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**PRESBYTERIAN**  

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**CHURCH**

*Welcome*

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

**~ Gathering before the Word ~****Chiming of the Hour****Prelude**

Fred Caskey

**Welcome & Service of Friendship**

Emma Sechler

**Choral Call to Worship***Thou Art Worthy*  
Choristers

Mills

**\*Call to Worship**

Caylin Lowder

--from Psalm 95

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;  
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

**All: Let us come before Him with thanksgiving  
and extol Him with music and song.**

Leader: For the Lord is the great God,  
the great King above all gods.

**All: In His hand are the depths of the earth,  
and the mountain peaks belong to Him.**

Leader: The sea is His, for He made it,  
and His hands formed the dry land.

**All: Come, let us bow down in worship,  
let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;  
for He is our God and we are the people of His pasture,  
the flock under His care.**

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 538**

NICAEA

*Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty***\*Prayer of Confession**

Katie Satterfield

**Lord, we confess that we often fail to remember Your majesty. We let our circumstances and the world weigh us down with worries, fears, confusion, anger and hurt. Forgive us for not trusting in Your wisdom, relying on Your strength, or resting in Your care. Open our eyes to see Your glory. Move our hearts to feel Your presence. And give our voices song to bring You praise. For You alone are worthy.**

*(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 No. 884**      *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord*      WHELPTON

**Thanksgiving & Prayers of the People**      Malaina Meeks

**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.**

**Musical**      Lighthouse Fire Station      Clydesdale

Choristers

*The Armor of God*

*Get Down*

Toby Caskey, Erica Efird, soloists

*The Good Fight*

Amelia Caskey, Caylin Lowder, soloists

*I Believe*

Noah Walker, Landon Walker, soloists

**~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~**

**Word with our Children**      Fred Caskey

**\*Hymn of Preparation No. 348**

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

**Scripture Reading**      Ephesians 6:10-18      Ella Sechler

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

**Recognition of Graduate**      John Hammond

**Sermon**      Vulnerability in the Face of Change      Daniel Pless

## ~ Responding to the Word of God ~

### \*Affirmation of Faith

1 Peter 5:6-11

Amelia Caskey

**Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that He may lift you up in due time. Cast all your anxiety on Him because He cares for you.**

**Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. Resist him, standing firm in the faith, because you know that the family of believers throughout the world is undergoing the same kind of sufferings.**

**And the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will Himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. To Him be the power for ever and ever. Amen."**

### Offering & Offertory

*Arise, My Love*

Let's Dance Team: Lauren Caldwell, Lindy Caldwell,  
Katie Satterfield, Serenity Stanford, Kelsey Thomas

### \*Choral Congregational Response No. 881

*Use These Gifts*

### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Toby Caskey

### \*Hymn of Commitment

*Victory in Jesus*

I heard an old, old story, how a Savior came from glory,  
How He gave His life on Calvary to save a wretch like me;  
I heard about His groaning, of His precious blood's atoning,  
Then I repented of my sins and won the victory.

*Refrain: O Victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever,  
He sought me and bo't me with His redeeming blood;  
He loved me ere I knew him, and all my love is due Him,  
He plunged me to victory beneath the cleansing flood.*

I heard about His healing, of His cleansing pow'r revealing,  
How he made the lame to walk again and caused the blind to see;  
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus, come and heal my broken spirit,"  
And somehow Jesus came and bro't to me the victory. (*refrain*)

I heard about a mansion He has built for me in glory,  
And I heard about the streets of gold beyond the crystal sea;  
About the angels singing, and the old redemption story,  
And some sweet day I'll sing up there the song of victory. (*refrain*)

**\*Benediction**

Daniel Pless

**\*Choral Benediction**

*Go Now in Peace*

Choristers

**Postlude**

Amelia Caskey

**\*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 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.

## **Upcoming**

**The flowers on the altar** are given in honor of Daniel Pless by his family, in thankfulness to God and in celebration of his upcoming graduation from high school.

**Congratulations to Daniel Pless and Emily Griggs**, who have each been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to further their education! Daniel is graduating from Northwest Cabarrus High School and will attend UNC Chapel Hill in the fall. Emily will soon begin studies at Fuller Theological Seminary. A reception in Daniel's honor will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the worship service today.

**Elder on call this week** for prayer requests and concerns is Garrett Brady – (336)202-9393 (mobile, please leave message if no answer), garrett.brady@gmail.com.

**We are pleased to welcome Heath Burchett as our Supply Pastor for the next three months.** Heath Burchett is the Founder and Director of Ministries of Habit Missions Ministry, Inc.. Habit Missions is a non-profit that outreaches to homeless and youth in Charlotte, NC, Belize & Trinidad. Heath is a graduate of Vintage Bible College & Seminary in Winston-Salem, NC, where he received a Master of Ministry.

