

# 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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## Prelude

## Welcome

### Call to Worship – Colossians 1:15-20; Revelation 19:6

*LEADER: He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creations. For by Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rules or authorities; all things were created by Him and for Him.*

*PEOPLE: He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church; He is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything He might have the supremacy.*

*LEADER: For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in Him;*

*PEOPLE: And through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through His blood, shed on the cross.*

*ALL: He is the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.*



## Opening Hymn of Worship

### *Sing Praise to God Above*

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*Sing praise to God who reigns above,  
The God of all creation,  
The God of pow'r, the God of love,  
The God of our salvation.  
With healing balm my soul He fills,  
And every faithless murmur stills:  
To God all praise and glory!*

*The Lord is never far away,  
But, thro' all grief distressing,  
An ever-present help and stay,  
Our peace and joy and blessing.  
As with a mother's tender hand,  
He leads His own, His chosen band:  
To God all praise and glory!*

*Thus all my toilsome way along  
I sing aloud His praises,  
That all may hear the grateful song*

*My voice unwearied raises.  
Be joyful in the Lord, my heart!  
Both soul and body bear your part:  
To God all praise and glory!*

*Let all who name Christ's holy name  
Give God all praise and glory;  
Let all who own His pow'r proclaim  
Aloud the wondrous story.  
Cast every idol from its throne,  
For Christ is Lord and Christ alone:  
To God all praise and glory!*

## Invocation

### Statement of Faith – Westminster Larger Catechism Question 72

*Q. What is justifying faith?*

*A. Justifying faith is a saving grace, wrought in the heart of a sinner by the Spirit and Word of God, whereby he, being convinced of his sin and misery, and of the inability in himself and all other creatures to recover him out of his lost condition, not only gives assent to the truth of the promise of the gospel, but receives and rests upon Christ and His righteousness for the pardon of sin and for the accepting and accounting of him as righteous in the sight of God for salvation.*



## Hymn

### *A Mighty Fortress*

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*A mighty fortress is our God, A bulwark never failing;  
Our helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing.  
For still our ancient foe Doth seek to work us woe- His craft and pow'r are great,  
And armed with cruel hate, On earth is not his equal.*

*Did we in our own strength confide, Our striving would be losing,  
Were not the right man on our side, The man of God's own choosing.  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He- Lord Sabaoth his name,  
From age to age the same, And He must win the battle.*

*And tho' this world, with devils filled, Should threaten to undo us,  
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph thro' us.  
The prince of darkness grim, We tremble not for him- His rage we can endure,  
For lo, his doom is sure: One little word shall fell him.*

*That word above all earthly pow'rs, No thanks to them, abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are our Thro' Him who with us sideth.  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also- The body they may kill;  
God's truth abideth still: His kingdom is forever.*

## Confession of Sin

*Loving and Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to You, confessing our sins, resting in Your grace, and finding in You our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ Your Son.*

## Assurance of Pardon – Revelation 5:1-2

*Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through Whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.*



## Congregational Prayer closing with The Lord’s Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed 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.*

## Hymn

### *The Doxology*

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him, all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

## Giving of God’s Tithe and Our Offerings

## Offertory



## Reading of God’s Word – Habakkuk 2:1-4

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

*I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what he will say to me, and what answer I am to give to this complaint. Then the LORD replied: “Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay. “See, he is puffed up; his desires are not upright— but the righteous will live by his faith—*

## Preaching of the Word

Rev. Skip Gillikin

### “Five Truths Worth Embracing”



## Hymn of Response

### *In Christ Alone*

*In Christ alone my hope is found;  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all—  
Here in the love of Christ I stand.*

*In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—  
Here in the death of Christ I live.*

*There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
Up from the grave He rose again!  
And as He stands in victory,  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am His and He is mine—  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.*

*No guilt in life, no fear in death—  
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home—  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.*



## **Benediction – Romans 15:5-6**

*May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

## **Postlude**

Habakkuk 2:1-4 "Five Truths Worth Embracing"

Introduction:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Alone

A, 2 Tim. 3:16-17

B. John 17:17

C. Does \_\_\_\_\_ have any role today? \_\_\_\_\_ BUT

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Alone This is the doctrine of which true salvation stands.

A. Hab. 2:4 The verse that changed the world's history. Romans 1:17.

It is an \_\_\_\_\_ righteousness.

Rom. 4:2 Was Abraham justified by \_\_\_\_\_?

