

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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Prelude

It is our practice to quietly meditate through prayer and stillness as the prelude is played.

Welcome

Elder Steve Blevins

Call to Worship – Isaiah 12:1-6

LEADER: I will praise You, LORD. Although You were angry with me, Your anger has turned away and You have comforted me.

PEOPLE: Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD Himself, is my strength and my defense; He has become my salvation.”

LEADER: With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.

PEOPLE: Give praise to the LORD, proclaim His name; make known among the nations what He has done, and proclaim that His name is exalted.

ALL: Sing to the Lord, for He has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.

Hymn #33

Immortal, Invisible

Congregation

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes.
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious- Thy great name we praise.*

*Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.*

*To all, life Thou givest- to both great and small;
In all life thou livest- the true life of all.
Thy wisdom so boundless, Thy mercy so free,
Eternal Thy goodness for naught changest Thee.*

*Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render- O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!*

Invocation Confession of Sin

Holy Father, You see us as we are, and know our inmost thoughts. We confess that we are unworthy of Your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from You and that to You all life returns. We have not sought to do Your will with our whole hearts. We have not lived as grateful children, nor loved as Christ loved us. Apart from You, we are nothing. Only Your grace can sustain us. Lord, in Your mercy, forgive us, heal us, and make us whole. Set us free from our sin, and restore us to the joy of Your salvation now and forever. Amen.

Words of Assurance of Pardon – Psalm 32:10-12

Many are the woes of the wicked, but the Lord's unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in Him. Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart.

Statement of Faith – Westminster Confession of Faith Chapter V-1

God, the great Creator of all things does uphold, direct, dispose, and govern all creatures, actions, and things, from the greatest even to the least, by His most wise and holy providence, according to His infallible foreknowledge, and the free and immutable counsel of His own will, to the praise of the glory of His wisdom, power, justice, goodness, and mercy.



Hymn

Psalm 46

Congregation

*God is our refuge and our strength, our ever present aid,
And, therefore, though the earth remove, we will not be afraid;
Though hills amidst the seas be cast, though foaming waters roar,
Yea, though the mighty billows shake the mountains on the shore.*

*A river flows whose streams make glad the city of our God,
The holy place wherein the Lord most high has his abode;
Since God is in the midst of her, unmoved her walls shall stand,
For God will be her early help, when trouble is at hand.*

*The nations raged, the kingdoms moved, but when his voice was heard
The troubled earth was stilled to peace before his mighty word.
The Lord of hosts is on our side, our safety to secure,
The God of Jacob is for us a refuge strong and sure.*

*O come, behold what wondrous works Jehovah's hand has wrought;
Come, see what desolation great He on the earth has brought.
To utmost ends of all the earth He causes war to cease;
The weapons of the strong destroyed, He makes abiding peace.*

*Be still and know that I am God, o'er all exalted high;
The subject nations of the earth my name shall magnify.
The Lord of Hosts is on our side, our safety to secure,
The God of Jacob is for us a refuge strong and sure.*

Anthem

Choir



Congregational Prayer

Hymn #812

Glory Be to the Father

Congregation

*Glory be the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

Giving of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Offertory



Reading of God's Word – 2 John

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Flavien Pardigon



Hymn #401

The Church's One Foundation

Congregation

*The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is His new creation By water and the Word:
From heav'n He came and sought her To be His holy bride;
With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.*

*Elect from every nation, Yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation: One Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food;
And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.*

*'Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest,
And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.*

*Yet she on earth hath union With God, the Three in One,
And mystic, sweet communion With those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly, On high may dwell with Thee.*

Benediction

Postlude

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*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come, this church opens
wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*