



The Weekly Bulletin
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PEALING OF THE BELLS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Matt Drumheller

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

PRELUDE

Amazing Grace! How Sweet the Sound
arr. Robert D. Vandall

Adam Jolly, piano

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Angus Currie

Leader: The inhabitants of the world belong to the Lord.

People: As does the earth itself.

Leader: God created the sun and the mountain peaks, the lands and the seas.

People: The Lord God created them all.

Leader: Your works are numerous, O Lord.

People: For the earth is full of your creatures.

*CHORAL INTROIT

Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts

Camille Sant-Saëns

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Duncan Bryson

*HYMN 1

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Nicaea

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ben McLeod

Silence

Unison

Merciful God, though the blooming flowers of spring remind us of your glory, we still struggle to remain constant in the Word. We confess we fail to value the many blessings you have placed in our lives. Lead us back to the cross and strengthen our faith in you.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

David Kilde

Leader: Believe the good news,

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

hymnal, page 240

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM

*You Made Every Part of Me
Two Little Eyes*
Youth Club Trusty Travelers

Marie Pooler
S.V.R. Ford

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Isabel McLeod

Children will be invited to come forward. At the conclusion of the Children's Greeting, parents may take preschool children to the nursery.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lee Boone

Lord, open our eyes and our hearts so that we may hear your word without distraction. Help us focus on what you want us to hear. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

[Colossians 1:15-17](#)
Pew Bible, page 188

Jacob Palmer

ANTHEM

This Is My Father's World
Youth Club Faith Explorers

Carol McClure

GOSPEL READING

[John 1:1-5](#)
Pew Bible, page 597

Lachlann Currie

FAITH TESTIMONIES

Quinton Wainwright, Garrett Chapman, Jenna Biddle, and Virginia Currie

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

Witt Snuggs

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

Hymn to Joy

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRESENTATION OF THE CONFIRMAND

Matt Drumheller

Questions to the Confirmand
Presentation of the Gifts
Charge to the Confirmand
Prayer

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Anna Wainwright

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

Kalyn Caudle

Offertory

Deck Thyself, My Soul, with Gladness

Johannes Brahms

*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

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Matt Drumheller

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Peace I Give to You

Robert Lehman

*POSTLUDE

Postlude

Frank Bridge

*All who are able may stand.

We rejoice that you are worshipping 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 Andy McLeod. After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

Thanks to the Youth of First Presbyterian Church, the Trusty Travelers, and the Faith Explorers for their participation in worship today.

Ushers: Heather Kilde, captain; Jim Carter, Michelle Cumming, Holland Currie, David Kilde, Ben McLeod, Isabel McLeod, Mandy & Phillip Brown, Alternates **Elder Greeters:** Bob Johnston; Mary Kesselman
Nursery: Jana Sanderson **Toddler Room:** Misty Honbarrier **Preschool Partners:** Jessica & John Palmer
Nana & Papa Team: Barbara & Bill Lindley **No Children's Church**

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: The family of Martha McNair (mother of Rev. Elizabeth McNair Ayscue), The family of Roger Long (uncle of Roger Martin), Jim Ivey (Trinity Place Room E-11; spouse of Margaret Ivey), Yoder Whitley (recovering from surgery; father of Laura Beth Marks), Gay Ellington (former co-worker of Martha White; diagnosed with inoperable lung cancer), Mike Dearstyne (brother of Holly Norwood; medical concerns). **See newsletter for complete list.**

Congratulations to confirmand:

Lachlann Currie, daughter of Lisa and Patrick Currie.

If you would like to contribute intercessions or thanksgivings to the weekly prayers of the people, please email them to Elizabeth at eayscue@fpcalbemarle.org.

BREAD FOR THE WORLD...BREAD FOR YOU

Focus: Helping Mothers & Children Survive & Thrive

Letter Writing Sunday, April 24

9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. & following worship in the pit stop



breadfortheworld
HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER.

Question: Does letter writing change anything? Has any progress been made?

Answer: Progress is slow, but in 1990 more than 12 million children under the age of 5 died from preventable causes. Each year, funding for USAID programs saves the lives of millions of children under age 5 with simple solutions and inexpensive ways to stop the top causes of death. Action by congress at the end of 2015 will increase U.S. support of development assistance for farmers in Africa and elsewhere.



