

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

September 4, 2022



Prelude

Built on the Rock

*Built on the Rock, the church shall stand even when steeples are falling;
Christ builds his church in every land; bells still are chiming and calling,
calling the young and old to rest, calling the souls of those distressed,
longing for life everlasting.*

*Not in a temple made with hands God the Almighty is dwelling;
high in the heavens his temple stands, all earthly temples excelling.
Yet he who dwells in heaven above chooses to live with us in love,
making our bodies his temple.*

*We are God's house of living stones, built for his own habitation;
he fills our hearts, his humble thrones, granting us life and salvation.
Yet to this place, an earthly frame, we come with thanks to praise his name;
God grants people true blessing.*

Welcome

Call to Worship – Psalm 146:7-11

LEADER: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make music to our God on the harp.

PEOPLE: He covers the sky with clouds; He supplies the earth with rain and makes grass grow on the hills.

LEADER: He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call.

PEOPLE: His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor His delight in the legs of a man.

ALL: The Lord delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His unfailing love.



Opening Hymn of Worship

Be Thou My Vision

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*Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art-
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Walking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.*

*Be Thou my Wisdom and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son,
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

*Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always;
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.*

*High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever be-fall,
Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.*

Invocation

Statement of Faith – Heidelberg Catechism Question #1

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong – body and soul, in life and in death - to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

The Reading of the Law from Exodus 20

- I. You shall have no other gods before me.*
- II. You shall not make for yourself an idol. You shall not worship them or serve them.*
- III. You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.*
- IV. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.*
- V. Honor your father and your mother.*
- VI. You shall not murder.*
- VII. You shall not commit adultery.*
- VIII. You shall not steal.*
- IX. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.*
- X. You shall not covet.*



Confession of Sin – Psalm 130:1-4, 7-8

Out of the depths I cry to You, O Lord; O Lord, hear my voice. Let Your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy. If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand? But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

Assurance of Pardon – Micah 7:18-19

Who is a God like You, who pardons sins and forgives the transgression of the remnant of His inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into depths of the seas.

*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.*



Reception of New Members

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 – Romans 15:13

Please stand for the reading of God's Word

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Skip Gillikin

“A Hopeful Prayer to the God of Hope”



My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.*

His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.

*On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.*



Benediction – Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Postlude

Romans 15:13 "A Hopeful Prayer to the God of Hope"

Introduction: John 10:10

1. Pray to the God of (all) Hope God is superlative!

A. Hope defined: Heb. 6:17-19

Phil Ryken "not that we are as sinful as we could possibly be, but that we are sinners through and through."
Lk. 18:9f

B. God alone can give true, lasting hope because:

1) Heb. 13:6 God is

2) God is

3) God is

4) God is

C. Look to _____ Acts 4:12

Eph. 2:1-7.

2. Pray for You to be Filled with:

A. All _____ v9-12

B. All _____ 5:1

C. All _____ v4; 12

11:25-26

8:29-30

D. The _____ and His _____

Promised John 14-16; Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4f.

Fulfilled Acts 2:33

3. Pray for the _____ of Hope

A. Hope comes only by believing in the _____ and _____ of God. Prov. 3:5-6

B. Living by Hope Brings _____ to God

C. Further reasons for hope: 4 Major Questions that

1) Where did I

2) What is my

3) What is the

4) Why am I

Questions to Ponder???

HIGHLANDS PRESBYTERY WOMEN'S MINISTRY

2022 FALL RETREAT

OCTOBER 21 & 22, 2022

Friday Afternoon/Evening & Saturday (Ends 2:30 Sat)

RIDGE HAVEN CAMP AND CONFERENCE CENTER

215 Ridge Haven Road, Brevard, NC 28712

Vanessa K. Hawkins, Speaker



"Strength and Courage for the Weary Woman"

Three Sessions:

"The Centrality of the Word of God,"

"The Importance of Rest,"

And

"The Necessity to 'Be Strong
and Courageous'"

Vanessa K. Hawkins, (MDiv, DMin Covenant Theological Seminary), is a Bible teacher and conference speaker. She currently serves as Director of Community Life at Redeemer Lincoln Square in New York City and as Diversity Advisor for the PCA's Women's Ministry. She is former co-host of *Something To Talk About*, a podcast where she and a few Bible teacher friends talk gospel application for current issues. Follow her on Instagram and Twitter (@hawkinsclan5) or via podcasts.

