

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

600 West Church St. Laurinburg, NC 28352

July 2, 2017

4th Sunday after Pentecost

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

July 2, 2017

Eleven o'clock

Prayer for Reflection:

Lord God, whether we travel far away to summer camps and vacations or enjoy the familiarity of our homes, you can reach us. For you are at all times and places, eternal and trustworthy. Be here also today, as we gather in worship, and reveal yourself to us in our praise. 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 The Wisdom of Ben Sirach, ch. 39

One: All the works of the Lord are good; whatever God commands will be done at the appointed hour.

All: At God's word the waters stood in a heap; none can limit God's saving power.

One: His blessing covers the dry land like a river, and drenches it like a flood.

All: To the faithful, God's ways are straight, but full of pitfalls to the wicked, so sing praise to God with all your heart and voice. Bless the name of the Lord! Amen

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*HYMN 664 Morning Has Broken

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You sent your Word, Lord, to guide us in this life and lead us to eternal life. Your scriptures have aided people for thousands of years. But we admit that your church is divided. We don't all have the same Bible; our doctrines often conflict; our denominations compete for members; we interpret your word differently. Forgive us for this misleading lack of unity. May the divisions of the past not harm the church of the future. Where legitimate differences exist, help us be respectful of others and learn from them. Where we share strengths and agree, help us together to welcome your Son into this world that so much needs him. Please now hear our

silent confessions...

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 Gloria Patri 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.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

(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 FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Zechariah 9:9-13 Pg. 884

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

All: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Daniel 12:1-13 Pg. 834

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

All: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE "The Bible in a Wide-Angle Lens #4:

The Apocrypha: Time Between the Testaments"

*HYMN 795 Healer of Our Every Ill

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Affirmation of Faith

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day

he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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

*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)

Wondrous Lord, may these gifts which we gladly offer be a means of serving your will. We proclaim our trust in you through these visible signs. Receive them as you have already received us into your presence. Amen

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*HYMN 338 O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

*Benediction

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 443 (verse1) There is a Redeemer

**There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;
precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One,
Thank you, O my father, For giving us Your Son,
And leaving Your Spirit, till the work on Earth is done.**

POSTLUDE

The Lay Leader For Worship Today Is Clint Willis

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 Mr. and Mrs. C.A. Purcell and Agnes Lynn Buchanan by the family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Vacation- Office will be closed July 3rd & 4th

Vacation- Childcare will be closed July 3 - 5

July 10-14

Vacation Bible School

July 11

6:00 pm Parent's meeting for Montreat

July 12

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm Pool Party

July 13 - Rain Day For Pool Party

July 16 - 22

Youth Camp at Montreat

July Sanctuary Committee

*Mary Hambright, Co-chair, Leslie Sellers, Mary Margaret Miller, Debra Sutherland, Maggie Ratcliffe

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Brian Bounds, Leader, David Bounds, Eddie Carmichael, Jim Mason, Boyd McLaurin, Randy Miller, Kevin Patterson, Bill Purcell II, Chip Wells, Charles Bound, Bob Dyer, John Decembrino

NOTES AND THANKS

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VBS Maker Fun Factory: Help Stock Our Factory!

Many thanks to everyone who has brought us boxes, tubes, cans, and the snack and craft supplies we requested. Our supply of cardboard materials is looking pretty good but we are short on some key snack foods and craft items. If you're going to Walmart, Food Lion, or your other preferred stores over the next week, please consider picking up

and bringing us one of the following essentials: 82-oz can of Country-time Lemonade Mix; 30-oz box of Pepperidge Farm Goldfish crackers; 35-oz container of Utz Cheese Puffs; 12-packs of glue sticks; double-stick scotch tape; duct tape.

We also need help preparing materials for our youngest participants in the craft area. Their scissor skills aren't quite developed yet, so they have more fun in arts & crafts if their project pieces are pre-cut and ready to decorate. No real artistic skill necessary for this--just show up ready to trace and cut some simple shapes! If you have a pair of scissors you especially like, bring them along. Someone will be here all day on Friday, June 30; Thursday, July 6; and Friday, July 7. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for some decorating and crafting fun. Thanks for your help!

Anyone interested in placing flowers in the Sanctuary please call Beverly Bowling at 610-7456 to check on available dates.

Summer Feeding Program

June 12 - July 31- Monday - Thursday - 11:30 a.m.

Please remember these in your thoughts and prayers

George Shannon Scotland Memorial, Joel McCanna-Greenville NC

Continuing Concerns: Lucile Bridgeman, Louise Wester, Flo Johnson, Sammy Simmons, Ann Goodman

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

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HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY

THE BIBLE IN A WIDE-ANGLE LENS

A Short Bible Quiz - #4 – Wisdom Literature of the O.T

Test your Bible knowledge! Use this exercise and those that follow to remind you of the continuing need to learn about scripture. You may hear the answer to some of the questions in the sermons. For some answers, you may need to do a little searching.

1. How many years went by between the destruction of Solomon's temple in Jerusalem and the birth of Jesus in 6 B.C.? (II Kings 25, vv.8ff.)
2. Two books in our Old Testament document the rebuilding of the temple and Jerusalem. What are they?
3. The Old Testament used by Roman Catholics and Eastern Orthodox Christians has more books in it than the Protestant O.T. What is this extra section called?
4. Two prophets who encouraged the people in rebuilding the temple were named.....(Ezra 5:1)
5. What empire defeated the Babylonians and allowed the Jews to return to Israel? (II Chronicles 36:17-23)
6. A great military leader came from Macedonia and Greece to conquer the middle east at about 330 B.C. Who was it?
7. What horrible incident at the temple prompted Jewish leaders called the Hasmoneans, or Maccabees, to rebel against the Greek king?
8. What does the Jewish holiday of Hanukkah have to do with the temple of Jerusalem? (II Maccabees, ch. 10, in Apocrypha)
9. Two Jewish groups, with whom Jesus had many quarrels and debates, got their start very late in Old Testament times. They are called the _____ and the _____. (Matthew 22 and many other places in the Gospels)
10. Herod was the king over Judea when Jesus was born. What else was he known for?

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