



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

Our mission is to know Christ, serve Him,
and make Him known.

~ Gathering before the Word ~

Prelude *His Eye Is On the Sparrow* Gabriel

Choral Call to Worship *Like a Tree* Bryce
Chancel Choir

Welcome & Service of Friendship Pastor Darryl Evans

***Call to Worship**

As the deer longs for the streams,
so my soul longs for you, O God.

**My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
When shall I come and behold the face of God?**

Why are you cast down, o my soul,
and why are you disquieted within me?

**Put your hope in God, for I shall again praise
the One who is my help and my God.**

***Hymn of Praise No. 512**

BEECHER

*Now with Joyful Exultation****Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

**Father,
You tend us gently and care for us completely,
while we wander and stray and worry.
Still our hearts before you. Restore our souls.
Lead us in the paths of righteousness.
Fill us with goodness and with mercy.
This we pray in the name of Jesus, our Good Shepherd.**

(Please continue in a moment of silent, personal confession.)

**Leader: Believe the Good News of the Gospel:
People: In Jesus Christ we are all forgiven!**

***Song of Response**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

Anthem

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!
Chancel Choir

Harrison

Word with our Children

Michelle Walker

(Four year olds through 2nd graders may now be excused to Children's Church. An adult will now escort the children to the Children's Church Classroom, which is on the 3rd floor of the education building, where they will be picked up by a parent after the service.)

Scripture Reading

I Thessalonians 2:1-12

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Approved

Darryl Evans

"We speak as those approved by God to be entrusted with the Gospel..."
- I Thessalonians 2:4

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy
Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the
dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand
of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and
the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting.**

Offering & Offertory

arr. Page

My Jesus, I Love Thee/ I Love Thee, Lord

***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 Thanksgiving**

***Hymn of Commitment No. 579**

ST. DENIO

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

***Benediction**

Postlude

Holy Manna

Moore

***All who are able please stand.**

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To Our Guests

Welcome! We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning. We hope you find today meaningful and refreshing. If you have a prayer request, please see Darryl or call us at 704-938-4623.

Children's Activity Bags are available for children age 3 to Grade 5. They include a children's bulletin related to the Sunday sermon, crayons, and scrap paper. An usher would be happy to bring you one.

Children's Church is available for children 4 years to 2nd Grade. After the "Word with Our Children," they will be escorted to their Children's Church in our Educational Building. 4-year-olds will meet in the nursery, where they are learning from the Gospel Light Preschool unit entitled "Thank You, God!" K-2nd graders are participating in the Kids Quest Catechism Club and will meet on the 3rd floor. Parents should report to their child's classroom after worship to pick them up.

Upcoming

The flowers on the altar are given by David & Sheila Grey to the Glory of God and in memory of Parks & Catherine Grey, Lamar Coward, Sr. and in honor of Toby Coward.

Notes of thanks: First Presbyterian, we just wanted to send another quick thank you for your support for having Sole Hope a part of your mission tree during the Christmas season! We cannot thank you enough!!! *Sole Hope Staff.*

Jason Gibson is thankful for all the prayers and thoughts preceding his recent surgery and conveys your prayers for healing.

The Missions Team would like to thank everyone who donated food items or money to the Souper Bowl of Caring. The total collected was 181 "units" of food, and \$605.00. All proceeds went to Cooperative Christian Ministry of Cabarrus County. Thanks as always for your generous support!!!

The congregation is cordially invited to a Diapers and Wipes Baby Shower! Please join us TODAY, February 10 from 2-4pm in the Fellowship Hall as we "Pamper" Andrew & Jenna Baker and baby girl Presley Layne! More information may be found on their registries at Target and on Amazon.com. Congratulations, Bakers!!!

Sunday's Women's Circle will meet TODAY, February 10th 4-5:30pm in Fellowship Hall.

The Circle of Women will meet on Tuesday, February 12 at 2:00 p.m. at Editions Coffee Shop.

Wednesday Night Life continues this week. Choir rehearsal begins at 5pm, followed by Choristers from 5:45-6:00. Dinner will be served beginning at 5:45 (\$5/person or \$20/family). At 6:30, adults are taking a break from The Daniel Plan, but are asked to help set up the Fellowship Hall for our Agape Bistro on the following Saturday. Kids' classes will also take a break, as the children will be working on some musical numbers and, time permitting, some crafts for our Agape Bistro. Come join us for food and fellowship!

All JOY Group participants are cordially invited to "Agápē Bistro" on Saturday, February 16 for dinner and entertainment, presented by the Youth of First Presbyterian. Our Fellowship Hall will be transformed into a fine-dining experience, where our Youth will serve you and you will be delighted with entertainment honoring "The Greatest Generation"! Dinner will begin at 5:00, and transportation can be arranged. If you would like to attend, please fill out a postcard, located in the narthex or outside the Fellowship Hall, and place in the offering plate or Michelle Walker's box. Mark your calendar for this special event, as we honor our senior members! Deadline to sign up is TODAY, Feb. 10.

Winter Jam Tour Spectacular 2019 is coming to Greensboro Coliseum on Saturday, February 23. ALL Youth are invited to join us! Tickets are \$15 and only available at the door, which opens at 5:00. Our group will leave the church no later than 4:00. Please let Michelle Walker know if you are interested in going, so we can arrange appropriate transportation and chaperones. Deadline to let Michelle know is Sunday, Feb. 17.

