

Bienvenidos a Iglesia Bautista Wake Forest donde todos y todas son bienvenidos sin excepciones. Welcome to worship at Wake Forest Baptist Church, where all are welcome, no exceptions. We are an affirming congregation, welcoming all people, no matter their race, economic status, gender expression, or sexual orientation into full membership and leadership. If you are a visitor, please take a moment to sign the guest book with your contact information.

Today is the Third Sunday of Lent. Please join us at Sunday school for Wilderness Wanderings with Dr. Moyer, who has taught Hebrew language and Hebrew Bible/Old Testament at the WFU Divinity School for the past decade. We'll be in room 202 of the Divinity School.

Next week, March 31, we'll have a **Called Church Conference** following worship to consider the 2019 budget proposed by the Administrative Council.

During the Benediction, you're invited to pray the body prayer of Julian Norwich. Julian wrote, "The fruit and the purpose of prayer is to be **one** with and like God in all thinas."

**AWAIT/ESPARAR** (hands at waist, cupped up to receive): Await God's presence, not as you expect, hope, or imagine, but just as it is in this moment.

**ALLOW/PERMITIR** (reach up, hands open): Allow a sense of God's presence (or not) to come and be what it is, without meeting your expectations.

**ACCEPT/ACEPTAR** (hands at heart, cupped towards body): Accept as a gift whatever comes or does not come. Accept that you are not in charge. Accept the infinity of God's presence, present whether or not you are aware.

**ATTEND/ASISTIR** (hands outstretched, ready to be responsive): Attend to what you are called to, actions that God invites you to from this stance of openness.

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Wake Forest Baptist Church is a progressive, welcoming and affirming Christian community committed to Jesus Christ. We value prophetic worship, thoughtful religious education, social justice, and peacemaking.

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## Iglesia Bautistc Wake Forest

Third Sunday of Lent March 24, 2019

Choral Prelude Alabaré, Alabaré ALABARÉ

Greeting and Opening Words

Betty Griffith

\* Responsive Reading from the Psalms from Psalm 119 O God, how we long for your salvation and hope in your word. Our eyes strain, looking for your promise, when will you comfort us?

We feel like shrived old wineskins, but we haven't forgotten your words. How long must your faithful ones wait?

When will you pass judgment on those who arrogantly ignore your law? We believe your commands are trustworthy, that you will judge those who persecute us. But when?

In your love, keep us alive... we will obey all that you say.

\* Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

Erica Saunders

\* Hymn of Rejoicing #2 Joyful, Joyful

HYMN TO JOY

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before thee, opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, drive our fear and doubt away; giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird, and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Oh, mortales, hoy cantemos con el coro celestial; Como hermanos habitemos en amor santo y real marcharemos entonando nuestro cántico triunfal: a través de la contienda, vida y gozo vencerán

\* Passing the Peace

Gather Us In

GATHER US IN

Here in this place, the new light is streaming, shadows of doubt are vanished away. See in this space our fears and our dreamings, brought here to you in the light of this day. Gather us in. the lost and forsaken. gather us in; our spirits inflame. Call to us now, and we shall awaken: we shall arise at the sound of our name.

Prayers of the People

Lia Scholl and Marili Alvarado

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Offering Hymn #111

Santo, Santo, Santo

**NICAEA** 

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

\* Offering Response

OLD HUNDREDTH

Proclaim again that God is good, whose mercy is forever sure, whose truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

\* Offertory Prayer

Lessons from Our Sacred Scripture

Psalm 119:17-24. Luke 13:1-9

Anthem Ave Maria soloist John Kernodle

Sermon

God's Promises Give Life

Lia Scholl THE ASH GROVE

\* Response Hymn #717 Let All Things Now Living Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving to God our Creator triumphantly raise;

who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,

by guiding us on to the end of our days.

God's banners are o'er us, pure light goes before us,

a pillar of fire shining forth in the night:

till shadows have vanished, all fearfulness banished.

as forward we travel from light into Light.

¡Que todo viviente eleve al clemente Creador bondadoso un canto de amor! Nos hizo, y nos cuida, protege, y da vida; nos guía hasta el fin de nuestra ardua labor. Sy amor nos inflama; su luz es cual llama columna de feugo que invitata a avanzar, seguros que un día la gran travesía mos lleve en la lus del Señ a morar.

Announcements

**Fve Andrews** 

\* Choral Benediction #520

Yo Quiero Ser

VASO NUEVO

\* Benediction

The Body Prayer