The SERRV Spring Catalog for 2016 is available!
Check it out & place an order by Monday, April 18!

Catalogs are available in the church office.

Bread Bakers Needed for Bread for the World Letter Writing Campaign...If you make quick breads, sourdough breads, or yeast breads, and can supply some for the *sale* table on April 24 as part of the *Bread for the World* letter writing campaign, contact Ann Duckwall (704-983-3498). Remember that all donations for the bread are given to SCCM!



Green Fest

Sunday, April 17, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. in the gym

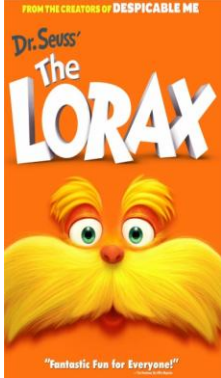
!!!Celebrate God's creation!!!

Learn of ways to re-purpose, re-use and recycle to preserve our beautiful world!

!!! Continental breakfast, free items, door prizes !!!

*Ride your bike to church or carpool to save resources...

*Bring a water bottle for your beverage to save cups...



Earth Day

Movie Night

Friday, April 2

2 6:30 p.m. in the gym

Come celebrate Earth Day & enjoy Dr. Seuss' The Lorax

A 12-year-old boy searches for the one thing that will enable him to win the affection of the girl of his dreams. To find it he must discover the story of the Lorax, the grumpy yet charming creature who fights to protect his world.

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

Cozy up in your chair or blanket and plan to relax and laugh out loud!!!

SNL SCAVENGER HUNT FOR FOOD & SUPPLIES

TO DONATE TO SCCM

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

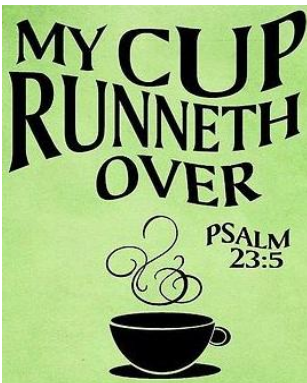
5:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M.

Youth will be visiting homes of members throughout our congregation for canned food and non-perishable items to stock SCCM shelves. If you are interested in having youth visit you, contact Matt (704-982-2722 or mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org).





The Stanly County Chorale will present its 2016 Spring Concert on Saturday, April 30, at 7:30 PM, in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church. The Concert is titled, *Jazz Impressions* and will feature jazzy choral arrangements of songs. Caroline Stephenson is the Musical Director, and Zoey Brouthers will be returning as the group's accompanist.



What if you could purchase a beautiful pottery coffee mug made by local potters and have 100% of the proceeds go to any local charity of your choice here in Stanly County?

Stop by Glory Beans anytime between 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 30 and fill your mug of choice with coffee/tea/hot cocoa. Light breakfast refreshments will be served and no tickets necessary. Just come and support your favorite local charity. Hope to see you there!

Saturday, April 30

8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. at at Glory Beans (134 West Main Street)

Mugs: \$20 each

Coltrane Life Center Mini-Rock-A-Thon at the Stanly County Senior Center
Sunday, April 17 1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
To register, contact Debbie Bennett at 704-986-3016.

A Hiking We Will Go!

**Faith Explorers Sunday Outing to the Morrow Mountain Trails
Sunday, April 17 Noon-3:30 pm (with pickup at the church)**

Bring a picnic (bag) lunch and plan to leave just following worship. Plan to spend the afternoon with friends and enjoy the beautiful outdoors!

O.A.S.I.S. (Older Adult Services in Stanly)

Save the Date: Thursday, April 21

It's Dumpling Day at Handi Mart (Hwy 24/27 Bypass)

Please come out for lunch and/or supper at HandiMart in Burleson Square to support this O.A.S.I.S. fundraiser. Myra Whitley is graciously donating a percentage of that day's sales to O.A.S.I.S. In addition to dumplings, there will be: Stew Beef, Fried Chicken, Chicken Tenders, Pintos, Rice, Cream Potatoes, Green Beans, Cabbage, Corn, Stewed Apples, Yams, Fat Back, Homemade Biscuits, & Desserts! (Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, & Salads are also available.)

