

North Wilkesboro Presbyterian Church



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SERVICE OF WORSHIP • REFORMATION SUNDAY
October 31, 2021 - 11:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

WE BECOME AWARE OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Call to Worship

- One:** The Lord offered himself.
Many: **The Lord offered himself once and for all.**
One: The Lord offered himself so that our conscience can be free from all things that lead to death.
All: **Let us freely go and worship the living God!**

Hymn (#275)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

WE OPEN OURSELVES TO GOD'S GRACE

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God,
You have been faithful,
yet we have not loved you with our whole hearts.
You showed us how to love our fellow human beings,
yet we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Turn us back to you, O God,
that we may follow your commandments;
through Christ our Lord. (Silence)

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

- One:** Beloved, the Lord is loving, merciful and just.
Many: **Therefore, we are reconciled to God and to one another.**
One: Go, then, and walk in peace and love.
Many: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD TO US

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

Mark 12:28-34

(One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Many: Thanks be to God.)

Sharing Faith with God's Children

Special Music

Second Lesson

Ruth 1:1-18

(One: Holy Wisdom, Holy Word. Many: Thanks be to God.)

Sermon

Going Together

Rev. R.C. Griffin

WE RESPOND TO GOD IN FAITH

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Responsive Prayer of Dedication

One: Dear God, we offer you our gifts; we offer you ourselves.

Many: **Use them and use us to build up the work of your kingdom.**

One: Make us living witnesses to the way of your righteous reign.

Many: For the glory of your son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray.
All: Amen.

WE DEPART TO SERVE

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**

***Please rise in body or spirit.**

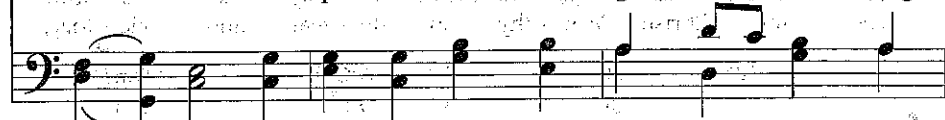
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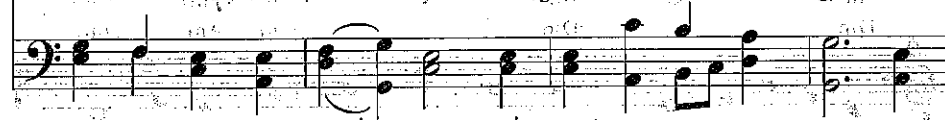
1 A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul-wark nev - er
 2 Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be
 3 And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
 4 That word a - bove all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -



fail - ing. Our help - er he, a mid the flood of
 los - ing, were not the right man on our side, the
 do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his
 bid - eth. The Spir - it and the gifts are ours through



mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth
 man of God's own choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ
 truth to tri - umph through us. The Prince of Dark - ness grim, we
 him who with us sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this



seek to work us woe. His craft and power are great, and
 Je - sus, it is he. Lord Sab - a - oth his name, from
 trem - ble not for him. His rage we can en - dure, for
 mor - tal life al - so. The bod - y they may kill; God's



Long before Isaac Watts began to Christianize the Psalms, Martin Luther had already done so when he created the text and tune for this, his most famous hymn, which is based on Psalm 46. Luther encouraged metrical versions of psalms as well as chanted psalms and new hymns.