



**FIRST**  

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**PRESBYTERIAN**  

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**CHURCH**

*Welcome*

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

~ Gathering before the Word ~

Welcome

Eddie Spencer

Lighting of the Candles

Erica Efird

Prelude and Preparation     *Here I Am to Worship*

Hughes

Chimes of the Trinity

**\*Call to Worship**

Isaiah 25:6-9

Leader: On this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine—the best of meats and the finest of wines.

**All: On this mountain He will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations; He will swallow up death forever.**

Leader: The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces; He will remove his people's disgrace from all the earth. This is the Lord, we trusted in Him; let us rejoice and be glad in His salvation."

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 2**

*O, Worship the King*

LYONS

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Holy and heavenly Father, forgive us when we care more about what others think about us than what they think about You. Forgive us when it is easier to share gossip than to share the gospel. Forgive us when we indulge on fear and worry, rather than feasting on grace and truth. Forgive us when we hoard our brokenness and weakness, rather than allowing friends to share our pain and suffering. Forgive us when we justify our resentments, rather than forgiving them. Have mercy on us. Thank You for the hope that is sure, for it is built on nothing less, nothing more, and nothing other than Jesus' blood and righteousness.**

**Silent Prayer of Confession**

**Assurance of the Gospel**

Ephesians 1:7

**Profession of Faith**

Colossians 1:15-18

**"The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is**

the head of the body, the church; He is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything He might have the supremacy.”

**\*Hymn of Adoration No. 17**      *Beautiful Savior*      ST. ELIZABETH

## Prayers of the People

### ~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

**Word with our Children**      Roxanne Spencer

**Special Music**      *Come to the Table*      McDonald/Glover/Frey  
David Hamilton, tenor  
Heather Hruska, piano

**\*Scripture Reading**      Luke 14:15-24      page 1034

**Sermon**      “Come to the Banquet Table”      Eddie Spencer

### ~ Responding to the Word of God ~

**\*Hymn No. 825**      *Beneath the Cross*

**\*Prayer and Benediction**

**\*Postlude**      *Psalms 19*      Butler

\*All who are able please stand  
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## To Our Guests

**Welcome!** We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning, and hope you find today meaningful and refreshing. Visitors are asked to fill out a Visitor Information Card and place it in the offering plate. Prayer Requests may be noted on the reverse side. The cards are located in the pews, or in the Narthex. Feel free to ask an Usher for assistance.

**Children’s Activity Bags** are available for children aged 3 to grade 5. They include a children’s bulletin related to the Sunday sermon, crayons, and scrap paper. An usher would be happy to bring you one. **A nursery is available for newborns through age 4. It is located on the second floor of the Educational Building.**

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## A CHURCH-WIDE BIBLE STUDY ON THE LORD'S PRAYER IS BEGINNING SOON!

Pastor Eddie will lead us in a sermon series exploring 7 components of the Lord's Prayer, while small groups will meet weekly for discussion. We begin with a Fellowship Meal **this Wednesday, February 16 at 5:45p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. At **6:30p.m.**, all adults are invited to remain in the Fellowship Hall for a Prayer Gathering, while children are invited to the Elementary Sunday School Classroom for a lesson on prayer. Pastor Eddie will launch his sermon series on February 20, and small groups will begin meeting that week. **A Fellowship Meal will be provided each Wednesday at 5:45p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall on a donation basis. Please see facilitator Judy Goodnight for more information, and sign-up in the Narthex!



## TODAY is the Souper Bowl of Caring!

Drop your donations of canned or dry goods in the collection barrel outside the Fellowship Hall. Our youth will also be accepting monetary donations in the Narthex immediately following the Worship Service. All contributions will benefit our neighbors in need at Cooperative Christian Ministry. Thank you for your faithful support!

## JOIN US FOR THE JOY GROUP COVERED DISH!

The JOY Group will gather on Friday, February 18 at 12:00p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a covered-dish luncheon. Bring a dish and drink to share! A sign-up is in the Narthex.



JOY Group Covered Dish

# PRAYER CONCERNS

Please help us keep Prayer Concerns current with weekly updates.  
Please email the church or write down  
on a prayer card & place in offering plate.

## MEMBERS

Peggy Snider - At Clear Creek Rehab, Mint Hill  
Brenda Ramsey - Recovering from Covid  
Jane Argabrite - Loss of brother-in-law  
Sandy Bessent - Recovery from knee surgery  
Opal Hallman - Recovery from knee surgery  
Connie Lisenby - Continues treatment

## FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS

Gary Burris (Debbie McDaniel family) - Under hospice care for Cancer  
Becky Montgomery (Florida friend of Goodnights) - stem cell transplant  
Mandy Graham (Reagan's medical assistant) - recovery from cancer surgery  
Ken Boucher - Home and under Hospice Care  
Wade & Mary Nunnery (parents of Karen Pless) - Dementia worse

## HOMEBOUND

Peggy Barnhardt - Morningside  
Iris Efird - Home  
Barbara Hancock - Home  
Betty Overcash - Meadows of Rockwell  
Barbara Wise - Oaks at Hampton, Cummings, Georgia  
Loretta Young - Five Oaks  
Cindy Fisher - Transitional Health

*thank you*

Thank you for the cards and prayers during my recent illness. Your support and love mean so much! Love, Landra Staab

# A "Giving Tree" Thank You!

Thank you so much for the wonderful donations from your congregation!! Our A.L. Brown social worker came down immediately to pick up the hygiene supplies and was thrilled to be able to share those items with students in need at the high school. Dr. Grant will share the Shoe Show gift cards with some of our other social workers. They will be so excited to access those so they can let some of their students pick out shoes they will be proud of. And we'll deposit the generous check in our uniform account. That will allow us to give vouchers to students to replace pants and shirts for school. Again, we are so appreciative of these donations and hope you will let your church family know how much those items will mean to so many of our students!!

Ashley Forrest  
Board Specialist/District Communications Coordinator  
Kannapolis City Schools

## THIS WEEK@FIRST PRESB

### TODAY

9:00 a.m.  
10:00 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.

### SOUPER BOWL OF CARING!

Choir Rehearsal  
Sunday School  
Worship Service

### MONDAY

7:00 p.m.

### HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!

Saltshakers via Zoom

### TUESDAY

12:00 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous

### WEDNESDAY

10:30 a.m.  
5:45 p.m.  
6:30 p.m.  
6:30 p.m.  
6:30 p.m.

Moms in Prayer  
Fellowship Meal in Fellowship Hall  
Adult Prayer Gathering in Fellowship Hall  
Kids' Class on Prayer in Elementary Sunday School Room  
Handbell Practice

### THURSDAY

10:30 a.m.  
12:00 p.m.

Ladies Bible Study  
Narcotics Anonymous

### NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m.  
10:00 a.m.  
11:00 a.m.  
4:00 p.m.

Choir Rehearsal  
Sunday School  
Worship Service  
The Last Supper Rehearsal in Sanctuary



*Love Quote  
of the Week*

*"To be loved but not known is comforting but superficial. To be known and not loved is our greatest fear. But to be fully known and truly loved is, well, a lot like being loved by God. It is what we need more than anything." Tim Keller*

Thank you for joining us today!



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