Suicide: Let's Talk About It

with presenter Kevin Hines, the man who jumped off the Golden Gate Bridge and lived, and author of *Cracked Not Broken*.

Tuesday, May 3 at the Stanly County Agri-Civic Center

Booths 5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Presentation 6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

- ❖ No Charge; Limited Seating
- ❖ Book signing provided by Stanly County Partners in Health

Please register by April 29 to attend the event at: www.KevinHinesStanly.eventbrite.com.

EARTH DAY TOUR OF SPRING LAKE FAMILY FARMS

(33463 OLD SALISBURY RD., ALBEMARLE)

FRIDAY, APRIL 22 AT 11:00 A.M.

Gabe Lowder, of Spring Lake Family Farms, will offer an Earth Day Tour, on Friday, April 22 at 11:00 a.m. The farm has an aquaponics facility to grow produce year round and without pesticides or fertilizers. Spring Lake Family Farms also participates in the Farmers Market at Market Station on Saturdays. If you would like to participate in the tour, please contact the church office (704-982-2722 or gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org).

MOTHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS

On Mother's Day, the arrangements in the sanctuary will be in honor/memory of mothers. Each name is \$2.00. Please mail, deliver, or place in the offering plate your money with the form below **NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, MAY 1**. Please make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church and designate for *Mother's Day Arrangements*. The names of donors and those being honored/remembered will be listed on **Mother's Day, May 8**. Any money collected over the cost of the arrangements will be donated to the Minister's Discretionary Fund.

MOTHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS

Please print below the information exactly as it is to appear in the bulletin.

In memory of: _____

Given by: _____

In honor of: _____

Given by: _____

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 17

GreenFest/Youth Sunday

Trusty Travelers and Faith Explorers sing in worship

8:45 am *Diaconate

9:15 am Faith Explorers rehearse in the sanctuary

9:30 am *GreenFest in the gym

11:00 am *Worship

12:00 pm-3:30 pm Faith Explorers' Outing to Morrow Mountain

Monday, April 18

8:30 pm Senior High Bible Study at Elizabeth's

8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

Tuesday, April 19

10:00 am Covenant Bible Study

12:00 pm May Newsletter Deadline

Wednesday, April 20

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

7:00 pm *Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 21

9:30 am *Pray & Play

10:00 am Staff Meeting

8:00 pm Theology Lite at Coach's Grill (720 Hwy. 24/27 East)

Friday, April 22

Earth Day

11:00 am Tour of Spring Lake Family Farms

6:30 pm Movie Night in the gym; *Dr. Suess' The Lorax*

Sunday, April 24

Youth Club Handbell Ensemble rings in worship

9:00 am *Breakfast Bunch

9:00 am *Bread for the World Letter Writing (Pit Stop)

9:45 am *Sunday School/ENGAGE!

9:45 am Youth Club Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

11:00 am *Worship

12:00 pm-1:00 pm Bread for the World Letter Writing (Pit Stop)

5:00 pm-7:00 pm SNL Scavenger Hunt

***childcare provided**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

APRIL

17-David Kilde

20-Peggy Finley

22-Kim Caudle

Marshall Rogers

23-Emma Gibson

Polly Moose

24-Liz Davis

Anita Gower

Alexis Poolos

Jacqueline Poolos

Nicole Poolos

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

APRIL

19-Robert & Myra Land

22-Jim & Lori Ivey

24-Robin & Melissa Lemons

Vanhna & Pine Sydalack

**SCCM NEED FOR APRIL:
CANNED FRUIT**

SNL Trivia Night & Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, May 1 at 6:00 p.m.

SNL will host its 3rd annual trivia night to benefit our summer trips. Tickets are \$15.00 for an individual or you can form a team of 8 people (\$50.00 family maximum). Members of SNL will serve a spaghetti dinner and you will compete with your table or team in a trivia challenge. This is a fundraising event for the entire congregation which will benefit our youth programs. Come test your trivia knowledge and support our youth! Contact Matt Drumheller for more information (704-982-2722 or mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org).