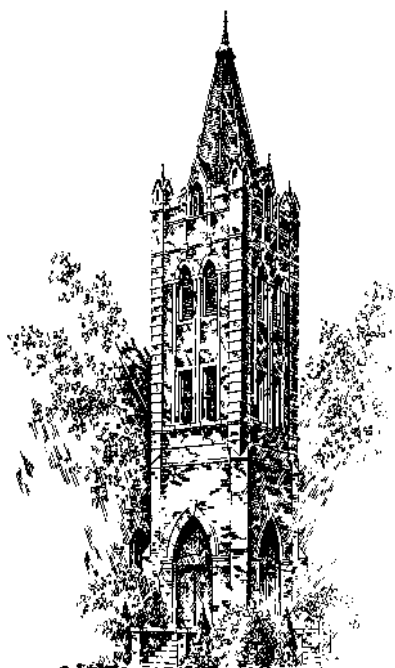


Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

Seventh Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2026

Our Mission: To Be The Word In Action



Founded 1859

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

Rev. Rebekah Carpenter

Minute for Mission

Pentecost Offering

Prelude

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

arr. Albin Whitworth

*Call to Worship

Dr. Robert Dyer

LEADER: Let every creature in heaven and on earth shout to God and sing with joy!

PEOPLE: Blessing and honor, glory and power be to our God for ever and ever!

LEADER: Let us raise our prayers and praises to God in worship this day!

**PEOPLE: Blessing and honor, glory and power be to our God for ever and ever!
Amen.**

*Invocation

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

Invitation to Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

You desire us to share in the unity and be one as You are Three in One.

We confess that such unity often eludes us. We dwell on our differences and find reasons to criticize each other. The love You called us to offer one another disappears when we disagree. Forgive us for making our opinions and preferences into dividing lines within the body of your Church. Call us again to honor the unity and love You cherish for Your followers so we may witness to unity and love in this divided world. 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

(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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

John 17:1-11

Commentary on The Word

“Prayers of Protection”

Rev. Rebekah

Anthem

“If Ye Love Me”

by Philip Wilby

An Invitation to Give

Offertory

“Jesus, Thy Church With Longing Eyes”

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

*Hymn #265 “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

Pastoral Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

*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 Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

by Paul Manz

*Those who are able are requested to stand.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In lieu of flowers this Sunday, a donation has been made to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. John F. McLaurin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Quick and Mrs. Catherine McLaurin by the family.

SPY & Friends will gather at Church in the Pines in Laurel Hill Sunday, May 17th 5:30-7:00 pm. Save the date, more details coming soon! Scotland Presbyterian Youth & Friends is a monthly youth group for 6th-12th grades. Five churches rotate hosting and leading the monthly program. It is a great time of bringing young people together for fun, laughter, and growing our faith.

Word in Action Mission Camp July 13-17th 9:00-2:00 pm. **IT'S TIME TO REGISTER!** Our summer mission camp is for children four years old through those who have completed fifth grade. This hands-on camp provides children with daily Bible stories, music, crafts, and service projects. Children bring their lunch each day and snacks are provided. We will work hard, play hard, and make a difference in our church and community. Due to transportation requirements for children and providing each child with hands-on experiences our **space is limited**. Please register your child/children by May 15th. There is a \$25 registration fee to cover supply costs. Scholarships are available.

On Communion Sunday, May 31st, children five years old and older will stay in worship in order to share in communion with their families. **Worship bags** will be available to enhance their worship experience. Please return the bags and their contents when leaving worship. (Childcare for children four years old and younger will be provided after the Children's Moment.)

Senior Sunday is May 31st. Help us celebrate our seniors as they prepare for graduation and next steps on the journey.

The Christian Ed Committee is collecting flower vases of all kinds to use for a fun project during Mission Camp in July. Please bring your vases to donate to the church office and look forward to seeing pictures this summer!

May Fellowship Supper-We have one more chance before summer break to gather for our Wednesday night Fellowship Supper. The Fellowship Committee will serve their savory chicken bog, so bring sides and desserts to share. Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 6 pm on May 20 to start your summer off right! The planned program is entitled "Living Our Church Mission." Please RSVP to Lisa by May 18 to help the Fellowship Committee plan.

