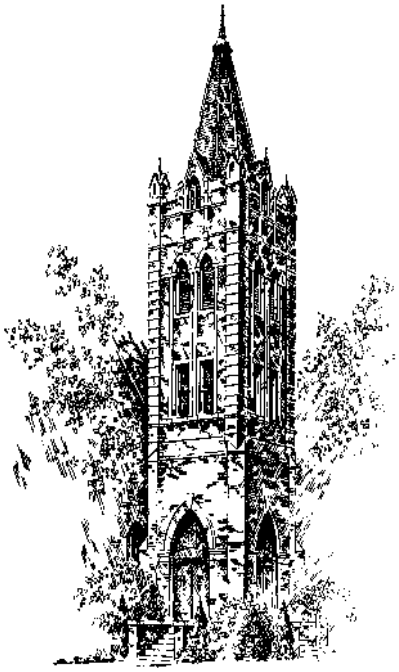
Laurinburg Presbyterian Church

18th Sunday after Pentecost

September 27, 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, Director of Music
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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. Dr. Roderic P. Frohman

Prelude "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" arr. Don Phillips

***Call to Worship** (inspired by Psalm 145:1-8) Angela Purcell

LEADER: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
All: break forth into joyous song and sing praises.
LEADER: Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,
All: with the lyre and the sound of melody.
LEADER: With trumpets and the sound of the horn
All: make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD.
LEADER: Let the sea roar and all that fills it,
All: the world and those who live in it.
LEADER: Let the floods clap their hands;
All: let the hills sing together for joy at the presence of the LORD.

***Invocation**

***Hymn of Praise** #641 "When in Our Music God is Glorified"

Invitation to Confession

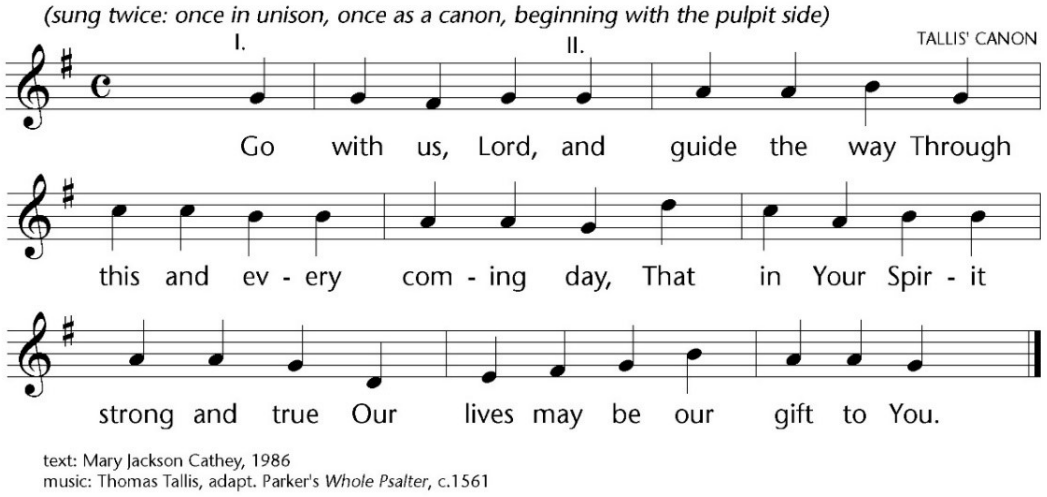
Corporate Prayer of Confession
Holy God, we confess to you:
We are not of the same mind.
We do not share the same love.
We act in selfish ambition and do not regard others as better than ourselves.
We have not looked to the interests of others instead of ourselves.
We do not embrace the humility of Jesus Christ.
Forgive us.
Continue to be at work in us,
that we might serve each other as you served us,
and reflect your glory in this world.

