SENIOR PASTOR: JONATHAN HOLST ASSOCIATE PASTOR: RONNY HULL

#### WORSHIP AT WHITE OAK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

- Thank you for turning off cell phones during the worship service.
- Nurseries for children 3 and under are provided.
- Nursing Mothers room available.
- Restrooms are located on the right side exit by the choir loft, down the stairs to the right and or on the left and right side of the main hallway in the new building.
- Listen to sermons on our website at http://www.whiteoakarp.org/Sermons.html.

#### **WELCOME**

We welcome you to worship God, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and are grateful you're visiting with us. Our hope and prayer is that the Holy Spirit will minister to you through the preaching of God's Word, the sacraments, hymns, and prayers.

If you're so inclined, please complete a contact information card located on the back of the pews. There is also a prayer request card for your requests, and they may both be placed in the offering plate.

We look forward to meeting you following the worship service!

#### **ABOUT WHITE OAK ARP**

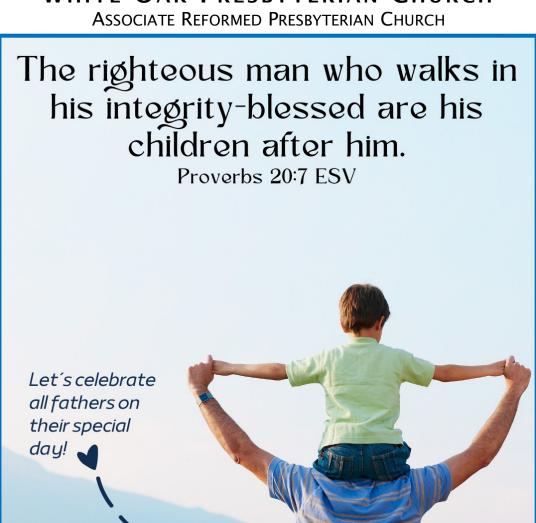
White Oak Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church has been worshipping since 1836 and was organized as a congregation in 1848 in Coweta County. Our congregation is part of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian (ARP) denomination (arpchurch.org). We hold to the Westminster Confession of Faith and emphasize the following:

- The Bible is the Word of God; the only infallible rule of faith and practice.
- God is the Creator and Sovereign Ruler of the universe.
- Jesus Christ is the Son of God and the only Savior from sin.
- The Holy Spirit enables us to begin and continue to live the Christian life.
- Salvation is by God's grace and is not earned but is received through faith.

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## WHITE OAK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



JUNE 15, 2025

**P**RELUDE

James Martin Alexander

**MEDITATION** 

I Corinthians 13:1-3

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and angels, and have not love, I have become a sounding brass and a clanging symbol. Though I have the gift of prophecy and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, though I have all faith so that I could remove mountains and have not love, I am nothing; and though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and I give my body to be burned, and have not love it profit me nothing."

Call to Worship is directed to the people by God through the Worship leader. It is a call to focus mind heart and intention on the worship of God.

Music is part of worship throughout scripture. It

lifts us up and expresses our joy and celebration.

Each hymn connects to

the parts of worship

#### THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 107: 1 & 2

Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; Minister:

His loving kindness endures forever. People:

Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, Minister:

whom He has redeemed from the hand of the enemy and People:

gathered from the lands,

Let them give thanks to the LORD for His loving kindness Minister:

All: Let him who is wise pay heed to these things and consider the

loving kindness of the LORD.

PSALTER (PSALM 110)

Psalter No. 110A

"The Lord Has Spoken to My Lord"

† THE INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (UNISON)

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.

**CONFESSION OF FAITH** 

The Apostles' Creed

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the

Question & answer catechisms help teach and reinforce biblical truths.

†Those who are able,





Please sign up in the Lobby for Sweat Week!

It's Monday-Friday, July 14th-18th, 8:30am - Noon.

We hope to identify and meet physical needs in our church and community to exemplify the love of Christ. If you know of any needs or have needs yourself, please contact Pastor Ronny. Please don't hesitate to share needs. You're helping the church by giving us opportunities to serve. Examples of needs are junk removal, home repairs, wheelchair ramp construction, etc..

