# Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church

and

College Chapel

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent March 1, 2020 11:00 a.m.

### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Wilderness is not a luxury but a necessity of the human spirit.

**Edward Abbey** 

# The Gathering of the People

### THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE PRELUDE** "Pastorale" by Philip Hayes

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

Leader: Our Lenten sojourn has begun, a journey

that leads us from ashes to Easter.

**People:** We will travel this road without fear.

We will follow where God leads.

Leader: Today we enter into the wilderness.

Today we leave ordinary comforts behind.

**People:** Here we will discover who we are;

Here we will discover whose we are.

Leader: Here in wilderness our deepest hungers are fed.

Here we discover our true home.

**People:** Today we remember the source of our life.

Today we feast not on bread but on love.

All: Let us worship the living God!

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

**HYMN 165** 

The Glory of These Forty Days (ERHALT UNS HERR)

\*THE CALL TO CONFESSION

**Barbara Griswold** 

### \*THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISION)

Holy One, as we set out on the path before us at the start of this Lenten season, we confess that we are people of impatient hungers. We want to be filled with all good things, now. We are people who seek power and authority. We want to be in control, not to be controlled. We are people whose individual safety is of highest concern. We want to live lives free of risk and responsibility. Grant us courage to resist these temptations to be less than we can be. Through Christ we pray (silent prayer...)

### \*THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE

One voice: This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for us all. **Many voices:** 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.

\*KYRIE ELEISON

# 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. Afterward, younger children may go to the nursery. Children's worship bags are available for children in the Narthex of the Church to use during the service.

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Barbara Griswold

A READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 32

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Matthew 4:1-11

THE MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

If Your Life Were a Book

## The Response to the Word

### \*AFFIRMATION: A Lenten Litany Barbara Griswold

Leader: Jesus invites us to follow him into the wilderness,

and to fast from our dependence on ordinary things.

All: Let us walk his way with trust.

Leader: Jesus points us to a way of self-giving,

where power and status are overturned.

All: Let us walk his way with humility.

Leader: Jesus beckons us to a way of faithful risk,

letting go of our security and trusting in God.

All: Let us walk his way with courage.

Leader: Jesus invites us to a way of celebration,

meeting and feasting with the humble and poor.

All: Let us walk his way with joy.

Leader: Jesus calls us to follow the way of the cross,

where despair is transformed by the promise

of new life.

All: Let us walk his way with faith.

Leader: Jesus models for us the way that makes for peace,

peace for ourselves and peace for the world.

All: Let us walk in his way with love.

### THE GIFTS OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### THE OFFERTORY

What Wondrous Love Is This? arr. By Charles Dupree

\*THE DOXOLOGY (Sung to the tune TALLIS' CANON)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

### \*THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

# The Celebration of the Lord's Supper

### \*THE INVITATION

### \*THE COMMUNION HYMN

**HYMN 498** 

Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken (BEACH SPRING)

### **GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give our thanks and praise...** 

LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)
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.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

# The Sending

### \*THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT

**HYMN 546** 

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing (SICILLIAN MARINERS)

### \*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### \*SUNG RESPONSE

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(During this time of Lent, we ask that you leave the sanctuary in meditative silence.)

\*Please stand as you are able

### **CHAPEL STAFF**

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister Rev. Grace Boyer, Associate in Ministry Joel P. Rogers, Music Director, Organist Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator Jack Ballard, Leslie Sayyar, Treasurers Barbara Escalante, Bookkeeper Tess Newman, Sound Tech

Liturgist: Barbara Griswold
Ushers: Martha & Lee Dugger, Sandee & Milt Butterworth
Coffee Hour Host: Leslie & Adeeb Sayyar
Elder of the Week: Tacci Smith



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# The Announcements

**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:** Pat Levi and the Levi family on Mike's death; Jon Hettrick and family; Beth Meriwether's family; Kim Reece, daughter of Nancy and Rick Garrison, who is in the hospital, and Pat Crumpler.

**NURSERY** The nursery is available from 9:30 am - 12:30 pm in the Christian Education Wing beyond the Fellowship Hall.

**ADULT EDUCATION CLASS** 9:45 am Lent/Easter Book Study. *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again.* Author Rachel Held Evans explores the life shaping power of storytelling and literature, diving deep into eight biblical stories. Each story stands on its own, so you do not need to read every chapter to participate. Ask Grace Boyer for a book and schedule.

**CHILDREN/YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL** We meet in the youth room below the nursery. Music Time: 9:45-10:00 am. Lesson: 10:00-10:45 am.

**LENTEN LUNCH SERIES** The 2020 Community Lenten Worship Series schedule is available for pick up in the Narthex.

**NICKEL A MEAL** During the offertory this morning, the monthly Nickel a Meal Offering will be collected. This offering is forwarded to Presbytery to show compassion and do justice for those in need.

**WHAT IS A** *KYRIE***?** During this season of Lent, we will be using another ancient part of the traditional church service in place of the Gloria. The translation is "Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy." The pronunciation is kee-ree-eh ay-lay-ee-sohn, krees-tay ay-lay-ee-sohn, kee-ree-eh ay-lay-ee-sohn.

**ROOM IN THE INN** We are hosting 12 ladies for Room in the Inn for the week of March 22. We need people to bring lunches, suppers and ESPECIALLY NEED overnight hosts. Please sign up in the narthex or see Susan Laney or Vicki Collins for questions.

**COMFORT FOOD** Feeling stressed? Depleted? Sounds like you need some COMFORT FOOD, an evening of stories, songs (and snacks) to restore you, body, mind and soul. All are welcome to this ecumenical event led by Joel, Steve and Robyn. 7:00 Tuesday March 31. More details to follow, but mark your calendars now!

**SAVE THE DATE** Join in the fun and wear your favorite hat to our Mad Hatter's Tea Party at Highland Farms on April 1, at 3:00 pm.

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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!