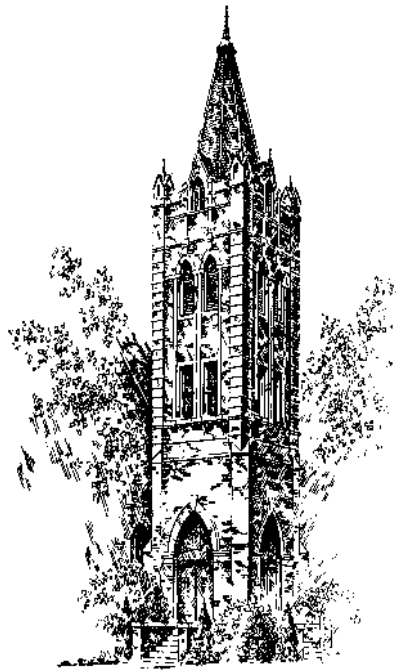


Laurinburg Presbyterian Church
600 West Church St. Laurinburg, NC 28352

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

Our Mission: To Be The Word In Action



Founded 1859

Rev. Rebekah Carpenter, Senior Pastor
Pastor John Stanley, CRE
Dr. José Rivera, Director of Music
Lee Harris, Organist

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Eleven o' clock

Please pass the Friendship Pad found at the end of the pew and return it to its starting place. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we invite you to leave your contact information on the pad. This will give us the opportunity to share with you the work and witness of our community of faith—and to welcome you into our midst!

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Rebekah Carpenter

Prelude

"O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee"

arr. Alvin Whitworth

*Call to Worship

Pastor John Stanley

Leader: Christ said, I am the Good Shepherd.

PEOPLE: We have come to follow him.

Leader: We gather in the name of the One who leads us by still waters.

PEOPLE: We have come to be restored in him.

Leader: We gather in the name of the One who prepares a banquet for us.

PEOPLE: We have come to be fed by his love, so let us worship God.

*Invocation

***Hymn of Praise** #611 *"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"*

Invitation to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

God of Love, we fail to love one another fully. Forgive us for ignoring to love and worship you, for ignoring the needs of others, and not following your ways. Forgive us for seeking praise from others, yet failing to encourage them in their endeavours. Forgive who we have been, O God, and root our lives more deeply in your love (MOMENTS OF SILENT, PERSONAL CONFESSION). Amen

Assurance of Pardon

***Congregational Response** #581 *"Glory Be to the Father"*

*Passing of the Peace

"May the peace of Christ be with you."

"And also with you."

Time with Children

Hillary Sessions

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

John 15:1-8

Commentary on The Word

"Abide and Rise"

Rev. Rebekah Carpenter

Anthem "Come Just As You Are" by Joseph Sabolick

***Communion Hymn** # 507 "Come to the Table of Grace" (verse 1)

CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table
Words of Institution
Communion
Closing Prayer

***Hymn of Worship** #836 "Abide with Me"

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

An Invitation to Giving

Offertory "This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made" by Friedrich Hark

***The Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Prayer of Dedication**

***The Apostle's Creed** (pg 35 in front of the hymnal)

***Hymn of Parting** #265 "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

***Charge and Benediction**

(Why we sit for the Postlude: We have been blessed with wonderful organists over the years, so it has become a tradition at Laurinburg Presbyterian to remain seated for the Postlude and continue to worship and listen for God through music. If you need to leave before it ends, we do not mind if you exit reverently.)

Postlude "Rejoice the Lord Is King" by Charles Callahan

*Those who are able are requested to stand

2024 Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

Clerk: Bob Dyer
Moderator: Rev. Rebekah Carpenter

ELDERS

<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Clifton Buie	Brian Bounds	Bob Dyer
Debi Hobbs	Martha Fulton	Mike Edwards
Jacque O'Neal	Bear Hughes	Bill Purcell II
Matt Sessions	LeGette McLean	Emily Womble

DEACONS

<u>Class of 2024</u>	<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>
Barbara Bateman	Heather Bounds	Katherine Campbell
Becca Hughes	Katie Clark	Carol Edwards
Kim Liles	Wayne Hobbs	Phil Eshleman
Scott Sellers	Louise Mabry	Chip Wells
Poppy Bounds-Youth (2024)		

Presbyterian Women

Moderator: Lee McCanna
Vice-Moderator: Angela Purcell
Secretary: Angela Purcell
Treasurer: Delia Muse
Historian: Dawn Sellers
Moderator of Search Committee: Leslie Sellers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John and Jo McLaurin by the family.

