



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Welcome

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

~ Gathering before the Word ~

Prelude *Holy, Holy, Holy* arr. Red

Choral Call to Worship Traditional South African
Come Bring Your Burdens to God
Chancel Choir

Welcome & Service of Friendship Pastor Darryl Evans

***Call to Worship**

One: And the One who was seated on the Throne proclaimed:

All: "See, I am making all things new!"

One: Praise the Lord!

All: The Lord's name be praised!

***Hymn of Praise No. 254**

SINE NOMINE

*For All the Saints****Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

Heavenly Father,

You have raised Jesus from death to life,
and crowned Him Lord of all.

You work your same resurrection power in us, bringing us fuller life,
yet we often resist. We resist your call:

Your call to grow, to be stretched, to be uncomfortable, to suffer.

Forgive us for our complaining.

Give us the grace to grow up in You,
that we may become mature, becoming more like Jesus,
for we ask this in His name.

(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.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Vladimir Prokhnevskiy

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.

(Pre-k through 5th graders may now be excused to Sunday School. An adult will now escort the children to the Sunday School classrooms located on the 3rd floor of the education building where they will be picked up by a parent after the service.)

~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

Anthem

The Midnight Cry
Randy Childers, tenor

Day

Scripture Reading

Philippians 1:27-30

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

God Completing His Work in You: Suffering Darryl Evans

“For it has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on him,
but also to suffer for him”

-- Philippians 1:29

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

***Affirmation of Faith**

Matthew 5:3-12

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

**Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.**

Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

**Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

**Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all
kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great
is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets
who were before you.**

Offering & Offertory *Lay Up Your Treasures in Heaven*

Choplin

Randy Childers, tenor
Chancel Choir Men

***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. 363**

ASSURANCE

Blessed Assurance

***Benediction**

Postlude

Soldiers of Christ, Arise

Elvey

***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.

October Financial Update

Year to date budget - \$229,377
Year to date income - \$229,760
Year to date expenses - \$221,211

Upcoming

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor of Frank Gibson, our teacher of the Disciples Class, who celebrated his 80th birthday last week.

Dear Friends, I thank you so deeply for your cards, flowers last week in worship, luncheon and many signs of thanks. It was all so encouraging (and yummy!). I do feel your appreciation, and I am grateful for you. *Love, Darryl.*

First Presbyterian is proud to welcome Vladimir Prokhnevskiy, a former Operation Christmas Child Shoebox recipient, to speak at our church today, November 4! Vladimir will give a presentation during a combined Sunday School at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall, and then share briefly with the congregation during our Worship Service. Join us for this special event, beginning with breakfast at 9:30!

Fall Vespers will take place today, November 4. The fun will begin outside at 4:30 with hayrides and games for our children, followed by a delicious meal at 5:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Dinner will consist of barbecue, baked beans, slaw, bread, chips, dessert and drinks. After a devotional led by Darryl, the Efird family of China Grove will provide musical entertainment. Come join in the fun!

Wednesday Night Life continues this week with our final children's class and adult class on Song of Solomon taught by Larry Efird. This week's menu will be grilled chicken and baked potatoes from Stag and Doe. The cost of supper is \$5.00 per person/\$20 per family.

Mark your calendars for our Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Packing Party on Wednesday, November 14!!! Pizza will be served beginning at 5:45, followed by a short program and shoebox packing at 6:15. Come join the fun as we pack 400 shoeboxes and excitedly await their destination! Of course, we'll cover the boxes in prayer at our party and also at a special dedication the following Sunday, November 18. As always, thank you for your support of this very special ministry, now in its 25th year!

The Missions Team continues collections for our **400 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes!** Items still needed are: crayons (273 packs), glue sticks (22), colored pencils/markers (276 packs), notebooks/coloring books (309), small play-dough (162), bar soap (109), brushes/combs (204), Jump ropes (60), misc. toys for girls (360), misc. toys for boys (343), small stuffed animals (243), or money donations for items and also shipping which is \$9.00/box (mark OCC on your check or envelope). Thanks as always for your support!

With the help of volunteers, **a Habitat Cabarrus home is built**, and it is almost time for Zula to establish her home. Habitat for Humanity is making plans now to prepare for Zula's dedication and we hope you'll save the date and make plans to attend. **Tuesday, November 13, 2018 - 6:00pm**, 95 Hemlock Street, SW Concord, NC 28025. Parking is street parking so please allow extra time.

