

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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SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

PRELUDE Bokhee Min Lee

MEDITATION Psalm 32:1, 2, & 5

“Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose iniquity the LORD does not count against him, in whose spirit there is no deceit. Then I acknowledged my sin to You and did not hide my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD, and You forgave the guilt of my sin.”

† **THE CALL TO WORSHIP** Luke 2:69 & 71

Minister: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,

People: because He has visited and redeemed His people.

Minister: He has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of His servant David,

All: To grant us deliverance, that we may serve Him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before Him all the days of our lives.

† **PSALTER (Psalm 146)** “Praise the Lord” ARP Psalter No. 146
vv. 1-3

† **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?

† Those who are able, please stand.

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 around it.

Question & answer catechisms help teach and reinforce biblical truths.

White Oak Covenant *Retreat*

OCTOBER 25–27, 2024
Bonclarken Conference Center
Flat Rock, North Carolina

Speaker: Rev. Scotty Anderson PCA
Woodruff Road PCA, Greenville, SC

**Topic: “The Church-Integrated Family:
What Does a Healthy Family Look Like?”**

There's no shortage of books on Christian marriage and parenting, and these are undoubtedly worthy topics to study and improve. However, we rarely focus on the essential aspect of the Christian family's integration into the Church. This weekend, Pastor Anderson will draw much-needed attention to both why and how the family fulfills its highest purpose when it devotes its best energies to life within the body of Christ.

- ⇒ The Worshiping Family - Exodus 10:1-11
- ⇒ The Educated Family - Deuteronomy 6:4-9
- ⇒ The Connected/Serving Family - Acts 2:42–47
- ⇒ The Loving Family - Romans 12

Bio for Rev. Anderson: Pastor Scotty Anderson is a Texas native and a 1994 graduate of the US Air Force Academy. After seven year of service, he left the military to pursue ordained ministry, graduating from Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary in 2005 as the least of his brethren. For the last 20 years he’s served at Woodruff Road Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Simpsonville, SC with a pastoral emphasis on family and student ministry. Scotty's been married to his wife and ministry partner, Kerry, for 29 years. They have two married adult children - their eldest son also serves in PCA - and a 10th grader keeps their attention at home. In his spare time he’s working on a Doctor of Ministry project on the place of camps and retreats in confessionally Reformed churches."



The New Members class begins today at 9:45 a.m. in room 108. This class will meet for 8 weeks. If you interesting in joining our church, or just want to know about membership at White Oak, you are encouraged to attend.



Wednesday Connect meets weekly. There is a class for all ages!

- 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Children/Youth Classes Begin
- 6:10 p.m. Adult Bible Study Class
- 7:15 p.m. Children & Adult Classes End
- 7:30 p.m. Youth Ends

Wednesday Evening Adult Bible Study, our adult mid-week Bible study meets at 6:10 p.m. Pastor Holst will present interactive studies that elaborate on elements of Philippians 2.

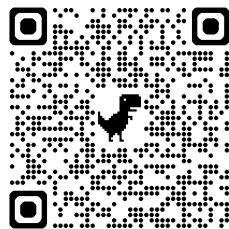
Men's Bible Study will meet every Wednesday morning that Wednesday Connect meets. The meeting begins at 10:30 a.m. and meets in Room 111. All men are invited to join in this enriching study and fellowship.

Wednesday Night Supper RSVP

Please RSVP to help us plan for enough food and seating. You can RSVP by:

- Responding to the weekly RSVP email.
- Scanning the QR code in the Sunday bulletin.

Thank you for your prompt response!



Each month, Pastor Holst and Music Director Kari Hurst plan to introduce a new Psalm or hymn for congregational worship. The song will be circulated at the beginning of the month, and then sung on the fourth or fifth Sunday of the month during congregational worship. The music and words will be published as sheet music/score on our church website. We also plan to provide recordings of the tune, both melody and harmony. September's Song of the Month is a translation of Psalm 29 with a tune written just for this translation.

Name Tags: Church members and regular attenders, name tags are in the white baskets in the lobby. Please keep yours once found. If your tag is missing or incorrect, add your name to the list on the table. Feel free to pick up tags for friends or family. Thank you!

