



FIRST

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CHURCH

Welcome

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

~ Gathering before the Word ~

Prelude	<i>Behold the Lamb</i>	Getty
Choral Call to Worship	<i>Sanctuary</i> Chancel Choir	Scruggs
Welcome & Service of Friendship		Rev. Michael Krauter

***Call to Worship**

Let us speak of the glorious deeds of God and God's might.

**We will not hide them from our children,
we will tell them to the coming generation.**

Let us rise up and tell the children,
so that they should set their hope in God.

**That they should not forget the words of God
but keep God's commandments.**

***Hymn of Praise No. 121**

GALILEE

*Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult****Prayer of Confession**

David Hamilton

**Merciful God, you deliver from distress
those who cry to you in their trouble.
Deliver us, we pray, from the burden of sin:
from wanting too much to impress others
and needing to prove our worth;
from inner confusion
that has us say one thing, but do another;
from oppressive and unjust practices
and from bondage to greed and desire.
Lord, deliver and redeem us.**

**Gather us in from our wandering
and lead us by your way,
until we reach the place you prepare
for those who follow you.**

(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 ~

Word with our Children

Jennifer Smith

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul worship His holy name
Sing like never before, O my soul. I'll worship his holy name.

(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.)

Anthem

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God
Alleluia Ringers

arr. Bode

Scripture Reading

Joshua 24:14-24

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

When Face to Face with Evil, I Will Do...

Michael Krauter

“‘Now then,’ said Joshua, ‘throw away the foreign gods that are among you and yield your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel.’”

-Joshua 24:23

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

*Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles' 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**

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 (<http://www.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.

Notes of thanks:

Dear Church Family, thank you so much for the visits, cards and especially your prayers as I recuperate at Transitional. I have four more weeks before I can put weight on my broken ankle.
Peggy Barnhardt

Dear Church Family, your prayers, cards, and phone calls have blessed us. We have been strengthened by your faithfulness to love and pray for us. You, the church, are God given help to other believers. With love and thanksgiving, *Ronald, Alpha, and family*

The Circle of Women Bible Study will meet tomorrow, November 13 at 2:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

No Wednesday Night Life this week. We will start up again in January for another 8 week session. (Children's play practice continues as do choir and bell rehearsals).

We will hold another Fall Fun and Vesper Service on Sunday, November 19th beginning at 4:30 pm. Food will be served from 4:30-5:30 pm. Hot dogs will be available from the grill or roasted on the fire (please bring a stick if you want to roast your hot dog). Chips, drinks, and marshmallows will also be served. Activities for all ages: hayrides, bounce house, face painting, glow jewelry, bubbles, sidewalk chalk, crafts, etc. are a few of the stations planned. For the safety of our children, handicap parking will be available on the street between FPC and Kimball marked by orange cones. A golf cart will be available to transport members to the activities and vespers. Vespers will begin at 6:30 pm. Every one is encouraged to attend this meaningful worship around the fire. Bring a chair and join us!

To the congregation: Once again everyone is invited to celebrate **Thanksgiving Day with a dinner** in the fellowship hall on November 23, around 1:00 pm. Turkey, dressing, and rolls will be provided; come and bring a favorite dish or two to share. Please feel free to bring family, friends, and neighbors, especially those who will be alone on that day. Use the tear off at the bottom of the page and place in the offering plate so we will know how many are attending. For more information contact Frank or Peggy Gibson (704-938-5865).

Register for Thanksgiving Dinner

Family Name: _____

How Many: _____

The Christmas Covered Dish Dinner and Children's Christmas Play will be Sunday, December 3rd at 5:30pm this year. Please see the rehearsal schedule below.

6:00-7:30pm Wednesdays, November 8-November 29 (no rehearsal November 22)

6:00-7:30 pm Tuesday, November 21 & Thursday, November 30

Dress Rehearsal on Saturday, December 2, 1:00-3:00pm followed by an ice cream sundae party.

A Gingerbread House Workshop will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, December 6th from 6:30-7:30pm. Please bring candy suitable to use on the houses.

The Missions Team has once again reserved a time for our Church to process Shoeboxes at the Operation Christmas Child Processing Center in Charlotte. Our assigned slot is on Wednesday, Dec. 13 from 5-10pm. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. Please see Michelle Walker if you have questions.

JOY Group will have a catered Christmas dinner on Friday, December 15 at noon in the fellowship hall. Cost is \$7.00 per person and paid reservations must be in by Sunday, Dec. 10th. Cash only please to Charlene Booth by that date. Signup sheet outside church parlor. There will be musical entertainment and a Christmas Grab Bag. If you wish to participate in the grab bag, please bring a \$5.00 wrapped gift.

On December 15th, parents are welcome to drop off their children at the church for a Parents' Night Out from 5:30-9:00pm. This will include pizza, games, crafts, stories, etc. Registration is required to ensure enough chaperones, food, and materials are available, so call the church office or see Tracy to sign up.

Just a reminder - if you would like to be added to the email list to receive twice weekly updates from the church and/or the Phonetree list to received weekly announcements, please email Terri at TerriPruett@FirstPresb.org.

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

Sharon Cranford, recovering from surgery.

Ron Barger, recovering from surgery.

Jennifer Williams, Ulcerative Colitis.

A friend of the church, Dec 11 court case, pray it will be dismissed with no further charges.

Betty Overcash, at Pruett Healthcare in Harrisburg.

Tink Wade, friend of Jill McLain, breast cancer, facing chemo, surgery and radiation.

Peggy Barnhardt, at Transitional with broken foot.

Brian Landis, stage 5 renal disease.

Iris Efird, recovering at home.

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 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

Connie Rary had a good one year report, and is still fighting cancer.

Sharon Stricker, recovering from hip replacement surgery.

Farrar Griggs, Restoration process after fire at Rocky Creek Presbyterian Church plus health concerns. **Emily Griggs**, back in Morocco.

Lori Holder, daughter of Sam McAllister, has MS.

Teresa Alexander, friend of Renée Goodnight, brain tumors.

Mark McDaniel, lymphoma (Mal's brother), making good progress.

Ron Lisenby, leg and knee issues.

Clara Burris, atrial septal defect.

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

Donna Whitley, kidney disease.

Sherri Bridges, mother of Danielle Byrd, friend of Laura McLain, breast cancer.

Debby Baker, has cancer again.

Linda Bost, small, stable cerebral aneurysm.

Loretta Young, Alzheimer's is progressing and she is declining in health.

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

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.

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: Mike Freeman & Carol Lowder

Elder Lock-Up: Allison Hammett

Children's Message: Jennifer Smith

Children's Message next week: Jennifer Linn

Videographer: David Reed

Children's Church Leader: Allison Hammett

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

Nursery: Lynn Efird

Nursery next week: Jenna Baker

Ushers: Mel Eaton, Mike Freeman, Todd Pless, & John Roberson

Ushers next week: Andrew & Jenna Baker, & Phil & Jill McLain

This Week

TODAY

9:00 a.m. - **Prayer Time** - parlor
All are welcome

9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour**
Good News Class

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

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

MONDAY

2:00 p.m. - **Circle of Women**

6:30 p.m. - **Saltshakers**

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

TUESDAY

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

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

WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m. - **Children's Play**
Practice

6:30 p.m. - **Chancel Choir Rehearsal**

7:30 p.m. - **Alleluia Ringers**

THURSDAY

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

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

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

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

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. - **Prayer Time** - parlor
All are welcome

9:30 a.m. - **Coffee Hour**
Walter Goodman Class

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

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

4:30 p.m. - **Fall Fun/Vesper Service**



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