Cost: \$35 Registration plus lodging/meals.

Registration: August 29, 8 a.m. -- September 19, 8 p.m.

Online <https://HPWM2022FALLRETREAT.eventbrite.com>

OR with church contact; checks payable to your church.

Questions? Please see Connie or call at 645-6705 or 828-458-5451

August 16, 2022

Dear Sister in Christ:

It is almost time for another Fall Retreat at Ridge Haven Camp and Conference Center. Our speaker this year is Vanessa K. Hawkins (Instagram and Twitter – (@hawkinsclan5); and the title of her message to us is “Strength and Courage for the Weary Woman.” The Scripture she will be using is Joshua 1.

Registration is August 29 – September 19. Online registration (link below; instructions included in this mailing) allows selection of accommodations on a first-come, first-served basis as registration and payment are completed. **Please note: Those who wish to room together must have one individual complete the online registration and payment.** The link for registration will be live **August 29**. Registration will continue through October 1; but on **September 20 registration will increase to \$50** per person. Please encourage everyone to take advantage of the early registration dates.

<https://HPWMFALLRETREAT2022eventbrite.com>

Registration, Room, and Meals Information Bulletin Insert. *NEW THIS YEAR* - Room prices DO NOT include meals and registration.

PLEASE NOTE – Registration will continue through October 1; however, on September 20 registration will increase to \$50 per person.

Offering. The 2022 recipient will be **WE**, “a new ministry under CDM to connect, serve, and strengthen ruling and teaching elders’ wives” (pcacdm.org/wm-love-gift). Those of you who attended the Spring Gathering at Story will recall that the Spring Gathering offering was given to Lori Sealy; therefore the Fall Retreat Offering will be sent to **WE**. Please remind attendees to **bring cash/checkbooks!**

Specific Fall Retreat Needs: A church or group of ladies to volunteer to provide and lead a craft activity on Friday, October 21, 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. **The 2019 Fall Retreat survey results indicated an interest in “more” crafts. Crafts can be provided only via volunteers.**

Friday Afternoon Activities; 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.: Gaga Ball, Obstacle Course, Climbing Wall, and Hiking led by Ridge Haven Staff may also be available (**weather permitting/enough interest to justify scheduling RH staff**). *Please note on the “Church Registration Form” the number from your church interested in specific activities so Ridge Haven staff can be scheduled. **NOTE: Activity participation is not included in online registration. Please e-mail the total number interested in each of the activities to conniebd@charter.net***

Friday Evening Camp Fire Sing Along; 8:45 p.m. (weather permitting). Bring a chair and blanket.

Saturday Afternoon Activity: *New this year.* The Ridge Haven staff will lead a hike (or hikes) beginning at 2:45 p.m. – depending upon interest and weather. Please e-mail conniebd@charter.net before October 1 with the number interested in participating in this new activity.

We trust that you plan to attend the retreat at Ridge Haven and that you will encourage the women, young ladies, teens and 'tweens in your church to attend as well. We believe it is a spiritually rewarding opportunity for worship and fellowship as the united body of Christ in a beautiful and peaceful place.

We ask that you and your church members join us in prayer for the retreat. Please pray for:



- *The staff at Ridge Haven Camp and Conference Center.
- *Vanessa Hawkins and family – their health and her preparation.
- *Highlands Presbytery Women's Ministry Fall Retreat
- *Our volunteer musicians, Julie Harrison and Jordan Cheney – and their families.
- *The women attending and their family members.
- *Safe travel for all.
- *Volunteers to provide Friday afternoon snacks; someone to provide and lead a craft activity on Friday afternoon; and provision of Saturday morning coffee, muffins, and water.
- *HPWM team members will set up and start coffee and put out provided muffins.
- *The HPWM Team as we prepare for the retreat.
- *Most of all that God will be glorified by all we say and do before, during, and after the Fall Retreat.

