# 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 April 24, 2022



**Prelude** 

Welcome

#### Call to Worship – Psalm 99:1-5

LEADER: The Lord reigns, let the nations tremble; He sits enthroned between the cherubim, let the earth shake.

PEOPLE: Great is the Lord in Zion; He is exalted over all the nations.

*LEADER:* Let them praise You great and awesome name – He is holy.

PEOPLE: The King is mighty, He loves justice – You have established equity; in Jacob You have done what is just and right.

ALL: Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His footstool; He is holy.



#### **Opening Hymn of Worship**

#### O Worship the King

hymn #104

O worship the King; all glorious above, And gratefully sing His wonderful love; Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, and sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

All hail to the King! in splendor enthroned; Glad praises we bring, Thy wonders make known. Returning victorious, great conqueror of sin, King Jesus, all glorious, our vict'ry will win.

#### **Invocation**



#### Statement of Faith – Westminster Larger Catechism Question 45

A: How does Christ execute the office of a King?

Q: As king, Christ calls a people for Himself out of the world and gives them officers, laws, and the authority to condemn, by which He visibly governs them. He bestows saving grace on His elect, rewards their obedience, corrects them for their sins, preserves and supports them in all their temptations and suffering, restrains and overcomes all their enemies, and powerfully orders everything for His own glory and their well-being. As king, Christ also executes just retribution against all others who neither know God nor obey the gospel.



#### **Confession of Sin**

O Holy God, in many ways we have sinned against You and we ask that You would please forgive us, O heavenly Father, for how we have quenched Your Holy Spirit. We pray that you would restore to us the joy of Your salvation and renew a right spirit within us. We repent of our sin. And we, as Your covenant people, trust in the promises You have made to us—having faith in Christ's provision and believing the power of the Holy Spirit to heal us and give us the ability to obey. Renew our hearts, we pray. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Amen.

#### Assurance of Pardon – 1 John 1:7

If we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, purifies us from all sin.



**Hymn** Rejoice the Lord is King hymn #370

Rejoice, the Lord is King; Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks and sing And triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart; Lift you your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus, the Savior, reigns, The God of truth and love. When He had purged our stains, He took His seat above. Lift up your heart; Lift you your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

His kingdom cannot fail; He rules o'er earth and heav'n.

The keys of death and hell Are to our Jesus giv'n.

Lift up your heart; Lift you your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come And take His servants up To their eternal home. Lift up your heart; Lift you your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

#### 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 13:1

\*Please stand for the reading of God's Word\*

Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.

#### **Preaching of the Word**

Rev. Skip Gillikin

#### "God and Government"

#### **Hymn of Response**

#### Jesus Shall Reign

hymn #375

Jesus shall reign wheve'er the sun Does its successive journeys run; His kingdom spread from shore to shore, Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made, And endless praises crown His head. His name like sweet perfume shall rise With every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue Dwell on His love with sweetest song, And infant voices shall proclaim Their early blessings on His name.

Let every creature rise and bring His grateful honors to our King; Angels descend with songs again, And earth repeat the loud "Amen!"

#### **Benediction – 1 Timothy 1:17**

Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

#### **Postlude**

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Introduction:				
1. God Establishes Governing Authorities				
A. Dan. 2:20-21; Dan. 4:34-35 "There is no authority except that which God has established."				
B. John 19:11 "The authorities that exist have been established by God."				
WHY DOES PAUL WRITE THIS HERE?				
1) 12:2				
"Love must be shown in selfless action that seeks to grow the other person in God's grace."				
C. We live under authorities.				
2. (WHY DO WE?) God Is the Ruler				
A. Neh. 9:6 God is the				
B. God is Ex. 15:18 Rev. 19:6				
Rom. 8:34 Matt. 28:18-20				
Kuyper: "There is not a square inch in the whole domain of our human existence over which Christ, who is Sovereign over all, does not cry, Mine!"				
3. Remember				
A. By faith, you are				
B. Phil. 3:20-4:1 Your () citizenship is in				
C. Eph. 6:5; Heb. 13:17 Your () Citizenship is on				
D. You will never until you Acts 4:28-29				

Questions to Ponder?

But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light. we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sinl John 1:7



#### CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS April 24, 2022

<u>firstpca@fpcweaverville.com</u> <u>www.fpcweaverville.org</u>

Greeters: Circle Peace ~ Gail Buckner & Kathy Gillikin

Elder ~ Shawn Cole Deacon ~ Donnie Parsell

All are welcomed to join Steve Russell's Sunday School Class as they begin the Study of Isaiah. His classroom is in the upstairs library.

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. They are doing a 10-week study on *Good to Great in God's Eyes...10 practices that great Christians have in common* by Chip Ingram

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 ~ the ladies have begun a new six-session study on Why I Believe – Straight Answers to Honest Questions about God, the Bible and Christianity by Chip Ingram. Books are \$10. If you are interested please contact Kathy Harrell or the church office. They meet Thursday's at 10:00 am in the Conference Room.

Circle Peace will meet Monday, May 2 at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room

Circle Goodness will meet Tuesday, May 3 at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room.

Gifts of Grace will meet Thursday, May 5 at 1:00 pm in the Sunday school bottom floor area.

Circle Joy will meet Monday, May 9 at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room.

Join us for Games Night on Saturday, May 21 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited.

There will be a Mission Leadership Team meeting on Sunday, June 12 after the morning worship service in the Conference Room. Bring lunch.

ABCCM North ~ the following items are needed for ABCCM North's food pantry: Juices, Snack Items for children, Corn Meal, Self-Rising Flour, Margarine and Maple Syrup. Drop your bags off at the church office or in the church sanctuary foyer.

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

## First Presbyterian Church Welcomes You!

#### **Everyone**

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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
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 R	RUF Appalachian State
Andrew Shank RUF Weste	rn 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.