



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

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna!

Ellacombe

Youth Club Handbell Ensemble

arr. Margaret Tucker

Mary Grace Caudle, Angus Currie, Owen Johnson, Hunter Josey, Leah Kilde,

Kate Lemons, Andy McLeod, Eli Snuggs, and Blake Taylor

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus says, *I am the Way.*

People: And so we come to follow Christ.

Leader: Jesus says, *I am the Truth.*

People: And so we come to dwell in the light.

Leader: Jesus says, *I am the Life.*

People: And so we come to worship God leaving behind all else to which we cling.

*CHORAL INTROIT

O Be Joyful in the Lord

Donald Moore

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN 240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Alleluia No. 1

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silent

Unison

Merciful God, when we stray from your ways and listen to other voices, you find us and bring us back: forgive us when we cling to possessions and neglect those in need; forgive us when we fail to act for the good of all; forgive us when we hesitate to welcome those from another fold. Help us to stand before you as one flock, healed by Jesus' wounds, and trusting in his name alone.

***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

*This Is the Day
Oh Be Careful Little Eyes
Down In My Heart
Youth Cubs*

Hugh Carpenter, Emily Deese, Cidney Ann Eudy, Carter Gibson,
Melanie Hendrix, Maddox Jolly, Leo McLeod, Sophie Poplin,
Claire Stokes, Madelyn Taylor, Eston West, and Jake Whisnant

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Penny Morton

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

Savior, lead us like a shepherd to quiet pastures where we can hear your voice. Show us where we can drink from deep pools and eat from your table. Revive us by your Spirit and come to us with your goodness. In Jesus' name. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 23

hymnal, page 801

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 10:11-18

Pew Bible, page 97

ANTHEM

Grow in Grace

Malcolm Archer

SERMON

Being Known

Mrs. Ayscue

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

hymnal, page 14

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 and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***HYMN 187**

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

Bradbury

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory *Andante* Florence Price
*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 546 *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* Sicilian Mariners

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE *Benediction* Peter Anglea

*POSTLUDE *Concerto No. 3, Allegro* Johann Gottfried Walther

*All that are able may stand.

We rejoice that you are worshiping 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 Lachlann Currie. After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

Thanks to the Youth Cubs and Youth Club Handbell Ensemble for their participation in worship today.

Ushers: Wes Eudy, captain; Steve Cumming, Angie Earnhardt, Greg Lisk, Ronnie Michael, Witt Snuggs, and Morgan Smet **Nursery:** Jana Sanderson **Toddler Room:** Salem Taylor **Preschool Partners:** Angie Earnhardt, Adrienne Averette, Kelly Lentz **Nana & Papa Team:** Chris Mabry; Elizabeth Wilson **Children’s Church:** Virginia Currie

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

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).

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)).



breadfortheworld
HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER.

Bread Sale, Too!
Home baked breads will be available
for purchase in the pit stop.
All proceeds will benefit SCCM.

BREAD FOR THE WORLD
Letter Writing Sunday, April 26

Remember that Congress must re-authorize child nutrition programs before September 30, 2015 when current programs expire. They will set new programs which will stand for the next 5 years.

Can we remain silent?

Please join us in the pit stop (9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. or 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. after worship) to write to our elected leaders in Congress. There will be packets with writing supplies and information on the tables.

First Presbyterian Church
Spring Art Gallery Exhibit presents
Our Great State of North Carolina
Featuring Artwork from the Children of Central School

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: _____



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.

Recognition of Teachers and Leaders
in Christian Education
Sunday, May 3
11:00 a.m. Worship



Psalm 1:3
They are like trees
planted by streams of water,
which yield their fruit in its season,
and their leaves do not wither.
In all that they do, they prosper.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 26

Bread for the World Letter Writing

9:00 am Bread for the World Letter Writing
(pit stop)

9:45 am Youth Cubs Rehearsal

9:45 am Youth Club Handbell Rehearsal

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

Monday, April 27

7:00 pm April Book Study

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

Tuesday, April 28

7:00 pm-8:30 pm Confirmation Class (Session Room)

Wednesday, April 29 *Last Day of Youth Club*

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

9:30 am *Pray & Play

3:00 pm-5:00 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club meet at YMCA Pavillion

7:00 pm *Chancel Choir Rehearsal

8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

Thursday, April 30

10:00 am Staff Meeting

5:30 pm Stewardship Meeting (Old Session Room)

Friday, May 1

6:30 am-9:30 am Homes of Hope Breakfast Fundraiser at Central UMC
(172 S. 2nd Street, Albemarle)

Sunday, May 3

Recognition of Teachers & Leaders in Christian Education

Youth Club Orff Ensemble performs in worship

Bread for the World Offering of Letters

Ten-Cents-A-Meal Offering

Mother's Day Flower Form due to Church Office

9:45 am *Sunday School

11:00 am *Worship

12:00 pm Mission Committee (Session Room)

4:45 pm-7:45 pm SNL

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

APRIL

26-John Kilde

27-Ethan Richards

28-Aaron Whisnant

29-Harold Sharpe

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

APRIL

28-Kevin & Adrienne Averette

29-Steve & Elaine Coats

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

MAY

01-David Holbrook

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

MAY

02-Bob & Donna Gaither

SCCM NEED FOR APRIL:

CANNED FRUIT

SCCM NEED FOR MAY:

TOILETRIES

Shampoo, Toothpaste, Soap, Deodorant, Personal Hygiene Items

*childcare provided