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 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

† **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.

HYMN "Man of Sorrows," What a Name!" No. 246

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

† **DOXOLOGY** Hymn No. 382

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.

† **OLD TESTAMENT READING** Genesis 15:1-6 Assoc. Pastor Ronny Hull

PRAYER OF CONFESSION - CORPORATE RESPONSE

Father in Heaven, if You should mark iniquities, who could stand? Truly, we have not lived as Your word directs us, yet we ask that You would not rebuke us in Your anger. Our sins have troubled our souls, so we ask that, for Christ's sake, You would have mercy on us. Encouraged by the certainty of Your gracious Word, and confident in the perfection for Christ's sacrifice we boldly come, asking for promised forgiveness. In our Savior's name we pray, Amen.

Based on Psalm 130

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.

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.

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

The Gospel/Scripture Reading usually comes from the lectionary and is designed to focus our attention on the greatness and Work of Jesus.

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

JOHN 11:25-27

“Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who is coming into the world.”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

+ **SCRIPTURE**

Romans 8:1-4

SERMON

“No Condemnation Now I Dread”

Pastor Matthew Holst

+ **HYMN**

“And Can It Be That I Should Gain?”

Hymn No. 260

+ **PRAYER & BENEDICTION**

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

“Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.”



EVENING SERVICE (5:00 PM):

You are warmly invited to our evening service, which is at 5PM rather than 6PM. Our pastor, Rev. Jonathan Holst will be installed as Senior Pastor of White Oak ARP. Delegates from other ARP churches in our region will lead the worship, and a variety of ministers from sister denominations will participate in the service. Following this service, a finger food meal is provided for all in White Oak Hall.

The Sermon is where we explore scripture together and corporately encounter Christ.

God always gets the last word in our encounter of worship. The benediction is His blessing as we go out together.

Taken from an email from Mrs. Sue Shoger dated September 1, 2024 upon leaving Lithuania.

Yes, it's time to say goodbye. Frank and Emily returned Thursday afternoon. It's great to have them here with us for a few days.

We toured more on this trip with fewer students here . Their classes begin Sept.2,so many more are expected tomorrow in the evening English service. We spent a day with Merunas, a young man we met on our last two trips. He and his wife, Daniele, moved to Klaipeda in April, and their son was born July 2. Merunas works as an administrator for his father-in-law’s addicts and homeless ministry. He gave us a tour of Old Town Klaipeda and Dverna Marina, where we climbed a tower for a view of the Curonian Spit. We also visited the Klaipeda District Evangelical Church, where his father-in-law preaches and his mother leads music. Their mission is based on Luke 14:21b ‘Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.’ The church has housing for residents and plans to expand with 20 duplexes and a youth building. Several team members are former addicts who have found faith in Christ.

Lastly, we visited Trakai Castle, which is a 14th century brick castle, situated on Lake Galve. The structure fell into disrepair in the 17th century, was rebuilt in 1951, and in 1962, it became part of the Trakai History Museum. We had a kibinai lunch, which is pastries filled with minced beef, pork, chicken, or mutton, flavored with onions and various herbs.

But, we were here to serve, and we found a richness in Bible studies and fellowship times. We saw God providentially arrange those attending the Bible studies, offering more time for conversations and questions, and if an answer wasn't available at the moment, time to dig into the Word to seek the answer. Peter, who we mentioned last time, has moved to Vilnius. Frank says Peter’s faith cycles between strong and weak. Pray that he stays in the "up cycle" and remains strong in his faith. Shekina is still dealing with grief, but we've had good conversations with her. She’s a kind and tender-hearted young woman, now learning Lithuanian, which is required for her job at the hospital. Pray for God's continued comfort and encouragement for her.

Prayer Requests:

Frank and Emily as they prepare for the new students who will be invited to the Internat’l Service, and may God build up the Lithuanian congregation.. There are quite a few very sporadic attenders.

For Dainius as he starts his final Bible Institute semester and prepares to lead the Lithuanian congregation, while Frank leads the internat’l one and continues mentoring him.

