

## 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 White Oak Hall
- Restrooms are located on the right side of White Oak Hall.
- 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 tables. There is also a prayer request card for your requests, and they may both be placed in the offering basket, which is also on the table.

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](http://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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ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SENOIA, GA



FIRST SUNDAY IN  
LENT

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2021

CHURCH SERVICE: 11:00 AM

**PRELUDE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MEDITATION**

2 Corinthians 5:20–21

“Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making His appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake He made Him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.”

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

† **THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 122

Minister: I was glad when they said to me, “Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

**People: Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!**

Minister: Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together, to which the tribes go up, the tribes of the LORD, as was decreed for Israel, to give thanks to the name of the LORD. There thrones for judgment were set, the thrones of the house of David.

**People: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! “May they be secure who love you! Peace be within your walls and security within your towers!”**

Minister: For my brothers and companions’ sake I will say, “Peace be within you!”

**All: For the sake of the house of the LORD our God, I will seek your good.**

† **HYMN**

“Holy, Holy, Holy!”

In Bulletin

† **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.

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.

† Those who are able, please stand.

**What a Friend We Have in Jesus**

1. What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
 2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
 3. Are we weak and heav - y - la - den, cum - bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged: take it to the Lord in prayer!  
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer!

O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need - less pain we bear,  
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful, who will all our sor - rows share?  
 Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer.  
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer!  
 In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

# My Heart Was Glad to Hear the Welcome Sound

1. My heart was glad to hear the welcome sound,  
 2. God's people to Je - ru - sa - lem re - pair  
 3. Let ear - nest prayer be made for Zi - on's peace;  
 4. For all my breth - ren and com - pan - ions' sakes

the call to seek Je - ho - vah's house of prayer;  
 to hear his word and wor - ship him with praise;  
 thy sons who hold thee dear shall pros - per well;  
 my prayer shall be, let peace in thee a - bide;

our feet are stand - ing here on ho - ly ground,  
 the throne of jus - tice stands e - ter - nal there,  
 may bless - ing in thy pal - ac - es in - crease  
 since God the Lord in thee his dwell - ing makes,

with - in thy gates, thou cit - y grand and fair.  
 Mes - si - ah's throne through end - less length of days.  
 and peace with - in thy walls for - ev - er dwell.  
 to thee my love shall nev - er be de - nied.

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## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Q. What are the Obligations of Church Members?

A. **We believe that since this holy assembly and congregation is the gathering of those who are saved and there is no salvation apart from it, people ought not to withdraw from it, content to be by themselves, regardless of their status or condition.**

**But all people are obliged to join and unite with it, keeping the unity of the church by submitting to its instruction and discipline, by bending their necks under the yoke of Jesus Christ, and by serving to buildup one another, according to the gifts God has given them as members of each other in the same body.**

**And to preserve this unity more effectively, it is the duty of all believers, according to God's Word, to separate themselves from those who do not belong to the church, in order to join this assembly wherever God has established it, even if civil authorities and royal decrees for bid and death and physical punishment result.**

**And so, all who withdraw from the church or do not join it act contrary to God's ordinance.**

*(Belgic Confession, Article 28, The Obligations of Church Members)*

## † CATECHISM

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 116

Q. Why do Christians need to pray?

A. **Because prayer is the most important part of the thankfulness God requires of us. And also because God gives His grace and Holy Spirit only to those who pray continually and groan inwardly, asking God for these gifts and thanking God for them.**

## † 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.

## PSALTER WORSHIP - PSALM 122

"My Heart Was Glad to Hear the Welcome Sound"

In Bulletin

## GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:1-15

Question & answer catechisms help teach and reinforce biblical truths.

