

First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville



The First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville, North Carolina exists to praise and magnify the name of God, bringing people to Christ and uniting them with the Covenant Family, developing them to Christ-like maturity and equipping them for ministry to the Church and to the world.

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The First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville

December 5, 2021



Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship – Psalm 145:1, 10-13

LEADER: I will exalt You, My God the King. I will praise Your name for ever and ever.

PEOPLE: All You have made will praise You, O Lord; Your saints will extol You.

LEADER: They will tell of the glory of Your kingdom and speak of Your might,

PEOPLE: So that all men may know of Your mighty acts and the glorious splendor of Your kingdom.

ALL: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion endures through all generations.



Opening Hymn of Worship

Joy to the World

hymn #270

*Joy to the world! the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King.
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.*

*Joy to the world! the Savior reigns; Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy, Repeat the sounding joy,
Repeat, repeat the sounding joy.*

*No more let sin and sorrow grow, Nor thorns infest the ground.
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found, Far as the curse is found,
Far as, far as the curse is found.*

*He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonder of His love, And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders of His love.*

Statement of Faith – Isaiah 9:6-7

For to us a child is born, to us a Son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.



Hymn

Once in David's Royal City

hymn #286

*Once in royal David's city
Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her
Baby In a manger for His bed.
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ, her little Child.*

*He came down to earth from heaven
Who is God and Lord of all,
And His shelter was a stable,
And His cradle was a stall.
With the poor, and mean, and lowly
Lived on earth, our Savior holy.*

*Jesus is our childhood's pattern;
Day by day like us He grew.
He was little, weak, and helpless;
Tears and smiles like us He knew.
And He feeleth for our sadness,
And He shareth in our gladness.*

*And our eyes at last shall see Him
Thro' His own redeeming love;
For that Child so dear and gentle
Is our Lord in heav'n above.
And He leads His children on
To the place where He is gone.*

Confession of Sin

Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin, but in you there is the fullness of righteousness and abundance of mercy. We are spiritually poor, but you are rich and in Jesus Christ came to be merciful to the poor. Strengthen our faith and trust in you. We are empty vessels that need to be filled; fill us. We are weak in faith; strengthen us. We are cold in love; warm us, and make our hearts fervent for you that our love may go out to one another and to our neighbors. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon – Luke 1:68-69, 72-73

Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, because He has come and has redeemed His people. He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David to show mercy to our fathers and to remember His holy covenant, the oath He swore to our father Abraham.



Musical Meditation

Born On That Day

*Breaking the silence, into the chaos you came
Born in our likeness, held in the hands that you made
For our deliverance, Your promise was given a name*

*Emmanuel, the God who saves
I hear a voice from Heaven declare
"Prepare the way"*

*Emmanuel, oh praise the name
I hear the sound, Heaven cried out
And love made a way*

*Christmas was born on that day
Oh, what a day, oh, what a day
Christmas was born on that day
Oh, what a day, oh, what a day*

*As it is written, Jesus, the glory of God
No reputation, you took on our flesh and blood
For our forgiveness
And for the world you so loved*

*Emmanuel, the God who saves
I hear a voice from Heaven declare
"Prepare the way"*

*Emmanuel, oh praise the name
I hear the sound, Heaven cried out
And love made a way*

*Christmas was born, your kingdom come
Glory to God with us
Angels adore, bow down before
Glory to God with us
Christmas was born, your kingdom come
Glory to God with us
Angels adore, bow down before, glory to God*

*Emmanuel, the God who saves
I hear a voice from Heaven declare
"Prepare the way"
Emmanuel, oh praise the name
I hear the sound, Heaven cried out
And love made a way*

*Christmas was born on that day
Oh, what a day, oh, what a day
We'll never be the same
Oh, what a day, oh, what a day
Christmas was born on that day*

Congregational Prayer



Reading of God's Word – Micah 5:1-5; Matthew 2:1-6

*Please stand for the reading of God's Word

Marshal your troops, O city of troops, for a siege is laid against us. They will strike Israel's ruler on the cheek with a rod. "But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, though you are small among the clans of Judah, out of you will come for me one who will be ruler over Israel, whose origins are from of old, from ancient times." Therefore Israel will be abandoned until the time when she who is in labor gives birth and the rest of his brothers return to join the Israelites. He will stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they will live securely, for then his greatness will reach to the ends of the earth. And he will be their peace. When the Assyrian invades our land and marches through our fortresses, we will raise against him seven shepherds, even eight leaders of men.

