



The Weekly Bulletin
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PEALING OF THE BELLS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Please sign and pass the Register of Friendship during this time.

PRELUDE

Prelude

Noel Rawsthorne

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Peace be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Come see the love God has given us.

People: Come see what it means to be children of God.

Leader: Come with this hope: that Christ's presence is real.

People: With joy, we come to see the Lord.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN 630

Fairest Lord Jesus

Crusaders' Hymn

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silent

Unison

Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust, ignorant of your revelation, misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us, needing forgiveness. We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us. We beg your mercy for our fallen world. We seek your Word that we may live with the faith of Jesus. Be our solace in this life and always. We ask this as your children, holy and incomplete. Forgive us and lead us.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Believe the good news,

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

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.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

ANTHEM

*All Things Bright and Beautiful
This Is My Father's World*

Trusty Travelers and Faith Explorers

Elizabeth Bryson, Mary Grace Caudle, Ella Cumming, Angus Currie, Ellis Johnson, Maddox Johnson, Owen Johnson, Katherine Jolly, Hunter Josey, Leah Kilde, Thora Kilde, Merrin Kinley, Kate Lemons, Brent Lisk, Caroline Lisk, Grant Lisk, Addison Marks, Stella Marks, Andy McLeod, Ethan Richards, Seth Richards, Abby Snuggs, Eli Snuggs, Raygan Talbert, Blake Taylor, Holden Taylor, Caroline West, Ky Wilder

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Mr. Drumheller

Children will be invited to come forward. At the conclusion of the Children's Greeting, parents may take preschool children to the nursery. Children in grades K-2 may go the chapel for Children's Church.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Eternal God, whose word silences the shouts of the mighty: quiet within us every voice but your own. Speak to us through the life and death of Jesus, that by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may receive grace to show Christ's love. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 4

Pew Bible, page 464

The leader will read the odd numbered verses; the congregation will respond by reading the even numbered verses.

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 24:13-33

Pew Bible, page 84

SERMON

What's Next?

Mr. Drumheller

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. Amen.

*HYMN 248

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Hymn to Joy

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Mrs. Ayscue

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory *Beautiful Savior* Michael Burkhardt

*Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* hymnal, page 606

**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 547 *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* Ar hyd y nos

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE *Toccata* Dietrich Buxtehude

*All that are able may stand.

We rejoice that you are worshipping with us today. If you are a member of this church, please seek out those who are visiting and welcome them to this family of faith. If you are visiting and would like to know more about the church and membership here, please speak with one of the ministers following worship.

The acolyte today is David Kilde. After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

Thanks to the Trusty Travelers and Faith Explorers for their participation in worship today and their song selections reflect the celebration of Earth Day on April 22.

Ushers: Wes Eudy, captain; Steve Cumming, Angie Earnhardt, Greg Lisk, Ronnie Michael, Witt Snuggs, and Morgan Smet **Nursery:** Jana Sanderson **Toddler Room:** Cici Ly **Preschool Partners:** Bruce Mittendorf **Nana & Papa Team:** Kyle & Danny Lambert **Children’s Church:** Virginia Currie

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Joann Morton (friend of Debby Johnston), Anne Cyrus (aunt of Lauren Howell; stage 4 breast cancer), Anita Gower (Trinity Place, Room F6), Toby Webb, Olin Huneycutt (father of Angie Earnhardt), Caleb Poston (great-grandson of Joan & Roger Belsan), Becky Carter (at home), Peter Henkenjohann (NEMC Room 2252), Lathan & Katherine Cox (parents of Sherrie Richards), Greg Johnson (son of June Johnson), David Sanges (brother of Nathan Sanges). **See newsletter for complete list.**

Bread Bakers Needed for *Bread for the World*

If you make quick breads, sourdough breads, or yeast breads, and can supply some for the *sale* table on April 26 as part of the *Bread for the World* letter writing campaign, contact Ann Duckwall (704-983-3498). Remember that all donations for the bread are given to SCCM!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT CENTRAL SCHOOL

Central School is in need of several volunteers on a rotating basis to shelve books in the school media center for approximately 30 minutes to 1 hour per week. If you are interested in assisting the school, contact Kristie Bryson (864-230-3074 or kristie.bryson@stanlycountyschools.org).

Hurray For Breakfast Bunch!!!

Who can come? 2nd graders & 3rd graders
What? Breakfast...muffins, fruit, juice, etc.
When & Where? Sunday, April 19 at 9:00 a.m. in the Media Room
Why? To pray together & build a strong community of faith.
Please let Gina Martin know if you are able to join us...(ginamartin@fpcalbemarle.org)
*Parents...there will be coffee & muffins for you in the parlor, so please take advantage of this opportunity to relax with other moms & dads while your children are spending quality time together each month.

Faith Explorers' (4th & 5th Graders) Sunday Outing on Sunday, April 19
Trip to Lucky Clays Fresh Aquaponics Greenhouse
Bring bag lunch for picnic at Rock Creek Park.
Return to church for pick up at 3:00 p.m.

