



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

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

~ **Gathering before the Word** ~

Prelude

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

Harris

Welcome & Service of Friendship

Heath Burchett

***Call to Worship**

—from Psalm 9:1-2, NRSV

We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart;
we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

**We will be glad and exult in you;
we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

***Hymn of Praise**

Battle Hymn of the Republic

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord,
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning of His terrible swift sword--
His truth is marching on.

refrain

Glory! Glory, hallelujah! Glory! Glory, hallelujah!
Glory! Glory, hallelujah! His truth is marching on.

I have seen Him in the watch fires of a hundred circling camps,
They have builded Him an altar in the evening dews and damps;
I can read His righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps--
His day is marching on. (*refrain*)

He has sounded forth the trumpet that shall never sound retreat,
He is sifting out the hearts of men before His judgement seat;
O be swift, my soul, to answer Him! Be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on. (*refrain*)

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in His bosom that transfigures you and me;
As he died to make men holy, let us live to make men free,
While God is marching on. (*refrain*)

***Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

**There are many times we think we love you well, O God.
But upon hearing your call to love you with all our heart,
and all our mind, and all our strength,
we confess that our love for you is a diluted love,
made insipid and flat by lesser loyalties and a divided heart.
Our love seems pure only for brief moments;**

soon our affections are drawn away.
How easily our devotion dies.

Forgive us;
in deep mercy spare us, despite our lost first love for you;
in grace rekindle our love for you
in seeing anew Jesus' love for us.

(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

Heath Burchett

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

Be Thou My Vision
Melanie Misenheimer, alto
Lou Finger, piano

Traditional Irish
arr. by Courtney

Word with our Children

Alpha Barger

(Four year olds through 2nd 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 3rd floor first room on the right, where they will be picked up by a parent after the service.)

Scripture Reading

John 4:39-42

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

Sermon

The Unexpected Evangelist

Heath Burchett

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

*Affirmation of Faith – Philippians 2:1-4

If then there is any encouragement in Christ,
any consolation from His love, any sharing in the Spirit,
any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete:
be of the same mind, having the same love,
being in full accord and of one mind.
Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit,
but in humility regard others as better than yourselves.
Let each of you look not to your own interests,
but to the interests of others.

Offering & Offertory

Sonata Number 3 Adagio
Melanie Misenheimer, oboe
Lou Finger, Piano

Handel

*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

NATIONAL HYMN

God of Our Fathers

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
leads forth in beauty of all the starry band
of shining worlds in splendor thru skies,
our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
in this free land by Thee our lot is cast;
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide and Stay,
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
lead us from night to never ending day;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine! Amen.

*Benediction

Postlude

How Firm a Foundation

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*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

This morning we welcome Heath Burchett who will be speaking while Darryl is on vacation. Heath Burchett is the Founder and Director of Ministries along with his wife, Amanda Burchett of Habit Missions Ministry, Inc., 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.

After graduation, 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 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, spending time, and serving with his wife, Amanda and three year old son, Israel.

The Burchett family not only enjoys serving together but travels to preach and speak to different churches and groups to further the work of the mission, and engage others in life changing ministry opportunities.

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."

The church office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th, in recognition of Independence Day.

Capital Campaign update: \$31,895 out of \$31,000 has been collected to date. We received the Cannon Grant in the amount of \$20,000! The window installation is in progress. Thanks for your generosity!

Thank you for all the prayers, cards, and visits when I was sick. I'm doing much better now! *Pat Hill*

Summer Sunday School continues through August 20. Adults (7th grade and up) will have Summer Stories. The men will meet in the Session Room and the women will meet in the Drummond Classroom. Children (through 6th grade) will all meet together with Tracy and a rotating assistant for Hymns and Psalms.

All ladies of the community are invited to the Annual Women's Prayer Breakfast sponsored by Kimball Memorial Women on Saturday, August 5 at 9:00 am at Kimball Memorial Lutheran Church. The event speaker will be Rev. Lucille "CeCee" Mills, a passionate and powerful Lutheran minister who is committed to being available to do God's work wherever it takes her. Come and enjoy the fellowship of old friends and meet new friends while enjoying a message of inspiration and hope. A buffet breakfast will be served. Donations from the event will be given to Kimball's Women in Need fund and G.W. Carver Elementary School "Scholarships for Field Trips". Please call Kimball Memorial church office at 704-933-4101 by July 31 to register.

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

Lori Holder, daughter of Sam McAllister, has MS, at Gaston County CCU. No Visitors please.

Juanita Holt and family on the death of Juanita's brother in law, J.C. Holt, on June 21.

David Threatt, had biopsy last week.

Teresa Alexander, friend of Renée Goodnight, brain tumors.

Mark McDaniel, lymphoma (Mal's brother).

Ron Lisenby, leg and knee issues.

Lynn Efird, recovering from surgery.

Clara Burris, atrial septal defect. Recovering from surgery.

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

Donna Whitley, kidney disease.

Laura Gibson, Frank's daughter-in-law, fighting lymphoma, recently in hospital now recovering from chemo.

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

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, and his son, **Tod Goodnight** who is struggling with Parkinson's Disease.

Emily Griggs, teaching in Morocco.

Special Church Member of the Week

Charles Seaford

304 Larry Drive
Kannapolis, NC 28083-6144

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 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

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.

Susan (Hodge) Thomas, recovering from hip surgery.

Joyce Weaver, health issues.

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

Iris Efird, 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: Peggy Gibson & Carol Lowder

Elder Lock-Up: Danny Bost

Acolytes:

Children's Message: Alpha Barger

Children's Message next week: Adam Caskey

Videographer: Michael Martens

Children's Church Leader: Laura McLain

Children's Church Leader next week: Allison Hammett

Ushers: Mark Goodnight, Mallory McDaniel & Tony Sherrill

Ushers next week: Danny Bost, Jeff Barnhardt, John Hammond & Sam McAllister

Summer Stories Facilitators: Frank & Peggy Gibson

Summer Stories Facilitators next week: Frank Gibson & Judy Goodnight

Summer Stories Story Tellers: Judy Hunter, Janice Jolley, Mark Goodnight & Tony Rary

Summer Stories Story Tellers next week: Tracy Caskey, Irene Davis, Mike Freeman & Donnie Swaringen

This Week

TODAY

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

9:30 a.m. - **Koinonia Kafe** -
Disciples Class

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

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

MONDAY

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

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 Kafe** -
Good News Class

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

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



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