For two men who married non-Christian wives. One man told Tom that life is challenging for them because they don't have agreement with their spouses in their marriages like Frank and Emily do.

For the internat’l students as they return. May the ones who already attend the afternoon service return and others learn about it and join in.

It was a delight to have several days with Frank and Emily! Thank you so much for your prayers.

Love, Sue and Tom

2025 CHURCH OFFICERS

The 2025 Church Officer Nominating Committee has been formed and is ready to receive recommendations from the congregation for new 2025 officers to replace those who are cycling off at the end of the year (three elders and four deacons). Please forward the names of those who recommend nominees (after you have determined that they are willing to serve) to any member of the Nominating Committee (Jason Coffee, Bill Minton, Rob Gentry, Tom Gridley, Karen Egerdahl, and Susan Fulmer). Names can also be forwarded to Jonathan or Ronny.



The October newsletter deadline is Monday, September 23 at noon.
Please have your information to the church office by this time.

Matters for Prayer

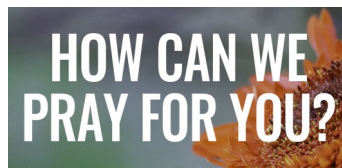
Prayer Focus: Pray for boldness in sharing the Gospel.

Homebound: Joy Bowers

Sick/Recuperating: Bea Boswell, Dianne Conaway, Shirley Kirbow, Betty Newby, Joe Black, Mary Effie Bridges, Sam Phillips, Emma May, Alison Newman, Charlene McDaniel, Kerron Lindquist, Alan Egerdahl

Expectant Parents: Laura Hull, Mary June Wade, Courtney Fincher (Greg & Lori's daughter-in-law), Micayla Clark, Maddie Troyer

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



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 Elder Bill Minton at bminton35@yahoo.com.



SERVING TODAY

DEACONS OF THE MONTH: SAM PHILLIPS & JASON HEADLEY
ELDER OF THE MONTH: TIM FOSNOUGH

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:

Monday & Tuesday (8:45 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) - Wednesday (8:45 a.m. - Noon)

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

	8:30 AM Worship	9:45 AM Sunday School	11:00 AM Worship	6:00 PM Worship
Sept. 15	D.J. Hitt Ben Sewell	Haley Beatenbough Mark Dodds Tanya Roberts	Joanna Beatenbough Karen Egerdahl Laura Hull	Stacie Headley Ronny Hull
Sept. 22	Andy Hemphill Cindy Ward Donna Weaver	Beth Abernathy Leighanna Beatenbough Cindy Ward	Vickie Bray Jill Fosnough Stacie Headley	Lynne Dodds Jason Headley

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE



8:30 Church Service	56
11:00 Church Service	98
YouTube Views	49



CURRENT BUDGET INFORMATION AS OF SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

	General Fund	Building Fund
YTD Budgeted Collections	\$ 502,826	
YTD Actual Collections	\$ 523,881	\$ 3,325
YTD Actual Expenses	\$ 491,944	
YTD Actual Difference	\$ 31,937	

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

Church Calendar

Today	8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Early Worship Service 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service 5:00 p.m. Pastor Holst's Installation Service
Monday	7 :00 p.m. Mission Commission Meeting
Tuesday	9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study Meets 2:30 p.m. Sister In Christ Meet
Wednesday	10:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study Meets in Room 111 Wednesday Connect 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner in White Oak Hall 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Connect/Youth Group in White Oak Hall 6:10 p.m. Adult Bible Study 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice
Thursday	6:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study Meets 7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group Meets
Fri. - Sun.	High School Fall Retreat @ Bonclarken
Saturday	10:00 a.m. Wedding Shower for Daniel Hemphill & Rebekah Dickerson in WOH
September 22	8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Early Worship Service 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship Service
September 23	7:00 p.m. Diaconate Meeting
September 24	9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study
September 25	10:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study Meets in Room 111 Wednesday Connect 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner in White Oak Hall 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Connect/Youth Group in White Oak Hall 6:10 p.m. Adult Bible Study 7:15 p.m. Choir Practice
September 26	6:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group Meets
September 27	9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Youth Games & Bonfire @ White Oak Hall - 8:00 p.m.
September 28	10:00 a.m. Wedding Shower for Haddon Schroeder & Mel Landers

Thank You

From Children's Hunger Fund (The VBS children generously donated pare change to support this organization to help provide meals for children in need.)

