

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

February 20, 2022



Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship – Psalm 144:1-3, 15

LEADER: Praise be to the Lord, my Rock, who trains my hands for war, my fingers for battle.

PEOPLE: He is my loving God and my Fortress, my Stronghold and my Deliverer.

LEADER: He is my Shield, in Whom I take refuge, who subdues people under me.

PEOPLE: O Lord, what is man that You care for him, the son of man that you think of him?

ALL: Blessed are the people of whom this is true; blessed are the people whose God is the Lord.

Opening Hymn of Worship

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

hymn #11

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount- I'm fixed upon it- Mount of God's redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by Thy help I'm come;And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God;He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee: Prone to wander; Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love; Here's my heart, O take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts above.

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Invocation

Statement of Faith – Heidelberg Catechism Question 60

Q. How are you right with God?

A. Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments, of never having kept any of them, and of still being inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without any merit of my own, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, and as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. - if only I accept this gift with a believing heart.

Confession of Sin

O Lord, You have mercy upon all Your people – take away from me my sins, and mercifully kindle in me the fire of Your Holy Spirit. Take away from me the heart of stone, and give me a heart of flesh, a heart to love and adore You, a heart to delight in You, to follow and to enjoy You, for Christ's sake. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon – John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.

Hymn

Amazing Grace

hymn #343

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but now am found; Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved, How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed.

The Lord has promised good to me; His word my hope secures. He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures.

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares I have already come. 'Tis grace hath bro't me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when, we'd first begun.



Congregational Prayer closing with The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hollowed 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.

Reading of God's Word – Romans 12:9-10

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves.

Preaching of the Word

"Real Love – Part 3"

HEFFE

*Please stand for the reading of God's Word

Rev. Skip Gillikin

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne We pour our ardent prayers; Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares.

When we asunder part, It gives us inward pain; But we shall still be joined in heart, And hope to meet again.

Benediction – Ephesians 3:20-21

Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us, to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

Postlude

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FPC Ladies:

There is still an opportunity to select a ministry (or ministries) to use your special God-given spiritual gift/talent! If you **do not** see your name and wish to serve, please call (or email) the church office as soon as possible. This list includes <u>only</u> those who signed the ministry sheets this year. Please note - if you were on a ministry last year and want to continue, you will still need to contact church office. **You are needed!** Also - should you decide at any time throughout the year that you would like to serve, just call the church office! Thank you. To God be the glory!

Benevolence Ministry ~ Sandy Massey, Jean Ramsey, Sandy Sonner, Kathy Gillikin, Joyce Roberts, Dorothy Kernan

Contacts: Sandy Massey and Sandy Sonner

Purpose: Upon receiving communication from the FPC-W church secretary of member's family food wishes/needs, coordinate, set-up, and provide food and cleanup as needed.

Grief Support Ministry ~ Teresa Tom, Carol McAbee, Eileen Moore, Joyce Roberts

Contact: Carol McAbee

Purpose: Coordinate continuing outreach, support, and encouragement to members who have lost loved ones for as long as such support is needed; i.e., cards, calls, visits, etc.

<u>Hospitality Ministry</u> ~ Lucy Carlisle, Jean Ramey, Tena Cole, Carol McAbee, Jennifer Smith, Karen VanderElzen, Connie Buckner, Lisa Carswell

Contact: Jennifer Smith

Purpose: Plan, organize, set up, and decorate for women's ministry and/or church events; i.e., Spring tea, combined circle meeting, Christmas banquet (requires caterer and program), Weaverville church women when held at FPC (requires speaker).

Libraries/Archives Ministry ~ Joyce Edmonds

Contact: Nell Jean McDarris

Purpose: Maintain adult and children's libraries, archives, and church history.

Local Missions/Outreach Ministry ~ Joyce Fisher, Kathy Harrell

Contact: Joyce Fisher

Purpose: Communicate needs of ABCCM, Senior Meal Site, and Room in the Inn (a partnership with the Weaverville United Methodist Church and Homeward Bound).

<u>Gifts of Grace</u> ~ Karen Silver

Purpose: Purpose: Sew pillows for nursing home and CarePartners Hospice patients, items for baby backpack ministry, etc.

Contact: Grace Ray

<u>Sanctuary Beautification Ministry</u> ~

February: Jennifer Parsell	March: Tena Cole	April:	May: Gail Dillingham
June:	July: Sandie Conrad	August:	September:
October: Joyce Fisher	November:	December: Hospitality	

Contact: Jennifer Parsell

Purpose: For Sunday morning worship (*except* 2^{nd} Sunday each month – Communion). Artificial/real flowers or other appropriate table decorations (i.e., for 4th of July, Thanksgiving, etc.) may be used. It is not necessary to have a different arrangement/decoration each week. If using real flowers, please NO real lilies due to allergies.

