



NORTH WILKESBORO PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**A SERVICE OF WORSHIP • SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 29, 2022 - 11:00 a.m.**

Words of Welcome

WE BECOME AWARE OF GOD'S PRESENCE

Call to Worship

- One: The Spirit and the bride say, "Come."
Many: Let everyone who is thirsty come.
One: Let everyone who hears say, "Come."
Many: Let everyone who is thirsty come.
One: Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.
Many: Let everyone who is thirsty come.
One: Come to the tree of life, the Alpha and the Omega.
All: Amen! Come, Lord Jesus!

*Hymn (#409)

God Is Here!

WE OPEN OURSELVES TO GOD'S GRACE

*Call to Confession

***Prayer of Confession**

Gracious Power,

**You call us to your everlasting springs
to be drenched and reformed,
but we fail to heed you.**

We do not turn with love to our neighbors to ourselves, or to you.

**Forgive us for our failings,
shield us from our due,**

**and guide us into unity with all
for the sake of the whole world. (Silence)**

***Responsive Assurance of Pardon**

One: In the compassion of the God who prays for us, with us, and in us:

All: We are forgiven!

One: For the sake of the one who was sent to show us the face of love
And who died and rose again, one with the Father and with us:

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Congregational Response (#240, Refrain)**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

*Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name. (Sing Twice)*

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD TO US

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Lesson

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

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

Sharing Faith with God's Children

Anthem

Second Scripture Lesson

Acts 16:9-15

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

Sermon

Come Over to Macedonia

Rev. Dr. Ken Broman-Fulks

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 is seated 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.

*Hymn (#733)

We All Are One in Mission

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Congregational Response (#606, Alternate Tune—#15)

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Responsive Prayer of Dedication

One: Eternal God, who brings joy out of sorrow, plenty out of want, life out of death:
Many: **We thank you for the treasures of the earth,
your creation, filled with your blessing.**
One: It was in company with these earthly things that your Son came to dwell,
showing us the enormity of your love.
Many: **Because of Jesus' resurrection from the dead,
we, too, are brought to new life,
and called to pray and work for the renewal of others.**
One: Take these offerings for the sake of the one without whom our poverty would be extreme.
All: **Use them and us for Christ Jesus, our Lord. Amen.**

WE DEPART TO SERVE

*Hymn (#305)

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

*Charge & Benediction

*Postlude

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

Welcome

Today, we welcome Rev. Dr. Ken Broman-Fulks to North Wilkesboro Presbyterian Church. Ken was born and raised in the Tampa Bay area of Florida. He graduated from Eckerd College (formerly Florida Presbyterian) in 1976. He married his high school sweetheart, Suzette, and they have four sons, four daughters-in-law, and fourteen grandchildren! Ken has a Master of Divinity degree from Louisville Presbyterian Theological seminary and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Columbia Theological Seminary. In forty years of active ministry, Ken served churches in Pennsylvania and South Carolina before serving as lead pastor of First Presbyterian Church in High Point, from which he retired two years ago.



God Is Here!

1 God is here! As we your peo-ple meet to
 2 Here are sym-bols to re-mind us of our
 3 Here our chil-dren find a wel-come in the
 4 Lord of all, of church and king-dom, in an

of-fer praise and prayer, may we find in
 life-long need of grace; here are ta-ble,
 Shep-herd's flock and fold; here as bread and
 age of change and doubt keep us faith-ful


full-er mea-sure what it is in Christ we share.
 font, and pul-pit; here the cross has cen-tral place.
 wine are tak-en, Christ sus-tains us as of old.
 to the gos-pel; help us work your pur-pose out.

Commissioned for the dedication of a renovated worship space in Austin, Texas, this text is one of the few to devote attention to how customary church features facilitate worship. The tune was composed in wartime Britain to replace a Haydn tune tainted by Nazi associations.

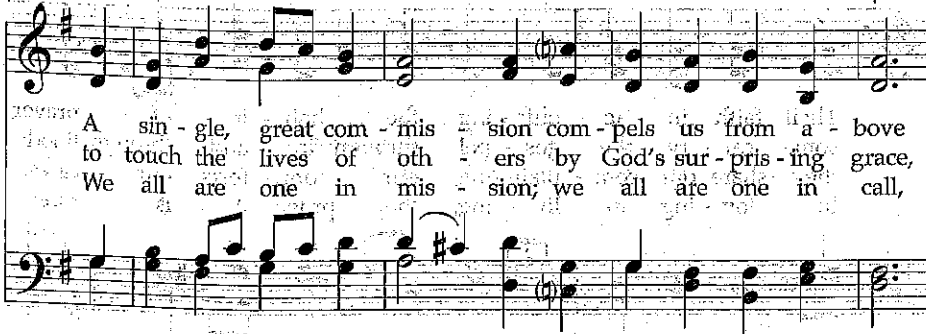
733 We All Are One in Mission



1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,
 2 We all are called for ser - vice to wit - ness in God's name.
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed and let our song be heard.



Your var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.
 Our min - is - tries are dif - ferent; our pur - pose is the same:
 Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing word.



A sin - gle, great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove
 to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,
 We all are one in mis - sion, we all are one in call,



to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.
 so ev - ery folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

A Lutheran pastor wrote this text in response to a bishop's letter that said, "Our mission is to touch the lives of others with Christ's love." This theme is made stronger by recognizing that shared purposes do not require the denial of diversity but are enriched by it.

305 Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

1. Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!
 2 Long years have come and gone, and still God reigns su - preme,
 3 Let cour - age be our friend; let wis - dom be our guide,
 4 Come sing, O church, in joy! Come join, O church, in song!

For - Christ the Lord has led us through the a - ges long!
 em - power - ing us to catch the vi - sion, dream the dream!
 as we in mis - sion mag - ni - fy the Cru - ci - fied!
 For - Christ the Lord has tri - umphed o'er the a - ges long!

In bold ac - cord, come cel - e - brate the jour - ney now and praise the Lord!

This text was the winner in a hymn competition sponsored by the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Bicentennial Committee for the 1988-1989 observance, which had the theme "Celebrate the Journey." The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) is appropriately celebratory.