

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 6, 2022



Prelude

On Eagles Wings

Mrs. Linda Cole

[based on Psalm 90; Isaiah 40; Exodus 19; Matthew 13]

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,
Who abide in His shadow for life,
Say to the Lord, "My Refuge,
My Rock in Whom I trust."

REFRAIN:

*And He will raise you up on eagle's wings,
Bear you on the breath of dawn,
Make you to shine like the sun,
And hold you in the palm of His Hand.*

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,
And famine will bring you no fear;
Under His Wings your refuge,
His faithfulness your shield.

You need not fear the terror of the night,
Nor the arrow that flies by day,
Though thousands fall about you,
Near you it shall not come.

For to His angels He's given a command,
To guard you in all of your ways,
Upon their hands they will bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Welcome

Call to Worship – Isaiah 61:10-11

I delight greatly in the Lord; my soul rejoices in my God. For He has clothed me with garments of salvation and arrayed me in a robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom adorns his head like a priest, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign Lord will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations.

Opening Hymn of Worship

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

hymn #90

*Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!*

*All Thy works with joy surround Thee, Earth and heav'n reflect Thy rays.
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flowery meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain Call us to rejoice in Thee!*

*Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother- All who live in love are Thine.
Teach us how to love each other; Lift us to the joy divine!*

*Mortals, join the mighty chorus Which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o'er us, Leading us with mercy's hand.
Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life!*

Invocation

Statement of Faith – Isaiah 40:28-31

Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and His understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.

Confession of Sin

Almighty God and Heavenly Father, we poor, miserable sinners confess that from our childhood until this very hour we have sinned against Your commandments by evil thoughts, words, will, and works, which we cannot count, and first of all by vast unbelief. Therefore, we are not worthy to be called Your children, nor lift our eyes up to heaven. O God and Father, we wish that we had never provoked You to anger. In Your mercy and for the sake of Your glory, we ask You to receive us into Your grace by the forgiveness of our sins. Through Jesus we pray, amen.

Assurance of Pardon – Romans 5:1-2

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith in this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

Hymn

Father, I Know That All My Life

*Father, I know that all my life is portioned out for me;
The changes that are sure to come, I do not fear to see:
I ask thee for a present mind, intent on pleasing Thee.*

*I would not have the restless will that hurries to and fro,
Seeking for some great thing to do, or secret thing to know;
I would be treated as a child, and guided where I go.*

*I ask Thee for the daily strength, to none that ask denied,
A mind to blend with outward life, while keeping at Thy side,
Content to fill a little space, if Thou be glorified.*

*In service which Thy will appoints there are no bonds for me;
My secret heart is taught the truth that makes Thy children free;
A life of self-renouncing love is one of liberty.*

Congregational Prayer

Reading of God's Word – Romans 12:12

*Please stand for the reading of God's Word

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Skip Gillikin

“Real Love – Part 5”



Hymn of Response

Abide with Me

hymn #642

*Abide with me; fast falls the even-tide.
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.
When other helpers fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me.*

*Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day.
Earth's joys grow dim; its glories pass away.
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou who changest not, abide with me.*

*I need Thy presence every passing hour.
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's pow'r?
Who, like Thyself, my Guide and Stay can be?
Thro' cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.*

*I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.
Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still if Thou abide with me.*

*Hold Thou Thy cross before my closing eyes;
Shine thro' the gloom and point me to the skies.
Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee.
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.*

Benediction – Hebrews 13:20-21

May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in us what is pleasing to Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Postlude

Romans 12:12 "Real Love - Part 5"

Introduction:

1. Be Joyful in Hope

A. Hope: Live in expectation of God's _____. True hope is found ONLY in the _____! Rom 8:37f.

It is a hope for this _____ and the _____.

B. Gal. 5:22 Joyful Are you _____ with God's joy?

1 Cor. 13:6-7

1 Peter 1:8-9

John 20:24-31

2. Be Patient in Affliction 1 Cor. 13:4-7

A. Affliction =

B. Persevere in times of _____

Heb. 10:32, 36

Eph. 6:13-14

3. Faithful in Prayer for Others.

A. Prayer – a _____ of _____ which leads to hope and patience. Ps. 28:2, 6, 7

SCQ. 98. *What is prayer?* "Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of His mercies."

B. Luke 18:1f Faithful The Parable of the _____

C. This requires: Praying is like _____

1)

2)

3)

Questions to Ponder???

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

<https://hpwmn2022springgathering.eventbrite.com/>

(or with your church contact)

Singer/songwriter, worship leader, conference speaker, and recently widowed, Lori is well acquainted with hardship and grief, but is “daily amazed at the grace of God that has been poured out in her life, as well as by the all-wise hand of His providence that has carved her every step - including the really hard steps. But, through Christ, there is indeed sufficient and substantial hope - even in the hardest scenes of our story.” ~Lori Sealy

www.lorisealy.com

A photograph of a bowl of chili and cornbread. The chili is in a brown bowl with a white spoon, topped with green herbs. The cornbread is in a separate bowl with a yellow and red patterned rim. The background is a wooden surface.

**You are invited to a
Chili & Cornbread
Luncheon
Sunday, March 6
after the worship service
no need to sign-up...and
everything is provided**

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 6, 2022

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

Greeters: Circle Joy ~ Kathy Harrell & Lagatha Russell
Elder ~ Alan Sonner Deacon ~ Kit Conrad

Everyone is invited to attend a Chili, Cornbread & Dessert luncheon **TODAY** in the Fellowship Hall, right after the morning worship service. No need to sign-up or bring anything.

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

Circle Joy will meet Monday, March 7 at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room.

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 10 at 1:00 pm in the Sunday school bottom floor area.

Daylight Savings time begins next Sunday. Don't forget to move your clocks FORWARD 1 hour before going to bed on Saturday.

Circle Peace will meet Monday, March 14 at 6:00 pm in the Nursery area.

Join us for Games Night on Saturday, March 19 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 and place it in the Offering Box near the entrance/exit doors. Thank you!!!

First Presbyterian Church Welcomes You!

Everyone

Today's Date: March 6, 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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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.