Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church

July 5, 2026

“In this time of great reflection on two hundred fifty years,
We remember, as a nation, times we've prospered,
times of tears.
"We shall be," a preacher told us, "as a city on a hill" —
not to praise us but to warn us: We've a duty to fulfill.

In this time, O God, restore us to the land we're called to be
where all people here among us know your blest community.
May we seek to be that city, not with pride but as a prayer.
May we love and serve you humbly,
in our land and everywhere.”

- Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

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6th Sunday after Pentecost
July 5, 2026 11:00 AM

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE "Pastorale on a Celtic Alleuia" Richare Proulx

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Natalie & Carolynne

One: O sing to the Lord a new song;
All: sing to the Lord, all the earth.
One: Declare God's glory among the nations;
All: tell all the people of God's marvelous works.
One: Say among the nations: The Lord is sovereign!
All: God will judge the peoples with equity.
One: Let us worship God.

***OPENING HYMN 756** "O God of Every Nation"
LLANGLOFFAN

1 O God of every nation,
of every race and land,
redeem the whole creation
with your almighty hand.
Where hate and fear divide us
and bitter threats are hurled,
in love and mercy guide us
and heal our strife-torn world.

2 From search for wealth and power
and scorn of truth and right,
from trust in bombs that shower
destruction through the night,
from pride of race and station
and blindness to your way,
deliver every nation,
eternal God, we pray.

3 Lord, strengthen those who labor
that all may find release
from fear of rattling saber,
from dread of war's increase;
when hope and courage falter,
your still small voice be heard;
with faith that none can alter,
your servants undergird.

4 Keep bright in us the vision
of days when war shall cease,
when hatred and division
give way to love and peace,
till dawns the morning glorious
when truth and justice reign
and Christ shall rule victorious
o'er all the world's domain.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

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"
606 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 145: 8-14

SECOND LESSON Zechariah 9:9-12

SERMON Rev. Jessica Rigel

***HYMN OF PRAISE 370** "This Is My Father's World"
TERRA BEATA

1 This is my Father's world,
and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world;
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas,
his hand the wonders wrought.

2 This is my Father's world.
O, let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world.
The battle is not done:
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
and earth and heaven be one.

NICENE CREED

Let us confess the faith of the universal church.
We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.
All: We lift them up to the Lord.
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

Communion of the people

We will receive communion by intinction. When instructed, come forward through the center aisle; receive the bread, dip it in the cup, partake of the elements; return to your pew by the outside aisle Please raise your hand if you would prefer to be served at your seat, and servers will bring the elements to you. All bread is gluten-free and the cup is unfermented grape juice.

Prayer after Communion & The Lord's Prayer

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

***CLOSING HYMN 339** "Lift Every Voice and Sing"
LIFT EVERY VOICE

1 Lift every voice and sing till earth and heaven ring,
ring with the harmonies of liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies;
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
let us march on, till victory is won.

2 Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had died.
Yet, with a steady beat, have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our parents sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;
we have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

3 God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,
keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand may we forever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.

***CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "Procession in D Major" David N. Johnson

*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: Leslie Sayyar
Liturgist: Natalie & Carolynne

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME VISITORS If you are worshiping 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: Cadence Cowal and the WNC Presbytery Youth Council mission team are back from Guatemala

We remember in prayer: We lift up **the family of Jon Hettrick** as they mourn the loss of his mother, **Marjorie Hettrick,** who passed away June 17. The funeral will be held on July 18th in Tennessee, further details TBA. ◦ **Chrisann Ohler** had hip replacement surgery on June 22 ◦ **Pat Meehan** had shoulder replacement surgery on June 26 ◦ **Pat Crumpler** for ongoing health issues.

SPIRITUAL NURTURE The Spiritual Nurture team is excited to have received Session approval to introduce two, new child & family friendly spaces to our Sanctuary: a Pray-Ground and a Nursing area in the back of the Chapel! To make these areas comfortable and quiet, we're soliciting help from the congregation. We've set up a wishlist that can be viewed or purchased from directly at: www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/29ZLPGSN63HY8?ref_=list_d_wl_lfu_nav_5.
There are also physical copies of this list in the Narthex if you would like to purchase something from a different retailer; just let us know what you're thinking! We look forward to creating a more welcoming space for all of God's children, and thank you in advance for your help & support!

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY Once again we are hosting the Chamber Music Society of the Carolinas in our sanctuary. They will be holding many rehearsals over the next few weeks and four different concerts each Saturday night July 11 – August 1 at 7:30. More information and tickets are available at cms-carolinas.org/

JULY 4th POTLUCK Please join us for a potluck today after worship.

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Most of our worship services are live streamed and may be permanently hosted on our YouTube channel.

The week ahead at WWPC

7/5	12:00 (UFH)	4th of July Potluck Picnic
7/5	2:00 (UFH)	Swannanoa Valley Friends Meeting
7/6	N/A	Church Office Closed
7/6	2:30 (UFH)	Tai Chi/Qigong
7/7	10:30 (AdEd)	Worship & Music
7/8	9:00 (Youth)	Community Yoga
7/8	12:00 (AdEd)	Church College Relations
7/8	3:30 (AdEd)	Communications
7/9	N/A	No Book Group in July
7/10	9:00 (Youth)	Community Yoga
7/10	4:00 (Chapel)	MFA Graduation - WWC
7/11	7:30 (Chapel)	Chamber Music Society Concert

The Chamber Music Society will be rehearsing in the Chapel throughout July with concerts on Saturday nights.

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!