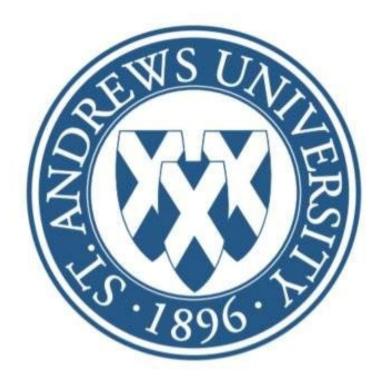
Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

600 West Church St. Laurinburg, NC 28352
25th Sunday after Pentecost
November 10, 2024
Saint Andrews Sunday

Our Mission: To Be The Word In Action



Founded 1859

Rev. Rebekah Carpenter, Senior Pastor Holly Albrecht, Director of Christian Education Dr. José Rivera, Director of Music Lee Harris, Organist

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Eleven o' clock

Welcome to Laurinburg Presbyterian Church this morning as we gather to worship and celebrate the influence of Saint Andrews University in our community. We are delighted to have members of the Saint Andrews community participating in worship with us today.

We encourage everyone here this morning to sign the pew pads so we will have a record of your presence here, and so we can better serve you in the future.

Welcome and Announcements

Minute for St. Andrews

Jeff Robertson Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Prelude Bill Caudill

Melodies from the Scottish Psalter

"Martyrdom" - Hugh Wilson

"St. Columba" - traditional Gaelic

"Bunessan" - traditional Gaelic

Played on the Scottish smallpipes in A'

Call to Worship Chris McLean

LEADER Happy are those whose hope is in the LORD,

PEOPLE For God keeps faith with us forever.

LEADER Praise God who brings justice for the oppressed and gives food to the

hungry.

PEOPLE We will praise the One who lifts up all those who bear heavy burdens.

LEADER God will reign in mercy and righteousness for all generations.

PEOPLE Let us praise the LORD with our lips and honor God with our lives.

Invocation Riley Neilson

***Hymn #35** *"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"*

Invitation to Confession

Morgan Cox

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you call us to live in joy, but so often we simply chase pleasure and flee from pain. You have a wonderful plan for us, calling us into your good future. But, too often, we live in fear and hunker down in hopelessness. You have given us gifts so that we may be of service to others. But, too often, we treat your gifts like personal possessions and refuse to share them. Forgive our sin and restore our faith so that we can live into the joyous future of the family of God, into which you have called us all, through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Assurance of Pardon

LEADER: Hear the good news of the gospel: Who is in a position to condemn us?

PEOPLE: Only Jesus Christ.

LEADER: And Christ lived for us, died for us, rose for us, ascended into heaven

for us, reigns for us, and prays for us.

PEOPLE: All who are in Christ are a new creation. The old life is gone. A

new life has begun.

LEADER: Live in joy. Hope for the future. And serve your neighbor, for

Christ's sake. Amen.

Time with Children

Dr. Hillary Sessions

Message from St. Andrews College Students

"St. Andrews Student Stories"

Nehemiah 8:10 Joy Olivia Plybon Jeremiah 29:11 Hope Noah Sorrell Romans 15:1 Service Deonte Brewer

Anthem "I Choose Love" by Mark Miller

St. Andrews Singers

An Invitation to Giving Daniella Gomez

Offertory *"Praise His Holy Name"* by Keith Hampton

*Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Rebekah Carpenter

*Hymn "From Highland Peaks" by Mel Bringle

Charge

Benediction

Benediction Response "A Parting Blessing" by J. Jerome Williams

St. Andrews Singers

Postlude Bill Caudill

"Down By The River to Pray" - traditional

^{*}Those who are able are requested to stand

Thank you to the following members of the St. Andrews University Community who have participated in our worship this morning:

Jeff Robertson, Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Bill Caudill '89, Bagpiper and Director, The Scottish Heritage Center

