

Session will meet Tuesday, November 10 at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

The **office** will be closed on Wednesday, November 11, for Veterans' Day.

Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation: The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of Erwin Presbyterian Church will be held Sunday, November 15 following Morning Worship.

The purposes of the meeting are:

- 1) to elect officers for the class of 2023;
- 2) to hear a report on the 2021 budget;
- 3) to amend the terms of call of the minister in accordance with that budget.

The Nominating Committee will place the following names in nomination to serve on Session from January 2021 to December 2023:

Susan Chambers
Gina Hudson
Hitomi Lewis
Mary Beth Longcrier
Mike Reese

The **Scripture readings** for Sunday, November 15 are:

Zephaniah 1:7, 12–18
Psalm 90:1–8 [9–11] 12
1 Thessalonians 5:1–11
Matthew 25:14–30

Session: Stan Webster, Moderator; Hitomi Lewis, Clerk

- Class of 2020: Byron Beard, Joe Chambers, Frank Gentry, Angie Moore, Ellen Sewell
- Class of 2021: Dean Masters, Nellie Pate, David Shults, Betty Stevens, Keith Whitson
- Class of 2022: Susie Biggerstaff, Spud Chaffin, Logan Morrow, Scott Shults, Vickie Smith



Erwin Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 530, Erwin, TN 37650
November 8, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

Stan Webster, Minister

Prelude

Libby Hatcher, Pianist

*Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 78:1-7

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will utter dark sayings from of old,
things that we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.**

We will not hide them from their children;

**we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord,
and his might, and the wonders that he has done.**

He established a decree in Jacob,
and appointed a law in Israel,

which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children;

**that the next generation might know them,
the children yet unborn,
and rise up and tell them to their children,
so that they should set their hope in God,
and not forget the works of God,
but keep his commandments.**

*Hymn "Eternal Father Strong to Save"

**Eternal Father, strong to save
Whose arm doth bind the restless wave,
Who biddest the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep:
O hear us when we cry to Thee
For those in peril on the sea.
O Trinity of love and power,
Our brethren shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
And ever let there rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.**

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,
word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We
have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we
have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that
we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your
holy name. And now, dear Lord, hear the prayers deep within the silence
of our hearts**

The Declaration of Forgiveness

*"Glory Be to The Father"

*The Apostles' Creed

Musical Meditation

Congregational Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:13 - 5:1

But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who
have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope.

**For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus,
God will bring with him those who have died.**

For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are
left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have
died.

**For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and
with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the
dead in Christ will rise first.**

Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with
them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever.

Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Prayer for Illumination

The Written Word

Matthew 25:1-13

The Spoken Word

"Spirit Supply"

Prayer of Supplication & Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

**My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.
On Christ, the solid Rock, A stand;
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand.**

**His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.
On Christ, the solid Rock, A stand;
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand.**

*Benediction

*Postlude

**Please stand, as you are able.*