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**CHURCH**

*Welcome*

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

**~ Gathering before the Word ~****Welcome**

Pastor Heath Burchett

**Prelude***It Was Finished Upon The Cross* Robinson/Thompson/Hendroff**Chimes of the Trinity****\*Call to Worship****Psalm 31***Leader:* In You, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame.**People:** **Incline Your ear to me, rescue me speedily. Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.***Leader:* You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for Your name's sake lead me and guide me.**People:** **Into Your hand I commit my spirit; You have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.***Leader:* Let us worship God!**\*Hymn of Praise No. 575** *Praise To The Lord, The Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN**\*Prayer of Praise & Adoration*****UNISON:* You are cause for rejoicing, O God, and the source of our gladness. You know what afflicts us; you can sense our distress. You remove whatever net will ensnare us; You give our feet firm places to stand. In Christ You have brought us deliverance. For all Your mercies we praise Your name and worship You now as our refuge and strength. Amen****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 ~****A Word With Our Children**

“Shaking Things Up”

Michelle Walker

**\*Hymn of Preparation No. 343***Blessed Be Your Name*

Redman

**Sermon**

“The Power Of Praise”

Pastor Heath Burchett

**Scripture Reading**

Acts 16:25-40

## ~ 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.

\*Hymn of Commitment No. 22 *Rejoice, You Righteous In The Lord* ELLACOMBE

### \*Benediction

Postlude

*Praise Him! Praise Him!*

Allen

Acolyte:

Erica Efird

\*All who are able please stand  
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## 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](mailto:firstpresb@firstpresb.org).*

### **HOMEBOUND**

**Peggy Barnhardt** - at Morningside

**Iris Efir**

**Betty Overcash** - at  
Elmcroft in Salisbury

**Barbara Wise**

**Loretta Young** - at Five Oaks

### **MEMBERS**

**Paul Barnhardt** - Health concerns

**Debby Baker** – Cancer

**Family of Jean Roberts**-in her passing  
the morning of 4/28.

### **Special Church Member of the Week**

**Mrs. Iris Harrington Efir**  
407 Iris Avenue  
Kannapolis NC 28083-3940

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."

### **FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS**

**Caleb & Lauren Goodnight**- Son & Daughter-in-Law of Mark & Renee Goodnight (Covet  
your prayers as they await the birth of their firstborn daughter due May 6<sup>th</sup>)

**Laura Hunter**- Friend of Dawn Cavin (Elderly, dealing with health issues)

**Shari Blackman**- neighbor to the Strickers (Struggling to recover from a heart & lung  
transplant.)

**Cindy Fisher**- Mother of Lucinda Stewart (At Transitional of Kannapolis.)

**Susan Gibson**- Daughter- in -Law of Frank Gibson (Responding well to cancer treatments.)

**Roxanne Debord** - daughter of Tony & Judy Hunter (has finished radiation and appreciates  
continued prayers.)

**Wade & Mary Nunnery**- Parents of Karen Pless (Father has Sundowners Syndrome & her  
mother is primary caregiver and physically needs strength & relief from her own pain)

**Barbara Coffey**- friend of Judy Hunter (Cancer treatment)

**Lori Holder** - daughter of Sam McAllister (MS)

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

## Announcements:

**The Flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God in Honor of Mal McDaniel for his service and leadership to the homeless population of Kannapolis & Concord through “Watchmen of the Streets.”

**A congregational meeting will be held immediately after worship service on May 16** for the purpose of electing elders. Three elders will be elected to serve a three year term as the class of 2024. Also, one elder will be elected to serve a one year term to fill a vacancy in the class of 2022. Tracy Caskey, Tony Rary, and Donnie Swaringen have been nominated by the Session Nominating Committee to serve a three year term as the class of 2024. Jeff Barnhardt has been nominated by the Session to serve a one year term to fill the vacancy in the class of 2022. Additional nominees will be accepted from the floor. Nominees must be current members and should have agreed to serve before being nominated.