The Men's Fellowship Group will meet on Saturday, March 2, 2019. We will have sausage biscuits and coffee and juice. Please come and bring a friend or neighbor. We will discuss upcoming projects for this spring. We gather at 9:00 a.m. and will be finished on or before 10:00 a.m. We are looking forward to seeing you there!

If you would like to contribute flowers for worship, please see the sign-up poster on the bulletin board just outside the church office. The cost for an arrangement is \$56. Or, if you like to purchase something permanent that can be rotated during the weeks we don't have a live arrangement, please contact Jill McLain.

Prayer Concerns

Mike Williams - at rehab.

David Grey - recovering from shoulder surgery.

Tony Hunter - Health concerns.

Mike Freeman - recovering from neck surgery.

Iris Efir - recovering from surgery.

Mary Johns - done with surgeries and is doing well.

Emily Griggs - teacher in Casablanca.

Donna Whitley - at home.

Loretta Young - at Five Oaks.

Peggy Barnhardt - at Morningside with Dementia.

Lynn Efir - continuing treatment.

Ellen Little - continued prayers for the health issues of Ellen and family.

Connie Rary - still fighting cancer, went to Duke specialist.

Debby Baker - participating in a cancer clinical trial.

Special Church Member of the Week

Joe Crawford

Black Mountain Neuro-Medical
Treatment Center
932 Old US Hwy 70
Black Mountain, NC 28711

Birthday was February 9

Send a card, make a visit or a call, or offer a prayer. All to say "God loves you and the church cares about you."

FAMILY OF MEMBERS

Jason Gibson - Frank's son, surgery completed and went well. Now the healing begins!

Rose - sister of Ellen Little, kidney stone and liver mass.

John Bostian - foster son of Ron & Alpha, at home with home healthcare now.

Arthur Fu - Jessica Bell would like to express great gratitude towards God that her brother Arthur is making progress with a new drug. Thank you for your continued prayers!

Alex & Debbie - Kaitlyn Maxwell is grateful for everyone's prayers for her nephew Alex as he works through depression and her mother, Debbie, as she is recovering from knee surgery.

Brenda Park - friend of Carol Lowder, facing a serious colon surgery.

Amy Ritchie - friend of Jane Jacobs, dealing with stage 4 Breast Cancer.

Nancy Barger - friend of Jane Jacobs, dealing with cancer.

Jay - brother of Ellen Little, home from hospital and awaiting update for surgery.

Mark McDaniel - brother of Mal McDaniel, in remission and making great progress!

Barbara Coffey - friend of Judy Hunter: stage 4 Breast Cancer, undergoing chemo.

Thomas Dishman - friend of Judy Hunter: problems with LVAD, awaiting heart transplant.

Chuck Rogers - friend of Judy Hammond: suffered stroke following surgery.

Shelia & Steve Dobson - friends of Judy Hammond: Steve had brain surgery.

Russell Gardner - friend of Mike Freeman: cancer and recurring pneumonia.

Ernest Miller - friend of Mike Freeman: lung cancer and PTSD (Viet Nam Vet)

Lori Holder - daughter of Sam McAllister: Suffering with MS.

Teresa Alexander - friend of Renee Goodnight: Diagnosed with brain tumors and staph infection.

Hope Community - church plant in Wilmington, NC with Nate Stratman.



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The Session

Rev. Dr. Darryl Evans, Moderator
Jeff Barnhardt, Clerk of Session

Class of 2019

Garrett Brady
Mike Freeman
Allison Hammett
Carol Lowder

Class of 2020

Jeff Barnhardt
Frank Gibson
Phil McLain
Gip Rumble

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Darryl Evans
Pastor

David Hamilton
Director of Music

Michelle Walker
Director of Children's Ministries

Terri Pruett
Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates
Organist

Irene Davis
Nursery Director

Prayer request? Please write it down on the blue pew prayer card, & place in the offering plate.

Servants

Greeters: Allison Hammett & Gip Rumble

Elder Lock-Up: Jeff Barnhardt

Children's Church: Andrew & Jenna Baker

Children's Church next week: Shannon & Emma Sechler

Videographer: Michael Martens

Children's Message: Michelle Walker

Nursery: Allison Hammett

Nursery next week: Sharon Stricker

Acolytes: Toby Caskey & Will Evans

Acolytes next week: Amelia Caskey & Abigail Malinovsky

Ushers: Paul Barnhardt, Doug & Amelia Goodnight, & C.J. Semcho

Ushers next week: William Baker, Amy Hurst, John Roberson & Bill Stricker

This Week

TODAY

- 9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
Good News Class
10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**
11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**
2:00 p.m. - **Baby Shower for
Jenna Baker**
4:00 p.m. - **Sunday Women's Circle**

MONDAY

- 6:30 p.m. - **Saltshakers**
8:00 p.m. - **Alcoholics Anonymous**

TUESDAY

- 12:00 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)**
2:00 p.m. - **Circle of Women at
Editions Coffee Shop**

WEDNESDAY

- 5:00 p.m. - **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**
5:45 p.m. - **Choristers**
5:45 p.m. - **Wednesday Supper**
6:30 p.m. - **Prep for Agápē Bistro**
7:30 p.m. - **Handbell Rehearsal**

THURSDAY

- 10:30 a.m. - **Thursday Morning
Women's Bible Study**
12:00 p.m. - **NA**
6:30 p.m. - **Boy Scouts**
8:00 p.m. - **AA**

SATURDAY

- 5:00 p.m. - **Agapé Bistro for
JOY Group**

NEXT SUNDAY

- 9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
Disciples Class
10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**
11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**



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