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

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)**

Father God, we thank you that the time of waiting for salvation has been fulfilled, and that the Kingdom of God has come in the Person of our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank you that you have granted us repentance unto life, and that you have given us the gift of faith to believe the Gospel. Yet we confess that we sin and fall short of your commands in thought, word, and deed. Our thoughts are too much on our own pleasures and desires; our speech is corrupt and often against others; and our works are often works of selfishness and sin rather than the good works of your kingdom. Forgive us, we pray, for these and our many sins. Continually renew us by the power of your Spirit to repent and live more and more in the ways of righteousness. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND COMFORT** 1 Timothy 1:15  
"The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** "As the Deer" White Oak Choir

**SCRIPTURE** 1 John 5:16-17

**SERMON** "Praying for One Another" Rev. Dr. John Cook

+ **HYMN** "What A Friend We Have in Jesus" In Bulletin

+ **PRAYER & BENEDICTION** Numbers 6:24-26  
"The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace."

**Evening Service Tonight 6:00 PM in White Oak Hall**

Join us tonight as we continue our study of 2 Samuel. David has not yet had God's promise fulfilled to be king over Israel. Along the way we encounter the messiness of life in a fallen world as we await God's promises to be fulfilled. Come see how the providence of God over rules even the sinfulness of fallen men and the hope that brings to us as Christians.

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.

**Holy, Holy, Holy!**

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.  
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;  
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,  
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!  
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,  
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!  
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.  
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.  
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 9:45 AM – 10:30 AM**

<b>Class/Ages</b>	<b>Teacher</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Topic</b>
2 & 3 Year Olds	Renee Willis, Tabatha Mauriello, Alison Newman	Choir Room	Old Testament Narratives
4 & 5 Year Olds	Sally Estes, Tasha Schroeder, Susan Sloan, Eileen Zito	Bell Classroom	God Leads His People
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Cindy Ward Amanda McLeod	Pressley Classroom	Loving Jesus
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Andy Hemphill, Stacie Headley Johanna Wessells	Upstairs above the Church Office	God's Grace in the Law
Middle School 6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Beth Abernathy, Nancy Cook, Joanne Wasdin	Upstairs in White Oak Hall	Acts
High School 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Jake Wasdin Adam Wade	Upstairs in White Oak Hall	Why We Can Trust the Bible
Westminster Class	Bobby Alford	Church Sanctuary	Amos
Adult Class	Bob Abernathy	White Oak Hall	<i>Holiness</i> by J.C. Ryle

**MATTERS FOR PRAYER**

**WEEKLY PRAYER FOCUS:** Pray for courage to be God's witnesses as we go out in His name.

**Homebound:** Joy Bowers

**Sick/Recuperating:** Bea Boswell, Bill & Diane Conaway, Dianne Jackson, Shirley Kirbow, Betty Newby, Betty Rogers, Tammy Boswell, Denise Vermilya, Lisle Bowers, Mary Effie Bridges, Amy Thompson, Amanda McLeod, Jim Emerson, Mary Wakem

**Military:** Travis Coggin, Kevin Cook, T. J. Hemphill, Jack Ward, Noah Wilson-Sizemore (Jill Wilson's Grandson), Jayden Hickey (the Cook's grandson) in Basic Training

**BONCLARKEN**  
**SPRING**  
**RETREAT**  
**DATES**

Middle School: March 19-21  
(see Haddon for more info.)

High School: April 16-18

Quotes about sin:

The way to Heaven is ascending; we must be content to travel uphill, though it be hard and tiresome, and contrary to the natural bias of our flesh. - Jonathan Edwards

Sin . . . consists in doing, saying, thinking, or imagining anything that is not in perfect conformity with the mind and law of God. - J.C. Ryle

In Noah's days . . . the whole world was drowned in sin before it was drowned in water. - Thomas Watson

Every sin is an act of cosmic treason, a futile attempt to dethrone God in His sovereign authority. - R. C. Sproul

Be always at it while you live; cease not a day from this work; be killing sin or it will be killing you. - John Owen

**Greeters**  
MINISTRY



Sunday Morning Greeters are needed!

Greeters are needed on Sunday Mornings at 11AM to hand out bulletins, to welcome Members, Regular Attenders and Visitors, and to answer questions.

