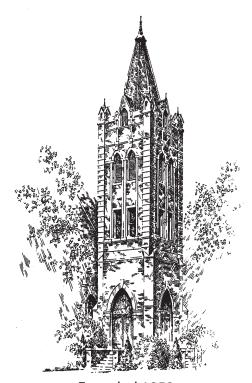
# **Laurinburg Presbyterian Church**

600 West Church St. Laurinburg, NC 28352 Christ the King/Reign of Christ Communion November 20, 2016



Founded 1859

Dr. Duane Hix, Interim Pastor Dr. José Rivera, Director of Music Mr. Sean McDonald, Organist

**Supported Missionary** 

Christopher McReynolds

#### SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 20, 2016

Eleven o' clock

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Prayer for Reflection:

Lord of the harvest: in this season of thanksgiving, remind us of your gifts, our abilities, and the opportunities ahead of us. Renew us through worship and rededicate us to the service of your kingdom. Amen

#### WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please print your name on the Friendship Pad found at the end of the pew, and return it to its starting place.

## WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE The King of Love Wood

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come, let us exult in Christ, eternal son of God.

All: Come, let us honor Christ, incarnate son of Mary. One: Come, let us serve Christ, glorious ruler of creation.

All: For to him belong the power and the glory of the Almighty. Come, let us worship the Lord! Amen

PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*HYMN 268 Crown Him with Many Crowns

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

# \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

God, we call you Lord of hosts, leader of an army of angels, ruler over heaven and earth. We praise your power and pledge to serve you as one serves a sovereign, with obedience and gratitude. Yet though we proclaim Christ with our lips, we do not honor him with our lives. We serve idols of success and privilege; we seek security through violence; we live in fear of death and loss. We do not trust you as we ought to trust and do not love others as we ought to love. Have mercy upon us. Reveal your kingdom in our midst, that we may see signs of your victory and be loyal citizens in your eternal reign. Please now receive also our personal prayers of repentance...

## Silent Prayer

#### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

#### \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 581 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.

## WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

## CHILDREN'S TIME for all children

(Children remain in worship today for communion; parents may take younger children to the nursery.)

# PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 23: 1-8 pg. 725

One: The word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM The King of Love My Shepherd Is arr. Beck

THE GOSPEL READING Luke 1:67-79 pg. 58 One: The word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

THE MESSAGE "God Is In the Manger" – Introducing the Advent Devotional Book by Dietrich Bonhoeffer

\*HYMN 104 O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Christian Church is the congregation of believers in which Jesus Christ acts presently as the Lord in Word and Sacrament through the Holy Spirit. As the church of pardoned sinners, it has to testify in the midst of a sinful world, with its faith as with its obedience, with its message as with its order, that it is solely his property, and that it lives and wants to live solely from his comfort and from his direction in expectation of his appearance.

From The Barmen Declaration, Germany, 1934

#### OFFERING OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

OFFERTORY All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Limburg

\*DEDICATION RESPONSE: The Doxology # 606

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

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING (Unision)

Lord, your steadfast love never ceases, and your mercies never end. Use these gifts, we pray, that through them your compassion may be known throughout the world. Amen

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

AN INVITATION TO THE TABLE

AN INVITATION IN SONG 507 Come to the Table of Grace, v. 1

**CALL TO THANKSGIVING** 

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.
One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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

#### THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(Our communion bread is gluten-free. Worshippers may eat the bread as they receive it, but are asked to hold the cups until all are served.)

#### THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this holy meal, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the marriage feast of the Lamb. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

#### WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

\*HYMN 269

Lead On, O King Eternal

\*BENEDICTION

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 543, vv. 1 and 4 O Christ, Surround Me God, be the love to search and keep me;
God, be the prayer to move my voice;
God, be the strength to now uphold me.
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.
Walking behind to hem my journey,
going ahead to light my way,
and from beneath, above, and all ways.
O Christ, surround me; O Christ, surround me.

