

# WHITE OAK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SENOIA, GA



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2020

CHURCH SERVICE: 11:00 AM

## WORSHIP GUIDE

### THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

#### PRELUDE

#### MEDITATION

John 17:26

“I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”

#### PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

#### † THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 96:1–9

Minister: Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples!

**People: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the LORD made the heavens.**

Minister: Splendor and majesty are before Him; strength and beauty are in His sanctuary. Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

**All: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name; bring an offering, and come into His courts! Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness; tremble before Him, all the earth!**

#### † HYMN

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

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.

#### 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 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**

#### † CATECHISM

Westminster Larger Catechism, Question #97

Q. 97 What special use is there of the moral law to the regenerate?

A. Although they that are regenerate, and believe in Christ, be delivered from the moral law as a covenant of works, so as thereby they are neither justified nor condemned; yet, besides the general uses thereof common to them with all men, it is of special use, to show them how much they are bound to Christ for his fulfilling it, and enduring the curse thereof in their stead, and for their good; and thereby to provoke them to more thankfulness, and to express the same in their greater care to conform themselves thereunto as the rule of their obedience.

**† 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 96**

"O Sing a New Song"

In Bulletin

**† GOSPEL READING**

John 15:1-17

Todd Weaver

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Father God, we thank you that you have saved us, adopted us, and washed us from our sins! We praise you for the love you have shown to us in Jesus, and for bearing the fruit of that love in our lives. Yet we confess that we stray from you and sin in many ways. On the outside we look righteous, moral and upright, yet on the inside we are filled with anger, lust, greed, lies and idolatry. In spite of our church attendance, Scripture reading, and financial contributions, we have disregarded your call to justice, purity, love, encouraging speech and mercy. Lord, we should have done the latter without neglecting the others. Forgive us, we pray, for these and our many sins. Give us grace to bear the greater fruits of your Spirit in our lives and to turn from our own fallen desires and lusts. In Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

**SILENT CONFESSION****ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND COMFORT**

Isaiah 1:18

"Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE****SCRIPTURE**

1 John 3:10-24

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Darrell Hester

**SERMON**

"Love One Another"

Rev. Dr. John Cook

**† HYMN**

"If I Speak a Foreign Tongue"

In Bulletin

**† PRAYER & BLESSING**

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."

**Sunday Night Worship Service – 6:00 p.m.**

Come join us for evening worship at 6:00 in White Oak Hall. Tonight we will continue to look at the decline of Saul and the ascent of David. Following David's victory over Goliath, changes begin to appear between him and Saul. Come study these with us!

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## Quotes on Love

“If you love me, you will keep my commandments (John 14:15).” “Just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another” (John 13:34).”  
– Jesus

“Love is the fulfilling of the law”  
– Romans 13:10

“The objective ground for believing that God loves us is historical. It concerns the death of his Son on the cross . . . The subjective ground for believing that God loves us is experimental. It is not in history but in experience. It concerns not the death of Christ, but the gift of the Holy Spirit within us.” – Pastor and theologian John Stott  
“Every man who hates another has the venom of murder in his veins. He may never actually take the deadly weapons into his hand and destroy life; but if he wishes that his brother were out of the way, if he would be glad if no such person existed, that feeling amounts to murder in the judgment of God.”

– Charles Spurgeon

And if we take the analogy from Jesus’ love for us, sometimes the cost of love will make us feel like we are dying – but that is what it means to lay down your life. “Love means saying ‘No’ to one’s own life so that somebody else may live.”  
- Marshall

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## WREATHS OF REMEMBRANCE 2020

In this year when we have had to put so many things aside, there is one tradition we can keep alive, and that is the privilege of honoring our Veterans. This activity can be done very safely as we visit and prepare the wreaths while following social distancing guidelines.

This will be the 4<sup>th</sup> year for Wreaths of Remembrance. I hope everyone is eager, willing, and able to lend a hand to help with the wreaths or agree to purchase one or more. The cost is the same - \$15 per wreath, which covers the cost of the wreath and the shipping fee.