We look forward to worshipping with you at Ridge Haven October 21 and 22!

In His love,

Marcia Bartlett
Moderator,
Highlands Presbytery Women's Ministry Leadership Team
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Questions? Please see Connie or call at 645-6705 or 828-458-5451

HIGHLANDS PRESBYTERY WOMEN'S MINISTRY
2022 FALL RETREAT

ROOM, REGISTRATION, AND MEAL RATES* (MUST BE PURCHASED SEPARATELY)

BUILDING	ROOM TYPE AND NUMBER	COST OF ROOM ONLY
A	2 Queen Beds in Rooms 72, 74, 75, 77, 82, 83, 87, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, & 98	1 Occupant - \$162 2 Occupants - \$81 ea. 3 Occupants - \$54 ea. 4 Occupants - \$41 ea.
	Queen Bed + Sleeper Sofa (Queen Bed) in Rooms 73, 81, 84, 85, & 88	1 Occupant - \$123 2 Occupants - \$62 ea. 3 Occupants - \$41 ea. 4 Occupants - \$31 ea.
	Queen/Db/BNK - 1 Queen Bed + 1 Double Bed w/ Twin Top in Rooms 71, 76, 78, & 86	1 Occupant - \$112 2 Occupants - \$72 ea. 3 Occupants - \$48 ea. 4 Occupants - \$36 ea. 5 Occupants - \$29 ea.
A	1 Queen Rooms 24 & 26	1 Occupant - \$112 2 Occupants - \$56 ea.
	1 King in Room 25	1 Occupant - \$112 2 Occupants - \$56 ea.
Z	2 Twin Beds in Rooms 21, 22, 23, 27 & 28	1 Occupant - \$112 2 Occupants - \$56 ea.
L E A	3 Bunks, 2 Beds Each, in Rooms 11, 12, 13, & 14 Maximum Occupants Each Room - 6	1 Occupant - \$179 2 Occupants - \$90 ea. 3 Occupants - \$60 ea. 4 Occupants - \$45 ea. 5 Occupants - \$36 ea. 6 Occupants - \$30 ea.
		1 Occupant - \$125 2 Occupants - \$63 ea. 3 Occupants - \$42 ea. 4 Occupants - \$32 ea.
CASSELS	2 Bunks, 2 Beds Each, in Rooms 51, 52, 53, 54, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68	2 Occupants - \$63 ea. 3 Occupants - \$42 ea. 4 Occupants - \$32 ea.

*Prices without lodging - Per Person: Registration - \$35

Dinner/Fri - \$16 Breakfast/Sat - \$9 Lunch/Sat - \$12

REGISTRATION: August 29, 8 a.m. - Sept 19, 8 p.m.

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OR via church contact..... Questions? Please see Connie or call at 645-6705 or 828-458-5451

LATE REGISTRATION: SEPT 20 - OCT 1; REGISTRATION INCREASES TO \$50

INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGISTERING FOR THE HPWM 2022 FALL RETREAT

ONLINE

GO TO: <https://HPWMM2022FALLRETREAT.eventbrite.com>

We are sorry that the questions may seem tedious and time consuming, but we must have the requested information for each person.

PLEASE DO NOT BUY FROM THE MAP

*PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS YEAR YOU MUST PURCHASE ROOMS SEPARATE FROM MEALS AND REGISTRATION.

*ROOM PRICES DO NOT INCLUDE MEALS AND REGISTRATION

*REGISTRATION & MEAL OPTIONS APPEAR FIRST IN THE LIST WHEN REGISTERING ONLINE UNTIL SEPTEMBER 20TH.

* ON SEPTEMBER 20TH A LATE FEE INCREASES REGISTRATION FROM \$35 TO \$50

*ON SEPTEMBER 20TH REGISTRATION & MEAL OPTIONS WILL APPEAR AFTER THE LIST OF ROOMS.

*IF YOU ARE NOT SPENDING THE NIGHT, YOU MAY PURCHASE MEALS AND PAY REGISTRATION SEPARATELY.