**The 14th Annual National Day of Prayer Breakfast** will be held at Atrium Health Ballpark on Thursday, May 6, hosted by the Rowan-Cabarrus YMCA! Doors open at 7:15am and the program starts at 8:00am. Participants will enjoy breakfast, prayer, music, and a message from former Krispy Kreme CEO, Jim Morgan. Please register at a YMCA or online at <https://rocabymca.org/national-day-prayer>. Cost is \$10.00 per person. (If you are interested in sitting with other First Presbyterian members, let Michelle Walker know!)

**Please join us in packing Law Enforcement Appreciation Bags!** To show our support of the Kannapolis Police Department, we are again asking our church members to assemble a bag or bags of goodies! Bags may be placed on the back table in the Fellowship Hall now through Sunday, May 2nd. We will deliver the bags the afternoon of Wednesday, May 12th. To 'adopt' a bag, please sign up HERE: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0A4AABAC2EA1FB6-lawenforcement> (password: 2serve) Officer Bags should include: black or blue ink pens, small memo pad, travel size facial tissue, small hand sanitizer, lip balm, auto air freshener(s), hand wipes, small bottles of car upholstery and/or or glass cleaner, and individually-wrapped gum and hard candies. Dispatcher bags should include: black or blue ink pens, travel size facial tissue, small hand sanitizer, lip balm, hand wipes, tea bags, honey sticks, gum, and candy. See Debbie McDaniel or Michelle Walker for more information.



**Mark your calendars for the Kannapolis Bible Teaching Association 2021 Fundraising Campaign!** Between May 1 and May 15, you may make donations to help fund Bible History Teachers in the Kannapolis City School System and cover administrative costs of the Association. Contributions may be given at [www.kbta.org](http://www.kbta.org), or mailed to: KBTA, PO Box 987, Kannapolis, NC 28082. Thank you for your faithful support of this important ministry!

**Men's Devotional:** Men's Devotional Saturday, May 8, 2021 will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 8:30am for Devotional. Please let Dave know if you are planning to attend the devotional so we can plan accordingly. **Picnic table assembly will be in June as a workday for all men.**

**Circle of Women** will meet on Wednesday, May 12, at 2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited. Covid protocol will be followed.

**Volunteers needed for our Worship Production Team!** We need volunteers who are willing to learn and give their time on Sunday morning and other special worship services. If you would like to learn how to operate the sound system, streaming software, and/or camera so we can bring our worship services to those at home via YouTube, let us know by calling the church office, or emailing David at [DavidHamilton@firstpersb.org](mailto:DavidHamilton@firstpersb.org) or [TerriPruett@firstpresb.org](mailto:TerriPruett@firstpresb.org)

**The Red Cross** will be holding a blood drive in our Fellowship Hall on Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Blood drive hours are from 2:00 to 6:30 PM.

**The Hamiltons:**

David and Amy Hamilton were commissioned as missionaries by Greater Europe Mission in 2020. As soon as they reach their support goal, they and their four children will move to Frankfurt, Germany. As a result of the refugee crisis, many Muslim immigrants in Frankfurt are hearing the gospel for the first time and hearts are being regenerated. David and Amy will work with a network of evangelical churches and ministries to disciple new converts, train them to be leaders in the church, and teach them to make disciples. For more information, please check the vestibule for The Hamilton Road newsletter and information about missions in Frankfurt.



*The Christian Education Team*

*Cordially invites you to a reception,  
honoring our 2021 confirmands.*

*Sunday, May 16, 2021*

*immediately following the Worship Service,  
front walk.*

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

**Today:** 10:00 am Adult Sunday School continues in the Fellowship Hall at 10am. Ron Lisenby, Leader. (For Zoom link contact Michelle Walker)

-Children/Youth Sunday School on Choir Hall

-11:00am - Worship Service in Sanctuary and on YouTube

-12:00 - Confirmation Class in Fellowship Hall

**Monday:**

**Tuesday:** 12:00pm - NA in Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday:** 7:00pm - Elementary Wednesday Night Life (virtual - contact Michelle Walker)

**Thursday:** 10:30am - "Bad Girls" Bible Study  
-12:00pm - NA in Fellowship Hall

**Friday:**

**Saturday:**

**Sunday:** 10:00am - Adult Sunday School in Fellowship Hall:

The Caskeys, Leader

- Children/Youth Sunday School on Choir Hall

-11:00am -Worship in the Sanctuary and on YouTube



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