We hope to receive the wreaths Wednesday or Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>, 2020. We plan to put them together on Friday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. Time and weather permitting, hopefully we can get them on the gravesites that same afternoon. Volunteers are needed.

We will have a sign-up sheet on the table in White Oak Hall for those who wish to commit to the purchase of a wreath or wreaths. Make your check payable to Melanie Whitehead and add “wreaths” to the memo line. If you have any questions, please call Melanie Whitehead at 770-253-7775.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NURSERY TRAINING – OCTOBER 24:** There will be an in-person training for all nursery volunteers Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 9AM in White Oak Hall. Parents of children ages 0-2 are also encouraged to come. This training will go over new protocols and procedures for the nursery.

**NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER:** The November Newsletter deadline is Tuesday, October 27. Please have your committee meetings, other meetings, Sunday School class information, nursery information, cancellations, etc. to the Church Office by this time. Thank you.

**REFORMATION CELEBRATION:** The Christian Education Committee continues to take precautions regarding the spread of COVID-19 and will not be hosting a Reformation Celebration this year.

**PARKING AT THE CHURCH:** We are happy that a larger number of people are returning to worship! However, our higher attendance, coupled with the construction, has caused a parking issue on Sunday mornings. If you are able, please consider parking across the street in the cemetery extension. This will allow more spaces closer to White Oak Hall for those who may be challenged to walk a greater distance.

**CHURCH DIRECTORIES:** The remaining new Church Directories are in the Church Secretary's office. Please feel free to stop by and pick yours up during regular office hours. One directory per family.

**WHITE OAK HALL CLOSED ALL SATURDAYS UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:** Saturdays are being set aside to clean and disinfect the building for Sunday services.

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Do you have a request for prayer? If you would like something put on the prayer/praise list you can put a card in the offering plate on the back table, or email it to Bill Minton: [bdminton@bellsouth.net](mailto:bdminton@bellsouth.net).

**"CRY ROOM" FOR LITTLE ONES:** An unstaffed cry room is located to the right of the stage in WOH. Please feel free to use this for your small ones during the service.

**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** The Nursery needs YOU and it needs you now! We are actively seeking to open our nursery for children ages 0-2 years. We cannot do so without volunteers.

Contact Nursery Director Johanna Wessells (478-394-0780/[smrgrl20@gmail.com](mailto:smrgrl20@gmail.com)) or Tabatha Mauriello (770-712-9199/[drpharmtdl@yahoo.com](mailto:drpharmtdl@yahoo.com)) who does scheduling. Thank you!

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## **SANCTUARY CLEAN-UP HELP NEEDED - UPDATED**

**UPDATE:** Thank you to those who have stopped by the Church and helped out with cleaning the hymnbooks and Bibles. All the books have now been cleaned and sanitized!!

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### **Thank You Note:**

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the cards, phone calls, e-mails, expressions of comfort and concern, and especially your prayers for us during the illness and death of our dear sister/aunt, Grace Smith.

Sue Hunter, Lynne & Mark Dodds, and Lisa & Mike Houston

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL & NURSERY REOPENING INFORMATION UPDATES

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

Currently there are 2 Adult Sunday School Classes meeting:

Westminster Class meets in the Church Sanctuary

Judges Bible Study Class meets in White Oak Hall

**UPCOMING SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION:** These classes will begin meeting November 1 at 9:45 a.m.

CLASS DESCRIPTION	MEETING LOCATION
2 & 3 Year Olds	Westminster Classroom (downstairs in main Church building)
4 & 5 Year Olds	Bell Classroom (back hallway in main Church building)
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Pressley Classroom (back hallway in main Church building)
3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Upstairs in Main Church building
Middle School 6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Upstairs in White Oak Hall
High School 9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Upstairs in White Oak Hall
Westminster Class – Study of Amos	Church Sanctuary
Adult Class – Study of Judges	White Oak Hall Main Floor

### **NURSERY:**

The Nursery will re-open on Sunday, November 1 for the 11AM Service only for phase 1 - we hope to expand to other services in the near future.

