

First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville



The First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville, North Carolina exists to praise and magnify the name of God, bringing people to Christ and uniting them with the Covenant Family, developing them to Christ-like maturity and equipping them for ministry to the Church and to the world.

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The First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville

March 20, 2022



Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship – Psalm 117:1-2

LEADER: Praise the Lord, all you nations; extol Him all you peoples.

PEOPLE: For great is His love toward us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.

ALL: Praise the Lord!

Opening Hymn of Worship

To God Be the Glory

hymn #56

To God be the glory- great things He hath done!
So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
Who yielded His life an atonement for sin
And opened the life-gate that all may go in.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus, the Son,
And give Him the glory- great things He hath done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood-
To every believer, the promise of God.
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus, the Son,
And give Him the glory- great things He hath done!*

Great things He hath taught us; great things He hath done,
And great our rejoicing thro' Jesus, the Son.
But purer and higher and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

*Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear His voice!
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thro' Jesus, the Son,
And give Him the glory- great things He hath done!*

Invocation

Statement of Faith – Deuteronomy 7:7-9

The Lord did not set His affection on you and choose you because you were more numerous than other peoples, for you were the fewest of all peoples. But it was because the Lord loved you and kept the oath He swore to your ancestors that He brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the land of slavery, from the power of Pharaoh king of Egypt. Know therefore that the Lord your God is God; He is the faithful God, keeping His covenant of love to a thousand generations of those who love Him and keep His commandments.

Confession of Sin

O Holy God, by Your great mercy, forgive our sins which are too many for us to number. We have not loved You as You have commanded. Our hearts have turned to created things rather than to You, our Creator. We have failed to love others as we ought. We have put our comfort and convenience above Your Great Commandment. Cleanse our hearts so we may love You with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. Through Jesus, our Redeemer, we pray, amen.

Assurance of Pardon – Romans 8:31-34

What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but gave Him up for us all—how will He not also, along with him, graciously give us all things? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who then is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus who died—more than that, who was raised to life—is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us.

Hymn

Love Lifted Me

hymn #508

I was sinking deep in sin, Far from the peaceful shore;
Very deeply stained within, Sinking to rise no more;
But the Master of the sea Heard my despairing cry,
From the waters lifted me- Now safe am I.

*Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help. Love lifted me!
Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help. Love lifted me!*

All my heart to Him I give; Ever to Him I'll cling,
In His blessed presence live, Ever His praises sing.
Love so mighty and so true Merits my soul's best songs;
Faithful, loving service, too, To Him belongs.

*Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help. Love lifted me!
Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help. Love lifted me!*

Souls in danger, look above; Jesus completely saves;
He will lift you by His love Out of the angry waves.
He's the Master of the sea, Billows His will obey;
He your Savior wants to be- Be saved today.

*Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help. Love lifted me!
Love lifted me! Love lifted me!
When nothing else could help. Love lifted me!*

Congregational Prayer closing with The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil; For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Reading of God's Word – Romans 12:14-15

*Please stand for the reading of God's Word

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Skip Gillikin

“Real Love – Part 7”



Hymn of Response

I Am His and He Is Mine

hymn #748

*Loved with everlasting love, Led by grace that love to know;
Gracious Spirit from above, Thou hast taught me it is so.
O this full and perfect peace! O this transport all divine!
In a love which cannot cease, I am His and He is mine.
In a love which cannot cease, I am His and He is mine.*

*Heav'n above is softer blue; Earth around is sweeter green.
Something lives in every hue Christless eyes have never seen.
Birds with gladder song o'er-flow; Flow'rs with deeper beauties shine,
Since I know, as now I know, I am His and He is mine.
Since I know, as now I know, I am His and He is mine.*

*Things that once were wild alarms Cannot now disturb my rest.
Closed in everlasting arms, Pillowed on the loving breast-
O to lie forever here, Doubt and care and self resign
While He whispers in my ear; I am His and He is mine.
While He whispers in my ear; I am His and He is mine.*

*His forever, only His; Who the Lord and me shall part?
Ah, with what a rest of bliss Christ can fill the loving heart!
Heav'n and earth may fade and flee; Firstborn light in gloom decline.
But while God and I shall be, I am His and He is mine.
But while God and I shall be, I am His and He is mine.*

Benediction – Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Postlude

Romans 12:14 “Real Love Part 7”

Introduction: John 13:35

1. v14 To Those Who Persecute You

A. Give a word of blessing. Means to _____

B. Do not pronounce a curse. To ask God to _____

2. v15 To Rejoice or Weep?

1 Cor. 13:4f “Love doesn’t _____..doesn’t rejoice in _____, rejoices in the _____.”

A. Rejoice with those who rejoice. Join them in _____ God’s _____.

1 Cor. 12:26

B. Weep with those who Weep. Is. 53:3 Jesus was a man of _____

John 11:35

Luke 19:41

Henry – “True love will interest us in the sorrows and joys of one another, and teach us to make them our own.”

3. Living with Enemies.

A. Eph. 6:12 Our Enemies Are _____

B. Luke 6:27-36; Mt. 5:43:47

C. Jesus Died for _____

Rom. 5:8-11

Col. 1:21-22

2 Cor. 5:17-21

Luke 23:34

1 Peter 2:21f

Question to Ponder???