Dear White Oak Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church,

Your heart to serve this AIA season is making a tangible difference in the lives of children in need. Thank you for you incredible generosity.

Blessings,

Hannah, Children's Hunger Fund Volunteer

Sunday School Classes

9:45 AM—10:30 AM



<u>Class/Ages</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Topic</u>
2 & 3 Year-Olds	Amy Coffee, Jill Fosnough	Rm. 116	A Sure Foundation: His Praiseworthy Deeds
PK/K: 4, 5, 6 Year Old's	Sally Estes, Annette Olsen, Susan Sloan, Eileen Zito	Rm. 115	God Leads His People
1st & 2nd Grade	Amanda Beatenbough, Lauren Hitt	Rm. 113	Pleasing God
3rd – 5th Grade	Andy Hemphill, Jason Coffee	Rm. 112	God's Design for Worship
Middle/High School	Benjamin Clark, T.J. Sweetin	Rm. 203	Westminster Confession

<u>Adult Classes</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Location</u>
	Discipleship	Rev. Ronny Hull	Rm. 107
	Life Principles from the Kings of the Old Testament (Friendship Class)	John & Susan Sloan	Rm. 111
	The Whole Christ	Sandy Brown & Tracy Schroeder	Rm. 206
	Nehemiah for You	Tim Fosnough & Joe Spooner	Rm. 208

Save the Date!

Annual White Oak BBQ for Mission

Saturday, October 5

Covenant Retreat at Bonclarken

October 25-27

Middle School Fall Retreat @ Bonclarken

November 15-17

White Oak Annual BBQ - October 5th

The entire church family (members & regular attenders) are encouraged to help with the BBQ. Please take a moment to sign-up in the lobby. There are many places to "plug in."

September Bridal Showers

We are excited to remind everyone that invites for the two upcoming September bridal showers have been sent out! Please check your email and kindly RSVP through the Evite link. RSVPs are appreciated to help us plan accordingly.

We also need your help with refreshments to make these celebrations extra special!

Whether you can provide a side dish, dessert, or drinks, your contribution would be greatly appreciated. There is a sign-up sheet in the church lobby for those able to bring refreshments.

UPDATED

Thank you in advance for helping make these bridal showers memorable!



MISSING TABLECLOTHS FROM WHITE OAK HALL

We are missing several monogrammed tablecloths from White Oak Hall. These are essential for many of our events, and we kindly ask for your help in locating them.

The missing tablecloths include:

- 4 white 60"x126" rectangular polyester tablecloths
- 11 white 90" round polyester tablecloths
- 2 white 106"x48" rectangular 100% cotton (not monogrammed)

Please remember that the tablecloths stored in the WOH pantry should remain there unless being laundered. If you take them to wash, kindly return them to the appropriate bin within the same week. (Note: Clorox is safe for use on the polyester tablecloths.) If you have any information about the missing items, please contact Cammy Tidwell (770-378-5255). Thank you for helping us maintain this important resource!

White Oak Covenant Retreat 2024
October 24-27, 2024
Registration is open! Register now!
The deposit \$100 is due TODAY along with your completed registration form.
Registration forms and envelopes are available in the upper lobby on the small table. Please put your completed registration form, including payment, in the basket on the small white table.
The final balance is due October 1.
Questions or concerns? Please feel free to contact Johanna Wessells at smrgirl20@gmail.com, Stacie Headley at jsheadley92@gmail.com, or Melinda Hemphill at melinda.hemphill@gmail.com



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Saturday October 5th 2024
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Romans 5:8

Proceeds Support Local & Foreign Missions



BBQ Plate \$12

1 lb BBQ \$12

1 qt stew \$12



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