If you are working during the day but would like to be involved in the evenings (after 5pm), please indicate so on the volunteer list.



The Nominating Committee for Church Officers has been formed and is receiving nominations from the Congregation for the offices of Ruling Elder and Deacon.

The Committee members are: Denny Robertson, Jim Wessells, Dane Beatenbough, Amy Coffee and Denise Vermilya.

Nominations should be made in writing and with the nominees' approval to be nominated. Nominations may be given to any of the above members of the committee. As a reminder, the minimum age for a Deacon is 18 and for Ruling Elder is 25.

## Sunday School Classes for All Ages

\*Parents: Please pick-up your children from their classes by 10:40 a.m. Thank you.

Class/Ages	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>
2 & 3 Year-Olds*	Melinda Hemphill Jill Fosnough	Rm. 116	God's Love
PK/K: 4, 5, 6 Year Old's*	Sally Estes, Annette Olsen, Susan Sloan, Eileen Zito	Rm. 115	Jesus is God
1st & 2nd Grade*	Amanda Beatenbough, Lauren Hitt	Rm. 113	Pleasing God
3rd – 5th Grade*	Andy Hemphill, Jason Coffee	Rm. 112	Listening to Jesus
Middle/High School* Benjamin Clark, T.J. Sweetin		Rm. 203	Revelation

#### **Adult Classes**

<u>Topic</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Location</u>
Life Principles from the NT Men of Faith	John & Susan Sloan	Rm. 111
Genesis	Bob Abernathy	Rm. 206
Gentle & Lowly "The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers"	Tim Fosnough	Rm. 208

Father Almighty. From there He will 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

The Gloria Patri is an ancient hymn of praise to our Triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. It has been part of the church's worship for centuries.

**† OUR RESPONSE** 

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end. Amen. Amen.

"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

Hvmn No. 538

WORSHIP IN GIVING

(PLEASE PLACE PRAYER/VISITOR CARDS IN OFFERING PLATES.)

The offering is an act of thanksgiving and worship commanded by God. By giving our tithe, we demonstrate our dependence on the Lord, the maker and sustainer of all things.

† Doxology

HYMN

Hymn No. 567

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

From Greek doxa, (glory, splendor, grandeur) & logos, (word/speaking); short hymns of praise to God in response to His gifts to us..

† OLD TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 25:17-28

Pastor Ronny Hull

The Old Testament reading usually comes from the lectionary and is designed to parallel the New Testament reading.

#### **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Father in Heaven, we openly admit that you know our going out and our coming in. You know our thoughts before we can express them. We cannot hide from you. Therefore, we ask that you make known to us our sins so that we may humble ourselves again in your presence and seek your forgiveness. We admit we have tolerated sinful thoughts about all manner of things that grieve your heart. We have committed sins of omission and commission. Therefore we seek your mercy through the cleansing blood of Christ. And we thank you for your Spirit who enables us to walk in holiness and obedience. Give us the grace to please you this day and forever. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Sin is a pervasive part of our lives, and we must confess our sin to God and then receive the forgiveness that Christ gave the Church the authority to declare.

#### **SILENT CONFESSION**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND COMFORT

Hebrews 8:10-13

"For this is the covenant I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the Lord. I will put my laws in their minds and inscribe them on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will each one teach his neighbor or his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest. For I will forgive their iniquities and will remember their sins no more."

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

† New Testament Reading

Luke 6:27-42

SERMON

The Sermon is where

we explore scripture together and corpora-

tely encounter Christ.

God always gets the last

word in our encounter of

worship. The benediction

is His blessing as we go out together.

"Christ's New Commandment"

Pastor Jonathan Holst

† HYMN

"Of the Father's Love Begotten"

Hymn No. 268

**† PRAYER & BENEDICTION** 

2 Corinthians 13

"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you."



#### **Evening Service: 6:00 PM**

God willing, at 6PM tonight, Pastor Holst will teach from 2 Kings 8. Here Elisha advances the three fold commission given by God first to Elijah and then to him. Elisha is God's instrument of judgement.



## -missions

An update from missionary **David Galletta**:

I got home Monday morning. May was a busy ministry month in Africa.

