowship Hall with pizza and Christmas crafts for our Annual Christmas Party. Help the kids with crafts or make things yourself! This is always a fun event and we hope you'll join us!

POINSETTIA ORDER Time is flying by! Because we are decorating the Chapel on November 30, it's time to start ordering poinsettias. Please fill out the order form and place it with payment in the large envelope marked Poinsettia in the Narthex. (Please do not put these in the offering plate.) Thank you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES--CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

Looking for a way to help the children and youth in the church as they grow in their faith? The children's Sunday School classroom is in need of some supplies. If you can provide any of the supplies, just place them in Grace Boyer's office OR on the table down in the Youth Room. Needed are: large scissors, markers, glue, pencil sharpener, a cd player or tablet, a gallon of water, some bottled water (small).

COMING SOON—Our Community Outreach Team has been working on a plan for an alternative Christmas gift idea related to hurricane relief. Look for more details to be revealed next Sunday!

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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!