



The Weekly Bulletin
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PEALING OF THE BELLS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Please sign and pass the Register of Friendship during this time.

PRELUDE

Now Thank We All Our God

Johann Sebastian Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Grace and peace to you from the One who is, who always was, and who is still to come – the Alpha and the Omega – the beginning and the end.

People: **This is our God, the One who loves us and gave himself for us; who gathers us together in this place and bids us seek his face.**

All: **Let us worship God together.**

*CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP
CONGREGATION AND CHOIR

Come into God's Presence

Hymn 413

Come into God's presence singing
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Come into God's presence singing
Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lord, Jesus is Lord.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Make your home with us, O God, and teach us to love. Send your Spirit to bring hope and peace. Expand our capacity to live with differences and to respect the beliefs of others. Move us to praise and rejoicing and grant that we may walk in your light. Amen.

*HYMN 643

Now Thank We All Our God

Nun danket alle Gott

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

Unison

Merciful God, forgive us for our desires to flee from this world, when you give us the ability to change it. Forgive us for submitting to the powers of this world, rather than the love of your kingdom. Forgive us when we are blinded by fear, unwilling to see your vision of hope. Create in our midst something new, that the ways of sin and death may be overturned.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Believe the good news,

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

**All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising to the eternal Three in One:
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ the living king!**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Penny Morton

Children will be invited to come forward. At the conclusion of the Children's Greeting, parents may take preschool children to the nursery. Children in grades K-2 may go the chapel for Children's Church.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

[Daniel 8:1-4](#)

Pew Bible, page 781

ANTHEM

O Love, How Deep

Everett Titcomb

O Love, how deep, how broad, how high, how passing thought and fantasy,
That God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.

For us he prayed, for us he taught, for us his daily works he wrought,
By words and signs and actions, thus still seeking not himself, but us.

All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad;
The Trinity whom we adore forever, and for evermore. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

[Revelation 1:1-8](#)

Pew Bible, page 230

SERMON

The Alpha and the Omega

Mrs. Ayscue

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Hyfrydol

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

O Rest in the Lord

Felix Mendelssohn

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

hymnal, page 606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN 459

O Word of God Incarnate

Munich

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Fourfold Amen

John Stainer

*POSTLUDE

Finale

Eric Thiman

*All that are able may stand.

We rejoice that you are worshiping with us today. If you are a member of this church, please seek out those who are visiting and welcome them to this family of faith. If you are visiting and would like to know more about the church and membership here, please speak with one of the ministers following worship.

The acolyte today is Ethan Richards. After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

Ushers: Jim Hesley, captain; Duncan Bryson, Keith Bryson, Banks Garrison, Jim Ivey, Robert Ivey, Sandy Saunders, Harold Sharpe, Joe Snuggs, Elizabeth Wilson **Elder Greeters:** Ellen Snyder; Lynn White **Nursery:** Caroline Snyder **Toddler Room:** Cici Ly **Preschool Partners:** Heather & John Kilde **Nana & Papa Team:** Barbara & Bill Lindley **Children's Church:** Laura Beth Marks; Addison Marks

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Alice Brooks (family friend of Don & Nancy Joines; bone cancer in leg), Jim Hesley, Cemita Gibbs. **See newsletter for complete list.**

Please keep the following summer travelers in your prayers:

Matt Drumheller who is serving as a commissioner at the PCUSA General Assembly in Portland, Oregon from June 17-25.

and

The Raleigh Youth Mission Trip participants June 19-24: Steve Cumming, Holland Currie, Virginia Currie, Barbara McManus, and Jacob Palmer.

2016 Mother's Day/ Father's Day Offering on Sunday, June 19

We will receive the Mother's Day/Father's Day offering for the Presbyterian Homes today. An offering envelope is attached to the enclosed brochure.

HELP IS NEEDED WITH COOKING CAMP (JUNE 20-23)...If you have **some time** the week of June 20-23, come join us at **COOKING CAMP**. For more information, contact Jane Snyder ([704-982-2722](tel:704-982-2722)/[704-438-3358](tel:704-438-3358) or jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org).



Visit the First Presbyterian Church Summer Art Gallery Exhibit featuring The Art of Photography by Lachlann Currie
(The exhibit is located in the church basement.)

Produce Basket



One week a month, our church volunteers to pick- up produce at the Richfield Food Lion and deliver it to the Albemarle Food Bank. We need one more volunteer to do the pick-up on Friday once a month. Please contact Janet Schaefer (336-461-3422) if you would like to help.