Flowers for the Sanctuary- There are Sunday's available on the flower calendar for the rest of this year. Placing flowers in the sanctuary is a meaningful way to honor or remember someone. Fresh arrangements can be ordered or a donation to the pastor's discretionary fund can also be made for one of our beautiful silk arrangements to be placed. Please contact Martha Fulton to schedule your Sunday.

The Boy Scouts are holding a special “Pollen Sale” for Tidal Wave car wash tickets! For just \$10, get a \$30 car wash at any Tidal Wave location. Great to get your vehicle summer ready or to give as a gift. See Lisa in the church office to purchase tickets.

The Presbyterian Women will conclude this year's Bible study, *Finding Resilience, Joy, and Our Identity in Jesus Christ*, in May. Hope to see you at one of the following circles:

- Circle 2 – Anne Sprouse: May 5, 1:30 pm-Captain Larry’s
- Circle 3 – Carolina Caddell: May 20, 3:00 at Scotia - 2nd floor

Prayer List

- Doug Harris, recovering from a broken hip.
- Randy Miller, recovering from a car accident.
- Lynn Massey had hip replacement on April 24th.
- Carol Sellers, at home recovering from fractures in her pelvis and back, sustained in a fall.
- Anne Ramsay Melton, under Hospice care.
- 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

Sunday, May 3 Chris Carmichael
Sunday, May 10 Fred Albrecht
Sunday, May 17 Rachel Nalewaja
Sunday, May 24 Miriam Bounds
Sunday, May 31 Katherine Campbell

Bus Drivers:

Sunday, May 3 David Carmichael
Sunday, May 10 Jamie Sutherland
Sunday, May 17 Allen McLaurin
Sunday, May 24 David Herr
Sunday, May 31 Will Clark

Sanctuary Committee:

*Jacque O'Neal Carolina Caddell
Lynn Mason Kathy Williamson

Usher Team:

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

2026 Pledge Detail As Of 4/26/26

	Pledged	Actual	Difference	%
Annual	\$272,775	\$136,124	\$136,651	50
Monthly	\$118,620	\$37,535	\$81,085	32
Quarterly	\$18,100	\$4,525	\$13,575	25
Weekly	\$22,360	\$7,635	\$14,725	35
Total	\$431,855	\$185,819	\$246,036	43

Montpelier Presbyterian Church will be hosting a seminar for those who love or support a child with ADHD led by Scotland Family Counseling. The lunch and learn seminar will be this Wed. May 20 at noon in the church's library. The seminar discussion and lunch are free but pre-registration is required by texting 269-362-1332.

From the Massey-McCormick-Williams GRACE Group-

Happy Spring to everyone!

We had such fun in March when we gathered at Sarah and Bradley's home. We said at the time that we would try to get together at least every other month.

So Lynne and Fred Mabry (1305 Laurin Lane) have graciously invited us to come and enjoy their beautiful gardens on May 19 at 6:00. Bring an hors d'oeuvre or dessert and all else will be provided. The main thing is that you come and we gather in friendship as part of our church community.

Peace be with you,
Virginia, Lynn & Bradley

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
Vice-Moderator: Denise Herr
Secretary: Chris Carmichael
Treasurer: Delia Muse
Historian: Dawn Sellers
Moderator of Search Committee: Leslie Sellers

TO MAKE A DONATION TO SUPPORT
THE WORK AND MISSION OF
LAURINBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
SCAN THE CODE BELOW WITH
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Help us be *"The Word In Action"*



Name _____

I am a (circle one): Camper Middle School Junior Counselor High School Counselor

Grade Completed by July _____ Age _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

T-Shirt Size (circle one) Child S M L XL Adult S M L XL XXL

Do you consent to appropriate use by LPC of photographs that include your child for church publications? For example, inclusion in the Messenger, bulletin boards, church directory, web page, or brochures.

Yes _____ No _____

Safety and Care Details

In the event of an emergency and you are not on campus, please list phone or cell numbers where a friend or relative may be contacted.

Name _____ Relationship _____ Number _____

Name _____ Relationship _____ Number _____

Are there any conditions which require special attention we should know about, e.g. hearing or sight impairment, ADD or ADHD, behavior issues, or any other? *Please list below or use back of form:*

Medical Information

Does your child have any allergies or other medical conditions? *If yes, give information below or on back.*

Does your child have any special dietary requirements? *If yes, list below or on back.*

In case of a medical emergency, I hereby authorize church personnel to call 911 and/or take appropriate action.

Print Name _____

Signature _____ Date _____