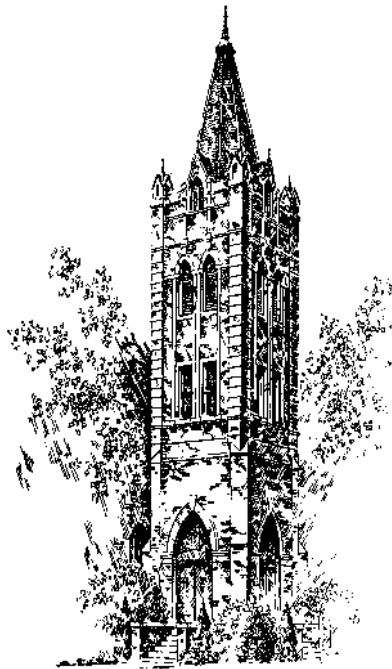


Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2026

Our Mission: To Be The Word In Action



Founded 1859

Rev. Rebekah Carpenter, Senior Pastor
Holly Albrecht, Director of Christian Education
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

Alex Bryant, Seminary Student

Prelude

“Spirit of God”

by David Paxton

*Call to Worship

Leader: Let us sing and pray in God's presence.

All: Praise be to God!

Leader: For God has created the world and called it good.

All: Praise be to God!

Leader: In Christ, God has redeemed the world and defeated the powers of death.

All: Praise be to God!

Leader: The Holy Spirit is at work in the world, calling us to follow Jesus.

All: All praise and glory to God, Holy One and Holy Three

*Invocation

*Hymn of Praise # 12 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

Invitation to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and soul and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news! Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*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

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



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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

John 10:1-10

Commentary on The Word

Alex Bryant

Anthem

“God’s Got the Whole World”

by Mark Miller

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

An Invitation to Give

Offertory

“Aria for Flute”

by Lani Smith

***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** #494 “Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

***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

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor”

by Dale Wood

*Those who are able are requested to stand.

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Help us be *“The Word In Action”*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John and Jo McLaurin by the family.

Fellowship Meal- We hope you'll join us on Wednesday, April 29 for a special End-of-the-School-Year Fellowship Meal. Our program for the evening, **"Still Us,"** will highlight a first-in-the-nation *dementia sanctuary* being developed in the Sandhills. The presentation will be led by **Jim Smith**, a board member, and Rev. **Sue Hudson**, the spiritual advisor. The Fellowship Committee will provide our favorite...Nic's fried chicken!! So bring sides to share and come to fellowship and learn with our church family.

WORD IN ACTION MISSION CAMP

July 13-17th

9:00 am-2:00 pm

REGISTER NOW!

Space is limited in our summer Mission Camp designed for children 4 years old through 5th grade. Each day we will explore Matthew 25 through hands on mission projects, Bible stories, crafts, music, and games. Children will lead the congregation in worship on Sunday, July 19th. The cost for the Mission Camp is \$25 to help cover supply costs. Children will bring their lunch each day and snacks will be provided. Due to transportation requirements and providing hands-on opportunities for each child, space is limited. Join us as we grow disciples by serving our neighbors. Registration forms are available in the church office. If you have any questions please contact Holly Albrecht.

The McQueen GRACE Group will gather this evening Sunday, April 26 on the patio at Scotia Village from 5-7 pm. More details to follow!

The FUN Adults Sunday School Class meets Sundays at 9:45 am. For those who can not make it in person, the Zoom Meeting ID is 864 8139 8937 and the passcode is 945025

Fun Class Schedule 2026				
3.11.26	NOTES	TITLE	THEME	SPEAKER
	12-Apr	<i>The Second Great Awakening in NC</i>	Theology & History	Jaime Martinez
	19-Apr	<i>The Second Great Awakening in NC</i>	Theology & History	Jaime Martinez
	26-Apr	<i>The Second Great Awakening in NC</i>	Theology & History	Jaime Martinez
	3-May	<i>Visions in Context : Jesus in Modern Art</i>	Arts and Faith	Beata Niedzialkowska
	10-May Mother's Day	<i>Great British Poets and the Christian Faith # 3</i>	Arts and Faith	Edna Ann Loftus
	17-May Last class	<i>J to C #9 Thermidor: 30 AD to 325 AD</i>	Politics and Religion	Rod Frohman

Nursery Attendant Position

Interested in playing with babies and toddlers in the nursery and sharing the love of God with them? We are hiring a nursery attendant (must be 18 years or older) for Sunday mornings. If you would like to know more about the position, please contact Holly Albrecht.

