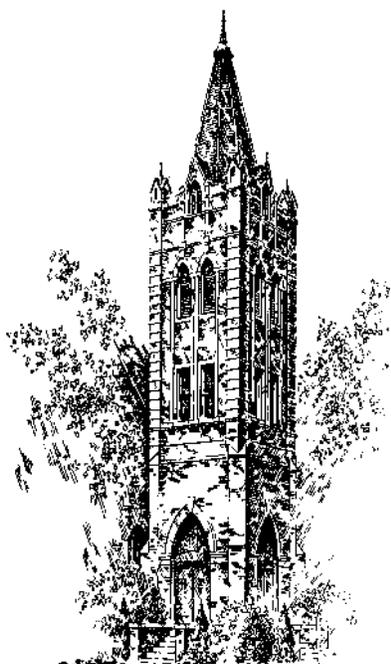


Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 31, 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. Rebekah Carpenter

Minute for Mission

Christian Education Committee

Denise Herr

Prelude

Pastoral Dance on "*Simple Gifts*"

by Andrew Clarke

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Sing aloud to God who is our strength!

All: Raise a shout of joy to the God of all generations!

Leader: For our God feeds us with the finest wheat;

All: with honey from the rock God will satisfy.

Leader: Let us worship the Lord our God,

All: for God has done great things for us, and so we bring God praise.

***Invocation**

***Hymn of Praise** #667 "*When Morning Gilds the Skies*"

Invitation to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Welcoming God, we confess we too often fall short of the kindness and compassion we meet in Jesus. You have welcomed us like guests to a banquet, yet we find it hard to welcome a stranger in church. You have shown us what matters most in life, but we are distracted by worries, busy with things that really do not matter. Forgive us, O God. Teach us to honor You and those we meet in all we do and say, for the sake of Christ, our Lord. 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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Psalm 104:10-23

**Commentary on The Word
Anthem**

*“Refresh”
“Praise the Lord of Hosts”*

Rev. Rebekah Carpenter

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

An Invitation to Give

Offertory

“Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above”

by Paul Manz

***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 # 641 “When in Our Music God Is Glorified”

***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

Epilogue on *“Your Faithfulness, O Lord, is Sure”*

by Eric Thiman

*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

UPCOMING:

- Monday 9/1** Church Office Closed for Labor Day
Wednesday 9/3 5 pm Worship Music and the Arts Committee Meeting
Sunday 9/7 **RALLY DAY!!!!**
9:45 am Breakfast and Meet and Greet with the Committees
11 am Worship
5-6:30 pm Peacemakers
5:30 pm Deacon's Meeting
Monday 9/8 6 pm PW General Meeting
Wednesday 9/10 5:30 pm Christian Education and Nurture Meeting

Bring your third grade Bible or childhood Bible to church on Sunday, September 7th. Celebrate with our third graders as they receive their Bibles during worship. We will be placing our Bibles on the communion table as a visual reminder of this important faith journey milestone.

Save the date for the Rally Day Breakfast at 9:45 am on Sunday, September 7th. Enjoy breakfast and learn about the different ministries of the church and ways you can get involved.

Peacemakers for children through fifth grade begins Sunday, September 7th 5:00-6:30. Bring a friend for dinner, games, music, Bible stories, crafts and more!

The kick-off for Presbyterian Women is right around the corner. We will come together for our dinner meeting on Monday, September 8th, at 6:00 in the fellowship hall. Please bring your favorite salad of ANY kind. We will enjoy fellowship, install officers, and begin our bible study with lesson 1. A bus will be provided for our Scotia residents...pick-up is 5:45.

Weird Request from the CN&E Committee- please save your plastic lids of all sizes, shapes, and colors. We have a project that requires thousands of lids! Place them in the buckets in the office and outside of the sanctuary.

Presbyterian Women Missionary Project

The middle school nurses have identified the following items as specific needs for their students. Please bring your donations to the church office.

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

SEPTEMBER VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Greeters/Visitors

Sept 7-13	Carol Edwards
Sep 14-20	Louise Mabry
Sept 21-27	Hillary Sessions
Sept 28- Oct 4	Debra Sutherland

Bus Drivers:

September 7	Scott Sellers
September 14	Earl Bowling
September 21	David Carmichael
September 28	Jamie Sutherland

Sanctuary Committee:

*Celeste McRae Pat Ellis
Charlotte McLean John McRae

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 Gray Sellers
Anne Sprouse Jimmy Stubbs

Prayer List (Names of those on the Prayer list will remain for One Month, unless a family member calls Lisa with an update, or the Pastor has visited the person. Thank you for the way you care for the Laurinburg Church Family.)

- **Lynn Massey**, recovering from knee replacement.
- **Rose Stanley**, recovering from a fall.
- **Jerrod Lowry**, General Presbyter and Stated Clerk for the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina, dealing with a colon cancer diagnosis.
- **Meredith Bounds**, ongoing cancer treatment.
- **Janet McQueen**, mother of Alex Bryant, ongoing cancer treatment.
- **John Carmichael**, currently receiving cardio rehab.
- **Ashleigh Bailey and her family, the Sutherland's**, as she is in the military and stationed in Qatar.
- **Barbara Salzlein**, continuing health concerns.
- **John Decembrino**, recovering at home after surgery.
- **Sammy Simmons**, recovering after a hospital stay.
- **Charles Liles**, ongoing health concerns.
- **Jane Somerville**, receiving Hospice routine home care.
- **LeGette McLean**, continuing cancer 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.

Scotia Village Skilled Nursing: Anne Ramsay Melton, Doug Hix, Elizabeth McIntosh, Norma McKeithan

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