

# **Laurinburg Presbyterian Church**

600 West Church St. Laurinburg, NC 28352

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 7, 2016

Scout Sunday



Founded 1859

Dr. Neal Carter, Pastor

Dr. José Rivera, Director of Music

Mr. Sean McDonald, Organist

Rev. Lyndsey McCall, Director of Christian Education

Supported Missionaries

Tim and Marta Carriker

Christopher McReynolds

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

February 7, 2016

Eleven o' clock

*God of mercy, grant that the Word you speak this day may take root in our hearts, and bear fruit to your honor and glory, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.*

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

### PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive from Psalm 100*)

One: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

**All: Serve the Lord with gladness!**

One: Come into His presence with singing!

**All: Know that the Lord is God!**

One: It is He that made us, and we are His;

**All: We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.**

One: Enter into His gates with thanksgiving,

**All: And His courts with praise!**

One: Give thanks to Him; bless His name!

**All: For the Lord is good;**

One: His steadfast love endures for ever,

**All: And His faithfulness to all generations.**

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*HYMN 193                      *Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain*

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Lord of life, we confess we have not met our obligation to make the world a safe place for our children. We have disappointed you and fallen short of your charge to us to**

**overcome evil with good. In humble submission we ask your forgiveness and beg to be renewed in energy and enthusiasm for the building of your kingdom on earth. Hear our prayer in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

*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

**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.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON for all children

*Children please meet your teachers at the back of the sanctuary to go to Sunday School.*

MINUTE FOR MISSION *Souper Bowl of Caring*

RESPONSIVE READING *Canticle of the Sun from St. Francis of Assisi*

One: O most high, almighty, good Lord God, to you belongs praise, glory, honor and all blessing.

**All: Praised be my Lord God with all his creatures, and especially, our brother, the sun, who brings us the day and who brings us the night; fair is he, and shines with a very great splendor; O Lord, he signifies You to us.**

One: Praise be my Lord for our sister the moon, and for the stars, which He has set clear and lovely in the heaven.

**All: Praised be my Lord for our brother the wind, and for the air and clouds, calms, and all weather by which you uphold life in all creatures.**

One: Praised be my Lord for our sister, water, who is very serviceable to us, and humble and precious... and very clean.

**All: Praised be my Lord for our brother, fire, through whom you give us light in the darkness; he is bright and pleasant and very mighty and strong.**

One: Praised be my Lord for our mother, the earth, which sustains us and keeps us, and brings forth grass and diverse fruits and flowers of many colors.

**All: Praise and bless the Lord, and give thanks to Him and serve Him with great humility. Amen.**

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Exodus 34:29-35 OT 81

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE LESSON 2 Corinthians 3:12 - 4:2 NT 180

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *This Glimpse of Glory* White  
Fabian Griffith, trumpet

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 9:28-43 NT 69

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

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *God of the Dust* Neal Carter

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed (unison)*

**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 156

*Sing of God Made Manifest*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

OFFERTORY

*America the Beautiful*

John Alec Caudill, conductor

Gus Purcell, Hunter Hopkins, and Andrew Oswald, soloists

Verses 1 & 2: Scouts

Verse 3: All Men

**O beautiful for patriot dream that sees beyond the years  
Thine alabaster cities gleam undimmed by human tears!  
America! America! God shed his grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea!**

\*DEDICATION HYMN 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 (*unison*)

**Your importance in our lives, O God, is reflected in our gifts.  
We return to you, through the ministry and outreach of  
this church, a portion of all that you have entrusted to us.  
We promise that these offerings will not be the end of our  
giving. We will also invest our time and abilities in your work  
of healing, comforting, teaching, guiding, and proclaiming  
good news. Bless each gift, whatever its size, and multiply  
the good to be done through our talents and treasure.**

\*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.**

## **GO IN GOD'S NAME**

\*HYMN 295                      *Go to the World!*

\*BENEDICTION CHARGE AND BLESSING

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN 853  
*We are Marching in the Light of God*

\*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. If you would like to speak with Neal Carter or receive information about the life of this faith community, mark the Friendship Pad or call Neal in the office 276-0831, ext. 302. New members will be joining soon. If you would like to join, please call the church office or let Neal know.

In lieu of flowers today a donation has been made to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund in memory of Essie Carmichael by her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Today is the Super Bowl but it's not just about football or the Carolina Panthers playing the Denver Broncos—it's about feeding the hungry—hence the name Souper Bowl of Caring. Since it's inception 26 years ago, the Souper Bowl of Caring has become a nationwide effort to raise hunger awareness in communities across this country. To help right here in our community, our Youth will be at the doors following worship

today with soup pots to receive your gifts of \$\$ or canned goods. All proceeds go straight to Church Community Services. Show your care. Feed the hungry in our community today.

### **Scout Troop 420 Announcements**

Today we thank the Scouts from Troop 420 for leading us in worship. This afternoon at 2 pm you are invited to attend the Cub Scout Crossover Ceremony & Pinewood Derby in the Fellowship Hall.

