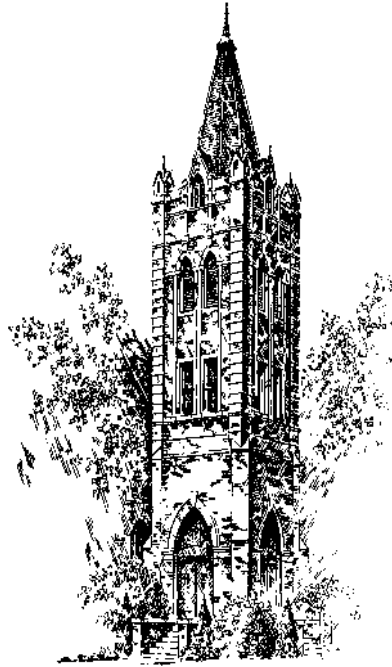


Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

6th Sunday After Epiphany

February 16, 2025

Our Mission: To Be The Word In Action



Founded 1859

Alex Bryant, Seminary Student
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

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!

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Roderic P. Frohman

Prelude

“Alleluia, Amen”
LPC Handbell Ensemble

arr. Kathy Bulkwalter

*Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song!

All: Let us make melody before our God!

Leader: Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

All: Let us praise God's holy name together.

Leader: How good it is to sing praises to our God;

All: For God is gracious and steadfast in mercy.

Leader: A song of praise is always fitting,

All: For God heals the broken-hearted and binds up our wounds.

*Invocation

*Hymn of Praise #15 *“All Creatures of Our God and King”* (verses 1,2,4,6)

Invitation to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

God of life and love, at this season of the year our hearts are grateful for all the love that touches our lives. Still, we confess that we are not always shining examples of the love we long for. Forgive us for those times when we failed to keep our word and disappointed those who love us. Forgive us when we give into our tempers and temptations and disappoint your hopes for us. Renew and remake us through the grace of your Son, Jesus, your love made flesh. 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

Dr. Hillary Sessions

***Hymn of Worship #796** *“We Come to You for Healing, Lord”*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Luke 6:17-26

Commentary on The Word Alex Bryant

Anthem *“The Beatitudes”* arr. John Purifoy

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

An Invitation to Give

Offertory *“Meditation on Beautiful Savior”* arr. Kathy Mocklebust
LPC Handbell Ensemble

***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 #716** *“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”*

***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 *“Praeludium in G Minor”* by J.S. Bach

*Those who are able are requested to stand.

2025 Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

Clerk: Bill Purcell, II
Moderator: Rev. Rebekah Carpenter

ELDERS

| <u>Class of 2025</u> | <u>Class of 2026</u> | <u>Class of 2027</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Brian Bounds | Bob Dyer | Pam Hill |
| Martha Fulton | Mike Edwards | Susan Hartwell |
| Bear Hughes | Bill Purcell II | Kirsten Dean |
| LeGette McLean | Emily Womble | Bradley Williams |

DEACONS

| <u>Class of 2025</u> | <u>Class of 2026</u> | <u>Class of 2027</u> |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Heather Bounds | Katherine Campbell | Debra Sutherland |
| Katie Clark | Carol Edwards | Miriam Bounds |
| Wayne Hobbs | Phil Eshleman | Fred Albrecht |
| Louise Mabry | Chip Wells | Hillary Sessions |

Presbyterian Women

Moderator: Angela Purcell

Vice-Moderator: Open

Secretary: Holly Albrecht

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 Dr. Winston Tornow.

Please save your GALLON milk jugs (or tea, water or lemonade) for a LPC children's project. You can bring your clean jugs to the church office.

The annual congregational meeting will be held after the 11 am worship service on Sunday, February 23. We hope members will stay for this short meeting.