POSTLUDE

Crown Him With Many Crowns

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All who are able may stand.

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Welcome to everyone in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. May each of us know the presence of the risen Christ as we worship and feel the warmth and love of the community of Christ here today. If you are searching for a church home, we invite you to join us in the worship and work of Jesus Christ through the ministries of this congregation. To receive information about the life of this faith community, please mark the Friendship Pad.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### November 20

6:30 pm Community Thanksgiving Service First Baptist Church **November 21** 

7:00 pm Session

November 22-25 Dr. Duane Hix is away from 11/22-11/25. Please direct caregiving needs to Dr. Doug Hix at 910-280-2517.

November 24-25 Office Closed For Thanksgiving

November 28

5:30 pm PW Coordinating Team

November 27

2 cents a meal offering for world hunger

November 30 Noon - Mission Study - Bible Study

# 7:00 pm CNE Meeting

## **November Sanctuary Committee**

Emma McInnis, Chair, Maggie Wells, Clara Butler, Carol Lee, Eleanor McRae, Joanna Altman, Mary Margaret Miller

\*Advent starts next week November 27. If your family would like to light the Advent candle in worship one Sunday, or on Christmas Eve please contact Dr. Duane or the church office asap.

# Advent Workshop: Saturday, December 3, 10 am

Mark your calendars for our Advent Workshop on Saturday, December 3, at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall! We will make crafts, decorate cookies, sing songs, and learn the story of Jesus's birth--followed by a pizza lunch. Kids, youth, and families are encouraged to come and invite friends and neighbors to join you!

**CN&E** is looking for volunteers to lead craft tables, help out with crafts, bake cookies, tell stories, or organize lunch. Please contact Jaime (<a href="mailto:jam6ah@gmail.com">jam6ah@gmail.com</a> or 258-8459) if you can help.

#### **NOTES AND THANKS**

Christmas Cheer Tree is up. "Again this Christmas, the LPC Deacons ask you to take a tag (or two) from our Christmas Cheer trees set up outside the fellowship hall and sanctuary and buy gifts for local familes in need. Please wrap the gifts, include the tags on the outside of the packages, and bring them to the church office by Sunday, December 11, 2016. The Deacons will then deliver the gifts with food baskets to the families before Christmas. Thank you for your generous support of this annual mission project!" Denise Herr, Chairman

#### Deck the Halls

It's time to decorate LPC for Christmas! Come join the fun - Everyone is welcome! Friday, December 2, 9:00 am. Thanks!!!!

Charlotte McLean & Ellen Dean

#### ALTERNATIVE GIVING OPPORTUNITY

Books are in the office for you to review as an alternative for this Christmas Giving Season. Thank you for your generosity. Bill Hill, Chairman

# St. Andrews Final Exam Stress Buster -- Calling all LPC Bakers!

The annual St. Andrews Final Exam "Cookies and Milk" Stress Buster event will be hosted by LPC on Sunday evening, December 4. Please bring your cookies, or any other goodies, to the church on Sunday December 4, and leave them in the Fellowship Hall Kitchen. Also, please include a note if they contain nuts or coconut. The LPC Deacons and St. Andrews students thank you so much! Bill Loftus

# 2017 Stewardship Update 11/17/16

| 2017 Pledge Budget    | \$412,915 |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| 2017 Pledges Received | \$248,284 |
| 2017 Pledges Needed   | \$164,631 |

# 2017 Pledges Received = 60% of Goal

If you have not turned in your 2017pledge card, please mail it or drop it off in the church financial office as soon as possible. Thank you, The Stewardship/Membership Committee

# Please remember these in your thoughts and prayers—

Continuing **Concerns**: Lucile Bridgeman, Clark Hanmer, Louise Wester, Katherine McKay, Sarah Bullock, Jake Caudill, Millie Peele, Flo Johnson, Jane McKay, Sammy Simmons

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