



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

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

~ Gathering before the Word ~**Prelude***Rock of Ages*

Hastings

Welcome & Service of Friendship

Pastor Darryl Evans

Moment for Missions

Michelle Walker

***Call to Worship**

—from Psalm 86:8-10, NRSV

There is none like you, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.

**All the nations you have made shall come
and bow down before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.**

**For you are great and do wondrous things,
you alone are God.**

***Hymn of Praise No. 551**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*All Creatures of Our God and King****Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be your people.

You have called us to be the church,

to continue the mission of Jesus Christ to our lonely and confused world.

**Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active,
isolated than involved, callous than compassionate,
obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.**

Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.

Remove the obstacles preventing us

from being your representatives to a broken world.

Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of your indwelling Spirit.

This we pray in Jesus' powerful 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!

***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

In a Mother's Heart
Chancel Choir

Keesecker

Word with our Children

Tracy Caskey

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white, they are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world!

(Four year olds through 2nd graders can 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 first room on the right, where they will be picked up by a parent after the service.)

Scripture Reading

John 20:24-31

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

Sermon

The Twin

Darryl Evans

“Then Jesus told him, ‘Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.’”
-John 20:29

~ 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

When I Survey

Mason

***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. 599**

MADRID

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

***Benediction**

Postlude

The Solid Rock

Bradbury

***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. You are warmly invited to stop by the Welcome Center just outside the sanctuary. 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 "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 3rd floor, first room on the right.

Upcoming

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Andrew by Juanita Holt.

In response to your requests, a sheet for taking sermon notes is available in the narthex.

You are invited to join the Session for prayer between 9:00 – 9:30 on Sunday mornings in the Parlor.

Capital Campaign update: \$24,545 out of \$31,000 has been collected to date. Additionally we have applied for a Cannon Grant to cover the cost above the \$31,000.

In appreciation for the service of our local law enforcement and emergency responders and in recognition of National Police Week, our church is hosting a drop in fellowship meal on Wednesday night May 17 from 5:00 until 8:00 p.m. The congregation is invited to come and share this meal to thank these selfless men and women for their service.

Piedmont Choral Society & Community Singers will be having their "All Patriotic Music" free concert series this month. The concerts are "All Patriotic" music, with a benefit concert on Thursday night. All proceeds on Thursday will go to the Prayers for Elijah Foundation - to help local families facing pediatric cancer.

Thursday, May 18 - 7 pm Forest Hill UMC, 265 Union St N

Friday, May 19 - 7 pm Pitts Baptist Church, 140 Pitts School Rd NW

Sunday, May 21 - 3 pm Central UMC, 30 Union St N

Info: 704-699-6053 or kayy2000@gmail.com

Calling all knights and princesses! Mark your calendars for June 25-June 28th for A Mighty Fortress VBS when we will learn that in Jesus the victory is won!! Dinner is served from 5:45-6:30pm with classes for children and adults (taught by Bill Jolley) from 6:30-8:00pm. Please let Tracy Caskey know if you are interested in volunteering and be on the lookout for more information coming soon.

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

David Threatt, step father of Charity Goodnight, complications with congestion and sprained back.

Gene Griggs, cousin of Farrah Griggs, recently suffered a stroke.

Hannah Linn, friend of Carol Lowder, neurological concerns.

Donna Whitley, kidney disease.

Laura Gibson, Frank's daughter-in-law, fighting Lymphoma, completed chemo and awaiting stem cell transplant.

Sherri Bridges, mother of Danielle Byrd, friend of Laura McLain, has breast cancer and had recent double mastectomy.

Kelly Williams, Lauren Goodnight's aunt, had her second surgery and is cancer free at this time. She will receive radiation and will continue to have chemo.

Debby Baker, has cancer again.

Linda Bost, small, stable cerebral aneurysm.

Loretta Young, Alzheimer's is progressing and she is declining in health.

Connie (and Tony) Rary, as Connie is fighting two types of cancer.

Dwight Goodnight, recovering from hernia surgery; **Tod Goodnight**, son of Dwight, struggling with Parkinson's Disease.

Shirley Faust, suffered a stroke.

Emily Griggs, teaching in Morocco.

Clara Burris, atrial septal defect. She will have her procedure May 22.

Betty Sechler, kidney problems.

Flaubert & Carine Mbeunkui, please keep them in your prayers as he seeks employment.

Juanita Holt, continues to appreciate your calls, cards, and prayers while she continues to recuperate.

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

Dave Viscount, friend of Mark Goodnight, suffering from ALS.

Beth Barnhardt, friend of Judy Hammond, is still having difficulty seeing clearly.

Lori Holder, daughter of Sam McAllister, has MS.

Susan (Hodge) Thomas, recovering from hip surgery.

Joyce Weaver, health issues.

Don Hamilton, Cookie's husband, is on dialysis.

Special Church Member of the Week

Loretta Young

Five Oaks Manor - Room 416
413 Winecoff School Road
Concord, NC 28027

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
Sam McAllister, Clerk of Session

Class of 2017
Paul Barnhardt
Judy D. Goodnight
Ron Lisenby
Sharon Stricker

Class of 2018
Danny Bost
Peggy Gibson
Mark Goodnight
Sam McAllister

Church Staff

Rev. Dr. Darryl Evans
Pastor

David Hamilton
Director of Music

Tracy and Adam Caskey
Youth Directors

Terri Pruett
Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates
Organist

Irene Davis
Nursery Director

Iris Efirid, continued strength and increased mobility with right arm and leg.

Liam Debord, Hunters' grandson, fighting brain tumors.

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

Servants

Greeters: Danny Bost & Mark Goodnight

Elder Lock-Up: Mark Goodnight

Acolytes: Amelia Caskey & Abigail Malinovsky

Children's Message: Tracy Caskey

Children's Message next week: Graham Crawford

Videographer: Andrew Edscorn

Children's Church Leader: Raegan Swaringen

Children's Church Leader next week: Tracy Caskey

Ushers: Mike Freeman, Ron Lisenby, Todd Pless & John Roberson

Ushers next week: Jeff Barnhardt, Phil & Jill McLain, & Lynn Sechler

This Week

TODAY

9:00 a.m. - **Prayer Fellowship** –
Open to all; meets in the
parlor.

9:30 a.m. - **Koinonia Café** -
Good News Class

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

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

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

12:00 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous (NA)**

WEDNESDAY

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - **Law
Enforcement/Emergency
Responders Appreciation
Dinner (Congregation
Invited!)**

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

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**

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. - **Prayer Fellowship** –
Open to all; meets in the
parlor.

9:30 a.m. - **Koinonia Café** -
Walter Goodman Class

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

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



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