Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
and College Chapel
SERVICE OF WORSHIP
6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 4, 2021
11:00 a.m.

PREPERATION FOR WORSHIP

"Rest and be thankful" William Wordsworth

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

One voice: Arise, people of faith, that the living God may meet us here.
We gather now to worship and be fed!
Many voices: We reach out for health and wholeness.
We embrace one another with concern and care.

One voice: God attends our cries and hears us as we sing and pray.
God feels our laments and shares in our joys.
Many voices: Like those who watch eagerly for the morning,
we wait in joyous anticipation of God's Word.

One voice: The living word is ours to receive.
The living bread is ours to share.
Many voices: We will sing praises to God who provides us with these graces.
We will tell of God's faithfulness day by day.

***HYMN 336** "We Gather Together"
Text by Adrianus Valerius, 1626
Music from *Neder-landtsch Gedenck-Clanck,* 1626
KRESMER

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

O God, as the sovereign of the universe, and as our very creator, we pledge our allegiance to you this day. We give thanks for the civic gifts we enjoy – our freedoms, our affluence, our comfort, our safety. Forgive us when we take these gifts for granted, forgetting that they are gifts, forgetting that not everyone in the world enjoys these luxuries. May our vision of your Realm always extend from our lives and from these shores to the ends of the earth. Through Christ we pray (*silence . . .*)

THE WORDS OF ASSURANCE (Responsive)
One voice: This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for us all.
Many voices: We are forgiven, we are set free.
By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are loved forever.

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL
All those children and youth who are present are invited to come forward at this time.

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS
Matthew 11:28-30

THE SERMON
Take Him Up On It

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND UNITY** (Unison)

In faith, we acknowledge that God has acted in the past,
in holy history.
In faith, we believe that God has brought us to where we are today.
In faith, we affirm that God will lead us into our future.

In hope, we acknowledge that God is at work in our midst.
In hope, we believe that God is doing a new thing among us.
In hope, we affirm our need to walk hand in hand.

In love, we acknowledge our freedom to differ.
In love, we believe that our unity will be preserved.
In love, we affirm our need for one another.

In truth, we acknowledge that grace has brought us safe thus far.
In truth, we believe that grace will lead us home.
In truth, we affirm God's grace is sufficient for us.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

***THE INVITATION**

***HYMN 515** "I Come with Joy"
Text by Brian Wren, 1968
Music is an American Folk Melody
DOVE OF PEACE

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
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

***HYMN 338** "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"
Text by Katherine Lee Bates, 1893
Music by Samuel Augustus Ward, 1882
MATERNA

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

THE POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you are able.

CHAPEL STAFF

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister
Joel P. Rogers, Director of Music, Organist
Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator
Leslie Sayyar, Brent Roberts, Treasurers
Barbara Escalante, Bookkeeper

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder of the Day: Sharon Lytle
Liturgist: Carolyn Cole
Vocalist: Heather Bronson

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OUR PRAYERS GO OUT TO: Molly and the Hamilton family, on William's death; Lynn Morton and family, on Ric's death; Rick Garrison; Chuck Stephenson; Flo Bishop; Jon Hettrick and his family; Jon's mother, Marjorie Hettrick; Maria Marks, granddaughter of Edythe Wiener as she undergoes treatment for a medical condition; Mark and Albert Laabs, friends of the Griswolds; Blake Joslin; Vicki Allman, family friend of Sandy Brauer; Kim Reece, daughter of Nancy and Rick Garrison, and Pat Crumpler.

OFFERING We will not receive a formal offering today but offering plates are available as you gather.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM HOMEWARD BOUND
Due to the many changes happening right now with the Red Roof Inn and Homeward Bound, we are suspending all food and sandwich deliveries until further notice. We will let you know when further help is needed. If you have questions, contact Vicki via email, vcollins@warren-wilson.edu.

ANNUAL PERSONNEL REVIEW: The action team that is preparing the annual personnel review for the church staff – Bob Gambrell, Ken Murchison, and Beth Meriwether – needs your help. Please share your team's words of praise for the work our staff has done and your suggestions as to how we can improve our ministry in the future. You may send your comments to Ken Murchison by emailing him at ekmurchison@gmail.com, mailing your response to the church office (101 Chapel Drive, Swannanoa, NC 28711), or placing your response in his box in the church office.

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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!