***Eagle Scout Ceremony Next Sunday, February 14.*** The family of Gus Purcell, II invites you to attend his Eagle Scout Ceremony in the sanctuary at 3 pm, and reception to follow in the fellowship hall.

***Boy Scout Troop 420 celebrate 85 years of Scouting in 2016.*** We are planning a celebration later this year and want to invite all who have participated in the Troop. If interested, please email your name and phone # to david@davidharling.com

### **Also on the calendar today Sunday, February 7**

***Deacons*** are meeting early at 4 pm so you won't miss the Carolina Panthers in Super Bowl!

### **Youth Announcements**

***Middle School Youth*** will meet at Sherrie Phillip's 11421 Kerrimur Drive - Scotch Meadows at 6:00 and have dinner and watch the Super Bowl until half time. Go Panthers! Keep Pounding!

***Sr. High Youth*** will have a Super Bowl Party at the home of Bradley and Sarah Williams, 307 Oban Drive. The Panther Victory Celebration will start at the usual time of 5:45. The party will conclude after the halftime entertainment and commercials.

***The LPC Youth Basketball Team*** led by Coach Chip Wells is tied for first place. They play again on Friday night 2/12 at 6:00. Please come out and cheer for our team.

***LPC Youth Got Talent???*** Sunday, February 28 starting at 6 pm  
Come enjoy an evening of light-hearted fun and laughs at the

Youth Variety Show "LPC Youth Got Talent" & Youth Fundraiser featuring Amy Sloop's Famous Chicken Bog! The meal starts at 6 pm in the fellowship hall with entertainment to follow. Buy your tickets NOW from any one of our High School or Middle School Youth. Adults: \$7; children under 11: \$5. Come on out and eat, laugh and support our youth!

### **Music Ministry Announcements:**

*Joyful Singers/Ringers* (K-Grade 8) rehearse Sundays 10-10:30 am in room 219 to prepare music for worship 2/21, 3/20, and 4/24.

*Whitechapel Ringers* rehearse Sundays after worship from about 12:15-1 pm. Open to youth Grade 6 through Adult.

### **Calendar Announcements:**

*Tomorrow* is the absolute deadline for getting on the PW Valentine candy list for college students. Please email mailing, email address, and cell phone no. to [laurinburgpres@bizec.rr.com](mailto:laurinburgpres@bizec.rr.com)

***Monday, February 8 PW Circles meet.*** Circle 1 at 7 pm at Phyllis Breeden's (Janice Liles co-hostess); Circle 2 at 4:30 at Anne Sprouse's (Barbara Bateman co-hostess); Circle 3 at noon in fellowship hall (bring a sandwich) Circle 4 at 3:45 at Scotia

### ***College Students Valentine Candy and Packing Help Needed.***

Volunteers needed to pack Valentine candy on Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 10:30 am. Please bring your individually wrapped candy or treats by 10 am that morning. If they contain nuts please note as such.

***Tuesday, February 9 Join us for TOT (Theology on Tap)*** starting at 6 pm for fellowship at the Downtown Club. Sign up today on the friendship pad for dinner: Chicken Picatta, wild rice and sautéed green beans \$10. Conversation starts about 7 pm.

### ***Ash Wednesday, February 10 - Lent Begins***

***4 pm at Scotia Ash Wednesday Service*** with communion & ashes  
***6 pm Fellowship Meal:*** Pancakes, sausage, ham, grits, egg casserole, fruit, tea (\$7 adults children under 12 \$3); sign up today on friendship pad; ***6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Service in the***



*sanctuary* with communion by intinction and marking of ashes  
7 pm Finance Committee; 7:15 Chancel Choir rehearsal

**Thursday, February 11** at 5:30 Childcare Advisory Committee  
**The 20th Annual Taste of the Town** to benefit Scotland County  
Literacy Council will be held in our fellowship hall this Thursday,  
Feb. 11 from 6-8 pm. Buy tickets (adults \$12, children under 10  
\$6) at Scotland Co. Literacy Council 213 McLaurin Ave. 276-7007.

**February 13 is the deadline for applying for The Lorena Clark  
Piner Scholarship** offered by PW in the Presbytery of Coastal  
Carolina for accredited institutions of higher learning. Gradu-  
ating seniors and college students currently enrolled are eligible.  
Scholarship forms are available outside the church office, and  
must be signed by the PW Moderator or Pastor before being  
received in by Feb. 13 in the Presbytery office in Elizabethtown.

**Presbyterian Women We want YOU to join us! February 26–28  
for the Annual Presbyterian Women’s Beach Retreat**

*Personally, I don’t want you to miss out! These weekends have  
been some of my best days on my spiritual journey at Laurinburg  
Presbyterian Church. It has given me the opportunity to grow in  
my faith and meet the people behind the familiar faces at LPC. By  
making these connections and sharing our stories, I have gained a  
sense of belonging that I had never before felt. I hope you will join us  
for a wonderful weekend of faith, fun, and building friendships.*

*Our church is blessed to have Ellen Dean and Beth Elliott to lead  
us in our Bible study. They have been planning and working on this  
year’s study since last fall. If you have not signed up, contact the  
church office by Tuesday, Feb. 16 to give us time to plan and arrange  
for housing. It is only \$20 and includes housing, supper Friday night,  
lunch Saturday, and 3 days of ‘spiritual healing’ with Ellen and Beth.*

*Remember, there is always room for one more; and I am saving  
you a seat. I promise there will be hugs and laughter and you will  
leave the beach knowing there are people in your church that love  
and care about you.*

Carol Sellers, PW Moderator

***PW Honorary Life Membership Nominations*** are now being received for the Presbyterian Women Life Membership Award. Applications are available outside the office. Deadline is March 8. Please contact Lucy Sojka, 277-7598 with any questions.

