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**CHURCH**

*Welcome*

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

**~ Gathering before the Word ~****Prelude**

*Arise, My Soul, Arise*  
Addrian Wilson, baritone  
Mike Morgan, piano

Forrest

**Welcome & Service of Friendship**

Pastor Darryl Evans

**\*Call to Worship**

from Psalm 20

May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble!

**God will answer from heaven with mighty victories by God's power.**

Some take pride in chariots, and some in horses,

**But our pride is in the name of the Lord, our God!****\*Hymn of Praise No. 223**

DIADEMATA

*Crown Him with Many Crowns***\*Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

**Mighty and merciful God,  
hear our prayers and be gracious to us  
for the lives we live are not worthy of our calling.  
Too often we heed other voices  
and obey other powers than your own.  
We have wavered in our faith  
and wandered from your path.  
We forget who we are  
because we forget who you are.**

**By your grace, O God, forgive us.  
Restore us to the fullness of life  
in the Spirit of Jesus Christ.  
Make us your grateful servants  
whose greatest joy is to praise you.  
This we ask in Jesus' name.**

*(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!**

**Welcome New Covenant Partners**

## 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.**

**Anthem**

*Clarion Call*  
Alleluia Ringers

Joyce

## ~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

**Word with our Children**

Malaina Meeks

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul worship His holy name  
Sing like never before, O my soul. I'll worship his holy name.

(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.)

**\*Psalm 29**

*A Hymn*

HYFRYDOL

All on earth and all in heaven,  
Raise to God a song on high;  
Strength unmeasured, love unbounded,  
God alone we glorify.  
At God's voice the clouds assemble,  
Thunder roars and torrents fall;  
Earth shall quake before God's presence,  
Mountains tremble at God's call.

Trees shall bow in awe and wonder,  
Bend their branches to the ground;  
From God's lips one word in anger  
Wreaks destruction all around.  
But the Word which sets in motion  
Such travails can make them cease;  
That same voice which tumult beckons  
In a gentler breath speaks peace.

**Scripture Reading**

from Exodus 20

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

**Sermon**

Remember This

Darryl Evans

“For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth, and the sea, and all that is in them,  
but He rested on the seventh day.”

—Exodus 20:11

## ~ 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

*Praise Him!*

Courtney

David Hamilton, tenor  
Addrian Wilson, baritone  
Mike Morgan, piano

### \*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. 479

HELMSLEY

*Lo! He Comes, with Clouds Descending*

### \*Congregational Meeting

### \*Benediction

### Postlude

*Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!*

Burkhardt

\*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 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade. After the "A Word with Our Children," they will be escorted to the Children's Church. After worship, parents may pick up children in the Children's Church Classroom, which is on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the education building.

## Upcoming

**The flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of David Threatt (April 14th, 1970 - September 5th, 2017) by Chris, Chariti, Caylin, Camryn, and Cierstyn Lowder.

**A note of thanks** - To my church family, thank you for all your prayers, calls, and cards during the sickness and passing of my husband. My church family is truly a blessing. Love, *Cookie*

**Today at our 11:00 a.m. worship service**, we welcome Michael Morgan as our guest organist and Addrian Wilson as our guest vocalist.

**At 3:00 p.m. today**, join us for an organ and vocal concert featuring Michael, Addrian, and David Hamilton.

**Join us as we welcome our new Covenant Partners:** Norman & Susan Baker, Hank & Sharon Cranford, David & Shelia Grey, Ellen Little, and Chance & Jennifer Williams with August and Lincoln.

**There will be a congregational meeting today** to elect our new elders. Nominees are Jeff Barnhardt, Frank Gibson, Phil McLain & Gip Rumble.