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### **BUILDING COMMITTEE UPDATE**

We had a delay with the water supply for the fire suppression system which caused a gridlock to the rest of the project. Thankfully, all coding and regulatory issues have been sorted out and complied with and things are now back on track. This past week, the fire and domestic water line installation process was begun. This will allow other parts of the project to continue. More curbing was staked out this week in anticipation of being poured next week. We expect the rocking and paving of the three large parking areas to be imminent. Once the water line is inspected and pressure tested, Caldwell will be onsite to start pouring the footings late next week.

Once again, we are thankful for your continued prayers and support during this exciting time. If you have any questions regarding the project, please feel free to reach out to any Building Committee member and we will do our best to answer them.

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### **MISSION UPDATES:**

**Ali Mitchell** - Ethnē Outfitters – We want to give praise to the Lord for His wisdom in the building of our new website: <https://ethneoutfitters.org/>. We believe the new website clearly communicates our purpose and new approach to ministry among Muslims, through the Church. Please take a few moments to browse this site. It can be a tool for learning and a resource for prayer for our ministry and for outreach to Muslim peoples in general. We feel a great need for your prayers in these areas:

- That the Lord would give us wisdom, creativity, and the right connections, as we publicize the site to churches and individuals, with a view toward recruiting new people to join our first team(s).
- That many in the Church would gain greater understanding and passion in reaching out to Muslims with the Gospel.

Thank you for praying with us!

## CALENDAR

Today	9:45 a.m.	Westminster Sunday School Meets in the Church Sanctuary
	9:45 a.m.	Book of Judges Sunday School Class Meets in White Oak Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service in White Oak Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Worship Service in White Oak Hall
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Tuesday	9:30 a.m.	Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study Meets in White Oak Hall
	2:30 p.m.	Sisters In Christ Meets at the home of Sue Hunter
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Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Senior High Youth Group Meets in White Oak Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice in the Church Sanctuary
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Thursday	5:00 p.m.	Thursday Afternoon Ladies Bible Study Meets in White Oak Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Prayer Meeting
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Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Nursery Volunteer Training in White Oak Hall
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October 25		Reformation Sunday
	9:45 a.m.	Westminster Sunday School Class Meets in the Church Sanctuary
	9:45 a.m.	Book of Judges Sunday School Class Meets in White Oak Hall
	11:00 a.m.	Worship Service in White Oak Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship Service in White Oak Hall
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October 26	7:00 p.m.	Diaconate Meeting
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October 27	9:30 a.m.	Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study in White Oak Hall
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October 28	6:30 p.m.	Senior High Youth Meets in White Oak Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice in the Church Sanctuary
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October 29	5:00 p.m.	Thursday Afternoon Ladies Bible Study Meets in White Oak Hall
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Prayer Meeting
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October 30	10:00 a.m.	Friday Morning Ladies Bible Study in White Oak Hall
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October 31		Reformation Day

**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. (Church Office)

**PLEASE NOTE** - we are anticipating an expense of approximately \$15,000 which is related to Covid-19 issues. These would include the I-wave systems, cleaning materials, and such things. These expenses were not anticipated or included in our 2020 budget. Thank you for your faithful giving!

## SERVING TODAY

**DEACONS OF THE MONTH:** HARRY SEWELL & COLE BEATENBOUGH

**ELDER OF THE MONTH:** TRACY SCHROEDER

**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)

## LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE & GENERAL FUND OFFERING

<b>Attendance</b>	Worship (11:00 a.m.)	110
	YouTube Views	51

## GENERAL FUND REPORT

Date	Weekly Giving
9/27/2020	\$ 3,980

### 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

**Military:** Travis Coggin, Kevin Cook, T. J. Hemphill, Jack Ward, Noah Wilson-Sizemore (Jill Wilson's Grandson)



## **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 in the Sunday School Annex wing (suspended until further notice)
- 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 the worship God, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and are grateful you are 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 are 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**

