



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

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

~ Gathering before the Word ~

Welcome

Eddie Spencer

Prelude and Preparation

McGRANAHAN

There Shall Be Showers of Blessing

Lighting of the Candles

Evie Sechler

***Call to Worship**

Leader: Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.

All: Speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

***Hymn of Praise No. 859**

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

***Prayer of Adoration and 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.

Psalm of Praise

Psalm 136

Concerns and Celebrations of the Church Family

***Song of Praise (see insert)**

Bonar/Merker/Kauflin

All Praise to Him

~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

Word with our Children

Roxanne Spencer

Offering and Special Music

Merker/Kauflin/Papa/Getty/Boswell

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Chancel Choir

***Doxology**

***Scripture Reading**

Matthew 13: 44-46

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Sermon

Kingdom Insights

Eddie Spencer

Song of Grace

Grace

CCLI: 7073330

By grace I am redeemed

By grace I am restored

And now I freely walk into the arms of Christ my Lord

***Prayer and Benediction**

***Postlude**

Revive Us Again

MACKAY

*All who are able please stand
CCLI# 2221136

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, located in the pew, and place it in the offering plate. Prayer Requests may be noted on the reverse side of the same card.

Children's Activity Bags are available for children age 3 to grade 5. They include a children's bulletin related to the Sunday sermon, crayons, and scrap paper. **Children's Church** is available for children 4 years through 2nd grade. After the "Word with our Children," they will be escorted to their classroom on the choir hallway. Parents should report to the classroom immediately following worship to pick up their children.

A Nursery is available for newborns through age 4. It is located in the Educational Building. If you need assistance or directions, an usher would be happy to help you!

THANK YOU

Malaina Meeks would like to express her appreciation to Session and the congregation for the \$1,000.00 scholarship that was given to her upon her high school graduation. She will use it to further her education at Rowan Cabarrus Community College.

UPCOMING

The Missions Team Operation Christmas Child Shoebox collection continues with school supplies in August!

We will pack 200 boxes for boys ages 2-4, and 200 boxes for boys ages 10-14. **NEEDED FOR SUNDAY, AUGUST 14:**

157 Washcloths

160 packs of 24-count crayons

178 packs of 12-count colored pencils

Once these supplies are secured, we'll move on to new items! Thank you as always for your support of this ministry!



You are invited to a Missions Meal on Sunday, August 21 immediately following the worship service in the Fellowship Hall!

The Missions Team will provide pinto beans and fixings, slaw, cornbread, roasted potatoes, and desserts, all on a donation basis. Proceeds will go toward our **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox packing**. Come enjoy the food and fellowship!

First Presbyterian will host a Fresh Foods Market in our Fellowship Hall on Saturday, August 27!

The market is presented by Feeding Kannapolis Hunger, and provides fresh produce and food items to those in need. A cooking demonstration, a wellness seminar, and outreach from our church are also part of this event. If you would like to volunteer to set-up on Friday evening, August 26, or serve during the event on Saturday morning, August 27, please sign up in the Narthex!



All students are invited to bring their bookbag with them to church on Sunday, August 21 for a special blessing!

We will say a prayer over all the children and school staff returning to another year of learning. Magnets with our childrens' names will also be available in the Narthex. Our members are invited to choose a child to pray for daily during the 2022-2023 school year!

PRAYER CONCERNS

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

CHURCH FAMILY

Ron Lisenby - Recovery from surgery for internal bleeding

Barbara Boucher- recovery from a bad fall and head injury

Paul and Sandy Bessent- Recovery from Covid

Linda Bost- Continued healing of fractures in her back

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF Church Family

Gary Burris' family and friends- Gary went to be with the Lord on Monday morning

Marcia Ritchie- loss of Gary Burris

Marlene Huneycutt (Hannah Efird's grandmother)- Recovery from spinal surgery

Anna Stricker- Some complications as she is soon to give birth

Becky Montgomery (Renee Goodnight's Friend)- Second Stem-cell treatment

Sam McAllister's daughter, Lori- MS and infection

Buddy and Alice Troutman (Judy Hammond's son-in-law's parents)- Health concerns

HOMEBOUND

Cindy Fisher- Transitional

Peggy Barnhardt – Morningside

Barbara Hancock- home

Iris Efird- home

Betty Overcash – Meadows of Rockwell

Barbara Wise - Oaks at Hampton, Cummings, Georgia

Loretta Young - Five Oaks

Lisenby address below if you would like to send
cards:

Ron and Connie Lisenby

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THIS WEEK@FIRST PRESB

Sunday, August 14

9:30am - Fellowship Breakfast

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Worship Service

Tuesday, August 16

12:00pm - NA

Thursday, August 18

10:30am - Ladies' Bible Study

12:00pm - NA

Sunday, August 21

9:30am - Fellowship Breakfast

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Worship Service

12:00pm – Missions Meal in Fellowship Hall

SERVANTS

Elder Lock-Up: David Ellington

Children's Message: Roxanne Spencer

Children's Message next week: Tracy Caskey

Children's Church: Roxanne Spencer & Carol Lowder

Children's Church next week: Tracy & Amelia Caskey

Acolyte: Evie Sechler

Acolyte next week: Landon Walker

Nursery: Vickie Ellington

Nursery next week: Chariti Lowder

Ushers: Mike Lowder, Sam McAllister, Mal McDaniel,

Todd Pless

Ushers next week: Jill McLain, Phil McLain, Lynn

Sechler, C.J. Semcho

Greeter: Cookie Hamilton, Debbie McDaniel

FINANCIALS FOR JULY

YTD Income \$148,812.95

YTD Expenses \$152,291.26

YTD Budget \$172,303.25

Last week's attendance: 8/7/22

Sunday School 63

Worship 104

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CHURCH STAFF

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SESSION 2022

Ryan Walker

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Tony Rary

Donnie Swaringen

Dave Argabrite

Lynn Sechler

Cookie Hamilton

David Ellington

Tracy Caskey



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