



First Sunday  
in  
Lent

**March 1, 2020**

**11:00 a.m.**

**First Presbyterian Church**  
Kannapolis, North Carolina

Our Mission is to Know Christ, Serve Him, and Make Him Known

## ~ Gathering before the Word ~

Welcome

Dr. Stuart Bond

Prelude

*He Leadeth Me*

Bradbury, arr. by Berry

**Choral Call to Worship** *Teach Us the Wisdom of God*  
Chancel Choir

Raney

### \*Call to Worship - Week 1 - Repentance

During Lent, we reflect on our sins and the meaning of repentance.

**Repentance is our response to God's boundless grace.**

We look for clear direction and firm guidance from God.

**Repentance is turning from darkness and walking in the light.**

We strive to become people who are more loving, and less self-serving.

**Repentance is taking responsibility for our actions.**

We seek forgiveness and place our faith in God's mercy.

**Repentance is trusting God's eternal grace and steadfast love.**

### \*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You, both in our deeds and in our inaction. We have forgotten Your teachings and have loved ourselves more than our neighbor. Through Your Holy Spirit, come and work repentance into our hearts. Open us to change and growth. Give to us an experience of grace that lifts our burdens from us and enables us to live rich, joyful lives for the good of others, and for Your kingdom. Amen.

## Teach Us the Wisdom of God

Words and Music by  
MARTY HAUGEN

Congregation:

The musical score is written on four staves of music in a treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are: Eye has not seen, ear has not heard what God has read-y for those who love him; Spir - it of love, come, give us the mind of Je - sus, teach us the wis-dom of God.

**\*Song of Praise**

Moffitt/Smith

*Hunger and Thirst*

I hunger and thirst for You. (2 times)  
In the desert of my need, You're the fountain that I seek.  
You're the Living Water I keep running to.  
I hunger and thirst for You.

I hunger and thirst for You. (2 times)  
Heaven's Manna, Bread of Life, fill this emptiness inside.  
Nothing else can satisfy me like You do.  
I hunger and thirst for You.

I hunger and thirst for You. (2 times)  
Draw me closer to Your heart, to the truth of all You are.  
Ev'ry day I need You, Lord, to make me new.  
I hunger and thirst for You.

**Moment for Stewardship**

Phil McLain & Ryan Walker

**Thanksgiving & Prayers of the People**

**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 ~**

**Word with our Children**

Michelle Walker

You were the Word at the beginning, one with God the Lord Most High.  
Your hidden glory in creation now revealed in You our Christ.  
What a beautiful Name it is, what a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King, what a beautiful Name it is.  
Nothing compares to this, what a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

(Four year olds through 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the education building, where they will be picked up by a parent after the service.)

**\*Song of Meditation**

*May the Words of My Mouth*

Hughes/Hill

May the words of my mouth and the thoughts of my heart bless Your name,  
bless Your name, Jesus.  
And the deeds of the day, and the truth in my way,  
speak of You, speak of You, Jesus.

*Refrain*

*For this is what I'm glad to do, it's time to live a life of love that pleases You.  
And I will give my all to You, surrender everything I have and follow You, I'll follow You.*

Lord will You be my vision, Lord will You be my Guide?  
Be my hope, be my life, and the Way.  
And I'll look not for riches, nor praises on the earth,  
only You'll be the first of my heart.

*Refrain*

I will follow, I will follow You (4 times)

*Refrain*

**Scripture Reading**

Colossians 3:12-18

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Dress to the 9's

Dr. Stuart Bond

**~ Responding to the Word of God ~**

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

Apostle's 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**

*Change My Heart, O God*

Espinosa

**\*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. 776**

EIN FESTE BURG

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

## \*Benediction

**Postlude**

*Great Is the Lord*

Smith and Smith

**\*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. Please sign the attendance pad located at the end of each pew. If you have a prayer request, please fill out the blue prayer card or call the church office 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. Parents should report to their child's classroom after worship to pick them up.

## **Upcoming**

**Wednesday Night Life continues** with children, youth and adult classes! Rev. Bond is leading the adult class with a discussion on the book "Who Stole My Church?" by Gordon McDonald. Children and Youth are continuing their studies from 6:30 - 7:00pm, then gathering in the Fellowship Hall from 7:00-7:30pm for a time of purposefully connecting with God through His word, the Holy Spirit, worship music, and faith-filled guided movements. Dinner will be served at 5:30 (there will be a donation box available for those who would like to donate for the meal) with classes beginning at 6:30. This week's menu is breakfast – eggs, pancakes, sausage and biscuits.

