



LAURINBURG  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CASUAL SERVICE

Sunday, September 7, 2025

**GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

**GATHERING MUSIC**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Rebekah

**BIBLES PRESENTED TO 3<sup>rd</sup> GRADERS**

Molly Carmichael  
Olivia Carpenter  
Wesley Clark  
Sawyer Mabry

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: Joy comes to those who follow God's ways.

**All: We will follow the Lord with joyful hearts!**

LEADER: Those who follow the Lord are like trees planted by the river, bearing fruit each season.

**All: May our lives be fruitful and blessed by God!**

LEADER: Worship the Lord who leads us to joy and abundance.

**All: Let us worship God now and throughout all our days.**

**OPENING SONGS**

**SONG**

*"Come, Now is the Time to Worship"*

*Come, now is the time to worship  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship  
Come, just as you are before you God, Come.*

Verse 1

*One day every tongue will confess You are God  
One day every knee will bow;  
Still the greatest treasure remains for those  
Who gladly choose You now.*

Verse 2

*Willingly we choose to surrender our lives  
Willingly our knees will bow  
With all our heart soul mind and strength  
We gladly choose You now*

Chorus

*Come, now is the time to worship  
Come, now is the time to give your heart.  
Come, just as you are to worship  
Come, just as you are before you God, Come.*

**SONG**

*“Give me Jesus”*

*In the morning, when I rise  
In the morning, when I rise  
In the morning, when I rise  
Give me Jesus*

Chorus

*Give me Jesus  
Give me Jesus  
You can have all this world  
Just give me Jesus*

Verse 2

*When I am alone  
When I am alone  
Oh, when I am alone  
Give me Jesus*

Verse 3

*When I come to die  
When I come to die  
Oh, when I come to die  
Give me Jesus*

**SONG**

*“This is the Air I Breathe”*

*This is the air I breathe  
This is the air I breathe  
Your holy presence  
Living in me*

*This is my daily bread  
This is my daily bread  
Your very word  
Spoken to me*

*This is the air I breathe  
This is the air I breathe  
Your holy presence  
Living in me*

*And I ... I'm desperate for you  
And I ... I'm lost without you*

*This is air I breathe  
This is air I breathe  
Your holy presence  
Living in me*

*This is my daily bread  
This is my daily bread  
Your very word  
Spoken to me*

*And I ... I'm desperate for you  
And I ... I'm lost without you*

## **GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR-----PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Please take a few minutes and greet your neighbors.

## **TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Dr. Hillary Sessions

Children of all ages are invited

*(sung twice: once in unison, once as a canon, beginning with the pulpit side)*

TALLIS' CANON



Go with us, Lord, and guide the way Through  
this and ev - ery com - ing day, That in Your Spir - it  
strong and true Our lives may be our gift to You.

text: Mary Jackson Cathey, 1986  
music: Thomas Tallis, adapt. Parker's *Whole Psalter*, c.1561

## **SCRIPTURE**

Matthew 18:1-5

## **SERMON**

*"The Next Generation"*

Rev. Rebekah

## **OFFERTORY**

*"I am His Child"*

by Moses Hogan

## **PRAYER CONCERNS**

**SONG** (*Hymn 377*)      *“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”*

**CHARGE**

**CLOSING SONG** (*Hymn 853*) *“We Are Marching in the Light of God”*      Zulu Traditional  
*“Siyahamba”*

**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 (Knee replacement)
- Meredith Bounds, Chemotherapy
- John Carmichael, Cardio rehab
- Barbara Salzlein, Continuing health concerns
- Charles Liles, Health concerns
- Jane Somerville, Hospice home care
- LeGette McLean, Continuing cancer treatments
- Beth Newbold, Continuing health concerns

**Friends of Congregation**

- Gary Grady, Brother of Carolina Caddell, who recently lost his wife to breast cancer.
- Jerrod Lowry, General Presbyter, (Colon Cancer, Stage 3, Chemotherapy, waiting on 2<sup>nd</sup> Surgery)
- Janet McQueen, Mother of Alex Bryant, Cancer treatment
- Ashleigh Bailey & Family (Sutherlands) Military in Qatar.
- Sammy Simmons, recovering after hospital stay
- Sara Tezzi, granddaughter of Sammy and Linda Simmons
- Fletcher Kendall, Atlanta. 7-year-old grandson of Paul & Judy Rush, Leukemia
- Sammy Townsend, Liberty Commons Nursing, Sanford.

