

First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville



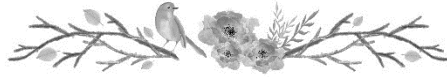
***The First Presbyterian Church of Weaverville, North Carolina
exists to praise and magnify the name of God, bringing people
to Christ and uniting them with the Covenant Family,
developing them to Christ-like maturity and equipping
them for ministry to the Church and to the world.***

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May 1, 2022



Prelude

Blessing and Honor

*Blessing and honor and glory and power,
Wisdom and riches and strength evermore,
Give we to Christ who our battle has won,
Whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne.*

*Hear through the heavens the sound of the Name,
While rings the earth with Christ's glory and fame;
Ocean and mountain, stream, forest, and flower
Echo these praises and tell of God's power.*

*Ever ascending the song and the prayer;
Ever descending the love that we share;
Blessing and honor and glory and praise-
This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.*

*Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb;
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm;
Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,
Dying in weakness but rising to reign.*

Welcome

Call to Worship – Revelation 5:12-13

Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise. To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lord be praise and honor and glory and power for ever and ever.



Opening Hymn of Worship

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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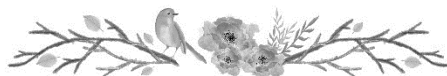
*Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, my sing Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King Thro' all eternity.*

*Crown Him the Lord of love! Behold His hands and side-
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me:
Thy praise and glory shall not fail Thro' out eternity.*

*Crown Him the Lord of life! Who triumphed o'er the grave;
Who rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.*

*Crown Him the Lord of heav'n! One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit thro' Him giv'n From yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise, For Thou for us hast died.
Be Thou, O Lord, thro' endless days Adored and magnified!*

Invocation

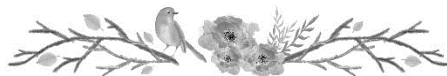


Statement of Faith – 1 Corinthians 8:6; Heidelberg Catechism Question 34

For us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live.

Q34: Why do you call Jesus “our Lord”?

A: *Because – not with gold or silver, but with His precious blood – He has set us free from sin and the tyranny of the devil, and has bought us, body and soul, to be His very own.*



Hymn

He Is Lord

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*He is Lord, He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!
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Hymn

My Hope Is in the Lord

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*My hope is in the Lord Who gave Himself for me
And paid the price of all my sin at Calvary.*

*For me (For me) He died; (He died;)
For me (For me) He lives, (He lives,)
And everlasting life and light He freely gives.*

No merit of my own His anger to suppress,
My only hope is found in Jesus' righteousness.

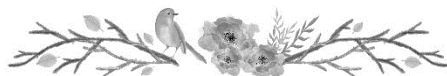
*For me (For me) He died; (He died;)
For me (For me) He lives, (He lives,)
And everlasting life and light He freely gives.*

And now for me He stands Before the Father's throne;
He shows His wounded hands and names me as His own.

*For me (For me) He died; (He died;)
For me (For me) He lives, (He lives,)
And everlasting life and light He freely gives.*

His grace has planned it all, 'Tis mine but to believe
And recognize His work of love and Christ receive.

*For me (For me) He died; (He died;)
For me (For me) He lives, (He lives,)
And everlasting life and light He freely gives.*

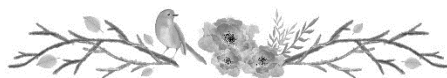


Silent Confession of Sin

Words of Assurance of Forgiveness – Hebrews 9:12-14

He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but He entered the Most Holy Place once for all by His own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!

Congregational Prayer

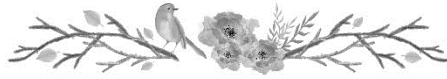


Reading of God's Word – Romans 13:2-4

Please stand for the reading of God's Word

Consequently, he who rebels against the authority is rebelling against what God has instituted, and those who do so will bring judgment on themselves. For rulers hold no terror for those who do right, but for those who do wrong. Do you want to be free from fear of the one in authority? Then do what is right and he will commend you.

“A Warning to Rebels”



Hymn of Response

Lead On, O King Eternal

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*Lead on, O King Eternal, The day of march has come;
Hence-forth in fields of conquest thy tents shall be our home.
Thro' days of preparation thy grace had made us strong;
And now, O King Eternal, We lift our battle song.*

*Lead on, O King Eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper The sweet amen of peace;
For not with swords' loud clashing, Nor roll of stirring drums,
With deeds of love and mercy The heav'nly kingdom comes.*

*Lead on, O King Eternal, We follow, not with fears;
For gladness breaks like morning Where'er Thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted o'er us; We journey in its light.
The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on, O God of might.*

Benediction – [based on 1 King 8:57-60]

May the Lord God be with us. May He never leave or forsake us. May He turn our hearts to Him, to walk in all His ways and to keep His commands. May all the peoples of the earth know that the Lord is God and that there is no other. May our hearts be fully committed to the Lord our God.

Postlude

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Romans 13:2-4 “A Warning to Rebels”

Introduction:

WCF 23.1 “God, the supreme Lord and King of all the world, hath ordained civil magistrates, to be, under him, over the people, for his own glory, and the public good: and, to this end, hath armed them with the power of the sword, for the defense and encouragement of them that are good, and for the punishment for evildoers.”

1. v2 If You _____, Then You _____

A. THE “IF”

B. THE “THEN”

2. v3 No Need to _____ If...But

A. If you do _____

B. But to

C. So resolve to

3. v4 The One in Authority is _____

A. The state government has been given the _____ of the _____.

2 Sam. 23:3

B. It is for your _____. The civil government is (Murray) “God’s prescribed instrument for the maintenance of order and the punishment of criminals who violate that order.”

4. Exceptions! Esther; Dan. 3; Acts 5:29

5. “Lex Rex” by Samuel Rutherford using many Bible texts teaches:

- 1) The purpose of government is the glory of God and the wellbeing of His people – both is outward and spiritual terms;
- 2) God has brought all government into being;
- 3) Governments meets their purpose by declaring, applying and enforcing the law.
- 4) Government is limited in that it cannot go beyond God’s law and command what is contrary to it or abuse its people. It seeks justice, righteousness and mercy.

Questions to Ponder?

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 1, 2022

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Greeters: Circle Goodness ~ Margaret Brigman
Elder ~ Steve Blevins Deacon ~ Buddy Fisher

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

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

Pastor Skip will be out of town Tuesday-Thursday this week.

Circle Goodness will meet Tuesday, May 3 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.

The Ladies Bible Study is not meeting this Thursday, May 5.

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.

Elder & Deacon nominations will be received until May 31. All members are asked to prayerfully consider this important process to nominate as the Lords leads. Nomination forms are in both foyers. Please turn them into the church office, an Elder or Pastor Skip. If you have any questions please contact the church office.

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: **Beef Stew, Canned Ham, Juices, Spaghetti Sauce (no pasta) and Jelly.** 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

Today's Date: May 1, 2022

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.

Amazing Grace
how sweet the sound



It is well,
it is well
with my soul

this little
LIGHT
of mine

WE ARE
grateful
FOR YOU!



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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 ----- 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.