Enjoy a picnic at Rock Creek and then a tour of the Lucky Clays aquaponics greenhouse. **Contact gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org to sign up your Faith Explorer today!**

TESTING PROCTORS NEEDED AT CENTRAL SCHOOL
EOG testing is set for May 27-June 11 at Central School. Proctors are desperately needed!!! If you can help, please contact Adeena East (adeena.east@stanlycountyschools.org or Shelly Eudy (shelly.eudy@stanlycountyschools.org).

MOTHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS

On Mother's Day, the arrangements in the sanctuary will be in honor/memory of mothers. Each name is \$2.00. Please mail, deliver, or place in the offering plate your money with the form below **NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, MAY 3**. Please make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church and designate for *Mother's Day Arrangements*. The names of donors and those being honored/remembered will be listed on **Mother's Day, May 10**. Any money collected over the cost of the arrangements will be donated to the Minister's Discretionary Fund.

MOTHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS

Please print below the information exactly as it is to appear in the bulletin.

In memory of: _____
Given by: _____
In honor of: _____
Given by: _____



breadfortheworld
HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER.

BREAD FOR THE WORLD
Letter Writing Sunday, April 26

Question: Is there strong support for child nutrition programs in Congress?

Answer: Traditionally, these programs have had strong bipartisan support. Given the federal budget climate and divided government, this reauthorization could be impacted by partisan gridlock. It is up to *each one of us* to make sure our congressional representatives know the importance to us of their passing a child nutrition bill which closes the hunger gap.

Question: What can I do besides write a letter?

Answer: Letter writing seems to be most effective; but emails, phone calls, and face to face visits to their home offices are also good ways to communicate your conviction that all children should be hunger-free.

Remember to ask God to use our collective advocacy in His work to end hunger and grant wisdom and compassion to our national decision makers as they renew child nutrition programs.

Spring Art Gallery Exhibit presents
Our Great State of North Carolina
Featuring Artwork from the Children of Central School
Opening & Reception on Tuesday, April 21
4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church



Please join us for
Homes of Hope's Spring Hearty Breakfast Fundraiser
Friday, May 1...6:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Central United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall
(172 N. 2nd Street, Albemarle)
Donations will be accepted!

On the menu:

*Pancakes, Bacon, Scrambled Eggs, Coffee, Cereal, Sausage,
Grits, Gravy, Biscuits, Juice, and Fruit*

Homes of Hope is a grassroots organization of churches and human service agencies that provides short term transitional housing and services to homeless families. Through support and counseling, families are prepared to move into stable independent housing.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 19

Trusty Travelers & Faith Explorers sing in worship

- 7:45 am Confirmation Class Departs for Outing
- 9:00 am Lent Planning Committee Wrap-up
(Elizabeth's office)
- 9:00 am Breakfast Bunch (Media Room)
- 9:45 am Trusty Travelers & Faith Explorers
rehearsal in the sanctuary
- 9:45 am *Sunday School
- 11:00 am *Worship
- 12:00 pm-3:00 pm Faith Explorers Outing to Rock Creek Park
for Lunch & to Lucky Clays Greenhouse
- 3:00 pm Confirmation Class Returns from Outing
- 4:45 pm-7:45 pm SNL

Monday, April 20

- 8:30 pm Senior High Bible Study at Elizabeth's

Tuesday, April 21

- 4:00 pm-5:30 pm Art Gallery Exhibit Opening & Reception
for Central School Students
- 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Confirmation Class (Session Room)

Wednesday, April 22

Earth Day

- 6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 9:30 am *Pray & Play
- 10:30 pm Backpacks for Central School
- 3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff/Handbells Ensembles
- 7:00 pm *Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

Thursday, April 23

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting

Sunday, April 26

Bread for the World Letter Writing

- 9:00 am Bread for the World Letter Writing
(pit stop)
- 9:45 am *Sunday School
- 10:30 am-11:00 am *First Fellowship
- 11:00 am *Worship
- 12:00 pm-1:00 pm Bread for the World
Letter Writing (pit stop)
- 4:45 pm-7:45 pm SNL

*childcare provided

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

APRIL

- 20-Peggy Finley
- 22-Kim Caudle
Marshall Rogers
- 23-Emma Gibson
Polly Moose
- 24-Liz Davis
Anita Gower
Alexis Poolos
Jacqueline Poolos
Nicole Poolos
- 25-Emma Grace Lemons
Tommy Murrell

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

APRIL

- 19-Robert & Myra Land
- 22-Jim & Lori Ivey
- 24-Robin & Melissa Lemons
Vanhna & Pine Sydalack
- 25-Steve & Kate Melone

SCCM NEED FOR APRIL: CANNED FRUIT

CENTRAL SCHOOL BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM

First Presbyterian Church is responsible for filling backpacks with food on Wednesday, April 22 at 10:30 p.m.

Items needed are: Large Cans of Soup, Hamburger Helper, Saltine Cracker, Individual Packets of Grits, Fruit Cups, Breakfast Cookies/Granola Bars.

A bin in the pit stop will receive your donations. If you would like to volunteer to help pack the backpacks, contact Debby Johnston (704-982-6006 or debbyjohnston@hotmail.com).