Presbytery Installation Service

You are invited to share in the joy of officially welcoming Rev. Rebekah as the Senior Pastor of LPC May 5th at 3 pm in the Sanctuary, followed by a light reception in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to make cookies or donate other things to for the reception, please contact Heather Bounds 910-280-0097. Hope you can make it!

UPCOMING:

Today 4/28 2:30-3:30 pm Ice Cream Social for our Scotia Village Church
Family in the MMEC Room

Monday 5/29 5:30 pm PW Coordinating Team Meeting

Wednesday 5/1 5 pm Worship Music and Arts Committee Meeting
5:15 pm Fellowship Committee Meeting

Sunday 5/5 9:45 am Sunday School for All
11 am Worship Service
3:00 pm Installation Service for Rev. Rebekah

FOREMUSIC (Chris Fore) will hold their annual Spring Concert Friday and Saturday, May 17 & 18 at the Storytelling & Arts Center of the Southeast (SACS) at 131 S. Main St. Doors open at 6pm and concert starts at 7 pm. Tickets are \$10, at the door. **All proceeds will benefit SACS and the Live Like Madison Foundation.**

2024 Stewardship Update

Budgeted Pledges 2024	\$342,575
Total Pledges Received Thru 4/21/24	\$114,060
Pledge Difference Thru 4/21/24	\$228,515
Percent Received	33%

MAY VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Greeters/Visitors:

April 28-May 4 Katie Clark
May 5-11 Wayne Hobbs
May 12-18 Barbara Bateman
May 19-25 Heather Bounds
May 26-June 1 Becca Hughes

Sanctuary Committee:

*Jacque O'Neal Carolina Caddell
Lynn Mason Kathy Williamson

Bus Drivers:

5-May Bradley Williams
12-May Randy Miller
19-May Richard Mabry
26-May Richard Massey

Usher Team 3:

*Allen McLaurin Hal Jernigan
Penny McLaurin Anne Sprouse
Gus Purcell Gus Purcell II
Jackson Purcell Clifton Buie
Jimmy Stubbs Clint Willis
Gray Sellers John McLaurin
Philip Eshleman Jackson Medlin

Calling All Children!

The children of the church will be singing for the worship service on May 19th, Pentecost Sunday. There will be three rehearsals for this service; during Children's Church on May 5th and May 12th and at the fellowship dinner on May 15th. Their simple song will incorporate rhythm instruments and red streamers. Jaime Martinez and Jamal Pass will be helping our children learn their song. Please plan to be in church on May 19th so you can join the children's choir and please try to attend at least two of the practice sessions. Can't wait to hear our young folks making a joyful noise to help celebrate the birthday of the church!

Prayer List:

- **Richard Zivitski**, father of our nursery attendant Bailey, dealing with health issues.
- **Penny McLaurin**, dealing with back problems.
- **Catherine McLaurin**, dealing with heart issues.
- **Beth Newbold**, continuing health concerns.
- **Connie and Doug Harris** appreciate the cards and prayers as they recover.
- **Randy Miller**, recovering at home.
- **Janice Herndon**, mother of Dawn Sellers, diagnosed with leukemia.
- **Sara Tezzi**, granddaughter of Sammy and Linda Simmons; continuing concerns.
- **Baxter Lee**, recovering at home.
- **Barbara Salzlein**, continuing concerns.
- **Philip Bower**, brother of Rev. Sue Hudson, recovering from open heart surgery.
- **Ramona Wright**, at a skilled nursing facility in Cary.
- **Mary Margaret Miller** welcomes our prayers.

Scotia Village Skilled Nursing: Mackey McCormick, Anne Ramsay Melton, Marie Love, Doug Hix, Elizabeth McIntosh

Scotia Village Assisted Living (Heather Glen): Daphne Gaw

Scottish Pines: Jim "Sunbeam" Sutherland