

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

Ascension Sunday

May 25, 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 worshipping 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 Partita on "*Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*" by Charles Callahan
Chorale and Variation

*Call to Worship Psalm 93

One: The Lord is king, and has put on robes of glory

All: the Lord has put on glory and is girded with strength.

One: God has made the world so firm

All: that it cannot be moved.

One: Your throne is established from of old.

All: You are from everlasting.

One: The floods have lifted up, O Lord,

All: the floods have lifted up their voice,

One: the floods lift up their pounding.

All: But mightier than the sound of many waters,

One: than the mighty waters or the breakers of the sea,

All: is the Lord on high, mighty.

One: Your decrees are very sure.

All: Holiness, O Lord, adorns your house for ever.

*Invocation

***Hymn of Praise** #258 "*A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing*"

Invitation to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Loving God, forgive us for the ways we have hurt each other. Forgive us for the times we have let fear overpower hope, or have turned away from your loving call. Help us embrace the past with gratitude and wisdom. Help us embrace the present with courage and commitment. Guide us to embrace your future with joyful, tenacious hope. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

***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** #261 *"Peoples, Clap Your Hands!"*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Acts 1: 6-14, Luke 24:4-53

Commentary on The Word *"Times of Transition"* Rev. Frohman

Anthem *"If You Search With All Your Heart"* by Craig Courtney
Jaime Martinez, soloist

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

An Invitation to Give

Offertory *"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"* arr. Albin Whitworth

***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** #260 *"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"*

***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 *"Take Up Your Cross, the Savior Said"* arr. Gilbert Martin

*Those who are able are requested to stand.

Prayer List

- **John and Martha Olmstead**, dealing with health issues.
- **St. Andrews University students, staff and faculty.**
- **Hanni Bartholomew**, recovering after being treated at UNC Burn Center.
- **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 to monitor medical issues
- **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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING:

Monday 5/26	Church Office Closed
Tuesday 5/27	9:30 am MACs (Maturing Adult Christians) Day Trip to the Beach
Wednesday 5/28	6:00 pm Fellowship Supper (Scotia Bus picking up at 5:45)
Thursday 5/29	5:30 pm Session Meeting
Sunday 6/1	9:45 am Sunday School For All 11 am Worship (Senior Sunday) 3-4 pm Ice Cream Social for Scotia Village Members 5 pm Bradley and Sarah Williams GRACE Group Gathering 5:30 pm Caddell-Nichols GRACE Group Gathering 5:30 pm Deacons Meeting

The May Fellowship Supper, hosted by the Fellowship Committee, will be this Wednesday, May 28th at 6 pm. They will provide burgers and hot-dogs and all the fixin's. The Mission Committee will host BINGO! All Bingo donations will benefit Family Promise of Scotland County. We hope you will join us for this time of food, fellowship and FUN to kick off the summer. Please let Lisa know you are coming! Scotia Village residents- a bus will pick you up at the Scotia lobby at 5:45 pm.

9:45 am Summer Sunday School for children will take a summer break.

Children's Church during the 11:00 hour will continue as usual. Parents, we may be tending to the children's garden and spending a little time on the playground so have your children dress accordingly.

The Fun Adult Sunday school class has concluded until Sept 7. However, in the same room, for 14 weeks this Summer, beginning Sunday June 1 through Sunday August 24, at the regular time of 9:45 am, will be a series of book reviews by LPC members.

On June 1 Rev. Rod Frohman will begin the series with a review of, *The Great Emergence: How Christianity is Changing and Why* by Phyllis Tickle of *Publisher's Weekly*. If you can't attend the class in person. 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!

Middle School and High School Youth Group

Sunday, June 1st

5:30-7:00 pm at Church in the Pines

Our new Presbyterian Youth Group (we still need a name) is kicking off on June 1st. Come! Bring a friend! Questions contact Holly or Rebekah

Scotia Village Ice Cream Social-Sponsored by the Membership Committee

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

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

Bradley & Sarah Williams GRACE Group- Our next gathering is scheduled for June 1st at 5:00 pm on the Back Patio of Scotia Village hosted by Bill & Pam Hill and Bob & Marie Becker. Jersey Mike's subs will be provided. Please bring a side or dessert.

The Caddell-Nichols GRACE group will gather at the Caddell's home June 1st at 5:30 pm for a potluck. Bring your favorite dishes to share. Regrets only to Carolina Caddell.

The first Sunday of each month is "Caring and Sharing" Sunday. Please bring non-perishable foods and personal care items next Sunday, on June 1st, 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.

Presbyterian Women Missionary Project

The middle school nurses have identified the following items as specific needs for their students, especially in preparing them for the summer, as school ends.

- Women's small and medium underwear
- Women's small and medium sweatpants
- Deodorant for males
- Deodorant for females
- Shampoo
- Body wash
- Clear book bags

JUNE VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Greeters/Visitors

June 1-7 Katherine Campbell
June 8-14 Katie Clark
June 15-21 Carol Edwards
June 22-28 Louise Mabry
June 29-5 Hillary Sessions

Sanctuary Committee:

*Betsy Massey Chris Carmichael
Ellen Harling Anne Miller

Bus Drivers:

June 1 Will Clark
June 8 Michel Sellers
June 15 Gus Purcell
June 22 Boyd McLaurin
June 29 Eddie Carmichael

Usher Team 4:

*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



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!