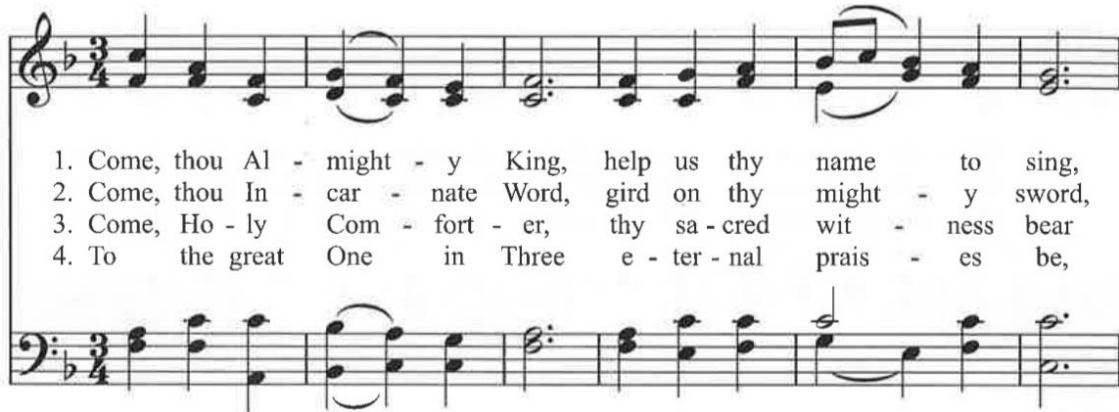
White Oak Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church has been worshipping since 1836 and was organized as a congregation in 1848 in Coweta County. Our congregation is part of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian (ARP) denomination ([arpchurch.org](http://arpchurch.org)). We hold to the Westminster Confession 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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# Come, Thou Almighty King



1. Come, thou Al - might - y King, help us thy name to sing,  
2. Come, thou In - car - nate Word, gird on thy might - y sword,  
3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear  
4. To the great One in Three e - ter - nal prais - es be,



help us to praise. Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic -  
scat - ter thy foes. Let thine al - might - y aid our sure de -  
in this glad hour. Thou who al - might - y art, now rule in  
hence ev - er - more. His sov - 'reign maj - est - y may we in



to - ri - ous, come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
fense be made, our souls on thee be stayed; thy won - ders show.  
ev - 'ry heart, and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power.  
glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

# O Sing a New Song

Psalm 96

1. <sup>1</sup> O sing a new song to the LORD; All earth sing to the  
2. <sup>4</sup> The LORD is great, great praise He's due. He's feared a - bove all  
3. <sup>7</sup> O fam - i - lies of earth, as - crite All glo - ry to the

LORD. <sup>2</sup> Sing to the LORD, and bless His name; "He  
gods. <sup>5</sup> For peo - ples' gods mere i - dols are; The  
LORD. All strength as - crite un - to the LORD; <sup>8</sup> Give

saves!" each day pro - claim. <sup>3</sup> His glo - ry to all  
LORD the heav - ens made. <sup>6</sup> Be - fore Him hon - or,  
glo - ry due His name. Come to the LORD, in -

na - tions show; His deeds let peo - ples know.  
maj - es - ty, And strength and splen - dor dwell.  
to His courts, And bring an of - fer - ing.

## If I Speak a Foreign Tongue



1. If I speak a for-eign tongue, if I sing the an-gels' song,
2. If all learn-ing I ap-prove and my faith can moun-tains move,
3. If I give a-way all gain, suf-fer mar-tyr-dom in pain,
4. Love is pa-tient, love is kind; love re-jects an e-vil mind.
5. Love is end-less in its reign, though all tongues and knowl-edge wane.



I am still a nois-y gong if I have not love.  
all these gifts still noth-ing prove if I have not love.  
• noth-ing yet do I at-tain if I have not love.  
Jeal-ous-y is left be-hind if I have this love.  
Faith and hope and love re-main; great-est still is love.