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

The Word in Scripture and Song

Anthem:	Thy Word, arr. Jack Schrader (incorporates How Firm a Foundation)
Scripture:	Isaiah 42:5-9
Hymn:	39 Great is Thy Faithfulness
Scripture:	Ephesians 4:7-16
Hymn:	720 Jesus Calls Us
*Scripture:	Mark 1:14-20
*Hymn:	69 Here I Am, Lord

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Rev. Frohman

An Invitation to Give

Offertory Softly and Tenderly arr. Annette Kimbrell
Marcia Frohman, handbells
Lee Harris, piano

***The Doxology** #609 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

***Prayer of Dedication**
Merciful and gracious God, you abound in steadfast love and faithfulness. With gratitude, we bring our gifts to you. Bless these gifts, and bless our lives, that together we may share your mercy and grace for the world you dearly love.
Amen.

***The Apostle's Creed (pg 35 in front of the hymnal)**

***Hymn of Parting** #611 "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

***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 "Toccata Pontificale" by Gordon Young

TO MAKE A DONATION TO SUPPORT THE WORK AND MISSION OF **LAURINBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**, SCAN THE CODE BELOW WITH YOUR CAMERA APP.

Help us be *"The Word In Action"*

2026 Pledge Detail As Of 9/13/26

	Pledged	Actual	Difference	%
Annual	$272,775	$ 235,335	$37,440	87
Monthly	$118,620	$72,380	$46,240	61
Quarterly	$18,100	$12,200	$5,900	68
Weekly	$22,360	$15,820	$6,540	71
Total	$431,855	$335,735	$96,120	78

Creatively Engaging our Mission "To Be the Word in Action"

To Be the Word in Action at LPC means that Christ and Christ's Spirit are ongoingly "in action" within (internally), as we are touched, moved and inspired by the Spirit, and without (externally), as Christ and Christ's Spirit move through us in service to the community.

For the first three Sundays this month, our worship services will be creative expressions of our church mission. Using colors, movement, and drama, we will engage the Bible story both in Luke and John that depicts the humility of a woman who washes Jesus' feet with her hair. Through this experience may Christ and Christ's Spirit be "in action" within you, inspiring you to take Christ and Christ's Spirit "in action" into our community.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communion Education Class for children and their parents will be held **TONIGHT** Sunday, September 27th 5:00-6:30pm. This hands-on class will be led by the Reverend Dr. Rod Frohman and Director of Christian Education, Holly Albrecht.

World Communion Sunday is October 4th. Children and youth will be bringing in the elements of bread and wine. Please meet in the chapel at 10:40am to practice. This is a moving processional as we celebrate the breaking of bread with Christians throughout the world.

Peacemakers for children through 5th grade will meet on Sunday, October 4th (5:00-6:30pm) for dinner, Bible Study, games, music, and more. Bring a friend and flashlight!

Join us Sunday mornings at 9:45am for Adult Education. The Men's Bible Class meets in the Session Room as they study the Bible using *The Present Word* curriculum. The F.U.N. Adult class will be exploring The Church in the Middle Ages. *Studies in the Gospel of John: Encounters with Jesus* by Frances Taylor Gench is the text for the Salt and Light class.

SPY & Friends for middle and high school youth will meet Sunday, October 11th 5:30-7:00pm at Faith Presbyterian Church.

Exploring Faith Confirmation Retreat for middle and high school youth at Highland Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville. Saturday, October 17th 9:00 am-7:30 pm. If your young person is interested in attending, please let Holly Albrecht know for registration information. Registrations are due by October 7th.

One person's trash is another person's treasure! **We're collecting toilet paper cores!** Please bring your toilet paper and paper towel cores to the church office. The cores will be used for our Advent Workshop.

Things look different in the Children's Sunday School wing. Children will be exploring Bible stories through play during Children's Church. Take a walk through our Biblical town and see how children will be experiencing the stories of our faith.

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.