**Scotia Village Skilled Nursing**

Rose Stanley, Anne Ramsay Melton, Elizabeth McIntosh  
Goode Mobley (Memory)

**Scotia Village Assisted Living (Heather Glen)**

Daphne Gaw, John and Henrietta Carmichael, Jean Clansky, Sibyle Dulin, Bob Gordon

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**In lieu of flowers this Sunday**, a donation has been made to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund in memory of Frances Jernigan, Mary Crowell and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Davis by Hal Jernigan.

## UPCOMING:

**Today 9/7** 5-6:30 pm Peacemakers  
5:30 pm Deacon's Meeting  
**Monday 9/8** 6 pm PW General Meeting  
**Tuesday 9/9** 5 pm Fellowship Committee Meeting  
**Wednesday 9/10** 5:30 pm Christian Education and Nurture Meeting  
**Sunday 9/14** 9:45 am Sunday School For Adults  
11 am Worship  
**Monday 9/15** 5 pm Nichols/Caddell GRACE Group  
**Tuesday 9/16** 8 am Finance Committee Meeting  
**Wednesday 9/17** 6 pm Fellowship Supper/Barn Dance

## A note from Pat Hix-

*My family and I want to thank our LPC family for all your prayers and kindnesses during Doug's long illness and stay in Health Care at Scotia Village. All the visits, the prayers holding hands, the goodies to eat, told Doug he was loved. Thanks be to God for such Christian love.*

**Today during worship**, our third graders Molly Carmichael, Olivia Carpenter, Wesley Clark, and Sawyer Mabry will be receiving a Bible from the church. The congregation has placed third grade or childhood Bibles on the communion table to remember and celebrate this important faith journey milestone. Molly, Olivia, Wesley, and Sawyer may the words and stories of the Bible be a guide for your life.

**Peacemakers** for children through fifth grade begins this evening from 5:00-6:30. Bring a friend for dinner, games, music, Bible stories, crafts and more!

**The Presbyterian Women** will come together for our dinner meeting tomorrow evening, 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.

## Barn Dance/Fellowship Dinner on Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

We hope you'll join us at 6 pm for dances called by renowned square dance caller, TF Wells and a delicious dinner provided by the Fellowship Committee. RSVP to Lisa with number attending my September 12<sup>th</sup>. Invite your family, friends and neighbors for this twirling-good time. Donations accepted.

**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

### **2025 Pledge Detail As Of 8/31/25**

|                  | <b>Pledged</b>   | <b>Actual</b>    | <b>Difference</b>  | <b>%</b>  |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| <b>Annual</b>    | <b>\$266,300</b> | <b>\$190,380</b> | <b>(\$75,920)</b>  | <b>71</b> |
| <b>Monthly</b>   | <b>\$122,085</b> | <b>\$88,185</b>  | <b>(\$33,900)</b>  | <b>72</b> |
| <b>Quarterly</b> | <b>\$17,420</b>  | <b>\$8,460</b>   | <b>(\$8,960)</b>   | <b>48</b> |
| <b>Weekly</b>    | <b>\$23,935</b>  | <b>\$15,575</b>  | <b>(\$8,360)</b>   | <b>65</b> |
| <b>Total</b>     | <b>\$429,740</b> | <b>\$302,600</b> | <b>(\$127,140)</b> | <b>70</b> |