

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

600 West Church St. Laurinburg, NC 28352

2nd Sunday in Lent

March 12, 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

March 12, 2017

Eleven o'clock

Prayer for Reflection:

Lord, in this season of Lent, we prepare for the revelation of Jesus, his suffering, his death, and his victory in the resurrection. In this hour of worship, open our hearts to your Word, that it may prepare us to see his face. 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 Psalm 150

One: Come, praise the Lord in the sanctuary; praise the Lord beneath the heavens.

All: Praise God for mighty deeds, according to his wonderful works.

One: Praise the Lord with trumpet sound, with lute and harp, tambourine and dance, strings and pipes.

All: Praise the Lord with clanging cymbals, loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Amen

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*Hymn 396 Brethren, We have Met to Worship

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Wondrous God, we thank you for your grace. Somehow you look upon us and accept us, calling us back to your side. We can't fathom your love, God. We know our sins: the hidden, impure feelings, broken promises to you and others, wasted time, self-centered priorities, and all the mistakes of past and

present that have hurt people. Yet you seem able to accept us, looking past our flaws to restore our relationship. Please continue to forgive us for two things we will repeat – for continuing in sin and for not believing enough that your love can save us. Set us right again through Christ. Please now hear our silent 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*

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

We Are Messengers (Joyful Singers & Cherub Choir)

This Little Light, arr. Burkhardt (Joyful Singers & Cherub Choir)

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 NEW TESTAMENT READING: : Romans 5:1-11 PG. 155

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

All: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE

Words of Faith #4: Justification

"Justified by Faith"

Dr. Duane Hix

*HYMN 441

Hear The Good News of Salvation

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

God's reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery, which the scriptures describe in various ways. It is called the sacrifice of a lamb, a shepherd's life given for his sheep, atonement by a priest; again, it is a ransom for a slave, payment of debt, vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty, and victory over the powers of evil. These are expressions of a truth that remains beyond the reach of all theory in the depths of God's love for us. They all reveal the gravity, cost, and sure achievement of God's reconciling work in Jesus Christ.

From The Confession of 1967

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.

OFFERING OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

OFFERTORY God So Loved the World arr. Stainer Chancel Choir

***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)**

Lord, we give thanks for your faithfulness toward us, your confidence in us, and your sustenance of us. In the light of your mercy and assured of your companionship, we dedicate these gifts, and ourselves, to you. Amen

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN 749 Come! Live in the Light

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 549 May the Love of the Lord
May the love of the Lord rest upon your soul.

May God's love dwell in you, through out every day.

May God's countenance shine upon you and be gracious to you.

May God's Spirit be upon you as you leave this place.

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 memory of Loma McQueen and Emily McQueen-Borden by Jim and Linda McQueen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

MARCH SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

Lynn Massey, chair, Carol Sellers, Debby Holcomb,
Laura Beth Urie, Anne Sprouse

MARCH USHER TEAM # 2

Brian Bounds, Leader, David Bounds, Jim Mason,
Boyd McLaurin, Randy Miller, Kevin Patterson, Bill Purcell II
Eddie Carmichael, Chip Wells

The Lay Leader In Worship Today Is Clint Willis

NOTES AND THANKS

Easter Lilies

Every year Presbyterian Women takes order for Easter Lilies. Today is the deadline to place your order. The price is \$10. You may place lilies in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of someone. Thanks Candy Nichols

March 19th following the church service, stop by the Fellowship Hall for a farewell to show thanks to LeGette McLean for his many years of service to the church, and a warm welcome to Charles Bounds who will follow in LeGette's foot prints.

Ushers Needed!

We continue to need ushers! If you can help serve, please contact John Clark at johnclark503@hotmail.com or Susan Wentz at susuwentz@gmail.com

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.

Please consider joining or helping the Fellowship Committee.

We will have a committee meeting at the church on Wednesday, April 12th at 5:30 PM. Please call Martha Olmstead at (h) 361-4747 or (c) 910-571-2220 with questions, ideas or offers to help.

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, Millie Peele, Flo Johnson, Sammy Simmons, Elizabeth McIntosh

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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Janet Smith
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Bill Loftus
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