



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

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

~ Gathering before the Word ~**Prelude***Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

Hughes

Welcome & Service of Friendship

Rev. Michael Krauter

***Call to Worship**

Exalt the Lord our God,
for the Lord our God is holy!

For the Lord God bestows favor and honor.

**No good thing does He withhold
from those who walk uprightly.**

Hymn of Praise No. 264Lift High the Cross*

CRUCIFER

***Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

**Eternal God,
in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,
and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts:
Cleanse us from all our offenses,
and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,
that with reverent and humble hearts
we may draw near to you,
confessing our faults,
confiding in your grace,
and finding in you our refuge and strength;
through Jesus Christ your Son.**

(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

Jesus Paid It All / O Sacred Head

arrg. Adams

Christy Heintz, saxophone

Kay Yates, piano

Word with our Children

Jennifer Smith

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

(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 of the education building, where they will be picked up by a parent after the service.)

Scripture Reading

Ruth 4:1-11

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Change the Future of a Broken Country

Michael Krauter

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

***Affirmation of Faith**

Rom. 8:1, 28, 38, 39

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Offering & Offertory

Benedictus

Young

***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. 327**

TRUST AND OBEY

When We Walk with the Lord

***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. 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.

Upcoming

Please welcome Rev. Michael Krauter who will be speaking today while Darryl is away. Michael was born in Canton, Ohio and became a follower of Jesus when he was 16 years old. He has lived and served in racially and ethnically diverse neighborhoods in Philadelphia, San Francisco, and Boston before moving to Charlotte in 2010. He is married to his loving wife Ashley and has three wonder-filled daughters. Michael serves as an ECO pastor at large in the Charlotte area helping build a non-profit network called ForCharlotte (forcharlotte.org/), which connects local churches across denominations, races, economics, and languages to be a church united for the good of the city. For his day-job, he serves as the manager over the three Nothing But Noodles restaurants in Charlotte.

Today, July 29, 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. Our speaker is Ed Hosack with CCM. Members are invited to bring several cans of food for the food pantry to Sunday School. We will have a box in the Fellowship Hall to place the food. Ed will take the food for the food pantry for us. Both men and women are invited to join together for Summer Sunday School. Please invite a friend or neighbor to join us. Upcoming speakers are August 5: Frank Gibson; August 12: Adam Stricker, SonServants and other missions; August 19: Habitat for Humanity; August 26: Holly Teeter with Sole Hope. If you are not a regular participant in Sunday School, this is a wonderful time to strengthen your Faith and support our missions. Please come and bring your children for their regular classes upstairs! Mrs. Tracy has wonderful plans for the summer for them.

Magnets with names of Kannapolis Police and Firefighters are in the Narthex. If you would like to adopt that individual for prayer throughout the next year, please take a magnet and place it in your home where you will be reminded of your commitment to pray for them. Feel free to also send cards or notes of encouragement to their place of employment throughout the year. Thank you for supporting our local First Responders - let's Shield a Badge with Prayer!

There will be a mission trip to Mexico on October 20-27. The Deadline to commit is August 31. If you are interested in going on this mission trip to Mexico, please see Steve Goodnight or call the church office by August 31.

The Missions Team is seeking our talented church members to donate their goods, time or services for a Missions Auction! If you make specialty items, can cook a meal, offer babysitting, clean someone's house, do landscaping, teach a skill, or offer other services that you think we can auction off, please fill out your proposal and place in the offering plate. Auction time is to be determined. Proceeds will support our Missions Fund.

Name: _____

Telephone: _____

Auction Item(s): _____

The Missions Team continues collection for hygiene items to place in our Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. We still need bar soap, washcloths, packages of wet wipes, brushes & combs, and lip balm. Facial tissue and toothbrushes have been fulfilled. Please continue to place hygiene items in collections boxes in the Narthex and outside the Fellowship Hall!

We have all the supplies we need for the pillowcase dresses, but if you would like to help make the dresses, contact Kay McAllister at (704) 723-1158. If anyone is interested in having a **workshop to make the dresses,** please let Kay know or sign up on the sheet located in the fellowship hall. You do not need to know how to sew. You can cut, measure, pin or press. We may also be making hair bows too!

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. The room next to the choir room is available now for donations.

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.

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

Iris Efird - health concerns.

Donna Whitley - health issues including hernia.

Mike Williams - back at Brian Center.

Juanita Holt - at Five Oaks.

Loretta Young - back at Five Oaks.

Barbara Wise - health concerns.

Jennifer Williams - at home recovering.

Mary Johns - recovering from procedure.

Peggy Barnhardt - at Morningside with Dementia.

Lynn Efird - finished with 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 - teacher in Morocco.

FAMILY OF MEMBERS

Bruce Davis - father of Judy Goodnight, battling lunch cancer.

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
Wren Philpot, 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

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

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.

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, completed radiation and tumor is gone! Undergoing PT and OT to regain strength.

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.

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: Jeff Barnhardt & Carol Lowder

Elder Lock-Up: Frank Gibson

Videographer: Michael Martens

Children's Message: Jennifer Smith

Children's Message Next Week: Communion

Children's Church Leader: Jenna Baker

Children's Church Leader next week: Michelle Walker

Acolytes: Faith Reed & Caroline Smith

Acolytes Next Week: Amelia Caskey & Ella Sechler

Ushers: Andrew & Jenna Baker, Bobby Hallman, & Ron Lisenby

Ushers next week: Paul Barnhardt, Doug & Amelia Goodnight, and C.J. Semcho

This Week

TODAY

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

THURSDAY

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

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
Disciples Class
10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School**
11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**



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