Wednesday night activities will continue for our children and youth in November and December! For your convenience, meals will be provided each Wednesday beginning at 5:30. Parents are welcome to stay and help, too. Please join us for these fun activities!

Wed., Nov. 28 - Choristers (K-8) rehearse with choir 6:15-6:30. All youth make gift baskets for shut-ins until 7:30. Meal: Grilled Hamburgers & Hot Dogs.

Wed., Dec. 5 - Choristers (K-8) rehearse with choir 6:15-6:30. Gingerbread House Workshop for all youth and families beginning at 6:30. (Please register with postcard, available in Narthex or Fellowship Hall foyer). Meal: Baked Potato & Salad Bars.

Wed., Dec. 12 - Choristers (K-8) rehearse with choir 6:15-6:30. All youth make gifts baskets for shut-ins until 7:30. Meal: Tacos.

Wed., Dec. 19 - All youth go Christmas caroling with Chancel Choir and deliver gift baskets to shut-ins. Meal: Country Ham, Pinto Beans, Cabbage/Greens; Dessert on return from caroling.

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

Jim Johnston - recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Iris Efird - recovering from surgery.

Mike Williams - back at home.

Sharon Stricker - broken knee.

Mary Johns - upcoming surgeries, including eye cancer.

Emily Griggs - teacher in Casablanca.

Donna Whitley - recovering from surgery, now at home.

Juanita Holt - back at home.

Loretta Young - at Five Oaks.

Peggy Barnhardt - at Morningside with Dementia.

Lynn Efird - continuing treatment.

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.

FAMILY OF MEMBERS

Brenda Park - friend of Carol Lowder, facing a serious colon surgery.

Amy Ritchie - friend of Jane Jacobs, dealing with stage 4 Breast Cancer.

Nancy Barger - friend of Jane Jacobs, dealing with cancer.

Jay - brother of Ellen Little, home from hospital and awaiting update for surgery.

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

Michelle Walker
Director of Children's Ministries

Terri Pruett
Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates
Organist

Irene Davis
Nursery Director

Mark McDaniel - brother of Mal McDaniel, in remission and making great progress!

Barbara Coffey - friend of Judy Hunter: stage 4 Breast Cancer.

Thomas Dishman - friend of Judy Hunter: problems with LVAD.

Chuck Rogers - friend of Judy Hammond: suffered stroke following surgery.

Shelia & Steve Dobson - friends of Judy Hammond: Steve had brain surgery.

Russell Gardner - friend of Mike Freeman: cancer and recurring pneumonia.

Ernest Miller - friend of Mike Freeman: lung cancer and PTSD (Viet Nam Vet)

Lori Holder - daughter of Sam McAllister: Suffering with MS.

Arthur Fu - brother of Jessica Bell: Fighting cancer.

Teresa Alexander - friend of Renee Goodnight: Diagnosed with brain tumors and staph infection.

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: Mike Freeman & Carol Lowder

Elder Lock-Up: Allison Hammett

Videographer: Michael Martens

Nursery: Raegan Swaringen

Nursery Next Week: Jennifer Williams

Acolytes: Will Evans & August Williams

Acolytes Next Week: Toby Caskey & Abigail Malinovsky

Ushers: Todd Adams, Fred Caskey, Mark Goodnight & Bobby Hallman

Ushers next week: Paul Barnhardt, John Hammond, Tony Rary & Bill Stricker

This Week

TODAY

- 9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour** -
Disciples Class
- 10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School /
Children's Church**
- 11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**
- 4:30 p.m. - **Fall Vesper Fun Begins**
- 5:30 p.m. - **Supper followed by Vesper
Service**

MONDAY

- 6:30 p.m. - **Saltshakers**
- 8:00 p.m. - **Alcoholics Anonymous**

TUESDAY

- 12:00 p.m. - **Narcotics Anonymous**

WEDNESDAY

- 5:45 p.m. - **Wednesday Supper**
- 6:15 p.m. - **Adult Class** -
Song of Solomon

- 6:15 p.m. - **Children's Classes**
- 6:30 p.m. - **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**
- 7:30 p.m. - **Handbell Rehearsal**

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** -
Good News Class
- 10:00 a.m. - **Sunday School /
Children's Church**
- 11:00 a.m. - **Worship Service**



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