Care and Share- BRING YOUR DONATIONS NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4! School is back in session. While that means full backpacks, busy schedules, and new beginnings, it also means that families who rely on school meals may face food shortages when children are home on weekends, holidays, and school breaks. The Mission Committee is asking the church to continue actively supporting our **Blessing Box ministry** by bringing in **canned meats and vegetables** this fall. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity and for helping ensure that our neighbors have access to nourishing food when they need it most!

September Calendar

24 Membership Committee Meeting 5:30 pm

27- Kids Communion Ed Class 5-6:30 pm
Hartwell GRACE Group at Scotia 5-7 pm

28 PW Coordinating Team Meeting 5:30 pm
Handbells for Beginners 6:15 pm

30 Adult Choir Practice 7:15 pm

Death Notice- Daphne Gaw died Wednesday, September 23. There will be no public arrangements.

Prayer List

- Elizabeth Forester, recovering from pneumonia.
- Lynn Massey-recovering after hip replacement surgery.
- Mike Edwards- recovering from surgery.
- Randy Miller, dealing with late stage liver disease.
- Bear Hughes, recovering from knee surgery.
- Carol Sellers, at home recovering from fractures in her pelvis and back.
- Mary Sutton, dealing with health concerns.
- Meredith Bounds, being treated with chemotherapy.
- Goode Mobley, ongoing health concerns.

Friends of Congregation

- David Hasselmeyer, son-in-law of Dan and Anne Sprouse, husband of Amanda, hospitalized with acute health concerns.
- 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
- Sammy Townsend, Liberty Commons Nursing, Sanford.

Scotia Village Skilled Nursing

Goode Mobley (Memory), Bob Gordon

Scotia Village Assisted Living (Heather Glen)

John and Henrietta Carmichael, Jean Clansky, Pat Hix

October Calendar

4- World Communion Sunday- 11 am Worship
Caring and Sharing Sunday- Bring Your Donations
Deacons Meeting 5:30 pm
Peacemakers 5-6:30 pm

6- PW Circle 2- 3 pm
Massey-McCormick-Williams GRACE Group 5:30 pm
at Scotia Village Patio

7- Worship Committee Meeting 5:00 pm
Adult Choir Practice 7:15 pm

11- SPY Meeting at Faith Presbyterian at 5:30-7 pm

12- BEG Committee Meeting at 5:45 pm
PW Circle 1- 6 pm

14- CN&E Committee Meeting 5:30 pm
Adult Choir Practice 7:15 pm

19- Handbell Practice 6:15 pm

21- Finance Committee Meeting 8 am
Time with Pastors at Scotia Village 10:30 am
Fellowship Meal & Trunk-or-Treat 6 pm
Adult Choir Practice 7:15 pm

23-Ladies Lunch at Mi Casita 12:30 pm

25-Stewardship/Pledge Sunday 11 am
Bounds Grace Group- 4 pm in the Fellowship Hall

26-PW Coordinating Team Meeting 5:30 pm
Handbell Practice 6:15 pm

28- Session Meeting 5:30 pm
Adult Choir Practice 7:15 pm

29-Membership Committee Meeting 5:30 pm

VOLUNTEERS

Deacon Greeters/Visitors

October 4- 10 Philip Eshleman
October 11- 17Carol Edwards
October 18- 24Chris Carmichael
October 25- 31Fred Albrecht

Bus Drivers:

Sept. 27	Jamie Sutherland
October 4	Philip Eshleman
October 11	David Herr
October 18	Will Clark
October 25	Michael Sellers

October Sanctuary Committee:

*Kim Liles	Delia Muse
Katie Clark	Katherine Campbell

October Usher Team:

*Bradley Williams	Fred Albrecht
Barbara Bateman	John Campbell
Mike Coughenour	Will Clark
Tom Draper	Sam Fulton
David Herr	Wayne Hobbs
Paul Rush	Jamie Sutherland
Michael Sellers	Drew Williamson