

Eleven O'clock Worship April 22, 2018

Fourth Sunday in Easter

WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Greeting/ Announcements: Worship Leader Bob Hughes

Meditation words: Understanding...sharing...rejoicing...grace

Prelude

*Gathering Song: Come, Christians, Join to Sing Red #87 v.1

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;

praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

*Salutation and Call to Worship:

Welcome to worship, finders of the glorious riches of Christ!

May God in Jesus Christ be praised!

How can I understand the Gospel...

Unless someone explains it to me?

The gospel really begins with one heart

For a person to say, "I believe in Christ as Savior."

We as Christians speak of our faith

I believe in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We believe.

Then we live forever.

Let us worship God!

*Hymns: Come, Christians, Join to Sing Red #87 v. 2-3

May the Lord be with you!

And also with you!

*Let us pray the unison prayer of thanksgiving.

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving: **Loving and living God, as we travel**

down the road in our modern chariots, we pray that You

would send us to tell others about Jesus. For the chance to

believe in Christ as Savior, for the life transformation this

brings, and for eternal life in Jesus Christ Our Lord, we are

grateful. In our suffering and joy for the cause of the gospel,

teach us to labor with the energy of Christ, which so

powerfully works in us. As we worship, speak to us between

the beats of our faithful hearts, and let us know how to be

still and know that You are God. We give thanks for

discovering eternal life, and pray that we can effectively

share it with others, through Your Holy Spirit. In Jesus'

name, we pray.

*Silent Confession of Sin and Amen

Assurance of Pardon

*The Gloria Patri

Red Hymnal # 734

Walks with Jesus

Linda Lumsden

Children (K thru 2nd grade) exit for Children's Church

First Scripture Reading: Acts 8:26-40 Pew Bible p. 1064

Prayers of the People (see list below)

The Lord's Prayer Red Hymnal – Inside Front Cover

* Hymns: My Savior's Love Red #277

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Doxology Red Hymnal # 34

*The Apostles' Creed Red Hymnal – Inside Front Cover

*Prayer

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Second Scripture Reading: Col.1:24-29 Pew Bible #1143

Anthem Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Robert Robinson

Sermon "I" Dr. Russell Lee

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

* Hymn: I Love to Tell the Story Red #560

*Charge and Blessing

Response

Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Directives for Prayer

Patrick Cherry, New Church Development, Wake Forest, N. C. Servant
Shut-in: Glola Osborne Word of God

We welcome our visitors and ask them to fill out a bright yellow visitor card located in the pew rack. We invite you to commit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ in Christian discipleship and become a member of this fellowship. You may do this by meeting with the Session to express your faith in Christ in one of the following ways: Profession of Faith, Transfer of Membership or Reaffirmation of Faith.

Listening devices are available from the audio support person at the rear of the sanctuary

Prayer Cards are available in each pew. If you would like to have a card sent to someone that we pray for during the service, please fill out the card and place in the offering plate. Our prayer card ministry team will send out a card during the following week.

Flowers – Given to the glory of God, and in honor of Matthew's seventh birthday from his parents, Mike and Melissa, and his sisters, Maddie, Michaella, and Maelyn.

Ushers – serving today are David and Teresa McCollum at the North Door and Mike Freshour and Brenda McPeters* at the South door. Today's Acolyte is Lance Chappell. Robert Guthrie is doing audio at the 11 am service.

Children's Church and Nursery: The children are invited to Children's Church in the room across from the nursery. Children's Church is for preschoolers through 2nd graders. Today's leader is Sue Bales. Each Sunday the nursery mother is Terri Hazelwood.

This Week's Announcements

Apostle's Creed Sermon Series – Today we begin a sermon series on the Apostle's Creed. This important document echoes the thoughts of the Apostle's and has served as an anchor of the church and teaching aid for new converts over the centuries. Let us be in prayer as we discover the depths of meaning in the Apostle's Creed and the scriptures it based on.

Operation G.R.O.W. - a plan to grow our congregation in spirit, number, and grace, was approved by the session at their last meeting. Please be in prayer as we seek to be the outstanding church where Christ is lifted up and were amazing things happen. Details were mailed to you on Friday, and we ask you to be in confident prayer and action as God continues His marvelous work among us. Our first mission: Growing worship and Prayer.

11 AM service on Radio for April and May- 11 am worship will be broadcast live on 95.3 FM - WHLF live each Sunday during the next three months. If you are not able to be here, turn the radio on. Let our shut-ins and others know of this wonderful opportunity we have to connect with others in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Upper Room – May/June issue is now available in the foyer and North and South entrance vestibules. Get your copy, while we have plenty.

