



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

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

~ Gathering before the Word ~**Prelude***Song of Hope*

Chesterton

Welcome & Service of Friendship

Pastor Heath Burchett

Moment for Missions

Jenna Baker

***Call to Worship**

How lovely is Your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!

**Our souls long for Your courts,
Where we yearn to sing Your praises.**

Blessed are they who dwell in Your house,
Who are always praising You.

**Blessed are those whose strength is in You,
Whose hearts are set on the ways of Christ.**

***Hymn of Praise No. 426** *My Faith Looks Up To Thee*

OLIVET

***Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

Compassionate GOD,

Your touch heals and Your word saves, yet we look for salvation in other places. We long to know the fullness of Your love, but our sin gets in the way. What we say seldom matches how we live. Help us make our confession. Hear us as we pray. Hold us in Your mercy. Touch us again, so that we may live this day in joy and praise, for the sake of Jesus Christ our LORD. Amen

(In silent prayer, let us offer GOD our confession and our hope)

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.

Thanksgiving & Prayers of the People

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 ~

Word with our Children

Malaina Meeks

(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.)

***Hymn of Preparation No. 553**

How Great Thou Art

Scripture Reading

Galatians 5:1-26

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Freedom of the Gospel

Heath Burchett

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.**

Offering & Offertory

Change My Heart, O God

Espinosa

***Doxology Hymn No. 964**

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***Hymn of Commitment No. 328**

LANCASHIRE

Lead On, O King Eternal

***Benediction**

Postlude

The Faithful Heart Rejoices

Peterson

***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. Please sign the attendance pad located at the end of each pew. 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.

Children's Church is available for children 4 years to 2nd Grade. After the "Word with Our Children," they will be escorted to their Children's Church in our Educational Building. 4-year-olds will meet in the nursery, where they are learning from the Gospel Light Preschool unit entitled "Thank You, God!" Parents should report to their child's classroom after worship to pick them up.

Upcoming

Elder on call this week for prayer requests and concerns is Ryan Walker.

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. The remaining schedule is as follows:

- August 18 - Renee Goodnight on Daniel Plan Follow-up
- August 25 - Cut shoe material for Sole Hope
- September 1 - Bill Jolley

Registration is now open for Saltshakers Ladies Bible Study! All women are invited to join us. Saltshakers will meet September through May each Monday night at 6:00 pm. We will be studying Acts – “The Holy Spirit and the Beginning of the Church”. To register, please call the church office at (704) 938-4623.

Wednesday Night Life will kick-off with a FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT on Saturday, August 24th at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall! Together, we will watch a Christian-based family movie. Concessions will be available for \$.50. Bring a beach towel or chair for the kids and invite your friends and family to join us!

Sunday, September 8 at 9:30 a.m. the church will celebrate Genesis Sunday with a church wide breakfast provided by the Fellowship Team. Danny Bost will provide information about the adult classes while Michelle Walker will provide information about youth classes. Classes will depart from the Fellowship Hall for an abbreviated Sunday School time with their assigned classes.

The Circle of Women will resume its monthly meeting on Monday, September 9 at 2:00 pm at Editions Coffee Shop and Book Store. We will continue our study of Women of the Bible. All women are invited. We continue monthly meetings through May, on the 2nd Monday of each month.

Wednesday Night Life for children and adults officially begins on WEDNESDAY, September 4th! Classes will be available for Preschoolers through High School. Larry Efird will lead a Bible study for adults based on the book "Mystery of the Holy Spirit" by R. C. Sproul. All adults are welcome to attend - please just fill out this registration form and place in the offering plate. Books will be provided, but if you would like to provide a donation to help offset the cost of approximately \$11.00 each, you may do so. Just mark your check or envelope "Holy Spirit book".

Wednesday Night Life Adult Bible Study

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Calling all volunteers!!! If you assist in any way with our Children's or Youth Ministries, it's time once again for our annual training. Please let Michelle Walker know which of the following sessions you plan to attend:

- Wednesday, August 21 at 6:00p.m. in the Session Room
- Sunday, August 25 at 9:00a.m. in the Session Room
- Tuesday, August 27 at 6:00p.m. in the Session Room

If none of these dates will fit in your schedule, let Michelle know and she will make alternative arrangements. If you are not currently a volunteer, but would like to be, please see Michelle. We can always use your help!

It's time once again to start our collection for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes!!! As in years past, we will pack 400 boxes - 200 boy and 200 girl - this year for ages 10-14. In an effort to be more consistent and produce better quality boxes, the Missions Team humbly suggests that you make a financial donation to go towards shopping for and shipping the boxes. (Just write "shoeboxes" on your check or offering envelope memo). Alternatively, if you would like to go shop, you may see Michelle Walker for a date to go shopping or a list of specific items to "adopt"! Thanks as always for your support of this special project!

Our Annual Yard Sale and Bake Sale for Missions will be held on Saturday, September 14 (rain date Saturday, September 21). Donations of clean household items and clothes, gently used books and toys, furniture, and other items can be placed in the room beside the Choir Room. Please do not include used bedding, undergarments or swimsuits, or items that are stained or in disrepair. If you need pick-up or assistance with moving larger items, please see a Missions Team member. Proceeds will go towards Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes.

The Missions Team has reserved the week of September 22 - 28 to serve at the Salvation Army Hope Night Shelter. Volunteers are needed to prepare and serve dinner for approximately 30 people nightly and provide milk and cereal for the next day's breakfast. Set-up begins at 6:30pm, with meal service from 7:00pm-8:00pm. A sign-up poster has been placed in the narthex. Thank you again for supporting your Missions Team and our Church's outreach efforts!

The Missions Team is once again spotlighting Jackson Park Elementary School!

- Collection continues for the Jackson Park Elementary food pantry and clothing closet. See an information sheet in the Narthex for specific needs. Donations may be placed on the bookshelf in the Youth Room.
- Volunteers are needed for a school lunch buddy program, which allows adults to meet monthly with a child during lunch at the school. No monetary commitment is required, just a short amount of time to brighten a child's day. A background check is required - please fill out the form (found in the Narthex) and return 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.



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The Session

Jeff Barnhardt, Clerk of Session

Class of 2020
Jeff Barnhardt
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Gip Rumble

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Director of Music

Michelle Walker
Director of Children's Ministries

Terri Pruett
Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates
Organist

Irene Davis
Nursery Director

Servants

Greeter: Ryan Walker

Elder Lock-Up: Gip Rumble

Children's Message: Malaina Meeks

Children's Message next week: Michelle Walker

Children's Church: Jenna Baker & Ali Craft

Children's Church next week: Amelia Goodnight &
Debbie McDaniel

Videographer: Michael Martens

Acolytes: Caylin Lowder & Abigail Malinovsky

Acolytes next week: Landon & Noah Walker

Nursery: Allison Hammett

Nursery next week: Emma & Ella Sechler

Ushers: William Baker, Amy Hurst, John Roberson & Bill
Stricker

Ushers next week: Andrew & Jenna Baker, Mel Eaton &
Mal McDaniel

This Week

TODAY

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

10:30 a.m. - **Thursday morning**
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 -**
New Connection Class

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

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



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