



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

September 13, 2026

WELCOME

Prelude

Chiming of the Trinity & Welcome

Silent Prayer

*Opening Hymn #611

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

PREPARING FOR GOD'S GRACE

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Words of Forgiveness

Sung Response #447

"We Are Forgiven"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

Invitation to the Offering

Offering

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sung Response #700 v1

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Time with the Children

Sung Response

"God Is Doing Something Wonderful in Me"

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 1:4-9

Special Music

"You Are the Christ"

Scripture Reading

Galatians 3:23-28

Sermon

"Rooted Identity"

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Centering Music

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

*Closing Song

"Who You Say I Am"

*Benediction

*Sung Reponse #853

"We Are Marching in the Light of God"

Postlude

“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love!
Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,
drive the dark of doubt away.
Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee;
earth and heaven reflect thy rays;
stars and angel sing around thee,
center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus
which the morning stars began.
Love divine is reigning o’er us,
joining all in heaven’s plan.
Ever singing, march we onward,
victors in the midst of strife.
Joyful music leads us sunward
in the triumph song of life.

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess how easily we give away the identity You gave us. We look to others to tell us who we are, striving for approval, fearing rejection, and letting the voices around us define our worth.

Forgive us for placing our trust in the shifting opinions of the world rather than standing firm in who you made us to be.

Gently untangle us from the need to prove ourselves. Remind us that our true identity is found in Christ alone, as Your beloved children, fully known and fully restored.

Guide us to rest in who You created us to be, so we may walk each day in the freedom of Your peace.

In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

"We Are Forgiven"

We are forgiven; we are forgiven
Thanks be to God; thanks be to God
We are forgiven; we are forgiven
Thanks be to God; thanks be to God

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna live so God can use me
anywhere, Lord, anytime!

"God Is Doing Something Wonderful in Me"

God is doing something wonderful in me!
God is doing something wonderful in me!
Something awesome and incredible
and only God can get the glory.
God is doing something wonderful, incredible and awesome!
God is doing something wonderful in me!

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.

"Who You Say I Am"

Who am I that the highest King
Would welcome me
I was lost, but He brought me in
Oh, His love for me
Oh, His love for me
Who the Son sets free
Oh, is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes I am

Free at last
He has ransomed me
His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin
Jesus died for me,
Yes, He died for me

Who the Son sets free,
Oh, is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes, I am
In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God, yes, I am

I am chosen not forsaken
I am who You say I am
You are for me,
Not against me
I am who You say I am

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I am who You say I am
You are for me,
Not against me
I am who You say I am

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There's a place for me
I'm a child of God, yes, I am.

In my Father's house
There's a place for me
I'm a child of God
Yes, I am

"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 God.
We are marching, ooo,
we are marching in the light of God.
We are marching, ooo,
we are marching in the light of God.