*THE ROOM DESCRIPTIONS TELL THE KINDS OF BEDS AND NUMBER OF OCCUPANTS. THE ROOM IS ONE CHARGE AND YOU MAY DIVIDE THAT CHARGE BETWEEN THE NUMBER OF OCCUPANTS. (See Key below)

*PLEASE LIST THE NAMES OF ROOMMATES (INCLUDE YOUR NAME) IN THE CHECK OUT QUESTIONS OR FILL IN ONLY YOUR NAME IF YOU ARE NOT SHARING YOUR ROOM.

*We are sorry that we cannot issue refunds. You may transfer your registration to another person.

KEY to abbreviations for rooms and kinds of beds

Buildings: AVerett-AV Azalea-AZ Cassels-CAS

Occupancy/Number of people per room-OCT-4 (up to 4 can sleep here)

Bed Configurations: 2 Queen beds 2QU; 1 Queen with a sofa Sleeper bed-QU/SISOFA; One queen bed and a double bed with a single bunk over head-QU/DB/BNK; 2 sets of bunk beds-2BNKS; 3 Sets of bunk beds-3BNKS; 2 Twin beds-2TWINS; 1 King-1KING; 1queen-1QU

QUESTIONS? Contact Elaine Seals, 828-460-7367

E-mail - elaine.gurley.seals@gmail.com

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 4, 2022

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Greeters: Circle Joy

Elder ~ Eddie Cole

Deacon ~ Donnie Parsell

Words can never express our gratitude and appreciation for her church family. One of the toughest decisions she made was to stay in Florida with us. She prayed for her church family here everyday. Sincerely,
Charles & Jeanne McDarris

Al Harrell's Small Group meet each Sunday evening beginning at 5:00 pm in the Conference Room. They are studying a 6-week DVD series on The Pilgrim's Progress by Derek Thomas of Ligonier Ministries. Everyone is invited to attend. For questions call the church office or see Al Harrell.

The church office will be closed tomorrow, September 5 for Labor Day.

Circle Joy will meet Monday, September 5 at 1:00 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*.

Circle Goodness will meet Tuesday, September 6 at 1:00 in the Conference Room

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

There will be a Missions Ministry Team meeting on Sunday, September 11 after the morning worship service in the Conference Room. Bring a bagged lunch.

Gifts of Grace will meet Tuesday, September 13 at 1:00 pm in the Sunday school bottom floor area.

Games Night will be Saturday, September 17 at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited.

ABCCM North ~ the following items are needed for ABCCM North's food pantry: **Crackers ~ Canned Tuna ~ Chili Beans ~ Cornmeal 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.

If you need any help signing up for the Ladies Retreat see Connie Buckner or call the church office. You can also sign up on the tear-off sheet if you're interested in going.

First Presbyterian Church Welcomes You!

Everyone

Today's Date: September 4, 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.



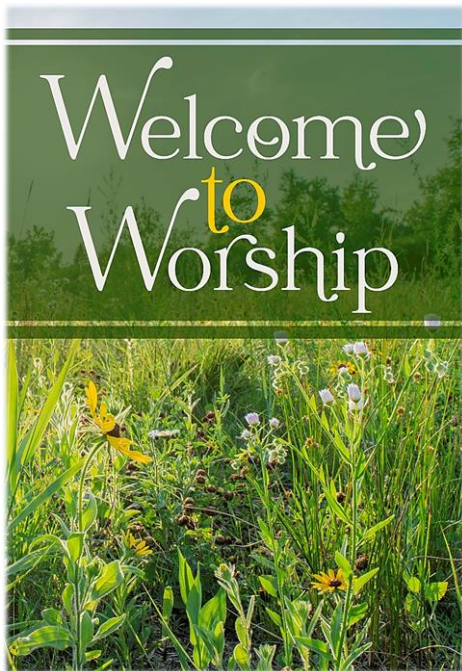
LADIES RETREAT

October 21-22

Name _____

Friday & Saturday _____

Saturday only _____



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Church Directory

- Skip Gillikin - Pastor (280-7333)
- Flavien Pardigon - Assistant Pastor
- 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.