Save A Life Tour – A local event will happen on April 28-29 from 1-5 pm, sponsored by local area Christians at Grove Park. Christian bands will play, the gospel will be preached, free water and clothing and food will be given. Be in prayer about this as we seek to support this ministry in South Boston. More details will follow later. Donations and volunteers are welcome. Volunteers are needed to: Set up tables, pray with others, face paint, cook hot dogs, and/or take down tables.

Good Samaritan – Thanks for all donations received so far. We have a "Good Sam" box in the foyer for all Good Samaritan donations. We will continue to collect socks through the end of the month.

Ladies Circle – Our May meeting will be a celebration to remember and honor Jenny Wilkins on Tuesday, May 1. We will have a brief meeting in the Philathea Room, with Dr. Lee providing the program; followed by a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. Dessert and drinks will be provided, please bring a salad to share. This will be our last meeting until September. All are encouraged to attend.

National Day of Prayer – Mark your calendars! National Day of Prayer will be on Thursday, May 3 at Halifax County High School. Beginning at 6:30. Jimmy Fortune will be our featured country singer/speaker, as we gather together to pray for our nation.

Newsletters – Newsletters will be completed this week. Please have any information that you would like to have in the May newsletter to the office by Wednesday, April 25. Also, anyone who is available to help fold on Friday, April 27 at 9:15 please come.

Calendar

Sunday, April 22 9:00 am Contemporary Worship
10:15 am Sunday School
11:00 am Traditional Worship

Tuesday, April 24 12:00 noon NA
7:00 pm Hope Cancer Group

Wednesday, April 25 12:00 noon AA
6:00 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 26 12:00 noon Mom's in Prayer
7:00 pm Men of the Church

Friday, April 27 12:00 noon AA

Saturday, April 28 12:00 noon NA Women

Church Staff

C. Russell Lee, Jr., D.Min, Pastor
Sherolyn Barnett, Administrative Assistant
Christopher (Chris) D. Jones, Church Musician
Doris Koch, Church Treasurer
Ernest (Avon) Traynham, Sexton
Terri Hazelwood, Nursery Leader
LeAnne Pulliam, Youth Coordinator

Session

Sandi Hughes, Clerk

Class of 2018

Steven Crutchfield
Mike Koch
Nancy Pool

Class of 2019

Art Carter
Steve Reynolds
Jim Sizemore

Class of 2020

Linda Lumsden
Donald Cherry
Sandi Hughes

Diaconate

Chairman

Class of 2018

Patricia Burton
Mike Long
Terri Smith

Class of 2019

Laura Edwards
Brenda McPeters
Skyler Smith

Class of 2020

Kelly Chappell
Diane Greene
Sue Bales

Trustees

Michael M. Rand
(2018)

Mac Lacy Jr.
(2019)

Richard Harrell III
(2020)

The W.W. Glass Scholarship Fund Trustees

Ginny Troy
(2018)

Terri Smith
(2019)

(2020)

First Presbyterian Church

9 O'clock Worship ~ April 22, 2018

Prelude
Welcome/Prayer
Praise and Worship Time

(#51) Lord, I Lift Your Name on High (3:7)
We Humble Ourselves (inst)
(Praise 18) I Stand In Awe (18:8)

Announcements
A Stewardship Word
Prayer Time/The Lord's Prayer (words on screen)
Offering

(#159) There Is Power In the Blood (8:10)
Open the Eyes of My Heart (inst)
(#232) Our God is Faithful (11:19)

Scripture: Col. 1:24-29 Pew Bible #1143
Sermon: "I" Dr. Russell Lee
Prayer
Closing Song May the Love of God

Bob and Ann Egloff, Mike Marvin and Bill Joor,
and Dr. Russell Lee are today's Praise Team
Usher for this 9 am service is Connie Marvin
Brian Raney will provide computer/audio support
A nursery is available

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First Presbyterian Church is a
Stephen Ministry Congregation

Our Missionaries

Patrick Cherry, New Church Development, Wake Forest, N. C.
C.W. & Leslie Bing, Water for the Oppressed, Zambia
Dave and Rachael Carter, Chad
Matthew and Teresa Lee, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Cameroon
Mission Possible, Haiti and Dominican Republic
Overseas Missionary Fellowship International
Paul & Reinhold Sydnor, International Assoc. for Refugees, Europe
Art and Andrea Carter

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Mission Statement

"Growing God's Presence"

Foundational Principles

*Christ Centered~Biblically Based~
Spirit Led~Grounded in Faith and Love
Values*

*Committed~Servant Heart~
Nurturing~Welcoming~Visioning*

The Lord's Supper is observed bi-monthly.

All Christians are invited to commune with us.

A nursery is provided for pre-school children and

Children's Church is available for children thru 2nd grade each Sunday.

5 cents-a-meal Offering is collected the last Sunday of each month.

Worship every Sunday at 9 am and 11 am

and Sunday School at 10 am.

Contact us for more information about

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