

Welcome to Randall by the River

June 7th, 2026

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9:00 am Every recorded Sunday Services are posted to “Randall by the River” on Facebook

Randall by the River is a Lighthouse Congregation of The Western North Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church, in partnership with The United Methodist Collective of the Western NC Conference.

Centering Words

We gather for worship out of many needs:

A need for guidance, insight, tools for life...

What God provides in response may surprise us—

Inviting us simply to breath, to gaze, to laugh, to embrace.

Such gifts are portals into health and freedom.

Lord, lead us in the path of wholeness.

Opening Prayer

Opening Song- “Trading My Sorrows”

Recognition of our Graduates

Prayers of the People

We come together as a community to pray for and with one another. What joys and what concerns do we have this day?

“To that we all say, **Amen!**”

Close with the Lord’s Prayer

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 forever. Amen.

Scripture Lesson- Matthew 6:25-27, Mark 10:13-16

²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by worrying can add a single hour to your span of life?

¹³ People were bringing children to him in order that he might touch them, and the disciples spoke sternly to them. ¹⁴ But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them, “Let the children come to me; do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. ¹⁵ Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it.” ¹⁶ And he took them up in his arms, laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

Message- “Out of Survival Mode”

Musical Response- “Even If”

Communion

...Let us draw near with faith, make our humble confession, and prepare to receive this Holy Sacrament.

We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own goodness, but in your unfailing mercies. We are not worthy that you should receive us, but give your word and we shall be healed, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that is proof of God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Response to the Word

This is an opportunity to respond to the Word as you feel led. We invite you to take communion, remember your baptism, listen to the music, give your offering, and pray.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Closing Song- “In the Garden”

Benediction

Call to Action

- Our mission box is going to Randall's Food Pantry!
- We are in need of volunteers to prepare refreshments for Lake Church. Check out the sign up list that will be available during and after worship!
- For the month of June we will be collecting canned meats and pasta with meats for our food pantry!
- Faith Community Nurse Office Hours on June 17th from 4-6 pm.
- In order to prepare your heart for worship, you are invited to kayak or paddleboard before church. If you do not have one and would like to take this invitation, let Pastor Hanna know and she would be happy to help.
- As we enter the summer months, it is time to start preparing for our Fourth of July Ice Cream Social. Be on the look-out for how you can help!
- The Community Events Ministry Team will meet Wednesday at 6:00 pm.

- Team Spotlight: **Mission Team**- A group of volunteers dedicated to outreach and service in the local community and beyond. They organize and participate in mission trips, humanitarian aid projects, and evangelistic efforts to help those in need and spread their faith. If this sounds like a team you would be interested in learning more about, please see Thomas Hahn or Pastor Hanna.

Financial Stewards: Caris Hahn and Beth Curry

Nursery Attendants: Suzy Hanaway and Sue Garruto

Mission Statement: "Our mission is to be a spirited, vibrant church planted by God's grace, growing in Christ's love, and living as fruitful neighbors within our community as we answer God's call to make disciples of Jesus Christ."

Trading My Sorrows

Verse

I'm trading my sorrows
 I'm trading my shame
 I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord
 I'm trading my sickness
 I'm trading my pain
 I'm laying them down for the joy of the Lord

Chorus

Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes yes Lord
 Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes yes Lord
 Yes Lord, yes Lord, yes yes Lord, Amen.

Verse

Chorus

Bridge

I am pressed but not crushed persecuted
 not abandoned
 Struck down but not destroyed
 I am blessed beyond the curse for His
 promise will endure
 That his joy's gonna be my strength
 Though the sorrow may last for the night
 His joy comes with the morning

Verse

Chorus

In The Garden

1. I come to the garden alone
 while the dew is still on the roses,
 and the voice I hear falling on my ear
 the Son of God discloses.

Refrain:

And he walks with me, and he talks with me,
 and he tells me I am his own;
 and the joy we share as we tarry there,
 none other has ever known.

2. He speaks, and the sound of his voice,
 is so sweet the birds hush their singing,

and the melody that he gave to me
 within my heart is ringing. (Refrain)

3. I'd stay in the garden with him
 though the night around me be falling,
 but he bids me go; thru the voice of woe
 his voice to me is calling. (Refrain)

Ashley Michelle Horton graduated from Appalachian State University in May 2026, earning a Bachelor of Social Work degree. She graduated *magna cum laude* and is currently serving as a social worker for Hospice of Watauga County while continuing her education in the Master of Social Work Advanced Standing Program at Appalachian State University.



Dylan B. Little graduated from Wingate University in December 2025, earning a Bachelor of Science degree with dual majors in Business and Mathematics. He graduated *summa cum laude* and is pursuing a career as an independent insurance agent.



Elizabeth A. Davis graduated from Gray Stone Day School in May 2026. She plans to continue her education at North Carolina State University, where she hopes to major in Fashion and Textile Management.