Since 2005, Heath served as Youth Pastor and Associate Pastor at various churches and started Habit Missions non-profit organization. Heath was most recently on staff at an ECO congregation, Bethel Presbyterian Church in Cornelius, NC as the Director of Youth & Family Ministries until going full time with Habit Missions. Heath is actively involved in ministry to homeless and youth and oversees and serves with over 50 volunteers worldwide for the ministry. Heath enjoys traveling and preaching at different churches and groups to further the work of the mission and engage others in life changing ministry opportunities.

He has one son, Israel.

God gave Heath a quote that has proven true in his life, "Little do we know how God will gift us in the areas we are not gifted, to accomplish His plan and purpose for our lives."

**A note of thanks:** Thank you so much for the cards, prayers, and acts of kindness during the death of my mother. *Amelia Goodnight*

**The JOY Group will meet for lunch** on Wednesday, June 5 at 12:00 noon at Afton Tavern & Restaurant at 355 John Galt Way in Concord. If you would like to carpool, please meet at the church at 11:30am. Please see John & Brenda Gail Roberson if you have questions.

**There will be a congregational meeting held on June 16** in order to dissolve Darryl's call at FPC, Kannapolis as required per ECO rules.

**The Christian Education and Missions Teams have once again partnered to bring you "A Call to Action" during Sunday School this summer!** All adult classes will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00a.m. following our regular breakfast. Please join us for special speakers beginning on Sunday, June 2. The schedule for June is as follows:

- June 2 - Bill Jolley
- June 9 - Missionary Kathy Walker
- June 16 - Frank Gibson
- June 23 - Heath Burchett of Habit Missions
- June 30 - Ron Lisenby

**The "Bad Girls" Thursday morning Bible Study is taking a short break.** We will start back up on June 6th at our regular time (10:30 am). We will be studying "The Women of Easter" by Liz Curtis Higgs.

**An informational meeting for a possible Eastern NC mission trip,** will be held on Sunday, June 9 immediately following worship. Anyone interested, please meet in the parlor with your calendar and dates that you could travel.

**CCM-Concord is in need of some volunteer part time help.** If interested, please see Sam McAllister.

**Jackson Park Elementary School - Giving Back.** The Missions Team would like to continue our support to Jackson Park Elementary School throughout the school year. They have a year-round food pantry and clothing closet available for donations. Please find a handy printout outside the sanctuary (under the TV screen) with more information on colors/sizes. Please drop off all donations in the Youth Room in the designated bookshelves.

**Big Brother/Big Sister Program.** We are looking for volunteers in the congregation that are willing to partner with Jackson Park Elementary School for a Big Brother/Big Sister Program. You will be paired with a student and encouraged to meet during lunch time on a monthly basis. If interested, please find a volunteer background check form outside the sanctuary (under the TV screen). Return all forms to Jenna Baker or a Missions Team Member.

**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

### MEMBERS

**Joe Crawford and family** as they anticipate Joe's welcoming to Glory.

**Juanita Holt** - health issues.

**Jean Roberts** - recovering from shoulder surgery.

**Bill Hammond** - health concerns.

**Mike Freeman** - recovering from neck surgery.

**Iris Efird** - recovering from surgery.

### Special Church Member of the Week

**Dwight Goodnight**

311 Brook Street

Kannapolis, NC 28083-6005

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

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

Heath Burchett  
Supply 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

**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 Efird** - continuing treatment.

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

**Debby Baker** - finishing cancer clinical trial and changing treatment.

## FAMILY OF MEMBERS

**Jay Burgess** - Mike Lowder's brother-in-law. In declining health and Hospice has been called in.

**Janna Kiger** - Edward Bell's colleague, has been upgraded and has moved from Duke Hospital to Sticht Center in Winston-Salem, due to complications from the flu.

**Brent Easley** - a friend of the McLains who has a rare aggressive form of leukemia.

**Mark McDaniel** - Mal's brother, cancer is back and is currently undergoing radiation treatments.

**Arthur Fu** - Jessica is very thankful for all the prayers for her brother, who has cancer.

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

**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.

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

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

**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.

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

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

## Servants

**Greeters:** Caylin Lowder, Camryn Lowder, Evie Sechler, Lily Efird, Erica Efird

**Elder Lock-Up:** Garrett Brady

**Children's Message:** Fred Caskey

**Children's Message next week:** No Children's Message

**Children's Church:** No Children's Church

**Children's Church next week:** Ryan & Michelle Walker

**Videographer:** David Reed

**Acolytes:** Noah & Landon Walker

**Acolytes next week:** Keira Brady & Abigail Malinovsky

**Ushers:** C.J. Semcho, Toby Caskey, Landon Walker, Noah Walker

**Ushers next week:** William Baker, Jeff Barnhardt, Ron Lisenby & C.J. Semcho

## This Week

### TODAY

9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -

Disciples Class

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

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

12:00 p.m. - **Graduate Reception**

### MONDAY

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

### TUESDAY

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

### WEDNESDAY

12:00 p.m. - JOY Group Lunch

Afton Tavern & Restaurant

### THURSDAY

10:30 a.m. - Thursday 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** -

Good News Class

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

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



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