**Wednesday Night Life continues this week.** This week's dinner will be Hamburger Steak, baked potato and salad catered by Stag & Doe. Cost for dinner is \$5 per person over five years of age, under five are free, \$20 maximum for a family. So we can get an accurate count, please indicate on the pew pads how many in your family will be coming on Wednesday night and circle it. See this week's schedule for more details. **This is the last Wednesday Night Supper and Hebrews class. Choristers and Children will continue classes through May 23.**

**A new women's circle is taking shape!** Beginning this afternoon, April 15th, this circle will meet from 4:30 to 6pm on the 3rd Sunday of each month. This is a great group for any woman, particularly working moms and for anyone else that has a difficult schedule through the week. This group will meet to encourage, connect, and do outreach activities together. If you have any questions about this group, please contact Michelle Walker (704) 223-1778 / [lowderms@yahoo.com](mailto:lowderms@yahoo.com) or Mary Lee Evans at (252) 944-6264 / [marylee.evans@gmail.com](mailto:marylee.evans@gmail.com).

**The JOY Group will have a covered dish lunch** on Friday, April 20 at 12:00 noon in the fellowship hall. Please bring your favorite dish or dishes to share. A sign up sheet is located outside the parlor. Please see Alpha Barger for more information.

**You are invited to the Kannapolis Bible Teaching Association's Fundraising Banquet** on May 7, 2018 from 6:00 pm until 7:30 pm at Shoe Show Headquarters. The evening will consist of dinner along with a short program that will allow people to learn more about the Bible classes taught in our public

schools. There is NO cost to attend the banquet, however, this is a fundraising event, and you will be asked to consider giving a contribution. There is no minimum or maximum gift, and all gifts are tax deductible. For more information and/or to confirm your attendance, please see Bill and Janice Jolley or Steve and Judy Goodnight for reservations.

**The Piedmont Choral Society will present its annual spring concerts on Friday, May 4 at 7 pm and Sunday, May 6 at 3 pm at Forest Hill UMC, 265 Union Street N, Concord.** First Presbyterian has had the pleasure of hosting this talented community group several times in the last few years. Our organist, Kay Yates, is president of the group, which consists of 50 auditioned, volunteer singers from all around our area. PCS is directed by Joseph Judge, professor of music at Pfeiffer University, and accompanied by Dr. Don Simmons, who currently serves as organist at Kimball Lutheran. The May concerts will celebrate American composers and American poets through music. A wonderful collection of American pieces will be performed, including Shenandoah, America, the Beautiful, several spirituals and many others. Please make plans to come. Concerts are free and no ticket is required. A free will offering will be accepted to help offset costs. For more info, contact Kay at 704.699.6053 or kassy2000@gmail.com. Please come support your local arts group.

**Join us on Sunday, May 13 at 3:00 pm for a concert featuring Janet Paschal.** When Janet was a little girl she had a dream - to become a professional Christian Music artist. Her family's musical background helped spark her love of singing, and she did indeed begin singing professionally after high school. A native of Reidsville, NC, Janet has been a member of the southern gospel group, The LeFevres and the Jimmy Swaggart Crusade Team. Always a featured favorite on the Gaither's Homecoming stage, she has received numerous vocal awards, released many successful albums and received Grammy and Dove nominations. In addition to her solo recordings and live events, she has authored two books and hosts a radio show on JoyFM. Diagnosed with breast cancer in 2005 but now cancer free, she uses her radio show to highlight stories of people whose lives have been impacted by cancer. Be sure to attend this very special event, and bring a friend. All are welcome. No charge and no tickets required.

**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

New Prayer requests will be placed in the bulletin for two weeks.  
Please help us keep **Prayer Concerns** current with weekly updates.

### MEMBERS

**Sheila Grey** - health concerns, including kidney.

**Peggy Barnhardt** - transferred from CMC-NE to Morningside last week with Dementia.

**Donna Mauldin** - at home, recovering from broken hip.

**Please pray** for a healthy, happy delivery for a pregnant, unsure church member.

**Linda Bost** - at home recovering from broken hip.

**Lynn Efird** - undergoing chemo.

### Special Church Member of the Week

**Donna Whitley**  
2755 Cannon Farm Road  
China Grove, NC 28023

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."



