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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**

David Hamilton

**Prelude and Preparation***Canon in D*

Pachelbel

Jessica Bell, violin; Heather Hruska, piano

**Lighting of the Candles**

Camryn Lowder &amp; Evie Sechler

**\*Call to Worship***Lord of Creation*  
PraiseMakers

Clydesdale/arr. Clydesdale

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 553***How Great Thou Art*

HINE

**\*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.”

**Concerns and Celebrations of Our Church Family**

Michelle Walker

**~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~****Word with Our Children**

Michelle Walker

**Offering and Special Music***Shalom*

Forrest

David Hamilton, tenor; Jessica Bell, violin; Heather Hruska, piano

**\*Doxology**

No. 965

**\*Scripture Reading**

Psalm 131:1-3

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**Sermon**

“When Enough is Enough”

Rev. Dr. Heath Burchett

**~ Responding to the Word of God ~****\*Hymn of Hope No. 177***Oh, To See the Dawn*

Getty/Townend

**\*Prayer and Benediction****\*Postlude**

Jessica Bell, violin; Heather Hruska, piano

\*All who are able, please stand

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# Welcome

**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.

**Wifi** is accessible throughout our common areas. You may log in to First Presbyterian Guest with the password: Praise!!

**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.

**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!

First Presbyterian is grateful that Heath Burchett is joining us to bring God's word today! Heath is the founder and Executive Director of Watchmen of the Streets - Habit Missions, a nonprofit homeless ministry. He has earned six degrees, including his Doctor of Sacred Studies from Christian Life School of Theology Global and Vintage Bible College & Seminary, and has previously served as our supply minister. Heath lives in Cornelius, NC with his 10 year old son, Israel. Please extend your own welcome to Heath and Israel!

## THANK YOU

Thank you to Heather Hruska for filling in for Kay today. We are blessed to be able to call on Heather to supply beautiful music for our services!

Thank You to all who volunteered for our Feeding Kannapolis Hunger Market and Linda's Closet clothes distribution! We were able to serve many in our community with food and clothing in the name of Jesus.

## REMINDER

Next Sunday marks the beginning of Daylight Savings Time! Don't forget to "spring forward" one hour.

# upcoming



**Fulfilling Our Purpose...Growing by Grace.** First Presbyterian has been gifted an opportunity not only to improve our facilities, but expand our ministry capabilities! A generous couple has agreed to fund the majority of this project, which will leave us with a new outdoor pavilion dedicated in memory of Dr. Joe Crawford and in honor of his wife, Diane. If you would like to contribute toward this project, please pick up a 2023 Campaign brochure from the Narthex, and return the Donation Card with your offering.

## Winter Wednesdays in the Word continue with our church-wide Ten commandments Bible study!

A Fellowship Meal (menu this week: hamburgers with fixings, chips, caesar salad, drinks, and dessert) will be served at 5:30pm on a donation basis. PraiseMakers Kids' Choir rehearses at 6:00pm. Adults and Journey Youth begin their studies at 6:30pm. Don't miss this opportunity to "dig deeper" into God's word!



## First Presbyterian will partner with Kimball Lutheran to host Samaritan's Table on Thursday evening, March 9th.

Volunteers are needed to prep and package approximately 60 boxed meals in our kitchen, transport them to Kimball, and hand them out. See Phil McLain if you are interested in serving!

## You are invited to a Community Prayer Walk on Saturday, March 25th!

Area churches will gather at Village Chapel at 9:00am. Following a welcome and worship time, individual churches will travel to their own prayer routes. A light breakfast will be provided, so please sign up in the Narthex by Sunday, March 19 if you plan to attend!



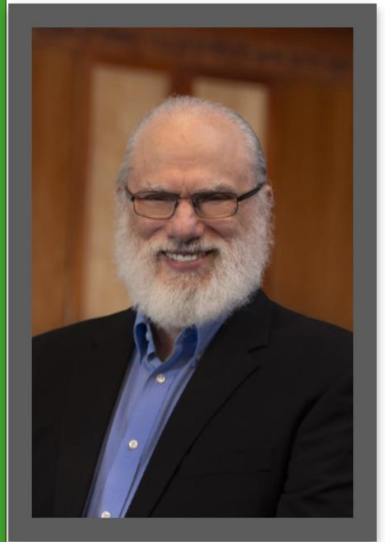
**Our children and youth have assembled "blessing bags" to hand out to homeless individuals.** If you would like to take one, or some, to have in your vehicle, please grab them from the Narthex!



