

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

June 24, 2018 11:00 a.m.

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

God draws us to this place of Sabbath rest.

Worship God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit! Please silence electronics.

We invite you to share a prayer by dropping a prayer card in the offering plate. Our professionally-staffed nursery is on the first floor of the Education Building.

Prelude *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* arr. Chris Rice
Lori Shank, Piano

Trinity Chime

Call to Worship

Hymn 389 *Oh Jesus, I Have Promised* NYLAND

Prayer of Praise (responsive, from Revelation 15:3-4) Adam Sterken

Reader: And [we] sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying,

All: "Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty! Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations! Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed."

Reader: Praise the Lord!

All: Hallelujah! Amen.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Most gracious God, You love us. What a miracle! Help us to show love for You. Nurture us in Your forgiveness, we pray, so that we will be less in love with that which drives us to sin. Help us to see that when we should love, we must do as Christ

did, die to self in order to serve others. Help us to see that when the world says "judge," we should show mercy. Forgive us, Lord, and remind us that this is about more than failing to be perfect; it's about the very obstinance and disobedience of our old self. Renew us in the joy of Your salvation. Deal with us gently as You redirect our lives into greater conformity to Your Son, our Lord, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

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 Spirit, 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 Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri

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.

Welcome and Common Concerns

Please sign and pass the friendship booklet in your pew.
Guests: thank you for your name and contact information.

Mission Moment:

Machelle Kirby
Caldwell Pregnancy Care Center

Tithes and Offerings

Children ages 4-8 go to Children's Chapel.
Please leave by the door to the left of the pulpit.

Offertory

Be Still, My Soul arr. Chris Rice
Lori Shank, Piano

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 Dedication

Hymn 399 *We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight* DUNLAP'S CREEK

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (unison)

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.

New Testament Lessons

Matthew 9:16-17; Mark 2:21-22; Luke 5:36-38
Pew Bible Pages 1509, 1555, 1599

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Why Is It Important for Youth Ministry to Stretch Youth?
Brian Kane

How Is God Stretching Me?
Mission Trip Youth

Summer Duds and Drinks
Rev. Rob Hinman

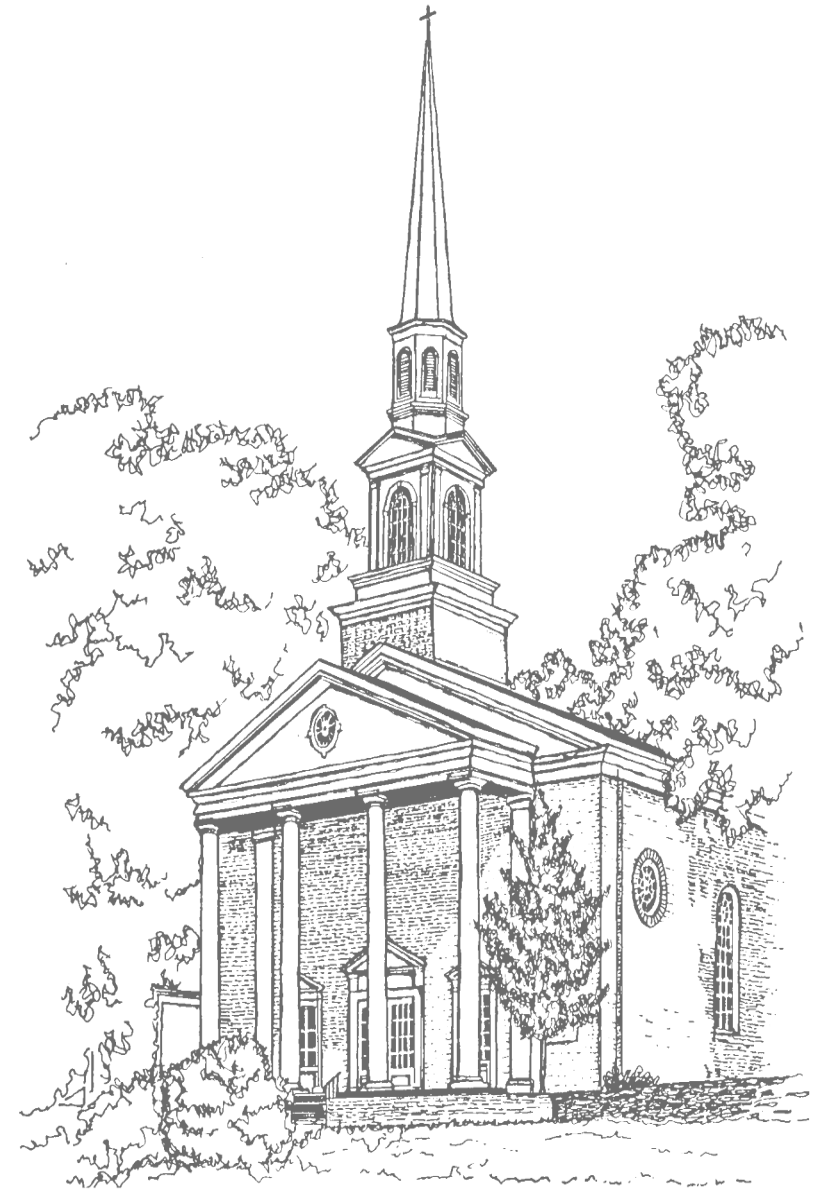
Hymn 260 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FESTE BURG

