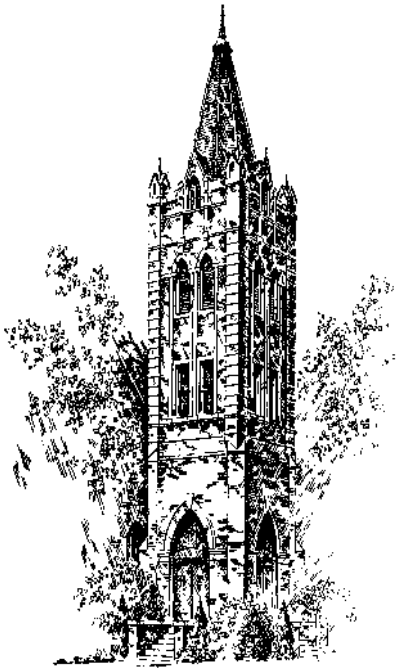
Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

12th Sunday after Pentecost

August 16, 2026

Our Mission: To Be The Word In Action



Founded 1859

Rev. Rebekah Carpenter, Senior Pastor
Holly Albrecht, Director of Christian Education
Dr. Jaime Martinez, Interim Director of Music
Lee Harris, Organist

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Ten 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

Prelude "Holy Manna" arr. Cathy Moklebust
Handbells

***Call to Worship** Becca Hughes
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** #645 "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above "
Amber Rock, guest organist

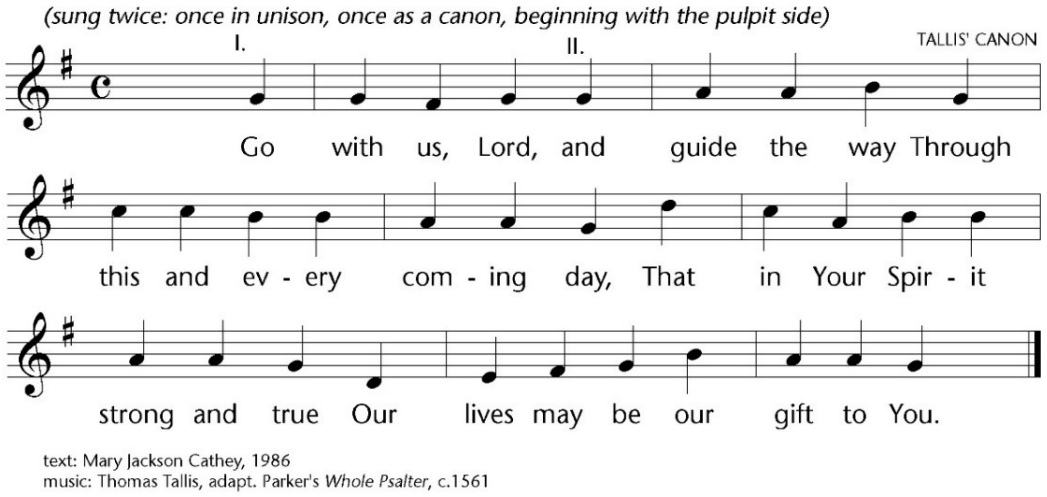
Invitation to Confession

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.

***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 Genesis 37:1-4

Commentary on The Word Rev. Rebekah Carpenter

***Hymn of Worship** #762 "When the Poor Ones"

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

An Invitation to Give

Offertory Selection from Eight Little Preludes and Fugues by J.S. Bach

***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** #672 "O For a World"
***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 "Dona Nobis Pacem" arr. Kevin McChesney
Handbells

*Those who are able are requested to stand.

2026 Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

Clerk: Bill Purcell, II

Moderator: Rev. Rebekah Carpenter

ELDERS

Class of 2026	Class of 2027	Class of 2028
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

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

Presbyterian Women

Moderator: Angela Purcell

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Secretary: Chris Carmichael

Treasurer: Delia Muse

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Moderator of Search Committee: Leslie Sellers

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers today are given in loving memory of Doug McMillan and Ken and Anne Malcolm by Kaye McMillan.