**Week 1: Rwanda (May 2–18):** I got to Rwanda on May 2, and stayed with Sam and Martha Margaret Cotten at the home they had been renting in Kigali since January.

I began teaching Monday in Bugesera. This is a new cohort with 34 students. I was teaching New Testament I (a survey of Matthew-Philemon.) I enjoyed worshiping with them, but couldn't sing along to the songs. They sounded as good as any choir in Africa.

The week went fast and the students enjoyed the material. I then did the same thing in Nyabihu, in the western province. A new and good group of students was there as well.

Week 2: Burundi (May 18–June 1): I flew to Bujumbura, south of Rwanda. The flight was expensive but quick (25 minutes), but political tensions made driving impossible. This was my fourth time in Burundi, one of the poorest countries in the world. Customs and immigration are very slow, and the nation has faced a severe fuel shortage for years. Gas is hard to come by and often only available on the expensive black market, making transportation hard. The shortage is tied to currency issues and, according to many, government corruption. Unemployment is high, and many are begging on the streets.

Burundi were evening classes, which allowed for daytime preparation. I was teaching Bible Interpretation (Hermeneutics), a class I have taught many times.

The first seminar was a 4-hour session on marriage. I opened by noting that I've been married 38 years, and the first wedding I officiated lasted one year. I covered topics like expectations, roles, communication, finances, and sex - an often-taboo subject in Africa, even from a Christian perspective. Judging by the smiles and nods from everyone.

I spent more time preparing for the 3-day seminar on "Preaching Christ from the Old Testament." Although I have taught this many times, I had never designed it in seminar form, with about 100 Power Point slides.

I over-prepared for both seminars, and both were well received.

I preached once in Rwanda and four times in Burundi. After preaching the final time I was taken to the airport for my flight home. It was a packed two weeks!

Now I am home for a few months. Next week is Synod in NC, preaching a few times this summer, doing lots of grading, taking vacation, playing volleyball, biking, and spending plenty of time with the grandchildren.

My next teaching assignment is early September, for which I will need to prepare as well.

Thanks again for your interest and prayer/financial support!

#### **Church Leadership**

Senior Pastor: Rev. Jonathan Holst Associate Pastor: Rev. Ronny Hull

The Session Moderator: Jonathan Holst, V. Mod.: Patrick Ward, Clerk: Bob Abernathy

Class of 2025: Denny Robertson, Jake Wasdin, Jim Wessells

Class of 2026: David Didier, Tim Fosnough, Peter Loutzenhiser

Class of 2027: Bob Abernathy, Forrest Tidwell, Patrick Ward

The Diaconate Chairman: D. Beatenbough, V. Chairman: D.J. Hitt, Secretary: C. Beatenbough

Class of 2025: Cole Beatenbough, Jason Headley, Andy Hemphill, D. J. Hitt, Sam Phillips

Class of 2026: Dane Beatenbough, Benjamin Clark, Alan Egerdahl, T. J. Sweetin

Class of 2027: Joe Roberts, Haddon Schroeder, Joe Spooner



On Sunday June 29th, we will have our next "fifth Sunday of the month" Joint Worship gathering. We will meet in White Oak Hall at 10AM, with a potluck lunch to follow.

Sunday School will not meet on this day.

Pastor Morrie Lawing, director of our denomination's home mission board, "Outreach North America" has been invited to lead this service and update us about ARP domestic missionary efforts.

For lunch, please bring your favorite main dish, side dish, casserole and/or desserts to share.

### Thank You

Women's Ministries would like to thank everyone very much for the snacks that were donated for Angel's House. Your generosity will be a blessing to the children in residence there during the summer months.

#### **SERVING TODAY**

DEACONS OF THE MONTH: JASON HEADLEY & HADDON SCHROEDER

ELDER OF THE MONTH: JIM WESSELLS

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY: INITIAL CONTACT: JOHN & CHARLOTTE HEMPHILL (770-254-1263)

BACK-UP CONTACT: FORREST & CAMMY TIDWELL (770-304-9585)

Small hearing devices are available from an usher or Deacon for those wishing to use them.

