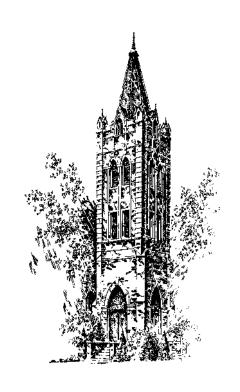
# **Laurinburg Presbyterian Church**

600 West Church St. Laurinburg, NC 28352 Second Sunday of Easter April 7, 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

#### Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude** "Alleluia No.1" by A.D. Miller

\*Call to Worship Bill Purcell II, Elder

Leader: We gather with joy, for Easter continues.

PEOPLE: Locked doors have been opened and fear has turned to peace.

Leader: We celebrate the presence of the Risen Christ among us. **PEOPLE:** Doubts can be erased and uncertainty turned to faith.

Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad!

PEOPLE: We offer our prayers and praise with humble, hopeful hearts.

#### **Invitation to Confession**

# **Corporate Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, we confess our trust in you can weaken, and we become anxious about many things. We talk about love, but we fear those who differ from us. We cling to our personal agendas, and neglect your call to serve others, especially when that service costs us something. Forgive us. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, rekindle our passion for you, so we can witness to your love in all we do. 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 Psalm 133 John 20:19-23

**Commentary on The Word** "A Locked Room" Pastor John Stanley

**Anthem** "Servants of Peace" arr. K. Lee Scott

<sup>\*</sup>Invocation

<sup>\*</sup>Hymn of Praise #245 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!"

\*Hymn of Worship #286 "Breathe on Me Breath of God"

### Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

### An Invitation to Giving

**Offertory** "Because He Lives"

Chancel Choir Jamal Pass, tenor BJ Poole, piano

#### \*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 #317 "In Christ There is No East or West"

# \*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** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" by Paul Leddington Wright

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Boy Scouts are looking for someone to donate a USED 3 in 1 HP printer. If you have one you do not use and would donate for Scout use, please contact David Harling at 910 280 0389.

#### **UPCOMING:**

**Today 4/7** 4 pm UNCP Singers Concert

**Monday 4/8** 5:45 pm BEG Meeting

7 pm PW Circle 1

**Tuesday 4/9** 3 pm PW Circle 2 **Wednesday 4/10** 3 pm PW Circle 3

5:30 pm CN&E Committee Meeting

**Sunday 4/14** 9:45 am Sunday School for All

11 am Worship Service

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able are requested to stand

**The Sellers' Grace Group** will meet at the home of Susan and Charles Wentz on Sunday, April 21, at 5:30.

**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**.

# **APRIL VOLUNTEERS**

### **Deacon Greeters/Visitors:**

March 31-April 6 Carol Edwards April 7-13 Kim Liles April 14-20 Scott Sellers April 21-27 Poppy Bounds April 28-May 4 Katie Clark

### **Sanctuary Committee:**

\*Candy Nichols Heather Bounds
Jane McLaurin Debra Sutherland

#### **Bus Drivers:**

April 7 Michael Sellers
April 14 Gus Purcell
April 21 Boyd McLaurin
April 28 Eddie Carmichael

#### Usher Team 2:

\*Brian Bounds Charles Bounds
David Bounds Turner Bounds
Walt Bounds Eddie Carmichael
Bob Dyer Jim Mason
Boyd McLaurin Ed O'Neal Kevin Patterson
Bill Purcell II Chip Wells

# Prayer List:

- **Connie and Doug Harris** appreciate the cards and prayers as they recover.
- Catherine McLaurin, at home recovering after a hospital stay.
- **Vivian Carter** is at home for rehab following a fall.
- **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.

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

Scotia Village Assisted Living (Heather Glen): Daphne Gaw

Scottish Pines: Jim "Sunbeam" Sutherland