



WAKE FOREST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

To follow Christ by welcoming all as we seek to listen, understand, and learn how to serve our church and community with love and hope.

10:00 am Service January 28, 2024

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lord, we come before you, grateful for your presence among us.

We are thankful for your love, which surrounds us all our days.

We are amazed at the innumerable ways you bless us.

We stand before you and acknowledge our constant need for your grace.

And we ask that you help us share your blessings with those we meet.

On this Sabbath day, hear us as we gather to worship you in spirit and in truth.

*OPENING HYMN #300

“We Are One in the Spirit”

*We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord;
we are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord,
and we pray that all unity may one day be restored:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand;
we will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand,
and together we'll spread the news that God is in our lands:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*We will work with each other; we will work side by side;
we will work with each other; we will work side by side,
and we'll guard human dignity and save human pride:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

*All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,
and all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,
and all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one:
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of all glory, you look down from heaven and see us as we are— not worthy to kneel at your feet, not ready to abandon our ways and follow your way, not willing to participate in your kingdom and share the blessings you have so freely given us. Forgive our weakness and selfishness, gracious God. In Christ, stoop down to save us; loosen the ties that bind us to sin and to our own desires. Help us to accept that you really are our God of unconditional love. And set us free to love and serve you and bring your blessings to all the nations; in Jesus' name.

(time of silence)

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer, Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

CHILDREN'S TIME

SUNG RESPONSE #853 V1

"We Are Marching in the Light of God"

We are marching in the light of God;

we are marching in the light of God.

We are marching in the light of God;

we are marching in the light of, the light of God.

We are marching, marching, we are marching, marching,

we are marching in the light of, the light of God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Grace"

SCRIPTURE

Galatians 3:6-9 and Genesis 22:15-18

SERMON

"The Forgotten Promise"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"He Shall Live Forevermore"

*DOXOLOGY #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN #749

“Come! Live in the Light!”

*Come! Live in the light!
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord!
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
to live in the freedom of the city of God.*

*We are called to act with justice;
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.*

*Come! Open your heart!
Show your mercy to all those in fear!
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
so hatred and violence will be no more.*

*We are called to act with justice;
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.*

*Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one!
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other
as sisters and brothers united in love.*

*We are called to act with justice;
we are called to love tenderly;
we are called to serve one another,
to walk humbly with God.*

*BENEDICTION

*SUNG BENEDICTION

“Shalom”

*Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.*

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you...
...and also with you.

POSTLUDE