

# THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

November 18, 2018 11:00 a.m.

## Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome to Sabbath rest. As we worship, please silence electronics.

Need prayer? Drop a prayer card in the offering plate.

Need help with your children? Our professionally-staffed nursery is on the first floor of the Education Building.

**Prelude** *Now Thank We All Our God* Johann Crüger/M. Burkhardt

### Trinity Chime

### Call to Worship

*Every Time I Feel the Spirit*

Traditional Spiritual

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

Arr. Robert Austell

Caldwell Men's Chorus

### Hymn 559

*We Gather Together*

KREMSER

### Prayer of Praise (unison)

Adam Sterken

### Prayer of Confession (responsive; Psalms 51)

Reader: God, be merciful to me because of Your faithful love. Because of Your great compassion, erase all the wrongs I have done.

**All: Scrub away my guilt. Wash me clean from my sin. I know I have done wrong. I did what You said is wrong. You are the one I have sinned against.**

Reader: I say this so that people will know that I am wrong and You are right. What You decided is fair.

**All: I was born to do wrong, a sinner before I left my mother's womb. Remove my sin and make me pure. Wash me until I am whiter than snow!**

Reader: Don't look at my sins. Erase them all. God, create a pure heart in me, and make my spirit strong again.

**All: Don't push me away or take Your Holy Spirit from me. Your help made me so happy. Give me that joy again.**

Reader: Make my spirit strong and ready to obey You. I will teach the guilty how You want them to live, and the sinners will come back to You.

**All: My Lord, I will open my mouth and sing Your praises!**

Reader: You don't really want sacrifices, or I would give them to You. The sacrifice that God wants is a humble spirit.

**All: God, You will not turn away someone who comes with a humble heart and is willing to obey You.**

### 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.

### Old Testament Lesson

Genesis 28:10-17  
Pew Bible Page 43

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Welcome and Common Concerns

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

### Tithes and Offerings

Children ages 4-8 may go to Children's Chapel.

Please exit by the door to the left of the pulpit.

### Offertory

*Ride the Chariot*

Traditional Spiritual

Caldwell Men's Chorus

### 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 269

*O God of Bethel, by Whose Hand*

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### 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.

### Gospel Reading

John 10:1-7

Pew Bible Page 1666

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

*Counting Sheep: A Gated Community*

Rev. Rob Hinman

### Hymn 551

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

### Benediction

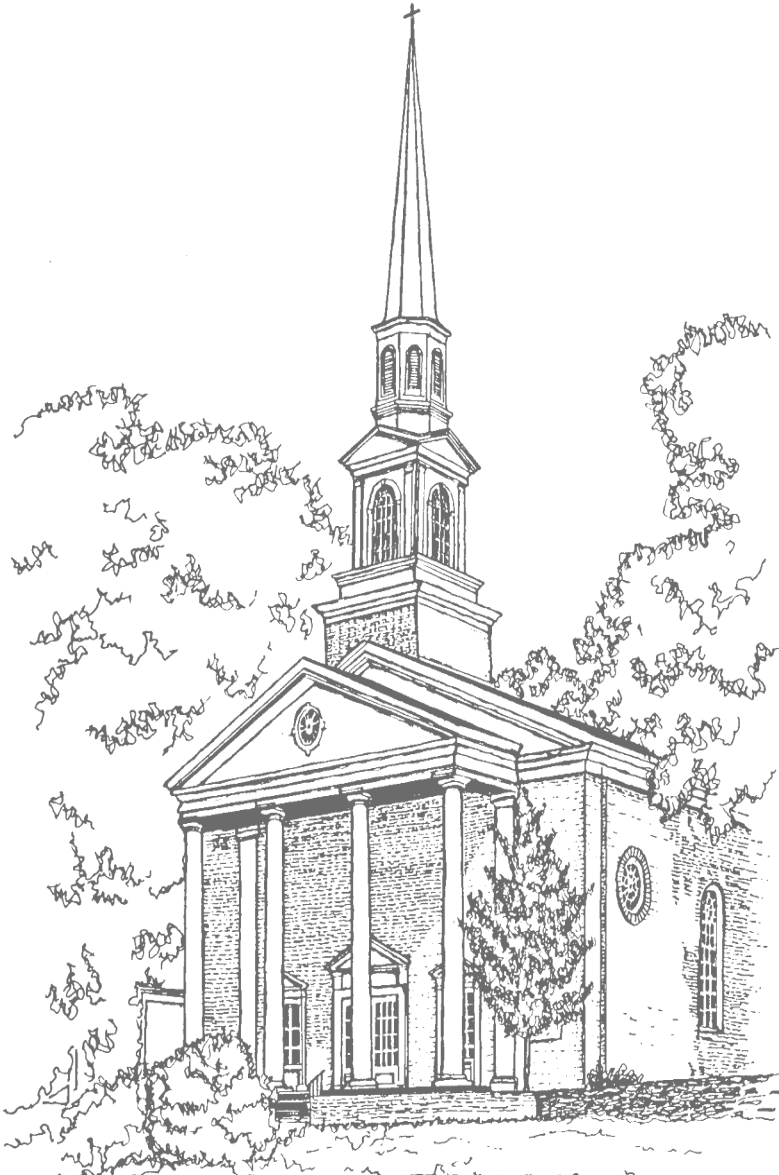
### Postlude

*Rejoice, O Pilgrim Throng*

Marion/M. Burkhardt

# Lenoir Presbyterian Church

## Lenoir, North Carolina



*Since 1852, Lenoir Presbyterian -  
serving Jesus Christ by serving others.*

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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

- Mike Bayne
- Cissy Kepper
- Charles Shell
- Steve Shores
- Dottie Darsie

- Frances Delk
- Doug Farringer
- Leroy Mayne
- Adam Sterken
- Jim Thompson

**CLERK OF SESSION**

- Tommy Melton

**THE DIACONATE (DEACONS)**

**Class of 2018**

- Debbie DeBaeremaeker
- Jeannie Corriher
- Pat Howard
- Annette Mayne
- Jennifer Robson

**Class of 2019**

- Darcy Evans
- Phyllis Farringer
- Teresa Larson
- Sue McKee
- Charles Woodie

**Class of 2020**

- Sherri Bogdan
- Chris Jenkins
- Elizabeth Jenkins
- Patty Myers
- Paul Norwood

**CHAIR OF THE DIACONATE**

- Phyllis Farringer

**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 Director

**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

**FACILITIES MANAGER**

- Ethan Barnett

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 unfailing 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**.