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## The Session

Rev. Dr. Darryl Evans, Moderator  
Wren Philpot, Clerk of Session

### Class of 2018

Danny Bost  
Peggy Gibson  
Mark Goodnight  
Sam McAllister

### Class of 2019

Garrett Brady  
Mike Freeman  
Allison Hammett  
Carol Lowder

## Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Darryl Evans  
Pastor

David Hamilton  
Director of Music

Tracy and Adam Caskey  
Youth Directors

Terri Pruet  
Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates  
Organist

Irene Davis  
Nursery Director

**Ellen Little** - please continue to pray for multiple family health issues; salvation of friends.

**Connie Rary** - one-year report; still fighting cancer.

**Debby Baker** - participating in a cancer clinical trial.

**Emily Griggs** - missionary in Morocco

## FAMILY OF MEMBERS

**Jay McKinney** - son-in-law of Jim Johnston, a captain in Afghanistan.

**Ben Brooks** - friend of Jim Johnston, stage 4 lung cancer.

**Alex Deal** - Joyce Deal's grandson: Serious skiing accident; 12 week recovery but progressing well. Appreciative of all the prayers and cards.

**Landra Goodnight Staab** - daughter of Steve & Judy Goodnight: Receiving treatment for Leukemia and is involved in a clinical study.

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

**Mark McDaniel** - brother of Mal McDaniel: Tumor has grown, currently doing whole-brain radiation and then will begin localized radiation treatments.

**Arthur Fu** - brother of Jessica Bell: Fighting cancer.

**Sue Edwards** - friend of Mike Freeman: Fighting brain cancer.

**Tink Wade** - friend of Jill McLain: Breast cancer - good pathology report.

**Teresa Alexander** - friend of Renee Goodnight: Diagnosed with brain tumors.

**Dave Viscount** - friend of Mark Goodnight: Suffering with ALS.

**Christ the Word** - church plant in Rolesville, NC with Patrick Cherry.

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

## Servants

**Greeters:** Garrett Brady & Carol Lowder

**Elder Lock-Up:** Sam McAllister

**Videographer:** David Reed

**Children's Message:** Malaina Meeks

**Children's Message Next Week:** Sharon Stricker

**Children's Church Leader:** Jenna Baker

**Children's Church Leader next week:** Michelle Walker

**Nursery:** Chariti Lowder

**Nursery next week:** Mary Lee Evans

**Acolytes:** Faith Reed & Ella Sechler

**Acolytes next week:** Luke Burris & Caroline Smith

**Ushers:** William Baker, Mike Freeman, Tony Rary & John Roberson

**Ushers next week:** Danny Bost, Sam McAllister, Mal McDaniel & Daniel Pless

## This Week

### TODAY

9:00 a.m. - **Prayer Fellowship** – Parlor  
All are welcome

9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -  
Walter Goodman Class

10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**

11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**

3:00 p.m. - **Concert** w/Mike Morgan,  
Addrian Wilson & David  
Hamilton

4:30 p.m. - **New Women's Circle**

### MONDAY

6:30 p.m. - **Saltshakers Bible Study**

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

### TUESDAY

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

### WEDNESDAY

5:45 p.m. - **Wednesday Supper**

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

6:30 p.m. - **Children's Classes**

6:30 p.m. - **Hebrews Class**

6:30 p.m. - **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**

7:30 p.m. - **Alleluia Ringers**

### THURSDAY

10:30 a.m. - **Women's Bible Study**

12:00 p.m. - **NA**

6:30 p.m. - **Boy Scouts**

8:00 p.m. - **AA**

### FRIDAY

12:00 p.m. - **JOY Group Covered Dish**

### NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. - **Prayer Fellowship** - Parlor  
All are welcome

9:15 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -  
New Connection Class

10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**

11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**



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