Benediction

Postlude *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* Henry Van Dyke
Lori Shank, Piano

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Lenoir, North Carolina



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WE ARE ALL MINISTERS OF GOD'S GRACE

MISSIONARIES

Les and Cindy Morgan, Bangladesh
Nkhoma Hospital, Malawi
Jarrett and Lu Furnish, Zambia
David and Danielle Grotton, Chile

CONGREGATION TRUSTEES

Ted Holcher Jim Thompson Patty Williamson

THE SESSION (ELDERS)

Becky Bast
John McMenemy
Tommy Melton
Jill Norment
Barry Spicer

Class of 2018

Mike Bayne
Cissy Kepper
Charles Shell
Steve Shores
Dottie Darsie

Class of 2019

Frances Delk
Doug Farringer
Leroy Mayne
Adam Sterken
Jim Thompson

Class of 2020

Tommy Melton

CLERK OF SESSION

Tommy Melton

MODERATOR OF SESSION: The Reverend Rob Hinman

Please contact the following people for questions about

PASTORAL NEEDS

Rob Hinman, Minister

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Brian Kane, Youth Coordinator

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Kori Dyer and Julie Hefner, Co-Directors

11:00 MUSIC

Bethany Wolfe, Chancel Choir Director

Nora Ford, Organist

Joe Delk, Chancel Ringers Director

8:45 MUSIC

Dave Williams, Praise Band Leader

CHURCH FINANCES

Melanie Blair, Treasurer

CHURCH OFFICE

Jonnie Laws, Secretary

Contact staff at 754-5351 or firstname@lenoirpres.org.

For pastoral emergencies, call Rob Hinman at 828-292-2508.

FACILITIES

Donald Lee, Sexton

The **purpose** of Lenoir Presbyterian Church is to earnestly invite Christ, the Light of the world, to shine brightly within a church that is at the heart of the community's heritage, significantly influencing its present and leading the way to its future in such a way that people are drawn to find life-giving warmth around the kindled fire of our Christ-centered worship and fellowship, and sent to bear the radiant love of Christ throughout the community and into the world so that Jesus Christ may be illuminated as Lord and Savior.

The **mission**, then, of Lenoir Presbyterian Church is to *receive* Jesus Christ who said "I am the Light of the World," and to *obey* Jesus Christ who said "You are the light of the world" by doing the following:

1. **Beholding the Light** in Faith as the church gathered around the Scriptures in worship, prayer and study;
2. **Kindling the Light** for all who come within our bounds as the church tethered together in love;
3. **Bearing the Light** to the community and the world as the church sent to minister Christ's love in word and deed.

God is calling us to be continually renewed as instruments for the growth of His Kingdom. As His instruments in this congregation, we hold

these **core values**:

1. Bowing humbly before the Cross, **we lift up Jesus Christ as the one and only way to salvation**. Recognizing that all people are sinners, we will be passionate about drawing people into a saving relationship with Jesus Christ, God's grace revealed to the world.
2. We accept and **study the Bible as God's revealed Word**, and teach that Holy Scripture is the only unailing rule of faith and life.
3. We are **led by the Holy Spirit**, living in faith that God will do new things in our lives and transform us by His Word. **We will pray for and be driven by His calling. We will take prayer seriously** and step out in faith.
4. We seek to **offer ourselves to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, as a holy and pleasing sacrifice**, and to live pure lives. We will discover our God-given talents and use our gifts in ministries about which we are passionate.
5. We desire with our hearts to **expand the Kingdom, both at Lenoir Presbyterian and beyond**. We will reach out to draw people into Spirit-led worship so that they may grow to be disciples of Jesus Christ.
6. We will **care for one another**, not just through pastoral care, but through congregational care, which comes first and best **through smaller groups of community and fellowship**.