**If anyone is interested in joining our new Security Team**, please contact Ryan Walker at 704-223-5255.

**The Circle of Women** will meet on Monday, March 9 at 12:00 noon at the church.

**Kannapolis City Schools has joined a new app – Purposity** – that will allow you to follow and meet needs of KCS students. Simply download the app from your app store, and "follow" Kannapolis City Schools. If you see a need that you can meet, the app allows you to select that need and fund it all in one place. Just another way we can reach out to our community in support of students!

**The Middle/Senior High Youth want you to get creative!** They are starting a "Creative Kids" drive to collect items that they will bag up and deliver to the Salvation Army Homeless Shelter and CVAN for kids who enter those residences. Our goal is 50 bags – 25 girl and 25 boy. Please place the following items in collection bins outside the Narthex and Fellowship Hall: crayons, markers, pencils, coloring/activity books, puzzle books, blank paper, watercolor paint trays, stickers, play doh, puzzles, and small boxes of building bricks. See Emma Sechler if you have questions. Thank you for your support!

**Collection continues for the Jackson Park Elementary food pantry and clothing closet.** See an information sheet in the Narthex for specific needs. Donations may be placed on the bookshelf in the Youth Room.

**Mark your calendar for Women without Reservations upcoming events!**

- Friday, March 27 **\*\*\*note date change\*\*\*** - Outing to Barn Dinner Theatre in Greensboro for "9 to 5: The Musical".

All women of the church are invited to join us! Please see Tracy Casey or Michelle Walker for more information.

**All youth are invited to Flour Power cooking studio** in Cornelius, NC (21714 Catawba Avenue, Suite A-1) on Saturday, March 28 at 3:00pm for a cooking class! Please RSVP to Michelle by Sunday, March 8.

**A CPR/ AED training is being scheduled for Saturday March 28th (please note date change)** 9 am - 12 pm in the fellowship hall. This training will be open to anyone in the congregation who wishes to attend at no cost. A signup sheet will be placed in the narthex so please sign up so we know how many to plan for.

**The Missions Team is sponsoring a second trip to Southport, NC on April 15 - 19.** We will continue Hurricane Recovery work in the area. Please see Debbie McDaniel or Michelle Walker if you are interested in going with us!

**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.



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## The Session

Jeff Barnhardt, Clerk of Session

Class of 2020  
Jeff Barnhardt  
Frank Gibson  
Phil McLain  
Gip Rumble

Class of 2021  
Renée Goodnight  
Debbie McDaniel  
Bill Stricker  
Ryan Walker

## Church Staff

Dr. Stuart Bond  
Transitional 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

## Servants

**Greeter:** Ryan Walker

**Elder Lock-Up:** Renee Goodnight

**Children's Message:** Michelle Walker

**Children's Message next week:** Jennifer Linn

**Children's Church:** Sam & Kay McAllister

**Children's Church next week:** Tracy Caskey & Lynn Efird

**Videographer:** David Reed

**Acolytes:** Erica Efird & Caylin Lowder

**Acolytes next week:** Amelia & Toby Caskey

**Nursery:** Chariti Lowder (11:00)

**Nursery next week:** Jane Argabrite

**Ushers:** John Hammond, Phil & Jill McLain, Tony Sherrill

**Ushers next week:** Paul Barnhardt, Danny Bost, Todd Pless & John Roberson

## This Week

### TODAY

9:30 p.m. - **CE Team Meeting**  
9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour**  
Disciples Class  
10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**  
11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**  
12:30 p.m. - **Confirmation Class**

### MONDAY

6:00 p.m. - **Saltshakers**

### TUESDAY

12:00 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous**  
8:00 p.m. - **Alcoholics Anonymous**

### WEDNESDAY

5:30 p.m. - **Wednesday Supper**  
6:30 p.m. - **Children & Adult Classes**  
6:30 p.m. - **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**  
7:30 p.m. - **Alleluia Ringers**

### 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**

### NEXT SUNDAY

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