HIGHLANDS PRESBYTERY WOMEN'S MINISTRY

FACEBOOK: Highlands Presbyterian Women's Ministry

INSTAGRAM: HIGHLANDPRESBYTERYWM

2022 SPRING GATHERING



Speaker:

Lori Sealy

**“OF GRIEF AND
GRACE: LEARNING
TO LAMENT”**

April 9, 2022

9 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

**Story Memorial PCA,
Marion, NC**

- As Christians, how do we respond to bitter seasons of sorrow and torturous times?
- Is it possible to sincerely groan without sinfully grumbling?
- What does it look like to be honest with God in times of great grief? www.lorisealy.com

“Through Christ, there is indeed sufficient and substantial hope - even in the hardest scenes of our story. My prayer is that each of us will learn a little more about lament: what it is and why it's important; and above all else, that we will see the steadfast love and mercy of our Savior - who stores all of our tears in His bottle until that day when He will finally and fully wipe them from our eyes!” - Lori Sealy



REGISTRATION: \$10 March 1 - March 28



Sign-up on the tear-off sheet and place it in the offering box OR call the church office.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 20, 2022

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Greeters: Circle Joy ~ Sandy Massey & Teresa Tom
Elder ~ Alan Sonner Deacon ~ Kit Conrad

We are looking for additional people to help with the sound during services. If you are interested please see Jim Eldridge after the service.

NEW STUDY ~ SMALL GROUP ~ Al Harrell's Small Group meet each Sunday evening from 5:00-7:00 pm in the Church Office Conference Room. All are welcome to join. They are doing a 10-week study on *Good to Great in God's Eyes...10 practices that great Christians have in common* by Chip Ingram

Men's Bible Study ~ Tuesday's at 10:30 am in the Conference Room – Join us as Bryan Tom teaches the *Parables of Jesus*.

Join us for Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting/Bible Study each Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Conference Room

Ladies Bible Study ~ Thursday's at 10:00 am in the Conference Room.

Gifts of Grace will meet Thursday, March 31 at 1:00 pm in the Sunday school bottom floor area.

Join us for Games Night on Saturday, May 21 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited.

ABCCM North ~ the following items are needed for ABCCM North's food pantry: **Canned Beef Stew, Canned Chicken, Jelly, Apple Sauce, Vienna Sausage (in cans)**. Drop your bags off at the church office or in the church sanctuary foyer.

Please fill out the tear-off sheet (front & back) and place it in the Offering Box near the entrance/exit doors. Thank you!!!

First Presbyterian Church Welcomes You!

Everyone

Today's Date: March 20, 2022

Name _____

Attendance: __1st time __2nd time __regular

I would like to join the church _____

Visitors

Name _____

Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone/Cell _____

E-mail _____

I would like to receive the weekly Prayer Band _____

Are you a member of a church? _____

Where _____

I came as a guest of _____

I would like more information about First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville.

Please call me

Please e-mail me

Please schedule a home visit

Prayer Requests

CD Ministry

CD's of First Presbyterian's Morning Worship Service are available upon request.

Date of Service: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Please complete this tear-off sheet
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**HIGHLANDS
PRESBYTERY WOMEN'S
MINISTRY**

**2022 SPRING
GATHERING**

Speaker:

Lori Sealy

*“Of Grace and Grief:
Learning to lament”*

April 9, 2022

**9 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. STORY
MEMORIAL PCA, Marion, NC**

Two Sessions: “The Grieving
Lament of a Godly Man” (Psalm
88) and “The Grieving Lament of
the God Man” (Matthew 26:36-46)

Cost: \$10

Registration:

March 1 – March 28

Sign-up below:

Name _____

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Church Directory

Skip Gillikin - Pastor (280-7333)

Elaine Brewer - Church Secretary

Connie Buckner - Women’s Ministry Coordinator

Betty Dendy - Sunday School Director

Buddy Fisher - Church Treasurer

Steve Russell - Mission Ministry Team Chairman

Ministers - all members of this local body of Christ who desire to use their spiritual gifts to build up one another, take the Gospel to the world and glorify God in all they do.

The Session

Class of 2022: Steve Russell and Alan Sonner

Class of 2023: Shawn Cole

Class of 2024: Steve Blevins

Board of Deacons

Class of 2022: Kit Conrad

Class of 2023: Buddy Fisher and Britt Webb

Class of 2024: Jim Eldridge and Steve Morris

Our Missionaries (missionaries we financially support)

Marc and Denise Atchley (TEAM) ----- Greece

Alice Brawand (Wycliffe) -----Texas/Guatemala

Mark and Annemarie Dye (UWM) ----- Kenya

Merle and June Dye (SIM) ----- Southeast

Miriam Gebb, RN (Reach Beyond) ----- Brazil/Ecuador

Collin and Zury (MTW) ----- West Africa

Glenn & Bonnie Lafitte (Reach Beyond) ---- Texas/Mexico Border

F and I ----- Africa/Asia

Debbie Richards (MTW) ----- Japan

Mike and Eli Sabin (MTW) ----- Guam

Rick and Yvonne Sawyer (Hope for Miami) ----- Miami

Kenton and Adriana Wood (MTW) ----- Mexico

Rob Herron ----- RUF Appalachian State

Andrew Shank ----- RUF Western Carolina University

New Direction Mustard Seed ----- Asheville

ABCCM North Ministries ----- Weaverville

Remember our missionaries and our overall ministry in your prayer times.
The First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville, organized in 1921, is a
congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America.