**Samaritan's Purse is responding to the recent earthquakes that rocked Turkey and Syria.** They immediately began to mobilize disaster relief and have deployed a 52-bed field hospital with 2 emergency operating rooms, and a pharmacy. If you would like to give towards their efforts, please mark your donation (online or in the offering plate) for "Earthquake Relief" by Sunday, March 26.

**On Wednesday, March 29th, First Presbyterian will host a Seder presentation and tasting experience with Word of Messiah Ministries!**

Their founder and President, Sam Nadler, is a Jewish believer in Jesus. He will lead us through "The Messiah in the Passover," as we learn more about Jewish tradition during this holy festival and how it points us to Jesus. So that we may adequately prepare, please sign up in the Narthex or RSVP to the church office by Sunday, March 26!



**Women of all ages are invited to a Spring Luncheon on April 1 from 12-2pm, featuring special guest**

**Chelsea Cooley Clark, Miss USA 2005!** Chelsea will speak on her reign as Miss USA, her walk with Christ, and what it means to be *Authentically Loved* - the title of a Journal she authored. Tickets are \$25, which includes lunch, dessert, and an autographed copy of *Authentically Loved*. Please register via the announcement on our website - [www.firstpresb.org](http://www.firstpresb.org) - or by filling out the form in the Narthex and returning it to the church office with your payment. See Renee Goodnight for more information.



**Kay McAllister is collecting new or gently-used winter scarves, toboggans and gloves** to hang outside for folks in need, sharing the love of Christ in a tangible way. If you can donate, please let Kay know!

# prayer concerns

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

## CHURCH FAMILY

Danny Bost - **health Concerns**  
Hank Cranford - **clear diagnosis of health concern**  
John Roberson - **recovery from heart procedure**  
Judy Goodnight- **continuing treatment**  
Betty Sechler - **severe knee pain**  
Donna Hancock - **health concerns**  
Mike Hazeltine - **loss of his father**

## FAMILY & FRIENDS OF Church Family

Mae Ackerman (Roxanne's mother) – **Hospice care**  
Robert Little (Richard Little's brother) - **treatment for cancer**  
Robert Bramlett (Jim Bramlett's brother) - **Hospice care**  
Sheila Cowan (Eric Cowan's sister) - **recovery from kidney transplant surgery**  
Quenten Jordan (Elizabeth Sechler's boyfriend) - **recovery from broken femur**  
David Buckland (friend of Sparks) - **young man battling lymphoma**

## HOMEBOUND

Shirley Faust - **TerraBella in Salisbury**  
Peggy Barnhardt - **Morningside**  
Barbara Hancock - **Home**  
Iris Efird - **Home**  
Barbara Wise - **Oaks at Hampton, Cummings, Georgia**  
Loretta Young - **Five Oaks**

## SERVANTS

Elder Lock-Up: Ryan Walker  
Children's Message: Michelle Walker  
Children's Message next week: Roxanne Spencer  
Children's Church: Chris & Chariti Lowder  
Children's Church next week: Lynn & Shannon Sechler  
Acolytes: Camryn Lowder & Evie Sechler  
Acolyte next week: Erica Efird & Violet Hamilton  
Nursery: Jane Argabrite  
Nursery next week: Vickie Ellington  
Ushers: Mike Lowder, Sam McAllister, Mal McDaniel, Todd Pless  
Ushers next week: Jill McLain, Phil McLain, Lynn Sechler, Jeff Barnhardt  
Greeters: Donnie Swaringen, Roxanne Spencer

## FINANCIALS FOR FEBRUARY

YTD Income	\$48,230.45
YTD Expenses	\$46,492.47
YTD Budget	\$48,584.00

Last week's attendance: 2/26/23  
Sunday School - 75  
Worship -117

# THIS WEEK@FIRST PRESB

## Sunday, March 5

9:30am - Fellowship Breakfast

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Worship Service

4:30pm - Women Without Reservations at Sechler home

## Monday, March 6

10:00am - Women's Council

## Tuesday, March 7

12:00pm - NA

6:30pm - Session

## Wednesday, March 8 *Wednesdays in the Word*

5:30pm - Fellowship Meal

6:00pm - PraiseMakers

6:30pm - Ten Commandments Study (adults & youth)

## Thursday, March 9

10:30am - Ladies' Bible Study

12:00pm - NA

5:00pm - Samaritan's Table at Kimball Lutheran

7:00pm - Pilot Club

## Sunday, March 12 *Daylight Savings' Time!*

9:30am - Fellowship Breakfast

9:30am - GraceFull Movements Rehearsal

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Worship Service with Holy Communion



# SERMON NOTES