Liturgists

Morgan Cox '25 Panama Beach City, FL
Daniella Gomez '25 Nassau, Bahamas
Chris McLean '26 West End, NC
Riley Neilson '25 Rupert, IN

Preachers

Deonte Brewer '27 Las Vegas, NV Olivia Plybon '26 Lewisburg, WV Noah Sorrell '25 Asheville, NC

The St. Andrews Singers

Elizabeth Blair, Director Sean Moore, Accompanist

Taylor Cianci '27 Jacksonville, NC Aniyah Covington '27 Bennettsville, SC Jordan Dilling '28 Willow Street, PA

Erline Dorastin '28 Providenciales, Turks and Caicos

Sara Jeffers '25 Harrogate, England

Jonah McBurney '26 Hudson, NC Anna Phelps '25 Wolcott, VT

Emily Rollins '25 Leonardtown, MD Mallory Stubbs '25 Laurel Hill, NC

A Message from St. Andrews

Earlier this year, we launched a **\$5 million capital campaign**, and we are asking you to join us **– UKnighted for St. Andrews!**

Our first priority is to build a new kitchen, dining facility, bathroom, and student center in Belk. Years of deferred maintenance and damage from two major hurricanes have left Belk in need of significant improvements. The financial target for fixing our dining hall is not currently in our budget or in operating reserves. In order to thrive and house residential students, we require an operational dining facility. This is to ensure initial student enrollment and retention going forward. We currently have temporary kitchen trailers and a temporary dining facility. Preliminary studies have been done; final engineering design prep work is underway. Today the situation at St Andrews is challenging, but the future is bright. With your help and investment, we can turn the corner and get the campus back on its feet.

You can get more information or give now at the following web address or QR code. If you want to schedule a conversation about the various donation options available to you, please call or email Jeff Robertson at 910-277-5769 or email RobertsonJC@sa.edu. www.sa.edu/UKnightedCampaign



From Highland Peaks

Brother James'Air 8.6.8.6.8.6



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pass the Friendship Pad found at the end of the pew and return it to its starting place. If you are worshiping 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!

In lieu of flowers this Sunday, a donation has been made to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund in loving memory of Jack and Pony Gaw and Joe and Sarah Dean by Ellen and Dan Dean.

The November Thanksgiving Fellowship Supper is Wednesday, November 20 at 6 pm. BBQ, bread and desserts will be provided by the Fellowship Committee. Please bring your favorite holiday sides to share. Let Lisa know that you will come by November 15. St. Andrews students will be with us to share a little about their campus experiences.

Support Cub Scout Pack 420 and Boy Scout Troop 420 of Laurinburg Presbyterian Church by purchasing car wash gift cards! Valued at \$30 but available for just \$10, these gift cards are a great way to contribute to the scouts' activities and adventures. They make perfect stocking stuffers for the holidays. You can pick up your gift cards from the church office – don't miss out on this great deal while helping a worthy cause!

UPCOMING:

Today 11/10 Lunch after Worship

Tuesday 11/12 4:30 pm Staff Relations Committee Meeting

5:45 pm BEG Committee Meeting

Wed. 11/13 5:30 pm Session Meeting

6 pm Deacon's Meeting

Sunday 11/17 9:45 am Sunday School For All

11 am Worship Service (Festival of Hymns)

Change of date for Circle 4
Circle 4: November 18, Monday
6 o'clock at Jacque O'Neal's (404 Bundy Lane)

Congregational Meeting

We will hold a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of voting on officers for the 2025 church year on November 24, immediately following the 11 am worship service. Please plan to attend.