UPCOMING:

Today 2/16 12-1:30 pm Lunch and Learn Class
5 pm Bradley & Sarah Williams GRACE Group Gathering
5:30 pm Wentz GRACE Group Gathering

Monday 2/17 5:45 pm Mission Committee Meeting

Tuesday 2/18 6:30 pm Handbells Practice

Wednesday 2/19 8 am Finance Committee Meeting
3 pm PW Circle 3 at Scotia Village 2nd Floor Living Room
6 pm Fellowship Meal and BINGO!
7:15 pm Choir Practice

Sunday 2/23 9:45 am Sunday School For All
11 am Worship (Followed by Congregational Meeting)
5 pm Children's Communion Education Event- RSVP to Lisa!

The February fellowship meal is coming up this Wednesday, February 19th at 6 pm. It will be a pancake dinner with all the fixins'. The Mission Committee will host BINGO for those who wish to participate. All donations will go to Family Promise of Scotland County.

Communion Education is next Sunday, February 23rd at 5:00 pm. Parents and children please make reservations so we can have materials ready for you. A light supper will be served. Children will be received at the table on Sunday, March 2nd.

Thank you for your generous contributions to the Souper Bowl of Caring. We raised \$309 for our local food bank!

Save the date for Word in Action Mission Camp July 14-18th for children through 5th grade completed. Middle School youth may apply to be a Junior Counselor and Senior High Youth may apply to be a Counselor. Registration is coming soon.

The first Sunday of each month is "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.

LPC Women's Retreat

This year's LPC Women's Retreat will be Saturday, March 8th, from 8:15 to 4:30 in the church Fellowship Hall. Hadley Horne Kifner, will be our guest speaker. Hadley is a Laurinburg native and the current Associate Pastor for Spiritual Nurture at University Presbyterian Church in Chapel Hill. Please join us as Hadley guides our hearts and minds to a **Journey to Joy**. Check in and breakfast are at 8:15 am. Breakfast, lunch, and snacks will be arranged at no cost. A sign-up sheet with food items needed will be sent out closer to the retreat. There will be no charge to attend the retreat.***The church bus will be provided for Scotia residents.

Pickup will be at 8am; the bus will return our Scotia residents home after the retreat. **We will kick off the retreat with a meet and greet social on Friday, March 7th, 6:00-8:00 at Scotia Village in the game room. Please join us!! Please email Angela Purcell at angelapurcell@yahoo.com, if you would like to attend. You may also text or call 910-280-0666.**

Scholarships

- **The Jane and Katherine McKay Scholarship is open for applications:** High School Seniors applying for the 2025-2026 year should do so by February 28.
- **The Presbyterian Women Scholarships and the Katie Groves McNeill Scholarship** applications are due March 31.
- **All applications are available** on the LPC website:
<https://laurinburgpres.com/youth/scholarships-opportunities-lpc-members>

FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Greeters/Visitors:

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| February 2- 8 | Philip Eshleman |
| February 9-15 | Wayne Hobbs |
| February 16- 22 | Fred Albrecht |
| Feb 23-March 1 | Heather Bounds |

Bus Drivers:

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| January 26 | Will Clark |
| February 2 | Boyd McLaurin |
| February 9 | Eddie Carmichael |
| February 16 | Bradley Williams |
| February 23 | Tom Draper |

Sanctuary Committee:

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| *Martha Floyd | Susan Hartwell |
| Betty Jackson | Bette Sellers |

Usher Team 4:

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| *Bradley Williams | Fred Albrecht |
| Barbara Bateman | John Campbell |
| Will Clark | Mike Coughenour |
| Tom Draper | Sam Fulton |
| David Herr | Wayne Hobbs |
| Paul Rush | Drew Williamson |
| Michael Sellers | Jamie Sutherland |

Prayer List

- **Clint Willis**, in healthcare at Scotia Village after a hospital stay.
- **Dan Woerner**, friend of the church, scheduled for by-pass surgery Thursday, February 13th.
- **Norma McKeithan**, recovering from a stay at Scotland Memorial Hospital.
- **Jane Somerville**, receiving Hospice routine home care.
- **LeGette McLean** thanks the church family for prayers as medical treatments continue.
- **Betsy Massey**, recovering after a small stroke.
- **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.

Scotia Village Skilled Nursing: 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, Jean Clansky, Sis Thomas, Sibyle Dulin, Bob Gordon

Scottish Pines: Jim "Sunbeam" Sutherland