Peacemakers will meet in the Fellowship Hall Sunday, May 3 from 5-6:30 pm. Wear your bathing suit and plan to get wet!! Bring a friend for games, food, bible stories and music.

Prayer List

- The Coughenour and Brunnet Families, upon the death of Carol's mother, Barbara Haney.
- Randy Miller, recovering from a car accident.
- Lynn Massey had hip replacement on April 24th.
- Becca Hughes, recovering from surgery.
- Carol Sellers, at home recovering from fractures in her pelvis and back, sustained in a fall.
- Anne Ramsay Melton, under Hospice care.
- Virginia McCormick is recovering from pacemaker replacement.
- Jim Bumgardner, recovering from back surgery.
- Mary Sutton, dealing with health concerns.
- Meredith Bounds, being treated with chemotherapy.
- Barbara Salzlein, continuing health concerns.
- Goode Mobley, ongoing health concerns.

Friends of Congregation

- Candace Carter-Johnson, daughter of Neal and Debbie Carter, diagnosed with breast cancer.
- Jerrod Lowry, General Presbyter, (Colon Cancer, Stage 3, Chemotherapy)
- Janet McQueen, Mother of Alex Bryant, cancer treatment
- Sara Tezzi, granddaughter of Sammy and Linda Simmons
- Fletcher Kendall, Atlanta. grandson of Paul & Judy Rush, Leukemia
- Sammy Townsend, Liberty Commons Nursing, Sanford.

Scotia Village Skilled Nursing

Elizabeth McIntosh, Goode Mobley (Memory), Bob Gordon

Scotia Village Assisted Living (Heather Glen)

Daphne Gaw, John and Henrietta Carmichael, Jean Clansky, Pat Hix

VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Greeters/Visitors

March 29-April 4 Tom Draper
April 5-11 Hillary Sessions
April 12- 18 Debra Sutherland
April 19- 25 Chip Wells
April 26- May 2 Philip Eshleman

Bus Drivers:

Sunday, April 5 Tom Draper
Sunday, April 12 Earl Bowling
Sunday, April 19 Scott Sellers
Sunday, April 26 Ed O'Neal

April Sanctuary Committee:

*Candy Nichols Heather Bounds
Jane McLaurin Debra Sutherland

April Usher Team:

*Brian Bounds Charles Bounds
David Bounds Turner Bounds
Walt Bounds Eddie Carmichael
Bob Dyer Hew Fulton
Boyd McLaurin Jim Mason
Ed O'Neal Bill Purcell, II
Walter Williams

2026 Pledge Detail As Of 4/13/26

	Pledged	Actual	Difference	%
Annual	\$272,775	\$126,024	\$146,751	47
Monthly	\$118,620	\$31,130	\$87,490	27
Quarterly	\$18,100	\$4,525	\$13,575	25
Weekly	\$22,360	\$6,310	\$16,050	29
Total	\$431,855	\$167,989	\$263,866	39

2026 Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

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

ELDERS

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Bob Dyer	Pam Hill	Hew Fulton
Mike Edwards	Susan Hartwell	Jane McLaurin
Bill Purcell II	Kirsten Dean	Jim McQueen
Emily Womble	Bradley Williams	Leslie Sellers

DEACONS

<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Katherine Campbell	Debra Sutherland	Chris Carmichael
Carol Edwards	Miriam Bounds	Carol Coughenour
Phil Eshleman	Fred Albrecht	Tom Draper
Chip Wells	Hillary Sessions	Rachel Nalaweja

Presbyterian Women

Moderator: Angela Purcell
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