If you are able to help in this ministry, please sign-up for a Sunday or two on the sign-up sheet on the back table.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Dodds at (cell: 470-389-1555 or email: needmorealtitude@gmail.com) or Lynn Dodds (cell: 770-301-7483 or email: loudcookiemonster@gmail.com)

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

Today	9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service in White Oak Hall 12:15 p.m. VBS Meeting in White Oak Hall 6:00 P.M. Evening Service
Monday	7:00 p.m. Diaconate Meeting
Tuesday	9:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study in White Oak Hall 7:00 p.m. Child Protection Training in White Oak Hall
Wednesday	6:30 p.m. High School Youth Meet in White Oak Hall 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice in the Church Sanctuary
Thursday	5:00 p.m. Thursday Afternoon Ladies /Bible Study in White Oak Hall 7:00 p.m. Men’s Prayer Group Meets
February 28	9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service in White Oak Hall 6:00 p.m. Evening Worship Service
March 1	9:30 a.m. Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study in White Oak Hall
March 2	6:30 p.m. High School Youth Meets in White Oak Hall 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice in the Church Sanctuary
March 3	5:00 p.m. Thursday Afternoon Ladies /Bible Study in White Oak Hall 7:00 p.m. Men’s Prayer Group Meets
March 7	2:00 p.m. Bridal Shower for Maddie Smith & Hans Troyer in White Oak Hall

**GIVING** - The offering plates are on the back tables by the sound board. You may put your gift as you arrive or when you leave. You may also continue to give in these ways....

3 ways to give: **ONLINE** [www.whiteoakarp.org](http://www.whiteoakarp.org)

**MAIL** 2796 Gordon Road, Senoia, GA 30276

**IN PERSON** Sunday Morning Service or Tues. – Thurs. at the Church Office

**SERVING TODAY**

**DEACONS OF THE MONTH:** DENNIS MCDANIEL & HADDON SCHROEDER  
**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** DAVID DIDIER  
**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 (8:30 a.m. - 5PM)

**The Session**

Dr. John Cook, Moderator Jim Wessells, Clerk  
 2021: David Didier, John Hemphill, Forrest Tidwell, Patrick Ward, Jim Wessells  
 2022: Bob Abernathy, Roger Schroeder, Tracy Schroeder  
 2023: Mark Dodds, Andy Hemphill

**The Diaconate**

Dane Beatenbough, Chairman Haddon Schroeder, Secretary  
 2021: Cole Beatenbough, Adam Fraser, Harry Sewell, Dave Troyer  
 2022: Dane Beatenbough, Mike Heath, Dennis McDaniel, Jake Wasdin (V. Chairman)  
 2023: Scott Goodson, Bryan Hurst, Joe Roberts, Haddon Schroeder

**NURSERY WORKER SCHEDULE**

<b>February 21</b>	<b>Nancy Cook, Tabatha Mauriello, Ben Sewell</b>
February 28	Andy Hemphill, Nan Newman, Faith Robertson

**LAST WEEK’S ATTENDANCE & GENERAL FUND OFFERING**

Attendance	Worship (11:00 a.m.)	93
	YouTube Views	50

## VBS 2021

### GO THE DISTANCE WITH OLYMPION!

"Olympion inspires children to join God's Team by faith as they trace the Israelite's odyssey to the Promised Land and witness Joshua's heroic, faith-filled example of whole-hearted allegiance to the Lord."

Please consider your role for the 2021 Vacation Bible School.

We are moving forward for having VBS June 14-18, realizing Covid-19 restrictions could change our plans up to the last minute.

Please plan to attend the first brief informational meeting after the worship service on Sunday, February 21, to get a better idea of the theme, needs, logistics, and overall vision.

Feel free to email me with how you'd like to serve.  
Melinda Hemphill, VBS Director [melinda.hemphill@gmail.com](mailto:melinda.hemphill@gmail.com)

[www.vbsreachout.com](http://www.vbsreachout.com)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHILD PROTECTION AND NURSERY TRAINING

We will be offering child protection training followed by nursery training at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, February 23. Anyone working with our youth must complete CPT training every two years. The nursery training is an additional requirement for those working in the nursery.

### MARCH NEWSLETTER

The deadline for the March Newsletter is Tuesday, February 23 at noon. Please have your information to the Church Office by this time. Thank you.