Church Office Hours This Week: Tuesday - Thursday (8:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

#### **NURSERY VOLUNTEERS**

	8:30 AM Worship	9:45 AM Sunday School	11:00 AM Worship
June	Amanda Beatenbough Joe Roberts		Jason Headley
15	Sally Estes	Joanne Wasdin	Melanie Schroeder
15	Susan Rogers	<b>NEED VOLUNTEER</b>	NEED VOLUNTEER
June 22	Carol Robertson	Joanna Beatenbough	Leighanna Beatenbough
	Cindy Ward	Ben Sewell	Karen Egerdahl
	NEED VOLUNTEER	<b>NEED VOLUNTEER</b>	Stacie Headley

Note: Last-minute changes may not appear in the bulletin, visit Breeze for the latest updates

#### LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

8:30 Service	78
11:00 Service	105
YouTube Views	61

#### CURRENT BUDGET INFORMATION AS OF MAY 25, 2025

	General Fund		<b>Building Fund</b>	
YTD Budgeted Collections	\$	304,498		
YTD Actual Collections	\$	346,035	\$	2,447
YTD Actual Expenses	\$	318,627		
YTD Actual Difference	\$	27,408		

Online giving available at https://www.whiteoakarp.org/give

#### **Church Calendar**

Today	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Father's Day Coweta Pregnancy Center Baby Bottle Fundraiser Ends Sunday Morning Early Worship Service Sunday School Morning Worship Service Evening Worship Service
Monday- Friday	9:00 a.m Noon	Vacation Bible School
Thursday	•	Worship Committee Meets Men's Prayer Meeting
Friday	1:30 p.m.	Youth VBS After Party (time is approximate)
June 22	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Early Worship Service Sunday School Morning Worship Service Evening Worship Service
June 22-27		Camp Horizon
June 23	7:00 p.m.	Diaconate Meeting
June 24	2:30 p.m.	Sisters In Christ Meet
June 26	7:00 p.m.	Men's Prayer Meeting
June 29	10:00 a.m.	Joint Church Service & Potluck Lunch in White Oak Hall



## Coweta Pregnancy Service - Baby Bottle Fundraiser The Baby Bottle Campaign Ends TODAY



This fundraiser ends today!

All filled bottles are due back today, and may be placed in the basket on the table in the lobby, or in the secretary's office.

The return basket will also be available next week.
Please make checks payable to Coweta Pregnancy Services or CPS.

Please place all RETURNED BOTTLES in the BASKET on the table in the LOBBY. Thank you!

#### WHITE OAK MUSIC MINISTRY SURVEY

The Session is seeking feedback from the congregation regarding the music ministry to assist the Personnel Committee as they develop the new role of Music Director for White Oak ARP. Your feedback will be helpful in developing this role and the music ministry of the church. Please use the



QR code below to access the survey. A paper copy is available upon request from a Worship Committee member.

## Matters for Prayer

**Prayer Focus:** Pray that God will bring people to our church.

Homebound: Joy Bowers, Inge Blount, Betty Newby, Shirley Kirbow, Alma Jane Thompson

**Sick/Recuperating**: Bea Boswell, Dianne Conaway, Joe Black, Mary Effie Bridges, Joy Bowers, Sam Phillips, Charlene McDaniel, Vickie Bray, Sue Hunter, June Bowers, Alan Egerdahl, Carolyn Dodds

**Expectant Mothers**: Haley Sweetin, Allison Colter

Military: Jack Ward, Paul Lee (Son of Bokhee Min & Ken Lee), T.J. Hemphill



#### **HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?**

There are prayer cards on the back of the pews you can fill out and put in the offering basket. These are sent out to a group of people committed to pray for needs that are expressed. You can also email your prayer requests to Bill Minton at bminton35@yahoo.com.

# SUNDAY MOVE-TPAUGUST 3

Move-up Sunday for all students will be August 3, 2025.

Children moving into these classes will go to their new classes during the Sunday School hour: Toddler (2s/3s), PreK/K (4s/5s), 1st-2nd grades, 3rd-5th grades, 6th-8th grades/Middle School, 9th-12th grades/High School. Children & students moving up will go directly to their new classes. All other children and students will stay in their appropriate classes.

Parents with questions, please see the email that was sent and also feel free to check with your child's Sunday School teachers.

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