

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church

April 19, 2026



The living God was numbered with the dead
That He might bring you Life in broken bread.

- From Emmaus 2 by Malcolm Guite

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2026 11:00 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“We Walk by Faith”

James Biery

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Donna Eagle Joslin

One: Christ comes to us in unexpected places:

All: In crowded rooms, on dusty roads,

One: In conversations, in teachable moments,

All: In the breaking of the bread and the sharing of a meal.

One: Christ comes in the midst of our doubt, our fear and our sorrow,

All: Reminding us of the power of God, the power of resurrection.

One: Let us worship the One who walks beside us

All: Let us worship our living God!

*OPENING HYMN 252

“Day of Arising”

RAABE

1 Day of arising,
Christ on the roadway,
unknown companion walks with his own.
When they invite him,
as fades the first day,
and bread is broken,
Christ is made known.

2 When we are walking,
doubtful and dreading,
blinded by sadness,
slowness of heart,
yet Christ walks with us,
ever awaiting
our invitation:
Stay, do not part.

3 Lo, I am with you,
Jesus has spoken.
This is Christ's promise,
this is Christ's sign:
when the church gathers,
when bread is broken,
there Christ is with us,
in bread and wine.

4 Christ, our companion,
hope for the journey,
bread of compassion,
open our eyes.
Grant us your vision,
set all hearts burning
that all creation
with you may rise.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Loving God, like those disciples on the road to Emmaus, we struggle to recognize you in the everyday journey of our lives. Open our eyes, O Lord, to your work of transformation in and around us. Grant us the wisdom and humility to view everyone we meet through your lens of love. And in our seeing, help us to recognize and welcome the stranger in our midst. As we walk with you day by day, may your new life be made manifest in how we speak, act, and engage with your world.

Silent moment for personal confession

A PROMISE OF FORGIVENESS & PEACE

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.***

***HYMN OF RESPONSE**

**“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”
607 OLD HUNDREDTH**

**Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God all Creatures Here Below
Praise God above the Heavenly Host
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

A TIME FOR CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

Children and youth of all ages are invited to come forward.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

Psalm 34:1-10

ANTHEM

“Alleluia, Christ Is Risen”

James Kirkby

*Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise:
sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
He, who on the cross a victim, for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.*

*Christ is risen, we are risen! Shed upon us heavenly grace,
rain and dew and gleams of glory from the brightness of thy face;
that we, with our hearts in heaven, here on earth may fruitful be,
and by angel hands be gathered, and be ever, Lord, with thee.*

*Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia! to the Savior who has gained the victory;
Alleluia! to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity:
Alleluia, alleluia! to the Triune Majesty.*

SECOND LESSON

Luke 24:13-35

SERMON

Rev. Jessica Rigel

***HYMN OF PRAISE 738** “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee”
MARYTON

1 O Master, let me walk with thee
in lowly paths of service free;
tell me thy secret; help me bear
the strain of toil, the fret of care.

2 Help me the slow of heart to move
by some clear, winning word of love;
teach me the wayward feet to stay,
and guide them in the homeward way.

3 Teach me thy patience, still with thee
in closer, dearer company,
in work that keeps faith sweet and strong,
in trust that triumphs over wrong.

4 In hope that sends a shining ray
far down the future's broadening way;
in peace that only thou canst give,
with thee, O Master, let me live.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our God who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, Your will be done in 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 Yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

***CLOSING HYMN 853** “We Are Marching in the Light of God”
SIYAHAMBA

We are marching in the light of God;
we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of God;
we are marching in the light of God.

Additional stanzas ad lib.:

We are dancing . . .

We are praying . . .

We are singing . . .

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

*God be with you, God be with you
God be with you, until we meet again
Keep on working for the Crafter
They'll be with us, here and after.
God be with us, until we meet again.*

POSTLUDE

“We Are Marching”

Robert Schaffer

*Please rise in body and/or spirit

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Jessica Rigel, Pastor

Ted Stewart, Director of Music

Andrew Tripp, Church Administrator

Leslie Sayyar and Brent Roberts, Treasurers

Barbara Escalante, Bookkeeper

Elder of the Day: Sally Broughton

Liturgist: Donna Eagle Joslin

Fellowship Time: Griswolds

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME VISITORS If you are worshipping here for the first time today, welcome! We are glad to have you with us. Please fill out a visitor information card, located on the right as you enter the chapel, and place it in the offering plate.

OFFERING Plates are just inside the doors to the chapel or scan the QR code on the back of this bulletin. Our gifts take many forms: open-hearted presence here, voices lifted in song, the prayers that rise in us, the material gifts we share with neighbors, and our willingness to live in a world as allies and advocates for those whose needs are overlooked. The monies we bring symbolize the offering of our lives in all circumstances. A separate labeled basket is available each week to receive Our Daily Change offerings.

COMMUNITY JOYS AND CONCERNS: If you would like to add or update a prayer request, please contact the church office.

We celebrate: New windows and doors in the Education Building

We remember in prayer: The family of Ernst Laursen following his death April 10. A Celebration of Life is being planned for October ◦ **Natalie Daugherty** recovering from surgery at Care Partners ◦ **Jackie Wintle**, who is recovering from cancer surgery ◦ **Cindy Riley and her sister Angie**, who are resolving palliative care needs for their mother, **Lavada Owenby**, as she struggles with ongoing health issues

NEWS ABOUT THE CHAPEL ORGAN On March 17 WWPC signed a contract with Angerstein Organ Works, Ltd. to refurbish the Chapel Organ, 60 years from the organ's construction, well past the normal life of the organ's extensive leather parts. Work began on March 30. The instrument has been showing signs of needing re-leathering and other needs. Thanks to a generous gift from Steven Williams (final college organist) for care of the organ, we can both refurbish and add some additions that Steven had wished for in 2008. The wind to the organ pipes has been shut off for repairs/restoration, while the digital stops will continue to function without wind. Work on the organ is expected to be completed in 3-4 months. - Ted Stewart, WWPC Music Director

SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME CHANGE The Adult Education Class has changed their start time to 9:15. Now they will meet in the Adult Classroom in the Education Building on Sundays from 9:15-10:15. All are welcome!

CREATION CARE SYMPOSIUM Creation Care Alliance is gathering people of faith from across the southern Blue Ridge for a conference on creation care, disaster recovery, and building community resilience. This event is happening at the Montreat Conference Center May 1 and 2. More information on the flyer in the narthex or at creationcarealliance.org

ICE CREAM SOCIAL The Ice Cream Social is on May 3rd for Fellowship Time. Let's celebrate the beginning of summer and the end of the programmatic school year! Please bring your favorite ice cream topping to share! Ice cream, lemonade, and cookies are provided by the Congregational Life Team.

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The week ahead at WWPC

4/19	2:00 (UFH)	Swannanoa Valley Friends Meeting
4/20	1:15(AdEd)	Staff Meeting
4/20	N/A	NO Tai Chi/Qigong
4/20	7:30 (Chapel)	WWC Choir Concert
4/21	6:00 (AdEd)	Session
4/22	9:00 (Youth)	Community Yoga
4/22	7:00 (Chapel)	Choir
4/24	9:00 (Youth)	Community Yoga
4/26	9:15 (AdEd)	Adult Education Class

UFH - Upper Fellowship Hall

AdEd - Adult Classroom in the Education Building

LFH - Lower Fellowship Hall

Parlor - Chapel Parlor

Youth - Lower Classroom in the Education Building



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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!*