

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

600 West Church St. Laurinburg, NC 28352

Pentecost Sunday – Communion

Celebration of the Holy Spirit/Graduation

June 4, 2017

Our Vision Statement: The Word In Action



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

June 4, 2017

Eleven o' clock

Prayer for Reflection:

In the midst of our busy world, Lord, we pause in this sacred place to watch and listen for you. Send your Spirit among us. Quiet our souls; illumine our mind; steady our resolve, that we may hear your Word and do your will when we leave this place.

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

One: Come, let us set at this table a place for love, and gather in this moment all our broken past.

All: Come, let us witness in this place the story of grace, and taste in this food the echoes of heaven.

One: Come, let us break in this bread the body of Christ, and sip from this cup the source of salvation.

All: Come, let us share in this hour the banquet of God, and cherish in each other the image of the creator. Amen

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN 279 Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of many gifts: in every age you send your Holy Spirit to fill disciples with willing faith and talents to share. But in every age we restrain the force of your Spirit. We are slow to use our gifts, hesitant to carry the fire of your Word upon the earth. We have separated enthusiasm from careful thought, and excitement about salvation from justice in the world.

Have mercy upon us, Lord. Forgive the many divisions in your church caused by different uses of your Spirit. By that same Spirit of Truth, draw us together into one united body. Please now receive also these personal prayers of 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 288 Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

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Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

(On communion Sundays we invite children to remain with their parents in worship rather than going to Sunday school. Parents of young children may take them to the nursery as needed.)

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

The CNE Committee

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Numbers 11:24-30 Pg. 129

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem Spirit, Falling Like a Dove, Bridges

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING: Acts 2:1-8 Pg. 119

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

All: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE "Tongues of Fire"

*HYMN 289 On Pentecost They Gathered

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Affirmation of Faith **We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of people long silenced and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

From A Brief Statement of Faith, 1991

OFFERING 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)

Your Spirit, Lord, showers gifts down upon us daily. In this prayer of dedication we pause to thank you. Please accept our grateful hearts as a sacrifice of praise, and guide us to use rightly these gifts we now place before you. Amen

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

AN INVITATION TO THE TABLE

An invitation in Song – Hymn 507, v. 1 Come to the Table of Grace

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 WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(Communion today is by distribution of the elements. Our bread is gluten free. Worshippers may eat the bread as they receive it, but are asked to hold the cup until all have been served.)

COMMUNION MUSIC

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 488 I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry

*Choral Benediction: The Lord Bless You and Keep You Lutkin

POSTLUDE

We take time today to acknowledge the hard work of our graduating seniors, to honor their accomplishments, and to

promise our future support as they move on toward the next stage of their life. Please be sure to extend your best wishes to Caroline Bounds, Negie Babor, Gus Purcell, and Cross Sellers.

Summer Meals Program

If you are hoping to assist with the meal program for school children in June and July, please try to attend the 1/2 hour training session today at 4:00 pm. If you do want to help but just can't make it today, contact Dr. Duane Hix.

The Lay Leader For Worship Today Is Annette Morgan

**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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

9:45 Senior Breakfast

4:00 pm Training For Summer Meal Program Volunteers

4:30 pm Deacons

June 6

7:00 pm BEG

June 7

5:30 pm WMA

June 13

5:00 pm CNE & VBS Prep. Meeting

June 14

7:00 pm Finance & Administration

June 15

5:30 pm Childcare

June 19

7:00 pm Session

June 20

Theology On Tap - McDuff's

JUNE SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

*Betsy Massey, Co-chair, Chris Carmichael, Anne Miller, Sarah Williams, Ellen Harling, Carolyn Thompson

JUNE USHER TEAM #1

Richard Mabry-Lead, Earl Bowling, Danny Caddell, David Carmichael, David Harling, Bill Hill, Richard Massey, John McRae, Maggie Ratcliffe, Scott Sellers, Andy Womble

NOTES AND THANKS

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Please remember these in your thoughts and prayers—

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