

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

Second Sunday of Easter

April 27, 2025

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

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

Pastor John Stanley

Prelude

"Alleluia, Amen"
LPC Handbell Ensemble

by Karen Lakey Buckwater

*Call to Worship

Danny Caddell

LEADER: In life, in death, and in life beyond death,

ALL: The Risen Christ is Lord.

LEADER: In success and discouragement, in fear and in hope,

ALL: The Risen Christ is Lord.

LEADER: Of the poor and broken, of the sinner and the sinned against,

ALL: The Risen Christ is Lord.

LEADER: In Church and community, in our hearts and our homes,

ALL: The Risen Christ is Lord, and so we gather to worship in his name.

*Invocation

***Hymn of Praise** #267 *"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"*

Invitation to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

O God of might and mercy, in raising Jesus from the dead, you showed us your power to defeat all that brings fear and sorrow to our lives. In his resurrection, Jesus promised to be with us everywhere and always. Yet we confess we are sometimes uncertain about your promises. We doubt the promise of resurrection for our own lives. Upheaval and anxiety eat away at our peace. Forgive us when we struggle to trust your goodness and your steadfast love for us. 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 #288**

"Spirit of the Living God"

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

John 20:19-31

Commentary on The Word

Pastor John Stanley

Anthem

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"
LPC Adult Choir

by John Horman

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

An Invitation to Give

Offertory

"Be Thou My Vision"
LPC Handbell Ensemble

arr. Karen Thomson

***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 #269** *"Lead On, O King Eternal"*

***Charge and Benediction**

(Why we sit for the Postlude- The Prelude and Postlude begin and conclude our corporate worship. The first allows us to meditate as we transfer from private worship to group worship, while the Postlude gives us the time and opportunity to translate what we have learned and experienced in the church service into our private lives and plans for the week. If you must leave before it ends, please exit reverently.)

Postlude

"Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho"
LPC Handbell Ensemble

arr. by Martha Lynn Thompson

*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 John and Jo McLaurin by the family.

UPCOMING:

Today 4/27 5 pm Nichols-Caddell GRACE Group Gathering
Monday 4/28 5:30 pm PW Coordinating Team Meeting
Tuesday 4/29 6:30 pm Handbell Rehearsal
Wednesday 4/30 5:30 pm Session Meeting
7:15 pm Choir Practice
Sunday 5/4 9:45 am Sunday School For All
11 am Worship (Bring your food donations for Caring and Sharing Sunday)
5-6:30 pm Peacemakers
5:30 pm Deacons Meeting

The Nichols-Caddell GRACE Group will meet at Laurinburg Lanes Bowling Center on Sunday, April 27th at 5 pm. Bring money for the snack bar and come enjoy some friendly competition and fellowship!

Entered the Church Triumphant:

- Claudia "Sis" Thomas died at Scotia Village April 17. Following a private burial, her Celebration of Life Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, April 25 at the Laurinburg Presbyterian Church.
- Marie Love, step-mother to Debi Hobbs, died at Scotia Village April 22. A private graveside service is planned.

Prayer List

- **Debi and Wayne Hobbs and family**, upon the death of her step-mother, Marie Love.
- **Mackey McCormick**, under Hospice care at Scotia Village.
- **John Carmichael** is recovering from valve replacement surgery.
- **Sammy Simmons**, recovering after a hospital stay.
- **Lillian Boger**, dealing with vertigo.
- **Charles Liles**, recovering after hospitalization at Duke Hospital.
- **Mary Hambright** is in physical rehab after a 3 week stay in the hospital. Her Alzheimer's is advancing and she appreciates continued prayers and cards.
Mary Hambright, c/o Margaret Honeycutt
13405 Little Abbey Lane, apt 212, Charlotte, NC 28278
- **Whitman Jernigan**, one-year-old great-grandson of Hal Jernigan, suffering from a rare esophagus problem.
- On February 11th **Elizabeth B. Gordon** fell at her Wrightsville Beach home breaking her left ankle. She is now living temporarily at Scotia Village in their rehabilitation facility while her ankle heals. Please pray that God continues to give her strength needed, for a healthy and speedy recovery.
- **Mary Margaret Miller**; keep her in prayer.
- **Dan Woerner**, friend of the church, recovering from by-pass surgery.
- **Norma McKeithan**, recovering from a stay at Scotland Memorial Hospital.
- **Jane Somerville**, receiving Hospice routine home care.
- **LeGette McLean**- Continuing medical treatments
- **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: Anne Ramsay Melton, Doug Hix, Elizabeth McIntosh

Scotia Village Assisted Living (Heather Glen): Daphne Gaw, John and Henrietta Carmichael, Norma McKeithan, Jean Clansky, Sibyle Dulin, Bob Gordon

Scotia Village Ice Cream Social-Sponsored by the Membership Committee

Sunday, June 1, in The Morgan Room, 3-4 pm

We hope Scotia Village residents will come join us for fellowship and a sweet treat!

The first Sunday of each month is “Caring and Sharing” Sunday. Please bring non-perishable foods and personal care items **NEXT SUNDAY** 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.

The Fun Adult Sunday school class invites you to join them via Zoom, if you can’t attend the class in person. Thanks to Bill Purcell, computer upgrades have been installed and anyone can join in! Just download the Zoom app and click on “Join Meeting”.
The meeting ID is: 843 6418 1512 The passcode is: 341960. Hope you’ll take advantage of this opportunity!



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. Scan the code to register!

MAY VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Greeters/Visitors

April 27- May 3	Philip Eshleman
May 4-12	Wayne Hobbs
May 11-17	Fred Albrecht
May 18-24	Heather Bounds
May 25-31	Miriam Bounds

Sanctuary Committee:

*Carolina Caddell	Lynn Mason
Jacque O’Neal	Kathy Williamson

Bus Drivers:

May 4	David Carmichael
May 11	Jamie Sutherland
May 18	Chip Wells
May 25	David Herr

Usher Team 3:

*Allen McLaurin	Fred Albrecht
Clifton Buie	Jim Coughenour
Phil Eshleman	Hal Jernigan
Charles Liles	John McLaurin
Alex Medlin	Jackson Medlin
Gus Purcell	Gus Purcell, II
Gray Sellers	Anne Sprouse
Jimmy Stubbs	