After Jesus was born in Bethlehem in Judea, during the time of King Herod, Magi from the east came to Jerusalem and asked, "Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him." When King Herod heard this he was disturbed, and all Jerusalem with him. When he had called together all the people's chief priests and teachers of the law, he asked them where the Christ was to be born. "In Bethlehem in Judea," they replied, "for this is what the prophet has written: "But you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you will come a ruler who will be the shepherd of my people Israel."

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Skip Gillikin

“The Promised Ruler”



*Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King;
Peace on earth, and mercy mild, God and sinners reconciled!"*

*Joyful, all ye nations, rise, Join the triumph of the skies;
With th'angelic host proclaim, "Christ is born in Bethlehem!"
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."*

*Christ, by highest heav'n adored; Christ, the everlasting Lord!
Late in time behold Him come, Offspring of the Virgin's womb:*

*Veiled is flesh the Godhead see; Hail th'incarnate Deity.
Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."*

Hail, the heav'n-born Prince of Peace! Hail, the Sun of Righteousness!

Light and life to all He brings, Ris'n with healing in His wings.

*Mild He lays His glory by, Born that men no more may die,
Born to raise the sons of earth, Born to give them second birth.*

Hark! the herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King."



Benediction - Revelation 1:5-6

To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve His God and Father – to Him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

Postlude

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Micah 5:1-5; Matthew 2:1-6 "The Promised Ruler"

Introduction: 1 Sam 8:4 v7 v10-18

1. The Promise Made Micah 1:7; 2:2; 2:3; 3:1f

A. 2 Sam. 7:11-1 Ps. 132:11-12

B. Micah 2:11-13 v11 v12-13

C. Micah 5:1-4

2. Mt. 2:1-6 The Promise Kept

A. v1-2 The Wise Men Dan. 4:3, 34-35 7:23

Their purpose was _____.

B. v3-6 Theme of Matthew is _____ 21:5; 22:11; 25:34; 27:11, 37, 42 Is. 9:7

John 1:46 v49

3. Who Will _____ Your Life?

A. Me. 24:7 The _____ KING _____

Mt. 2:4-6 the priests and teachers _____, BUT did they _____

Mt. 23:1-7; Mark 12:38f

B. The _____ KING _____ Mt. 28:18 Rev. 19:6, 16

Phil. 2:9-11 1 Tim. 1:15-17

_____ is the King who _____ for His people, _____ them by name and _____ them!

Questions to Ponder???



You are Invited to a Church-Wide Banquet

BBQ
Smoked Turkey
Sides
Dessert
Drink

Everyone is invited to this wonderful banquet. You will need to sign-up so we will know how much to fix for. Sign-up online, in the bulletin or call the church office. Deadline to sign-up is December 6.

Saturday, December 11
4:00-6:00 pm

We need folks (men & women) to host a table, so please sign-up if interested.

As a wonderful gift to our church family, a very generous donation has been made to cover the cost of the Christmas Banquet for our members. You will still need to sign up and indicate the meat choice. To those outside our church family the \$10 cost will still apply (and needs to be paid before the banquet).

"Thank you, anonymous donor, for this loving, generous gift to your church family."



hope
for ALL!

sponsored by the Music Ministry of the

First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville
Sunday, December 19, 2021
5:00pm

For more information, please call (828) 645-7344 or visit fpcweaverville.org

Join us at 5:00pm on Sunday, December 19th in the FPC Weaverville Sanctuary as the Music Ministry presents "Hope for All" — a program of music and worship, scripture readings, words of hope, and the Christmas carols we know and love.

Reception to follow.

Poinsettias

Memory of

Henry Dendy
Susan Blevins
Marinette Blevins
Don & Alice Parsell
James Bradburn
Robert E. McDarris
Anita Shelton
Norma Dean Metcalf
Sigrid Bollfrahs
Charles & Ruby Brigman
Harry & Margaret "Poco" Harper
Mickey Fisher
Ed Cole
Our Parents
Sid Wheelon
Bronie Ramsey
Dan Ray
Meed Ray
Sigrid Bollfrahs
Lee Statum, Sandy's mom
Helen Sonner, Alan's mom
Sally Ham
Paul Ham
Elfreida Tom
Rick Garrison
Halbert & Ambra Garrison
Christopher & Ada Massey
Jim & Lorraine Morris
Richard Browning
Roy & Ethel Morris
Wade Dillingham
Harry & Dorothy Buckner
Betty Sawyer
Ella Dillingham
Sigrid Bollfrahs
Bud Conrad (Kit's father)
Carolyn Conrad (Kit's mother)
Diana Sapia (Sandie's mother)
Mary Ruth Blackwell
Richard Cowan
Jill Britton
Walt Draffin