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE WITH YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

We are blessed to have excellent Teachers and curricula for our Youth Sunday School classes. Occasionally there is a need for a Substitute teacher or the Second Adult required to be in each classroom. We are developing a list of those willing to serve God in this way. Please notify John Hemphill or Olivia Busby of your willingness to be a Substitute/Helper in our Youth Classes and any limits to your service (example—age group).

### MISSIONS COMMITTEE

The White Oak Missions Committee is looking for volunteers to serve as members of the White Oak Missions Committee Class of 2022. If you are interested in learning more about what is involved, then please contact Patrick Ward, Todd Weaver or any member of the Missions Committee. Thank you!

### WHITE OAK COVENANT FAMILY RETREAT INFORMATION

2021 was supposed to be the year for our bi-annual Covenant Family Retreat. The Christian Education Committee and the Session have been working on this matter for several months. Due to unknowns about the coronavirus, the timing of the completion of the new building, and problems scheduling with Bonclarken, the retreat will be moved to 2022. The dates will be the final weekend in October 2022: October 28-30. Please reserve this date on your family calendars!



**SESSION NOTES - The Session met on Monday, February 8:**

1. Dave Troyer did a training session on the use of the defibrillators. He will also hold one for the Deacons in the near future.
2. Session discussed the potential timeline of moving some services back to the sanctuary. However, we are being asked by the building committee to hold off on this move while the tie-in work is going on, and until after the sprinkler system is installed. Session will continue to work with the building committee on coordinating this matter.
3. Session set services for Good Friday to be held in White Oak Hall. The probability is also very high that Easter service will be held in White Oak Hall.
4. Our new Director of Family and Youth Ministries, Ronny Hull, will be coordinating with the Goodson's and Haddon Schroeder on Spring Bonclarken Youth Retreats.
5. The Hulls will be moving to the manse on February 25th.
6. Session is planning Elder/Deacon training, possibly in concert with a men's fellowship time, beginning in the near future.
7. In consultation with the Christian Education Committee, we are planning a VBS ministry this summer – tentatively scheduled for the 3rd week of June. Melinda Hemphill will be the Director and will shortly be soliciting volunteers.
8. Prayer was offered for our church ministry and member needs. Session is grateful to the Lord that we are able to meet in person, and continues to urge all members to observe safety precautions until the Covid vaccine is more widespread.

**MISSION UPDATE: ONE ROOF ECUMENICAL ALLIANCE OUTREACH  
2020 Program Accomplishments**

Rent Assistance	\$ 31,046.86
Emergency Housing	\$ 32,065.63
Utilities Assistance	\$ 48,972.03
Gasoline/Transportation	\$ 928.22
Prescriptions & Miscellaneous	\$ 3,323.70
<b>TOTAL Assistance to Individuals</b>	<b>\$ 116,336.44</b>
Food Assistance Provided	\$ 114,175.00
Personal Care Distributed	\$ 19,429.06
Clothing & Household Goods Provided	\$ 5,480.00
<b>TOTAL Value of God Provided Funds</b>	<b>\$ 255,420.50</b>

**Angel's House 19th Annual**

# 2021 Run For Angels

Presented by:



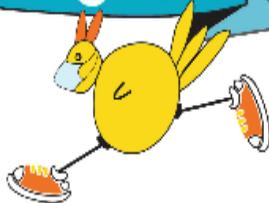
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## Saturday, March 27, 2021

**Greenville Street Park  
Downtown Newnan, GA**

**1 Mile Family Fun Run » 8:00am - \$25**  
**5K » 8:30am - \$35**

**2021 Highlights:**

- Outdoor venue and new route!
- Chip timed with emailed results
- Medals and Awards!
- Food Trucks and Fun!
- 2021 T-shirt  
*Guaranteed if preregister by March 15*
- School Teams and Prizes!  
*Don't forget to select your school's name when registering.*
- Corporate Wellness Program



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**[runforangels2021.raceroster.com](http://runforangels2021.raceroster.com)**  
**or at [theangelshouse.org](http://theangelshouse.org)**

