



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

GATHERING MUSIC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SONG - Lead by LPC children

CALL TO WORSHIP Leader: O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

People: Alleluia!Leader: For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.People: Let us rejoice and exult and give God the glory.

Leader: And all God's people said

People: AMEN!

OPENING SONGS

"Come, Now is the Time to Worship" "Open the Eyes of My Heart" # 452 "Lord, Prepare Me" (Sanctuary) #701

Come Now Is The Time To Worship

Chorus 1 Come now is the time to worship Come now is the time to give your heart Come just as you are to worship Come just as you are before your God Come

Verse 1

One day every tongue Will confess You are God One day every knee will bow Still the greatest treasure remains For those who gladly choose You now Verse 2 Willingly we choose to surrender our lives Willingly our knees will bow With all our heart soul mind and strength We gladly choose You now

INVOCATION

GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR-----PASSING OF THE PEACE Please take a few minutes and greet your neighbors.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES Children of all ages are invited		Dr. Hillary Sessions
SCRIPTURE	Mark 7:24-30	
SERMON	"Moving Towards Miracles"	Rev. Rebekah Carpenter
MUSICAL REFLECTION	3	She Came to Jesus
COMMUNION		

PRAYER CONCERNS

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Give Me Jesus" Jack Ficklin, saxophone Jackson Mills, piano LPC Chancel Choir arr. Mark Patterson

PARTING SONGS

"Soon and Very Soon" #384 "Amen" #600

CHARGE

BENEDICTION

THANKS TO OUR SPECIAL MUSICIANS TODAY

Connor Deel, bass Caden Bowman, drums Jane McLaurin, flute Jackson Mills, piano Zachary Peschken, piano Jack Ficklin, saxophone

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LUNCHEON FOR PASTOR JOHN STANLEY

Please stay after the 11 am service next Sunday, September 15, for a luncheon to honor Pastor John Stanley. Fried chicken and drinks will be provided. Please bring your choice of covered dish and come share in Christian love and appreciation for Pastor Stanley's time her at LPC. Let Lisa in the church office know that you're coming by next Thursday.

UPCOMING:		
Monday 9/9	5:45 pm BEG Committee Meeting	
	6:00 pm PW Salad Supper	
Tuesday 9/10	5:00 pm Staff Relations Committee Meeting	
Wednesday 9/11	5:30 pm CN&E Committee Meeting	
Sunday 9/15	9:45 am Sunday School For All	
	11 am Worship Service	

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN will have their Annual Salad Supper tomorrow, Monday, September 9th at 6:00 pm. Bring your favorite salad to share! Gus Purcell will be at Scotia at 5:30 to pick up those who wish to ride, so please, bring a friend!

Worship Music and Arts Committee is looking for new members to join our committee. We meet each month to discuss the many different aspects of Worship. We help plan for Worship services that are meaningful and are welcoming to everyone. This committee also plans for several special services throughout the year such as St. Andrews Sunday, Ash Wednesday, and Kirkin O' the Tartan. The music program at our Church is a very important part of this committee. We are blessed with a wide variety of beautiful and inspirational music that adds to every service. Please contact Jane McLaurin if you are interested in joining the Worship Music and Arts committee.

2024 Stewardship Update

Budgeted Pledges 2024	\$342,575
Total Pledges Received Thru 9/1/24	\$244,527
Pledge Difference Thru 9/1/24	\$98,048
Percent Received	71%

Fun Adults Sunday School Class

The Fun Adults Class is starting off their Fall series with a two-class series by Rev. Roderic Frohman titled, "Hospitality as A Biblical Virtue and a Ministry Best Practice." Classes will take place on September 8 and September 15 in the Fun Adults Class classroom at 9:45 AM. These two classes will focus on both Old Testament and New Testament examples of hospitality. Old Testament hospitality tends toward a practice of integration into the covenant community. New Testament hospitality shows how the stranger becomes the guest, and then the host of the hospitality meal. Both traditions represented a challenge to ancient Semitic and Greco-Roman hospitality ethics. Rev. Frohman's Doctor of Ministry project was titled, "Pastoral Hospitality with Worship Visitors in a Multiracial Setting". It reflected the challenge of being a white pastor of a multiracial Presbyterian church in Gary, Indiana, a city which was 95% African-American.

Children and Their Parents Are Invited to a Communion Education Event Sunday, September 29th 5:00-6:30pm

In the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) all are welcomed to the table to share in the Lord's Supper. All includes children. Laurinburg Presbyterian Church will be welcoming children to the table on World Communion Sunday, October 6th.

Children and their parents are invited to join us for a Communion Education Event on Sunday, September 29th 5:00-6:30pm. This will be a hands-on experience to learn about communion, to

practice taking communion through passing of plates and intinction, and to explore the mystery of sharing in the bread and cup. A light supper will be provided.

Please call the church office to reserve your space. Parents should accompany their child/children. If you have any questions, please contact Holly Albrecht or Dwight Williams

WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS				
Deacon Greeters/Visitors:				
September 1-7	Louise Mabry			
September 8-14	Phil Eshleman			
September 15-21	Katherine Campbell			
September 22-28	Chip Wells			
Sept. 29-Oct. 5	Carol Edwards			

Sanctuary Committee:

*Celeste McRae	Pat Ellis
Charlotte McLean	Sis Thomas

Bus Drivers:

- 9/1 Gus Purcell9/8 Andy Womble9/15 Eddie Carmichael9/22 Bradley Williams
- 9/29 Brian Bounds

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

Prayer Líst

- **Betsy Massey**, currently hospitalized in Moore County after a small stroke.
- **G. Stewart Thrower**, brother of Sis Thomas, being treated for heart and other serious concerns.
- **Emery Boger**, son of Lillian Boger, hospitalized in Atlanta dealing with serious health concerns.
- **Meredith Bounds** appreciates continued prayers while undergoing 4 rounds of chemo treatments.
- **Catherine McLaurin**, recovering from a fractured hip in healthcare at Scotia Village.
- Update on **Everette Kelly,** from Clayton NC, 4-year old family member of a close family friend of John and Katherine Campbell who is dealing with liver cancer. He continues to have chemo and bloodwork weekly. He can go home in between chemo treatments. At this time he will be on a liver transplant list. The family is hoping that he will receive one in 2-3 weeks. Continued prayers for Everette.
- **Fletcher Kendall** of Atlanta, 7-year-old grandson of Paul and Judy Rush, diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia
- **Sammy Townsend**, friend of the congregation, at Liberty Commons Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Sanford.
- **Richard Zivitski,** father of our nursery attendant Bailey, dealing with health issues.
- **Beth Newbold**, continuing health concerns.
- **Sara Tezzi,** granddaughter of Sammy and Linda Simmons; continuing concerns.
- Barbara Salzlein, continuing health concerns.

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

<u>Scotia Village Assisted Living (Heather Glen)</u>: Daphne Gaw <u>Scottish Pines:</u> Jim "Sunbeam" Sutherland