B. Rom. 4:3; Gen. 15:6; Gal. 3:11; Phil. 4:17; James 2:23 Abraham believed God and it

1) Adam's sin was credited to all people. His sin is on your account.

2) Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ divine wrath. By faith His \_\_\_\_\_ is on your account.

C. Romans 5:1 "Since we have been justified by faith we have \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_"

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Alone

A. Rom. 3:23-24

B. Titus 3:3-7

Eph. 2:8-9

4. Christ Alone It is key to your \_\_\_\_\_

A. John 14:6 \_\_\_\_\_ declares it.

B. Acts 4:12 \_\_\_\_\_ declares it.

C. Matt. 7:13-14 \_\_\_\_\_ taught it.

John 10:9

Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ to salvation. If not, then why

5. \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ Alone

A. Ps. 115:1 Only God deserves \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

B. 17:1-5 It was the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus' life, 1 Cor. 10:31 so it must be the

Questions to Ponder???. Do you grasp importance of these 5 truths? What is your credit rating?

# CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

October 30, 2022

[firstpca@fpcweaverville.com](mailto:firstpca@fpcweaverville.com)  
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Greeters: Circle Peace ~ Sherri Farrell & Carol McAbee  
Elder ~ Steve Blevins Deacon ~ Buddy Fisher

Today will be our 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Building Fund offering. This is in addition to our regular offering and will be taken during the last hymn.

Al Harrell's Small Group meet Sunday's at 5:00 pm in the Conference Room. Everyone is invited to attend.

Presbytery meeting at 9:00 am on Tuesday, November 1 at Grace Presbyterian in Mills River.

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, November 1 at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room.

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

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

Don't forget to turn your clocks back 1 hour on Saturday, November 5.

Circle Joy will meet Monday, November 7 at 1:00 pm in the Conf. Room.

Circle Peace will meet Monday, November 7 at 6:00 pm in the ConfRoom

Gifts of Grace will meet Tuesday, November 8 at 1:00 pm in the Sunday school bottom floor area.

**Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes.** Shoeboxes are now available for pick up in the foyer of the church and in the church office. There are also self-addressed postage paid envelopes to mail in donations, and there is information to create shoeboxes and pay for them online. The collection date is November 13. If you have any questions please see Kit or Sandie Conrad.

ABCCM North ~ the following items are needed for ABCCM North's food pantry: **Sugar (we have very little) ~ Canned Fruit (variety) Canned Vegetables ~ Canned Chicken ~ Snacks/Food for kids: Snack Size Chips ~ Juice Boxes ~ Peanut Butter / Cheese Crackers.** Drop your bags off at the church office or in the church sanctuary foyer.

## First Presbyterian Church Welcomes You!

### *Everyone*

Today's Date: October 30, 2022

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Attendance: \_\_1<sup>st</sup> time \_\_2<sup>nd</sup> 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*

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### *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.

**\*\* PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH \*\***



**Sanctuary Night  
Monday, October 31  
5:30-7:30 pm**

**Sanctuary Night**

We invite everyone to join us for Sanctuary Night on Monday, October 31 from 5:30-7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. For those that don't know what that is, many years ago the church started feeding folks who were trick or treating in Weaverville. We serve hot dogs, chips, cookie & a drink...and it's all free. It's a way to connect with the community. Your help is needed in the following ways: volunteer to help (short or long time...many way to help), provide cookies and/or individual snack size chips (a box will be in the foyer and office to drop off items). Sign-up if you can do any or all of those. If you have any questions please call the church office.

Volunteer \_\_\_\_\_



Snack Size Chips \_\_\_\_\_

Cookies \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_



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**Church-Wide Luncheon  
& Mission Emphasis  
Sunday, November 13  
12:00 pm**

**Church-Wide Luncheon &  
Mission Emphasis Sunday**

*Dessert:*

On Sunday, November 13 Rev. Flavien will be preaching. We will also have a special guest; M from Africa will be here. After the morning worship we will have a church-wide luncheon of soup, sandwiches and dessert. The soup and sandwiches are provided. Please sign-up if you can provide a dessert. Please also sign-up if you are attending so we can make sure we have enough food prepared. Join us for a great time of worship, food and fellowship.

Assorted bread \_\_\_\_\_

Pie \_\_\_\_\_

Cookies \_\_\_\_\_

Cake \_\_\_\_\_



Name \_\_\_\_\_