FYI.....Several silk arrangements are available in the room behind the Sanctuary if needed.

Serving/Caring Ministry ~ Karen Silver, Dorothy Kernan

Contacts: Karen Silver and Dorothy Kernan

Purpose: Coordinate meals/transportation for members as needed.

Visitation Ministry ~ Teresa Tom

Contact: Betty Dendy

Purpose: Coordinate ongoing visitation of shut-ins, others homebound due to illness, surgery, child delivery, grieving, etc.

Women's Ministry Events – Highlands Presbytery ~ Connie Buckner

Contact: Connie Buckner

- Purpose: 1) Serve as contact with Highlands Presbytery Women's Ministry and communicate events to FPC secretary for publication to church women.
 - 2) Coordinate registration for Highlands Presbytery Women's Ministry events.
 - 3) Work with Hospitality Ministry to obtain speakers and planning music program for FPC-W women's ministry events.

Introduction:

- 1. Be Devoted to One Another in Brotherly Love. 1 Peter 1:22; 3:8
- A. Be Devoted
- B. One Another
- C. Brotherly Love =

Matthew Henry: "What can be sweeter on this side of heaven than to love and be loved? He that thus watereth shall be watered also himself." "DO I HAVE TO LOVE OTHERS?" Answer is _____, BUT

- 2. Give Honor to One Another Above Yourselves.
- A. Honor.
- 1) What It Is: Eph. 5:21
- 2) A _____ to others
- B. See Others as _____

Calvin: "The fomenter [the stirring up] of love is humility, when everyone honors others."

3. What Has Jesus Done? Think _____ Not _____

- A. _____ shows His devotion.
- B. He _____ His People.
- 1) John 10:14-15 2) Mt. 16:18
- 3) John 17:17-18 4) John 15:8
- 5) John 15:9 6) Mt. 5:13-16

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS February 20, 2022

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Dear Church Family,

Much heartfelt thanks for your cards of love to us. We love you deeply and rejoice in God's grace to all. *Skip & Kathy*

The Lord's Supper is this morning. The Deacons approved to have the special offerings on Communion Sunday's always go to the Needy Fund. Please place any donation in the Offering Box.

Greeters: Circle Goodness ~ Betty Dendy & Karen Silvers Elder ~ Steve Russell Deacon ~ Britt Webb

<u>NEW STUDY STARTS TODAY</u> ~ SMALL GROUP ~ Al Harrell's Small Group meet each Sunday evening from 5:00-7:00 pm in the Church Office Conference Room. All are welcome to join. A 10-week study on *Good to Great in God's Eyes...10 practices that great Christians have in common* by Chip Ingram

Circle Peace will meet Monday, February 21 at 1:00 pm in the Conference 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*.

Join us for Wednesday evening Prayer Meeting/Bible Study each Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the Conference Room

Ladies Bible Study ~ Thursday's at 10:00 am in the Conference Room.

Elaine will be out of the off February 25, 28 and March 4. The office will be closed February 25 & March 4 but will be opened February 28.

Gifts of Grace will meet Thursday, March 3 at 1:00 pm in the Sunday school bottom floor area.

Everyone is invited to attend a Chili, Cornbread & Dessert luncheon on Sunday, March 6 in the Fellowship Hall, right after the morning worship service. No need to sign-up or bring anything, other than yourself.

Join us for Games Night on Saturday, March 19 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited.

ABCCM North ~ the following items are needed for ABCCM North's food pantry: **Dry Milk, Grits, Sugar, Cornmeal & Tuna.** 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: February 20, 2022
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	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.
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	Prayer Requests
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 	CD Ministry
	CD's of First Presbyterian's Morning Worship Service are available upon request.
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	Name:
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Church Directory

Skip Gillikin - Pastor (280-7333) 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 2022: Steve Russell and Alan Sonner Class of 2023: Shawn Cole Class of 2024: Steve Blevins

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			
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Alice Brawand (Wycliffe)Texas/Guatemala	t		
Mark and Annemarie Dye (UWM) Kenya	ł		
Merle and June Dye (SIM) Southeast	ţ		
Miriam Gebb, RN (Reach Beyond) Brazil/Ecuador	r		
Collin and Zury (MTW) West Africa	ì		
Glenn & Bonnie Lafitte (Reach Beyond) Texas/Mexico Border	•		
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Debbie Richards (MTW) Japan	l		
Mike and Eli Sabin (MTW) Guam	L		
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.