Given by

Betty Dendy
Steve Blevins
Steve Blevins
Donnie & Jennifer Parsell
Donnie & Jennifer Parsell
Nell Jean McDarris
Nell Jean McDarris
Nell Jean McDarris
Nell Jean McDarris
Joe & Margaret Brigman
Joe & Margaret Brigman
Buddy & Joyce Fisher
Buddy & Joyce Fisher
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Buddy & Joyce Fisher
Jean Ramsey & Dwayne Ramsey
Jean Ramsey & Dwayne Ramsey
Jean Ramsey & Dwayne Ramsey
Alan & Sandy Sonner
Alan & Sandy Sonner
Alan & Sandy Sonner
Bryan & Teresa Tom
Bryan & Teresa Tom
Bryan & Teresa Tom
Bob & Sandy Massey
Bob & Sandy Massey
Bob & Sandy Massey
Steve & Cheryl Morris
Steve & Cheryl Morris
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Harry, Gail & Kate Buckner
Harry, Gail & Kate Buckner
Harry, Gail & Kate Buckner
Harry, Gail & Kate Buckner
Ben & Judy Spangler
Kit & Sandie Conrad
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Memory of

Dorothy Harwood
Phil McGeoch
Anita Shelton
Sandra Tweed
Henry Dendy
Barbara Rogers
Harold Welch
Tom Roberts
Maxine Nelson
Bonnie Towe
Gordon Moore
Ed Cole
Gerald Carswell
Norma Metcalf
Sigrid Bollfrahs
Roger McAbee
LB & Jessie Mackey
Charles Mackey

Given by

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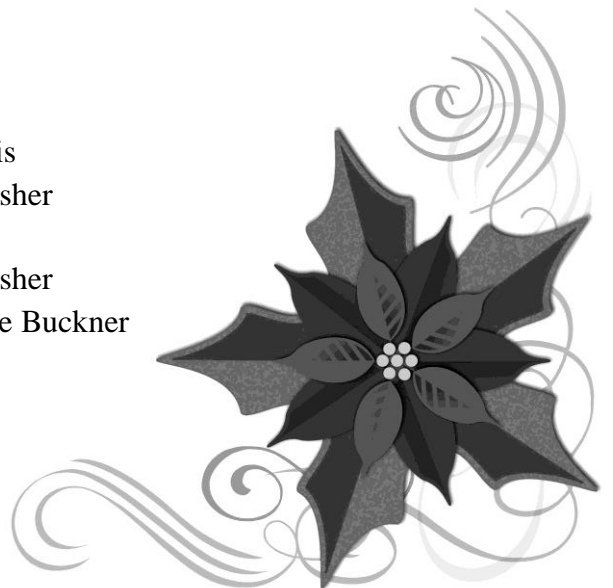
Honor of

Nell Jean McDarris
Helen Pritchett
Betty Ausband
Joyce Fisher
Joyce Edmonds
Lucy Carlisle
Mary Whitson
Jean Ramsey
Irene Harwood
Isabel Cole
Margaret Dillard
Al & Kathy Harrell
Our children, grandchildren &
 great grandchildren
Betty Dillingham
Cooper Myers, Carol's grandson
Steve Russell, Sunday school teacher

Given by

Anonymous
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Nell Jean McDarris
Buddy & Joyce Fisher

Buddy & Joyce Fisher
Harry, Gail & Kate Buckner
Carol McAbee
Anonymous



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 5, 2021

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Greeters: Circle Joy

Mission Ministry Leadership Team meeting today after the morning worship service in the Conference Room.

NEW STUDY ~ Al Harrell's Small Group meet each Sunday evening from 5:00-7:00 pm in the Church Office Conference Room. Anyone is welcome to join. Right now they are doing a 6 week study on *Why I Believe*.

Circle Joy will meet Monday, December 6 at 1:00 in the Conf. Room.

Men's Bible Study ~ Tuesday's at 10:30 am in the Conference Room – Join us as Bryan Tom teaches the *Parables of Jesus*.

Circle Goodness will meet Tuesday, December 7 at 1:00 at Nancy Morgan's house.

Join us on Wednesday's at 6:30 pm in the Conference Room (located in the Church Office Building) for a short bible study on *A Praying Life* and a time of prayer for our church family, friends, country, etc....

Help Needed ~ leaf/blow/rake day – come out and help collect all the leaves around the church – 9:00 am – Friday, December 10

Church Christmas Banquet – Saturday, December 11 from 4:00-6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall – deadline to sign-up is Monday, December 6.

