Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church

SERVICE OF WORSHIP
Sixth Sunday of Easter
May 22, 2022
11:00 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"We are freed to free others. We are affirmed to affirm others.
We are loved to love others." Ann Weems

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A MOMENT FOR MISSION SVCM **Cheryl Wilson**

THE PRELUDE My Jesus, I Love Thee arr. Labenske

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP** **Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt**

One Voice: Jesus said, "Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of God."
Many Voices: We have been blessed with abundant gifts;
We are privileged to share these blessings.

One Voice: Jesus said, "Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted."
Many Voices: We have experienced the pain of grief;
We are grateful we do not bear it alone.

One Voice: Jesus said," Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God."
Many Voices: We have seen violence in our land;
We are determined to make peace in response.

All: Let us worship the God of blessings
and comfort and peace.

***HYMN 79** "Light Dawns on a Weary World"
Text: Mary Louise Bringle, 2001
Music: William P. Rowan, 2000
TEMPLE OF PEACE

***THE PRAYER OF ADORATION Rev. Sarah Grace Montgomery**

God of our refuge and strength, you hold us and guide us in our times of great need. You rejoice with us in times of celebration. As Easter people, as faithful people, we aspire to live in the light of your love and grace. We want to reflect your love and grace in the world around us. May our praise and thanksgiving for all you have done resound within our hearts and our homes, within these walls and beyond. Through Christ we pray. Amen

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

A READING FROM THE PROPHETS Psalm 122

ANTHEM "Created In His Image" by Sally Deford
Soloist: Lora Melton

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS Matthew 5:1-12

THE SERMON **Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt**

"A Living, Breathing Testament"

***HYMN 172** "Blest Are They"
Text and Music: David Haas, 1985
BLEST ARE THEY

***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)**

We believe in a world full of riches meant for all to enjoy.
We believe in one human family,
learning to live together in love, generosity and patience.
We believe in one life, which celebrates beauty and integrity,
and finds fulfillment in community and service.
We believe in one morality, whose greatest law is Love,
and whose end is a word free of poverty, ignorance,
fear and injustice.
We believe in God, creator of the world, author of all of life.
And in Jesus, and what his teachings, his life and his ministry reveal
about God's intentions for the world.
We believe in the Spirit, God's own energy at large in the world.
And that we are called, as people of faith,
To participate in God's purposes in the world. Amen.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

***HYMN 372** "O for a World"
Text: Miriam Therese Winter, 1987
Music: Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828
AZMON

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

THE POSTLUDE O Worship the King arr. Labenske

*Please stand as you are able

CHAPEL STAFF
Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister
Rev. Sarah Grace Montgomery, Associate in Ministry
Joel P. Rogers, Music Director, Organist
Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator
Leslie Sayyar, Brent Roberts Treasurers
Barbara Escalante, Bookkeeper

Acolytes: Evva Hamilton, Izzy Presnell-Smith
Elder of the Day: Sharon Lytle

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THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME VISITORS! If you are worshiping here for the first time today, welcome! We are glad to have you with us on this joyous day!

PRAYERS GO OUT FOR: Kip Smith, Tacci's father; Milt and Sandee Butterworth, and family; Fran Roberts; Shane Reece, Nancy Garrison's son; Pat Wilson's son, Kell; Gina Marvin; Brooks and Carol Lee Joslin, Blake's parents; Erika Lytle; Jackie Ligon Cole; Rick Garrison; Fran Roberts' sister-in-law, Linda Briggs; Flo Bishop; Jon Hettrick and his family; Jon's mother, Marjorie Hettrick; Mark Laabs, friend of the Griswolds; Kim Reece, daughter of Nancy and Rick Garrison.

BAGS FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH Worship Bags and Children's Books are available in the Narthex for our younger worshippers. Please place used bags in the labeled bucket after worship so they can be cleaned. Hand sanitizer is available inside each worship bag and its use is encouraged before using the included materials.

GUEST PIANIST Noah Melton graduated from Pfeiffer University in 2008 with a double major in Music Education and Christian Education. Currently, Mr. Melton is the Chorus Director at East Henderson High School. His musical background encompasses church music leadership (2008-2010), Raleigh Ringers Membership (2009), and teaching experiences at the elementary, middle, and secondary levels (2010-present). He has also had the privilege of serving as Pender County Schools All-County Chorus clinician (2016-2020) and Henderson County Public Schools Middle School Chorus clinician (2019 and 2021). Today, his wife Lora is our anthem soloist.

OFFERING We will not receive a formal offering during our service however, there are offering plates as you enter the sanctuary, or you may mail your offering to: Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
101 chapel Lane, Swannanoa, NC 28778, or make donations directly and securely on our website by going to, www.warrenwilsonchurch.org,

PENTECOST SPECIAL OFFERING The Pentecost Offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. We will collect this special offering on June 5, 2022. If you decide to contribute, please make your check out to WWPC with Pentecost Offering on the memo line. Thank you!

CHILDREN/YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL Sunday School for youth and children has resumed. Join us from 9:45-10:30. All are welcome!

COFFEE HOUR Looking for summertime coffee hour hosts! If you are in-town this summer or know your summertime schedule, please sign up for a date on the sign-up sheet in the narthex or contact the church office. Easy instructions are posted in the parlor kitchen. Thank you, from the Congregational Life team!

PAVILION SERVICE Join us for our annual Memorial Day weekend outdoor service in the campus pavilion on Sunday May 29, 2022. The service will begin at 11:00 am and provides an opportunity for all of us to enjoy nature as we worship together outside.

A NOTE ABOUT SUMMER WORSHIP We know there are a variety of opinions about the best time to worship in the summer. This year, at the recommendation of our Worship Team, and with Session's approval, we will continue to worship at 11:00 throughout this summer.

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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!