***Winter Church World Service Blankets+ Program***

Help those in need by donating to Church World Service Blankets+ Program. Our help does not only purchase blankets, but CWS school kits, raised beds, vitamins for children, emergency food packages, pumps and wells, filters, bags of sand.... and more! A \$10 gift purchases a blanket. A \$35 gift buys a tree or wheelbarrow. HELP - Buy today, CHANGE tomorrow! Make checks payable to LPC-PW, bring to the church PW box or send to: Delia Muse, PW Treasurer, PO Box 335, Laurinburg 28353

***Calls to Service at LPC:***

Would you be willing to serve as an usher? What kind of a commitment is it? We have 4 teams that serve 3 months each year. You would be called by the lead usher to see what Sunday that month you could usher. Also when there is a funeral during the month you serve you could also be called to help. Sound easy enough? Let Lu in the church office know if this is a way you would be willing to serve or in any of the ways listed below so we can pass your name on to the correct person.

***Other Ways to Serve:***

- Driving the bus to pick up Scotia residents
- Reading scripture in worship
- Teaching Sunday school
- Working in our nursery
- Serving as an acolyte
- Taking up money on Wednesday night
- Working with our youth as an advisor
- Ringing with WhiteChapel bells
- Helping with our children's music programs
- Serving as a Sunday morning greeter

- Visiting shut-ins or people in the hospital
- Working with the Scouts
- Serving on the sanctuary committee
- Serving on a session committee\*

\*Chairs of the Session Committees are:

Finance & Administration (F&A): David Harling

Christian Nurture & Education (CNE): Anne Caudill

Building Equipment Grounds (BEG): Mike Coughenour

Fellowship: Debby Holcomb

Childcare Advisory: Richard Massey

Worship, Music and Arts (WMA): Larry Schulz

Membership/Stewardship: Bill Hill

***Helping our LPC Childcare Center***

If you could donate children's books, old pots and pans, and clothes for dress up. Our children would love "reading and acting out parts." Also please remember to re-link your Harris Teeter VIC card to Laurinburg Presbyterian Daycare Center #7357.

**Please remember these in your prayers—**

Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Reba Essey in her death, to the family of Flora Wells in the death of her brother-in-law, and to Sean and Angela McDonald and family in the death of Angela's grandmother.

New Concerns: Fred Mabry, Katherine McKay; Continuing Concerns: Helen Baker, Lucile Bridgeman, Curt Britt, William Carmichael, Margaret Caudill, Marge Coughenour, Nancy Ezell, Clark Hanmer, Connie Harris, Ray McCormick, Don Ohl, Barbara Salzlein, Jane Tornow (broken arm); In Scotia Skilled: Evelyn Crossley, Edna Drake, Frances Hopkins, Virginia Johnson, Mackey McCormick; Special: Anne Collins, Frances Haupt, Edna McKeithen; Assisted: Betty Wayne Cooley, Ann and Ervin Hill, Helen Middleton, Adell Page; At Scottish Pines: Katherine Edmund, Thelma Morgan; Georgia Dye is receiving in-home care you may write to Georgia & Bob c/o Darcy Bower 3439 Bradley Place, Raleigh, NC 27607

## **The Session**

Moderator: Neal Carter

### **Class of 2016**

John Baker  
Julian Butler  
David Harling  
Bill Hill  
Fred Mabry  
Lynn Mason  
Maggie Ratcliffe

### **Class of 2017**

Anne Caudill  
Mike Coughenour  
Debby Holcomb  
Edna Ann Loftus  
Richard Massey  
Larry Schulz  
Clint Willis

### **Class of 2018**

Kristen Anderson  
Scott Miller  
Martha Olmstead  
Robin Snead  
Janet Smith  
Nick Sojka  
Susan Wentz

## **The Deaconate**

Moderator: Denise Herr

### **Class of 2016**

Denise Herr  
Kim Liles  
Richard Mabry  
Kaye McMillan  
Don Ohl  
Jimmy Stubbs

### **Class of 2017**

Kitson Broadbelt  
Chris Carmichael  
Stuart Carmichael  
Bill Loftus  
Chris Rhue  
Ellen Thompson

### **Class of 2018**

Barbara Bateman  
Beverly Bowling  
David Carmichael  
John Decembrino  
Dan Sprouse  
Debra Sutherland

## **Presbyterian Women**

Moderator: Carol Sellers

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Treasurer: Delia Muse

Historian: Lucy Sojka

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