Tena Cole's HOSA group at North Buncombe High School want to give each resident at the Brian Center & Emerald Ridge a pair of socks for Christmas. That is over 200 residents. If you would like to help with giving a new pair of socks (you can give whatever amount you want) please bring them to the church office or leave them in the church foyer before December 19. You do not have to wrap them. Thank you in advance.

Join us at 5:00pm on Sunday, December 19 in the FPC Weaverville Sanctuary as the Music Ministry presents "Hope for All" — a program of music and worship, scripture readings, words of hope, and the Christmas carols we know and love. Reception to follow.

ABCCM North ~ the following items are needed for ABCCM North's food pantry: **hams, pancake mix(add water only), syrup, jelly & soup**. Drop your bags off at the church office or in the church sanctuary foyer.

Please fill out the tear-off sheet and place it in the Offering Box near the entrance/exit doors. Thank you!!!

First Presbyterian Church Welcomes You!

Everyone

Today's Date: December 5, 2021

Name _____

Attendance: __1st time __2nd time __regular

I would like to join the church _____

Visitors

Name _____

Street _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone/Cell _____

E-mail _____

I would like to receive the weekly Prayer Band _____

Are you a member of a church? _____

Where _____

I came as a guest of _____

I would like more information about First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville.

Please call me

Please e-mail me

Please schedule a home visit

Prayer Requests

CD Ministry

CD's of First Presbyterian's Morning Worship Service are available upon request.

Date of Service: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Please complete this tear-off sheet
and place it in the offering box.

Church-Wide Banquet

No cost to church family
\$10 to guest

Saturday, December 11
4:00-6:00 pm

Name _____

How many attending _____

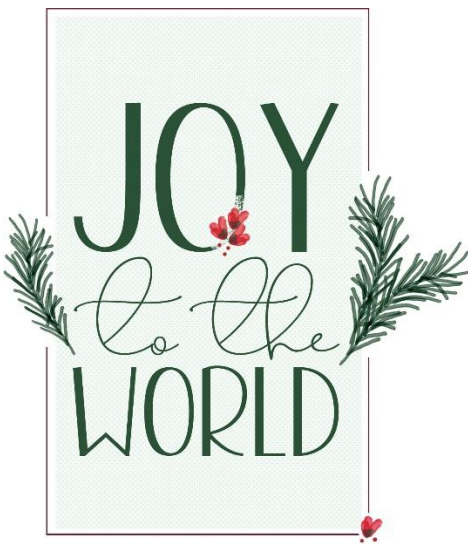
Please pick either BBQ or
Smoked Turkey....not both.

BBQ: yes _____

Smoked Turkey: yes _____

Can you decorate a table: yes _____

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Church Directory

- Skip Gillikin – Pastor (280-7333)
- Sarah Fowler - Director of Music Ministries
- Elaine Brewer - Church Secretary
- Connie Buckner - Women’s Ministry Coordinator
- Betty Dendy - Sunday School Director
- Buddy Fisher - Church Treasurer
- Steve Russell - Mission Ministry Team Chairman

Ministers - all members of this local body of Christ who desire to use their spiritual gifts to build up one another, take the Gospel to the world and glorify God in all they do.

The Session

- Class of 2021: Richard Smith
- Class of 2022: Steve Russell and Alan Sonner
- Class of 2023:

Board of Deacons

- Class of 2022: Kit Conrad
- Class of 2023: Buddy Fisher and Britt Webb
- Class of 2024: Jim Eldridge and Steve Morris

Our Missionaries (missionaries we financially support)

- Marc and Denise Atchley (TEAM) ----- Greece
- Alice Brawand (Wycliffe) -----Texas/Guatemala
- Mark and Annemarie Dye (UWM) ----- Kenya
- Merle and June Dye (SIM) ----- Southeast
- Miriam Gebb, RN (Reach Beyond) ----- Brazil/Ecuador
- Collin and Zury (MTW) ----- West Africa
- Glenn & Bonnie Lafitte (Reach Beyond) ---- Texas/Mexico Border
- F and I ----- Africa/Asia
- Debbie Richards (MTW) ----- Japan
- Mike and Eli Sabin (MTW) ----- Guam
- Rick and Yvonne Sawyer (Hope for Miami) ----- Miami
- Kenton and Adriana Wood (MTW) ----- Mexico

- Rob Herron ----- RUF Appalachian State
- Andrew Shank ----- RUF Western Carolina University
- New Direction Mustard Seed ----- Asheville
- ABCCM North Ministries ----- Weaverville

Remember our missionaries and our overall ministry in your prayer times.
The First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville, organized in 1921, is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America.