



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

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

~ Gathering before the Word ~**Prelude***Fill My Cup, Lord*

Blanchard

Welcome & Service of Friendship

Pastor Darryl Evans

***Call to Worship**

—from Psalm 89:1-4, NRSV

I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD, forever;
**with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness
to all generations.**

I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to my servant David:

'I will establish your descendants forever,
and build your throne for all generations.'"

Praise the Lord!***Hymn of Praise No. 224***Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

DARWALL'S 148TH

***Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

**Almighty God, I humbly ask you
to make me like a tree planted by the waterside,
that I may bring forth fruits of good living in due season.
Help me to see your hand at work in my life,
and how to live each day in your truth.**

**Forgive my past offenses, sanctify me now,
and direct all that I should be in the future,
for Christ's sake.**

(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

Arise, My, Love and Come Away

Dicie

Jennifer Linn, soprano

Kay Yates, piano

Word with our Children

Adam Caskey

(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

Psalm 23

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Living with the Good Shepherd

Darryl Evans

"The LORD is my shepherd; He meets all my needs."

--Psalm 23:1

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

***Affirmation of Faith – Colossians 3:1-4**

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Offering & Offertory

Fairest Lord Jesus

arr. Schaum

***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. 451**

VILLE DU HAVRE

When Peace Like a River

***Benediction**

Postlude

Foundation

Traditional American Melody

***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 Billy Philpot on his birthday by Wren Philpot.

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

Betty Sechler, at home recovering from her stay in ICU for blood clots in her lungs.

Rocky Creek Presbyterian Church, caught fire on July 2. Please pray for Pastor Farrar Griggs as he ministers, as needed, for his church.

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

David Threatt, had biopsy.

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.

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.

Special Church Member of the Week

Joe Crawford

Black Mountain Neuro-Medical
Treatment Center
932 Old US Hwy 70
Black Mountain, NC 28711

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 Pruett
Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates
Organist

Irene Davis
Nursery Director

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

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: Peggy Gibson & Carol Lowder

Elder Lock-Up: Danny Bost

Acolytes:

Children's Message: Adam Caskey

Children's Message next week: Jessica Bell

Videographer: David Reed

Children's Church Leader: Allison Hammett

Children's Church Leader next week: Emma & Shannon Sechler

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

Ushers next week: Todd Adams, Phil & Jill McLain, Lynn Sechler

Summer Stories Facilitators: Frank Gibson & Judy Goodnight

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

Summer Stories Story Tellers next week: Linda Bost, Peggy Gibson, Adam Caskey & Darryl Evans

This Week

TODAY

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**

MONDAY

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

TUESDAY

7:00 p.m. - **Session**

THURSDAY

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

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

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

7:00 p.m. - **Stewardship**

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** -
Walter Goodman Class

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

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



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