Stewardship Update

Budgeted Pledges 2024	\$342,575
Total Pledges Received Thru 10/27/24	\$297,822
Pledge Difference Thru 10/27/24	\$44,753
Percent Received	87%

2025 Stewardship Planning

2025 Pledges Needed to Balance Budget	\$465,776
Actual Pledges Received Thru 11/3/24	\$271,440
Difference	\$194.336
Percentage	58%
Actual pledges received in 2024	86
Actual 2025 pledges received thru 10/27/24	58

The Fun Adult Sunday School Class

Debi Hobbs will teach three classes on The Poetry of Mary Oliver: A Celebration of God's Creations on November 17 and December 1 and 8. On November 24, Jose Rivera will discuss Vivaldi's Gloria, which the choir will sing on December 8. Please join us for these interesting topics!

Stay and Grow --- Lunch and Learn

Adult Education Class ---In-Depth Series-Noon to 1:30 PM -- With a Light Lunch! RSVP to Lisa

Stay and Grow Upcoming Classes

Islam 101: An Introduction to the Basic Tenants of Islam.

November 10, No class • November 17, 2024 Introduction to Islam Part # 2

A Trio of Fun For All

Mark your calendar for this year's Advent Workshop, planned for Sunday, December 1, from 4-6 pm. Come and enjoy a buffet of homemade soups, sandwiches and desserts. Choose from a variety of holiday crafts: Make a pinecone birdfeeder, or a family advent wreath, or decorate Christmas Cookies! Then join in a festive sing-along. The Advent Workshop is sure to put you in the Christmas Spirit. **How can you help?..**We are looking for old Christmas cards for an Advent Workshop craft. If you have any old cards collecting dust drop them by the church and we will repurpose them for you.

The "Ladies Who Lunch" have set their November date for November 13th at 12:30 pm at Miyako. Any women are welcome to join. No agenda, just a time for good food and fellowship. Please let Barbara Bateman or Virginia McCormick know if you will come so a reservation can be made.

NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Greeters/Visitors:

October 27-Nov. 2 Katie Clark
November 3-9 Wayne Hobbs
November 10-16 Barbara Bateman
November 17-23 Heather Bounds
November 24-30 Becca Hughes

Sanctuary Committee:

*Maggie Wells Meredith Bounds Lee McCanna

Bus Drivers:

11/3 Allen McLaurin 11/10 John McRae 11/17 Ed O'Neal 11/24 Scott Sellers

Usher Team 1:

*Richard Mabry Earl Bowling
Danny Caddell David Carmichael
David Harling Bill Hill
Richard Massey
Scott Sellers Andy Womble

Sharing and Caring Sunday

The first Sunday of each month will be "Caring and Sharing Sunday". Please bring non-perishable foods and personal care items to donate to Church Community Services and to stock our on-site mission box. Boxes will be available at the front of the Sanctuary for your donations.

Casual Service

The second Sunday of the month will be a casual service at 11 am in the Sanctuary. Integrating the old and new, this will be a special time to connect with each other through special instrumental accompaniment, songs and interaction from the LPC children.

Church Community Services appreciates your donations! There's a box in the vestibule outside the church office lobby to drop your donations. All non-perishable foods, personal hygiene items, cleaning supplies and paper products are accepted. The CCS food bank distributes food to the community 3 days a week and is always in need of donations.

The LPC "Blessing Box" is a box available for community members in need to pick up food and hygiene items discretely at any time of the day. The Mission Committee takes turns stocking the box with your donations of non-perishable food items, personal care items, and toiletries. You can drop your items in the box in the vestibule outside the church office.

Prayer List

- **Clint Willis**, recovering, at home, from a hospital stay.
- Jane Somerville, receiving Hospice routine home care.
- **LeGette McLean**, dealing with health concerns.
- **Elijah**, son of Kristi, Executive Director of Family Promise, fighting to recover from a terrible car accident.
- **Betsy Massey**, recovering after a small stroke.
- **Meredith Bounds** appreciates continued prayers while undergoing 4 rounds of chemo treatments.
- **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.
- **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

Scotia Village Assisted Living (Heather Glen): Daphne Gaw, John and Henrietta Carmichael, Norma McKeithan

Scottish Pines: Jim "Sunbeam" Sutherland