



FIRST

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CHURCH

Welcome

Our mission is to know Christ, serve Him,
and make Him known.

~ Gathering before the Word ~**Welcome**

Dr. Stuart Bond

Time of Meditation*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

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Chimes of the Trinity***Call to Worship**

Your promises have been thoroughly tested, and your servant loves them.
(Ps. 119:140)

I rejoice in your promise like one who finds great spoil. (Ps. 119:162)

May your unfailing love be my comfort, according to your promise to your servant.
(Ps. 119:76)

All: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations. The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does. (Ps. 145:13)

Hymn of Praise*My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less*

SOLID ROCK

My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

chorus

*On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
all other ground is sinking sand,
all other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, his covenant, his blood support
me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way
he then is all my hope and stay.

***Prayer of Confession**

Your ways, O God, are not our ways; your thoughts are not our thoughts. If we have prayed only for what is possible and hoped only for what we can see, we ask your forgiveness. If we have taken your grace for granted and expected instant answers to our prayers, we ask your forgiveness. If we have allowed waiting on your Spirit to slip into laziness, we ask your forgiveness. If we have thought only of you waiting on us and not pondered our service to you, in your mercy, forgive us.

(Time of prayer and meditation)

In Jesus' name. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

This is the good news of the gospel, and it is for you and for all.
Whatever you have done, whatever you have failed to do,
whoever you are, whoever you wish you were but are not:
You are accepted, you are welcomed.
You are washed clean, you are raised up.
You are forgiven, you are set free.
In the love of Jesus Christ, you are loved forever.

Thanks be to God! We stand on the promise!

Prayers of the People 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.

~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

Word with our Children

Michelle Walker

Sermon

On Time Promise

Dr. Stuart Bond

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 6:13-20a

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

Thanks be to God.

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostle's 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
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.**

Sacrament of Communion

In Remembrance

RED

In remembrance of Me, eat this bread.
In remembrance of Me, drink this wine.
In remembrance of Me, pray for the time
when God's own will is done.

In remembrance of Me, heal the sick.
In remembrance of Me, feed the poor.
In remembrance of Me, open the door
and let our brother in, let him in.

Take, eat, and be comforted;
drink and remember too,
that this is My body and precious blood
shed for you, shed for you.

In remembrance of Me search for truth.
In remembrance of Me always love.
In remembrance of Me, don't look above,
but in your heart look for God.
Do this in remembrance of Me.

Hymn of Commitment

Standing on the Promises

PROMISES

Standing on the promises of Christ my King,
Thro' eternal ages let his praises ring;
Glory in the highest I will shout and sing,
Standing on the promises of God

chorus
Standing, standing,
Standing on the promises of God my Savior,
Standing, standing,
I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
Standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord,
Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord,
Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword
Standing on the promises of God.

***Benediction**

Postlude

Recessional in F

J.S. Bach

***All who are able please stand.**
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Announcements

Today is communion Sunday when we traditionally collect donations for the Good Sam Fund. We have been blessed to have been able to help several of those in need. If you could prayerfully consider giving to this fund, we will be able to help many more of those who are in need. Thank you for your generosity!

You are invited to a combined adult Sunday School class in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday at 10:00 am! Join us for socially-distanced learning and fellowship!

Virtual VBS Coming Soon!!! Join us the week of August 10th for "Promised Land Adventures". We'll travel with the Israelites out of Egypt, through the Wilderness, and into the Promised Land, searching for Jesus as we go. Materials will be delivered to you, so please register online by clicking the link in the weekly emails no later than TODAY, Sunday, August 2 . Contact Michelle Walker with questions or concerns.

Falling for Jesus - 2020! The CE Team wants to encourage you in your spiritual growth this fall with the following opportunities:

Virtual Tea - You are cordially invited to a virtual afternoon tea on Sunday, August 16 at 2:00pm! We will gather online to share a cup of tea and our favorite finger food, as we hear about the many Bible Studies being offered this fall. Please wear your best 'tea party' hat or a creative substitute. Here's a preview of what you'll hear:

Saltshakers' Bible Study - will meet virtually on Mondays at 6p.m., focusing on the Minor Prophets.

Women Without Reservations - meeting time tbd. Study will be "Trustworthy" from Proverbs 31 Ministries.

"Living Free: Learning to Pray God's Word" - Beth Moore study, facilitated by Vickie Ellington.

"Bad Girls" Bible Study - meets at church on Thursdays at 10:30a.m. with Kay McAllister leading.

Circle of Women - monthly meeting at locations tbd.

Wednesday Night Life - Even though we may not be able to meet in person, **offerings will be available for children and adults!** To better meet your needs, we need to know what your interest is. Please fill out the online form by clicking the link in the weekly email if you would like to participate. Responses are needed by Sunday, August 30.

Salthshakers Ladies' Bible Study registration is now in progress! We will be studying "The Unchanging God" – a study of Minor Prophets. In this time of so much change in our world, it is our goal to safely provide a serious Bible study about our God who never changes! We will meet virtually on Monday evenings at 6:00 pm from September 28, 2020 to April 2021. To register, please contact Judy Goodnight at (704) 938-4623 or register online by clicking the link in the weekly emails.

If you would like to contribute flowers for worship, please see the sign-up poster on the bulletin board just outside the church office. The cost for an arrangement is \$56.

Prayer Concerns

*New Prayer requests will be placed in the bulletin for two weeks.
Please help us keep Prayer Concerns current with weekly updates emailed to
firstpresb@firstpresb.org.*

HOMEBOUND

Peggy Barnhardt - at Morningside

Iris Efir

Juanita Holt

Betty Overcash - at Elmcroft in Salisbury

Barbara Wise

Loretta Young - at Five Oaks

Special Church Member of the Week

Juanita Holt

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Send a card, make a visit or a call, or offer a prayer. All to say, "God loves you and the church cares about you."



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The Session

Jeff Barnhardt, Clerk of Session

Class of 2021

Jeff Barnhardt
Frank Gibson
Phil McLain

Class of 2022

Debbie McDaniel
Gip Rumble
Bill Stricker

Class of 2023

Dave Argabrite
Renee Goodnight
Ryan Walker

Church Staff

Dr. Stuart Bond
Transitional Pastor

David Hamilton
Director of Music

Michelle Walker
Director of Children's Ministries

Terri Pruett
Office Manager/Bookkeeper

Kay Yates
Organist

Irene Davis
Nursery Director

MEMBERS

Judy Goodnight - Cancer

Bill Hammond - Health concerns

Connie Rary - Cancer, radiation treatments

Paul Barnhardt - Health concerns

Debby Baker - Cancer

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS

Amy Ritchie - friend of Jane Jacobs (Breast Cancer, chemo/radiation)

Mother of Tony Hunter - in hospital following a fall

Krystle Tacia - friend of Chariti Lowder (Breast Cancer, chemo)

Roxanne Debord - daughter of Tony & Judy Hunter (chemo)

Wade Nunnery - father of Karen Pless

Bob Smith - Judy Hammond's brother (Stage 3 Lung Cancer)

Barbara Coffey - friend of Judy Hunter (Cancer treatment)

Lori Holder - daughter of Sam McAllister (MS)

Hope Community & Pastor Nate Stratman (church plant in Wilmington, NC)

Prayer request? Please write it down on the blue pew prayer card, & place in the offering plate.



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