



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

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

~ Gathering before the Word ~**Prelude***On Eagle's Wings*

Jones

Welcome & Service of Friendship

Pastor Darryl Evans

***Call to Worship**

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!

Your name, O God, like your praise,**Reaches to the ends of the earth.**

We consider your steadfast love, O God,

In the midst of our worship.

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!***Hymn of Praise No. 19***For the Beauty of the Earth*

DIX

***Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

Most gracious and loving God,**How much more could we ask of you?****How much more could you give us****than what you have given us in Jesus Christ?****Yet we confess that we have not claimed****the fullness of your grace to us.****We place our hope in material things****instead of in your spiritual blessing.****We neglect to serve you with all our strength.****We love those whom we choose,****instead of those whom you call us to love.****From these and all our sins, holy God,****free us and forgive us.****Make our hearts thrill once more****to the calling of your voice alone.****Fulfill your will in us and through us,****that the world would see in us****a witness to your power and glory.***(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.

*Psalm 146

sung to the tune of BEECHER

Bless the LORD, give praise and honor
Unto God who lends me breath;
May my tongue God's greatness never
Cease to tell before my death.
And in songs of sovereign goodness,
Let me sing beyond the grave;
God, whose grace my life to ransom,
God, whose will my soul to save.

Blest are they whose hope is vested
In the God of Israel;
In the hour of deepest anguish,
God's provisions will not fail;
Freedom for the shackled spirit,
Strength and stay to those who fall;
Blessings offered without measure,
Righteousness enough for all.

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

Untitled Hymn (*Come to Jesus*)
Chancel Choir

Rice, arr. Sterling

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:3-14

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Shaping of Our Story

Darryl Evans

“...to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.”

—Ephesians 1:10

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

*Affirmation of Faith

Colossians 1:15-20

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Sacrament of Communion

Offering & Offertory

How Great is Our God

arr. Tornquist

*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. 437 *Day by Day*

BLOTT EN DAG

*Benediction

Postlude

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Glaser

*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 "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 of the education building.

May Financial Update

Year to date budget - \$114,688
Year to date income - \$113,762
Year to date expenses - \$115,663

Upcoming

Today is communion Sunday when we traditionally collect donations for the Good Sam Fund. We have been blessed to have been able to help several of those in need this year. If you could prayerfully consider giving to this fund, we will be able to help many more of those who are in need. Thank you for your generosity!

Today, June 10, our **adult "Call to Action" Sunday School** will be held in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 AM following our continental breakfast at 9:30 AM. Adam Stricker, son of Bill and Sharon Stricker, will bring a message about the "SonServants" program. Both men and women are invited to join together for Summer Sunday School. Please invite a friend or neighbor to join us. If you are not a regular participant in Sunday School, this is a wonderful time to strengthen your Faith and support our missions. Next Sunday, June 17, Chaplain Michael Taylor, from the Rowan Sheriff's Department will speak on the "Shield A Badge" program for our Law Enforcement Officers. On Sunday, June 24, Dr. Darryl Evans will speak on "How We Got the Bible" focusing on the history of the Bible and how it came to be. Please come and bring your children for their regular classes upstairs! Mrs. Tracey has wonderful plans for the summer for them.

All women of the church are invited to Amanda Grebler's baby shower today, June 10 at 2pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Supplies are needed to make Pillowcase Dresses for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. Each dress requires one yard of child print material; one package of 1/2" wide double fold Bias Tape that matches background of material; and three yards of 7/8" Grosgrain Ribbon in a contrasting color. There is a box located in front of the kitchen to drop off supplies. We are seeking people who can sew a straight seam or are willing to furnish a sewing machine. Please contact Kay McAllister at (704) 723-1158. If you can't buy supplies, donations are always welcome!

During the week of Sept 23-29, we need volunteers to make and serve food at the **Salvation Army's Center of Hope Night Shelter**. This can be done through Sunday School classes, circles, families, committees, etc. We will need to prepare an evening meal to serve approximately 30 people and take two gallons of milk and cereal for breakfast the next morning. We need to arrive by 7pm, begin serving at 7:30pm, the kitchen closes at 8:30 then there is clean up. We would like our church to take one week each year to serve the homeless.

(Tear off and place in offering plate)

Supper at Hope Night Shelter

Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Vacation Bible School is right around the corner! Mark your calendars for VBS 2018 as we join Psalty and the Praise Kids on a camping adventure on June 24-June 27. Dinner will be at 5:45pm with classes for children and adults from 6:30-8:00pm. You can register online today at <http://firstpresb.org/june-24th-27th-vbs/>. Please just input parent information and you will be contacted with more information later. Please see Tracy Caskey if you would like to volunteer.

Love Bags and Boxes filled with nonperishable food items and other necessities are available for anyone to take and share with someone who is in need. These bags and boxes can be found in the church office, fellowship hall, and narthex closets.

Steve Goodnight is interested in taking a **Missions Trip to Mexico!** Donald and Martha Wehmeyer serve as missionaries in the Yucatan and say there is always work to be done. Please let Steve know if you are interested in going!

We will be holding our **annual yard sale** to raise money for the Mission Committee. The date is September 15, 8am-1pm. We will also sell sausage biscuits and hot dogs.

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 would 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

Amanda Grebler - during her pregnancy.
Jennifer Williams - admitted to the hospital again.
Mary Johns - recovering from procedure.
Mike Williams - at Brian Center.
Linda Bost - recovering from broken hip.
Peggy Barnhardt - at Morningside with Dementia.
Lynn Efirm - undergoing chemo
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.
Emily Griggs - missionary in Morocco.

Special Church Member of the Week

Peggy Barnhardt
507 Queens Gate Dr.
Kannapolis, NC 28083-4056

Birthday is June 14

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

Jamin Hodge - Steve's son, checked into rehab.
Russell Gardner - friend of Mike Freeman, cancer and recurring pneumonia.
Ernest Miller - friend of Mike Freeman, lung cancer and PTSD (Viet Nam Vet)
Chris & Gabby Goodnight - son of Connie Rary, for a healthy pregnancy.
Jay McKinney - son-in-law of Jim Johnston, a captain in Afghanistan.



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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 Pruett
Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates
Organist

Irene Davis
Nursery Director

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.

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.

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: Allison Hammett & Sam McAllister

Elder Lock-Up: Garrett Brady

Videographer: David Reed

Children's Message: Communion

Children's Message Next Week: Tracy Caskey

Children's Church Leader: Mary Lee Evans

Children's Church Leader next week: Sam & Kay McAllister

Ushers: William Baker, Jeff Barnhardt, C.J. Semcho & Tony Sherrill

Ushers next week: Jenna Baker, Amelia Goodnight, Amy Hurst & Jill McLain

This Week

TODAY

9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
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**
7:00 p.m. - **Session**

THURSDAY

12:00 p.m. - **NA**
6:30 p.m. - **Boy Scouts**
8:00 p.m. - **AA**

NEXT SUNDAY

9:15 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
Walter Goodman Class
10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**
11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**



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