Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

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> 19th Sunday In Ordinary Time August 7, 2016



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

August 7, 2016 Eleven o' clock

Eternal God, your touch makes this world holy. Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the splendor of creation, and in the beauty of human life. Help us to cherish the gifts that surround us, to share your blessings with our sisters and brothers, and to experience the joy of life in your presence. 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 Beautiful Things Gungor PROCESSIONAL Change the World Eric Clapton

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

One: On the day of Pentecost, the church was gathered together in one place.

All: Could it have looked something like this?

One: On the day of Pentecost, the Spirit of God blew through the church like a howling wind.

All: Could it have sounded something like this?

One: On the day of Pentecost, differences were minimized as people came together, seeing and hearing one another.

All: Could it have sounded something like this?

One: On the day of Pentecost, the Spirit of God fell down like rain, on everyone gathered there that day.

All: And sons and daughters prophesied, young people saw visions, and old people dreamed dreams.

One: Thanks be to God for bringing us together in this place. May we, like those before us, worship God with our whole hearts. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

*CONGREGATIONAL SONG Prince of Peace Michael Smith

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

One: In Christ we are one body. We all make up different parts of this body, separate and unique, respected and valuable. But sometimes we choose conformity instead of unity; we prioritize institutions over individuals; we present dogma instead of warm welcome. And so, when one of us suffers, we all suffer, for our separate actions cause deep harm for us all. Let us now lament the ways we have failed to be God's holy and loving church. We lament the times when the church has silenced the voices of young people, denying that we have anything worthwhile to say.

One: When we are torn apart

All: Make us whole

One: We lament the times the Church makes headlines for exclusion

and hate, instead of for acts of justice and love.

One: When we are torn apart

All: Make us whole

One: We lament the times when the Church romanticizes the past,

clinging to dead rituals instead of new expressions of faith.

One: When we are torn apart

All: Make us whole

One: We lament the times when the Church has failed to be a home for everyone, instead becoming a safe haven only for a select few.

One: When we are torn apart

All: Make us whole

One: Here we are, O God. We offer up to you all the broken bits, all of

our shattered parts.

All: Dayspring, come in your wisdom. Save us from ourselves.

Silent Prayer

Music for Meditation A World of Difference H. Dudley & A. Amos (Braided prayers will be tied together during this time

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The peace of Christ be with you All: And also with you. Amen.

*RESPONSE SONG Give Thanks to the Lord

CHILDREN'S SERMON for all children

Children please meet teachers at the side of the

Fellowship Hall closest to the Sanctuary

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT Genesis 11:1-9 pg 9

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

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL LESSON John 21: 1-19 pg 115

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

All: Thanks be to God.

*CONGREGATIONAL SONG How Great Thou Art Carl G. Boberg

EPISTLE LESSON 1 Corinthians 12: 1-11 pg 174

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

All: Thanks be to God.

*REFLECTIONS From Montreat Youth Conference 2016

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (A New Creed from the United Church of Canada- often used at Montreat Youth Conferences)

We are not alone; we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to see justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*CONGREGATIONAL SONG Here I am Lord Daniel O"Donnell

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

OFFERTORY Bailey Sloop

*DFDICATION 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)

Each of us is a fragile miracle, evidence of God's creative hands and amazing grace. We are each unique, unrepeatable gifts to the world. We are proof of God's love. And so we who are the gifts of creation now give gifts to our Creator, gifts brought in love.

*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

*CHARGE for Youth Advisors and All Youth

During the following song, all past Montreat participants are invited to join this year's participants at the front of the stage.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Lord of the Dance Sydney Carter

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*All who are able may stand.

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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.

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Martha McNair Tornow by her family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, August 9, 5 pm Fellowship and Stewardship **Wednesday, August 10, 7 pm** Finance and Accounting

Saturday, August 13 Boy Scout Troop 420 Laurinburg is celebrating 85 years of Scouting with a Reunion of current and former Scouts and leaders. Saturday 11 am to 3 pm, free BBQ lunch at the Fellowship Hall of Laurinburg Presbyterian Church. To register email: david@davidharling.com. We hope to see you there!!- David Harling, Troop Committee Chairman

Sunday, August 14, 5:30 pm Deacons Monday, August 15, 7 pm Session

Wednesday, August 17, 7 pm
Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Fellowship Committee
Sunday, August 28,
Blessings of the Backpacks

Monday, August 29, 5:30 pm Presbyterian Women

Tuesday, August 30 Maturing Adult Christians (MACS) will be taking a trip to Calabash to eat a wonderful seafood meal and then walk on the beach and afterwards a trip to the Ice Cream Bar before heading home. We will leave on Tuesday, August 30 at 10 am. Please contact Sis Thomas at 276-0220 or Betty Jackson at 544-9304. Remember, age for our group is 50 and up and there is always room for ONE MORE! The deadline for this trip is August 19.

Wednesday, August 31, 7 pm CNE

The 2016 Nominating Committee, will be meeting in mid to late August. Elders Lynn Mason (chair) & Janet Smith (chair-elect) request that you please mail or drop off your nominations to the church office and note for chair Lynn Mason by August 19. Please indicate if your nominations are for Elder Class of 2019 (filling 7 positions), Deacon Class of 2019 (filling 6 positions), At-Large Nominating Committee 2017 (filling 3 positions). Thank you for your help

August Greeters

August 7, Barbara Bateman

August 14, Janet McQueen and Blossom Harris

August 21, Carlene and Clint Willis

August 28, Eileen McKinnon and Vivian Carter

August Sanctuary Committee Sis Thomas (Chairman)

Lucy Sojka,co-chair, Beverly Bowling, Pam Hill, Frances Jernigan, Dawn Sellers

Please remember these in your thoughts and prayers—

Continuing Concerns: Flora Wells, Lucile Bridgeman, Margaret Caudill,

Ray McCormick, Clark Hanmer, Anne Ramsey Melton

Katherine McKay, Sarah Bullock, Jake Caudill

In Scotia Skilled: Anne Collins, Evelyn Crossley, Edna Drake, Frances Hopkins, Virginia Johnson, Mackey McCormick, Helen Middleton, Klare Van Dusen (Scotia 04 Farmbouse)

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Scotia Special Care: Frances Haupt, Ann Hill Ervin Hill, Adell Page, John and Helen Baker

At Scottish Pines: Katherine Edmund, Thelma Morgan

Please continue to lift up the family of Matthew T. Fulton in your prayers. He is the grandson of Hewitt Fulton Jr. who lives at Scotia.

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TO EVERYONE BORN IN AUGUST

THE SESSION: Moderator Dr. Duane Hix (cell: 919-819-7198)

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Julian Butler Mike Coughenour Scott Miller

Debby Holcomb Martha Olmstead David Harling Bill Hill Edna Ann Loftus Robin Snead

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John Decembring Kaye McMillan Bill Loftus Dan Sprouse Chris Rhue Don Ohl

Jimmy Stubbs Ellen Thompson Debra Sutherland

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