Thank you to the following people who helped make the Central School Teacher Appreciation Brunch on June 9 a success: Linda Anderson, Mildred Andrew, Elizabeth Ayscue, Gloria Bryson, Andy Cotton, James Cotton, Ann Crutchfield, Peggy Finley, Martha Sue Hall, Daphne Hayer, Margaret Ivey, Catherine Moeller, Pam Morgan, Ruth Ann Rogers, Gayle Russell, Marlene Sanges, Harold Sharpe, Carroll Sitton, Ann Upchurch, Shirley Welch, and Elizabeth Wilson.

Ruth Cotton & Carolyn Sharpe



Summer Study on the Book of Revelation

- When? Monday, June 27 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
Monday, July 25 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
- What? We'll gather twice during the summer for in-depth conversation about the revelation which John received. We'll discuss various interpretations, bring questions, and dig deeper into several texts.
- What else? Matt and Elizabeth will lead these sessions together. You can come for one or for both.

We'll have a light supper together. Donations accepted for the meal. We need sign-ups by the Thursday before the class so we can plan adequately for food and supplies.

Zootopia

Summer Movie Night on Wednesday, June 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Gym

From Walt Disney Animation Studios comes a comedy-adventure set in the modern mammal metropolis of Zootopia.

Enjoy this hilarious adventure full of action, heart and tons of bonus extras that take you deeper into the world of Zootopia.

It's big fun for all shapes and species!

Bring the entire family out to enjoy a movie with friends, popcorn, candy & drinks...

*Bring a chair or blanket and plan to relax and laugh out loud!!!

The 2016 Nominating Committee

welcomes your suggestions of persons to be considered for service as Deacon or Ruling Elder.

In thinking of folks who may be qualified to serve, please consider the following:

- Worship attendance
- Participation in church activities
- Service rendered to the church
- Christian living in daily life
- Ability to work cooperatively with others

Suggestions for Deacon

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Suggestions for Ruling Elder

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Please return suggestions to the church office or to Tom Norwood, Nominating Committee Chair, by July 1.

FATHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS

In memory of:

Given by:

Gilbert Anderson; Edward Arnold	Linda Anderson
Johnny Andrew.....	His Family
T. L. Andrew, Sr.....	Mark & Kim
Walter C. Byrd	Mary Lou Andrew & W. Keith Byrd
Austin Ayscue; John F. McNair, III	Skeet & Elizabeth
Eugene Luke Boyle; Carl Jasper Hinson.....	Elizabeth & Barbara Boyle
Paul Honeycutt	Wanda Brannon
Bill Cotton; Ed Stanhope.....	Andy, Ruth, & James Cotton
John R. Benson.....	Wiley & Ann Benson Crutchfield
John McCarty Duckwall.....	Ann Duckwall
James Macon King	Donna & Bob Gaither
Frank Howard Gaither.....	Bob & Donna Gaither
Leonard Mabry; Robert Burdett.....	Kate, Carter Elizabeth, & Emma Gibson
Lowell Grantier	Judy Grantier
George P. Brown	His Children: John, Sally, & Penny
Gary L. Grantier	His Children: David, Betsy, & Susan
J.C. Hahn; Horace M. Boger	John & Debbie Hahn
Charles Harris; M. Palmer Harris Sr.; Rev. J.E. Ratchford	Martha Sue
John W. Barrett; J. Wallace Ivey; Jim Ivey.....	Margaret Ivey & Dale Ivey Stoehr
Jim Ivey, Jr.; Bill R. Stiller; Paul J. Cox	Jim, Lori, William, & Robert
Charles R. Wallace; Calvin S. Knight.....	Connie Wallace & Ken Knight
R.V. (Bun) Liles; Simeon A. Abbey	R.V. (Dick) Liles, Jr., M.D.
Robert Burdett; Leonard Mabry	Mark & Chris Mabry
Dr. Fred L. Marshall; Benjamin David Ridenhour	Jim & Kim Marshall
Brack Burris	Polly Moose
Verne Moose	Mark Moose & Karen Hickman
Mr. M.C. "Preacher" Morgan, Jr.; Mr. Curtis Morris.....	Rodney & Rita Morgan
W. T. Freck Norwood.....	Tom & Holly Norwood
Wyman Scarborough; Ron Olive	Molly Olive
Bob Palmer	Frankie Palmer
Paul B. Poplin.....	Gerald Poplin
Joe Russell, Sr.	Miriam, Joe Jr., and Tom Russell
Manus Samples.....	Dan
Harry E. Dyer, Jr.; W.H. White.....	Martha, Lynn, & Brittany White

FATHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS

In honor of:

Given by:

Skeet Ayscue	Rebekah & Spencer
Mark Andrew	His Family
Joseph Boyle.....	Elizabeth Boyle
Matt Carpenter.....	Hugh & Russ
Andy Cotton	James & Ruth Cotton
Wiley R. Crutchfield, Sr.....	Ann & Wiley R. Crutchfield, Jr.
Wiley Crutchfield, Jr.	Kayla & Megan
Mark Mabry; Trey Gibson	Kate, Carter Elizabeth, & Emma Gibson
John Hahn	Debbie Hahn & Thomas Hahn
Thomas Hahn	John, Debbie, & Ayla Hahn
Bill Hall	Morgan & Murphy; Palmer Schultz
Dan Samples.....	Morgan & Murphy; Palmer Schultz
Claude Harwood.....	His Family
Jim Ivey, III	William & Robert
Dustin Jolly.....	Maddox & Marshall Jolly
Stephan Kinley	Morgan & Merrin Kinley
Terry Morgan	Leslie Kinley & Lisa Carter
R.V. (Dick) Liles, Jr. (Pop)	Abbey, Mike, & Rachel Grace Campbell
Mark Mabry.....	Kate, Meg, & Jennifer
Dr. James L. Marshall	Brittany, Ashley, Ginny, Luke, Olivia, and Greta
Jack Morton.....	Taylor & Caroline
Dr. Mike Dearstyne; Roy Dearstyne; Dave Feezor; Bob Feezor.....	Tom & Holly Norwood; Anna Feezor & Family
Dr. Tom "Fred" Norwood	Holly Norwood; Anna Feezor & Family
John Palmer; Andy Cole.....	Frankie Palmer
Tom Rabe	Lynn Poplin
Gerald Poplin.....	Beverly Steinhaus; Dustin Poplin
Dustin Poplin	Sophie & Braden Poplin
Peter Schultz.....	Palmer Schultz
Lynn White.....	Brittany

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 19

Father's Day

Presbyterian Homes Mother's Day/

Father's Day Offering

9:00 am *Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am *Worship

Monday, June 20

8:30 am-1:00 pm SNL Monday Morning Mission

9:00 am-1:00 pm Cooking Camp

1:00 pm Congregational Nominating Committee

6:30 pm Workgroup Meeting

Tuesday, June 21

9:00 am-1:00 pm Cooking Camp

Wednesday, June 22

9:00 am-1:00 pm Cooking Camp

Thursday, June 23

9:00 am-1:00 pm Cooking Camp

5:30 pm Generosity Committee

Friday, June 24

Summer Friday - Church Office Closed

Sunday, June 26

9:00 am *Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am *Worship

***childcare provided**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

JUNE

19-Jane Boone

Marshall Jolly

Jack Morton

Kassie Taylor

20-Judy Kilgore

22-Maci Holshouser

25-Jane Lisk

Ann Snuggs

26-Jim Marshall

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

JUNE

19-Andy & Ruth Cotton

Claude & Cathryn Harwood

Bob & Carol Sasser

23-Ken & Laura Frazier

24-Jim & Iris Coggins

Glenn & Becky Miller

25-Phillip & Mandy Brown

Bill & Nancy Jolly

David & Ellen Whitley

26-David & Mellanie Morgan

SCCM FOOD CHALLENGE FOR

JUNE:

Soup & Crackers

REVELATION BIBLE READING

June 19 Revelation 2:24-29

June 20 Revelation 3:1-6

June 21 Revelation 3:7-13

June 22 Revelation 3:14-22

June 23 Revelation 4:1-6

June 24 Revelation 4:7-11

June 25 Revelation 5:1-8

June 26 Revelation 5:9-14

GARDENING FOR SCCM

!!! ATTENTION VEGETABLE GARDENERS !!!

As you tend your summer vegetable garden, please remember to plant a little extra so that you can share some of the fruits of your labors with members of our congregation as well as the clients at the Stanly Community Christian Ministry. Bring your harvest to the table in the pit stop on Sunday mornings so that folks can have an opportunity to make a purchase. The donations will be sent to SCCM. Whatever vegetables remain will be transported to the SCCM food pantry.