

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

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Transfiguration of the Lord

February 26, 2017



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 TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

February 26, 2017

Eleven o'clock

Prayer for Reflection:

God above us, God among us: help us this day to see through the clouds of obscurity and recognize you. Be transfigured before us now, as you were on the mountaintop. Allow us in this hour of worship to glimpse the very face of God. 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

CALL TO WORSHIP From Isaiah 40

One: Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord, creator of the ends of the earth, does not grow weary.

All: So those who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.

One: They shall rise up with wings as the eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not be faint.

All: So praise the Lord, source of life and strength! Praise the Lord, all people. Amen

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*Hymn 191 We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Our Lord, creator and redeemer: we have learned since youth that you are gracious, that your love precedes us, that forgiveness is offered even before we ask. What a wonderful message! Yet, how we have abused this miracle of love! We have neglected to respond to your offer. We have cheapened the price of forgiveness. We have squandered its power to change us. You have every right to withdraw your love and let us face the whirlwind sown by our sin. Do not desert us, God. Once again, we pray for your mercy, and we pledge to live as agents of your grace. Please hear and accept our personal confession....

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*

Glorify 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

No Sunday School for older kids today. Only younger kids (age 3-1st grade) will have Sunday School.

After the children's message, children can meet their teachers at the back of the Sanctuary to go to Sunday School.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Genesis 33:1-11 PG. 30

One: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Be Thou My Vision Young

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING: Ephesians 2:1-10 PG. 192

One: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE Words of Faith: #2 Grace
"By Grace You Have Been Saved" Dr. Duane Hix

*HYMN 475 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In infinite and perfect love, and through the mediation and sacrifice of the Lord Jesus Christ, God has provided a covenant of grace, a way of life and salvation. This is sufficient for and adapted to the

whole lost race of humankind. God freely offers this salvation to all people in the gospel.... It is the duty and privilege of everyone who hears the gospel immediately to accept its merciful provisions and respond in faith.

From The Westminster Confession of Faith, 1647

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

OFFERER OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

OFFERTORY

*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 (unison)

Out of your generosity, Lord, we have received all that we truly need and all that we should want. Please receive these gifts that we offer in grateful response to your kindness. Lead us in the way of compassion and justice. Through Christ's Name we pray. Amen

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN 156 Sing of God Made Manifest

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 127 (Refrain only) Jesus the Light of the World

**We'll walk in the light, beautiful light
Come where the dewdrops of mercy shine bright
O, shine all around us by day and by night
Jesus, the light of the world**

POSTLUDE

**All who are able may stand.*

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.

In lieu of flowers this Sunday a donation has been made to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund in celebration of the 75th wedding anniversary of Ervin and Ann Hill by their children.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Today

5:45 LPC Got Talent & Fundraiser Meal

Feb. 27

5:30 pm PW Coordinating Team

Mar. 1 - Ash Wednesday

4:30 pm WMA

6:00 pm Fellowship Pancake Dinner

7:00 pm Worship

Mar. 5

4:30 Deacons

Mar. 6 - PW Circle Meetings

Circle 1- 7 pm- Home of Janice Liles, Co- host- Phyllis Breeden

Leader- Phyllis Breeden- Study Leader-Martha Olmstead

Circle 2- 4:30 pm-Home of Virginia McCormick, Co-host Lillian Boger

Leader - Lillian Boger- Study Leader- Ramona Wright

Circle 4- 3:45 pm-Scotia Village

Leader - Carolina Caddell - Study Leader- Henrietta Carmichael

Mar. 7

5:00 pm Membership/Stewardship

7:00 pm BEG

Mar. 14

5:00 pm CNE

Mar. 15

7:00 pm Finance & Administration

Mar. 16

5:30 pm Child Care

Mar. 20

7:00 pm Session

Mar. 26

Kirkin'o Tartan

Mar. 27

5:30 pm PW Coordinating

FEBRUARY SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

Martha Floyd, chair, Pam Coughenour, Sibyle Dulin,

Catherine McLaurin, Sue Jones, Susan Hartwell

MARCH SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

Lynn Massey, chair, Carol Sellers, Debby Holcomb,

Laura Beth Urie, Anne Sprouse

MARCH USHER TEAM # 2

Brian Bounds, Leader, David Bounds, Dan Dean, Jim Mason

Boyd McLaurin, Randy Miller, Kevin Patterson, Bill Purcell II

Eddie Carmichael, Chip Wells, John Decembrino

NOTES AND THANKS

Come join us on Wednesday, March 1st for our Fat Tuesday Pancake Dinner with all the fixin's to be held on Ash Wednesday. We will eat at 6:00 PM thanks to the cooking abilities of the chief volunteers John McRae and Andy Womble, followed by an Ash Wednesday Service. Martha Olmstead, Chair

Kirkin' o the Tartan Lunch

Our annual Kirkin' of the Tartan service will be held on Sunday, March 26. Following that service, a luncheon will be served in the fellowship hall. The menu is Boston butt, grilled chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, squash casserole, broccoli salad, tea, rolls and dessert. Advanced tickets are required to attend at a cost of \$10 per person; children 12 and under are free, but need a ticket. The deadline to purchase tickets is Wednesday, March 22. You have the option to reserve a table for your family; however, tickets must be purchased at the same time at a minimum of 6 (up to 8 can be at your table). Tickets are available at the church office during the week or at the table outside the Sanctuary, following the Sunday worship service.

LPC gardeners or potential gardeners, it's time to put in your application for your plot at the Community Garden. Returning gardeners you may reserve your same plot as last year at the same price. Just fill out the application, pay your rent and you're all set.

If you've never gardened before, don't worry. There are experienced gardeners just waiting to help you. Pick up an application in the Church office soon, as there are limited plots available. For more information call Scott Miller 610-5221. Happy Gardening!

Rehearsals for music ensembles, new members are always welcome!

Chancel Choir (High School-Adult): Wednesdays 7:15-8:15 pm,
Sundays 10:30 am

Youth Handbells (Middle/High School): Sundays 5-5:45 pm

Joyful Singers & Ringers (Grades 1-8): Sundays 10-10:30 am

Joyful Noisemakers (PreK-Grade 1): Wednesdays 6:30-7 pm

Please remember these in your thoughts and prayers—

Continuing Concerns: Lucile Bridgeman, Louise Wester, Sarah Bullock
Jake Caudill, Millie Peele, Flo Johnson, Sammy Simmons,
Elizabeth McIntosh, Dawn Salzlein

In Scotia Skilled: Evelyn Crossley, Virginia Johnson
Mackey McCormick, Helen Middleton, Klare Van Dusen
Marjorie Coughenour

Scotia Special Care: Frances Haupt, Ann Hill, Margaret Caudill

Scotia Assisted: Ervin Hill, Adell Page, John and Helen Baker

At Scottish Pines: Katherine Edmund, Thelma Morgan

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Martha Olmstead
Robin Snead
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Class of 2019

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Class of 2017

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Bill Loftus
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