Join us for Lemonade on the Lawn (at the elevator exit) following 10:00 worship. Take a few minutes to catch up with your church family.

Worship begins at 10:00 am for the summer months. Why the change? We do not have an opportunity to visit with one another on Sunday mornings. Everyone is rushing into worship and then rushing to get to Sunday lunch. There is really not a chance to catch up and get to know each other or to properly welcome visitors and answer their questions. The earlier worship time provides a few moments for us to pause and get to know each other better.

We plan to have lemonade on the lawn at the elevator entrance most Sundays after worship. If you would like to host **Lemonade on the Lawn** please contact Holly Albrecht. Plan to stay a few extra minutes and get to know your church family.

The Men's *(and friends)* **Bible class will meet Sunday mornings at 9:15 am during the summer.** Everyone is welcome!

Fellowship Supper- Get ready for a fun evening of food, fellowship and games! Wednesday, August 19 at 6 pm, bring appetizers and/or desserts to share and come ready for some friendly competition. Games and cornhole will be available, but bring your favorite games to play, if you wish. RSVP to the church office by August 17th.

Care and Share! School's out! Sounds like fun! But for families who rely on the schools to help feed their families, summer can be a challenge. The Mission Committee is asking the church to actively support our Blessing Box ministry by bringing in canned meat and vegetables all summer. We still have lots of snack food from when we helped stock the county's emergency shelter during the ice storms, but our food closet is very low on canned meats and vegetables. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Prayer List

- Bear Hughes, recovering from knee surgery.
- Beth Newbold, continuing health concerns.
- Connie Harris, recovering from a bout of AFib.
- Doug Harris, recovering from a broken hip.
- Randy Miller, recovering from a car accident.
- Carol Sellers, at home recovering from fractures in her pelvis and back.
- 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

- Susan Harris, Daughter of Hal Jernigan, dealing with some health issues.
- Elizabeth Forester, recovering from a partial hip replacement.
- David Dyer, brother of Bob Dyer, transitioning to Hospice care.
- Candace Carter-Johnson, daughter of Neal and Debbie Carter, recovering from cancer surgery.
- Jerrod Lowry, General Presbyter, cancer treatment
- 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

Goode Mobley (Memory), Bob Gordon

Scotia Village Assisted Living (Heather Glen) Daphne Gaw, John and Henrietta Carmichael, Jean Clansky, Pat Hix

Flowers for the Sanctuary- There are Sundays 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.

VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Greeters/Visitors

July 26- Aug. 1 Chris Carmichael
August 2-8 Fred Albrecht
August 9-15 Rachel Nalewaja
August 16-22 Miriam Bounds
August 23-29 Katherine Campbell
Aug. 30- Sep 5 Carol Coughenour

Sanctuary Committee:

*Lucy Sojka	Beverly Bowling
Pam Hill	Dawn Sellers

Bus Drivers:

August 2	David Bounds
August 9	Brian Bounds
August 16	Allen McLaurin
August 23	Andy Womble
August 30	Ed O'Neal

Usher Team:

* Brian Bounds	David Bounds
Charles Bounds	Hew Fulton
Eddie Carmichael	Bob Dyer
Jim Mason	Boyd McLaurin
Ed O'Neal	Bill Purcell, II
Andy Womble	

August Calendar

2- Deacons Meeting 5:30 pm
Caring and Sharing Sunday- Bring Your Donations

5- Worship Committee Meeting 5:00 pm

9- SPY Meeting at FUMC at 5:30-7 pm

10- BEG Committee Meeting at 5:45pm

12- CN&E Committee Meeting 5:30 pm

17 Mission Committee Meeting 5:45 pm

18- Finance Committee Meeting 8 am

19- Fellowship Meal & Game Night 6 pm

21- Ladies Lunch at Miyako 12:30 pm

26 Session Meeting 5:30 pm

27 Membership Committee Meeting 5:30 pm