



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

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

Offering and Special Music *I Surrender All(All I Am)* CCLI # 23189
David Hamilton, tenor; George Maxwell, guitar; Amy Hamilton, cajon

***Scripture Reading** Colossians 1:1-8 page 1165

Sermon “Colossians Treasures” Eddie Spencer

~ **Responding to the Word of God** ~

***Sending Song** *How Deep the Father’s Love For Us* Townend
(see insert)

***Prayer and Benediction**

***Postlude** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Runyon

*All who are able, please stand
CCLI# 2221136

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!

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by the Kannapolis Gideon Association. The Kannapolis Gideons would like to thank First Presbyterian Church for allowing them to be a part of the worship service today. If you would like to make a donation to the Kannapolis Gideons, you may place it in the offering plate designated "Gideons." Gideon representatives will also be available to collect your donation in the Narthex immediately following worship.

UPCOMING

Thank you to all who supported our Mexican Fiesta

luncheon after church last week! A total of \$2,293 was collected, which will go to support our Mexico Missions Team or work needed at the Sitpatch School! We will commission our Missions Team next Sunday, April 30th, during worship. They will share their experiences with a combined, adult Sunday School class on Sunday, May 14, in the Fellowship Hall.



The JOY Group will meet for lunch in the Fellowship Hall on Friday, April 28th at noon. The Argabrites will provide ham; others are asked to provide sides and desserts. The program will consist of a devotional by Charlene Booth and instructions on cell phone operation. Please sign up in the Narthex if you plan to attend!

You are invited to the Kannapolis Bible Teaching Association's Annual Fundraising Banquet!

The event will be held at Shoe Show, Inc. (2201 Trinity Church Road, Concord, NC 28027) on May 1, 2023 from 6:00-7:30pm. Sign up in the Narthex by TODAY, April 23, if you would like to attend!



The South Rowan Bible Teaching Association

is hosting a Drive-Thru BBQ Chicken Fundraiser on Thursday, May 4th from 4pm-7pm. Plates are \$13 and include 1/2 bbq chicken, baked beans, slaw, and dessert. Pick-up will be at First Reformed Church in Landis, NC. Dinners must be purchased in advance. See Michelle Walker by TODAY, April 23, if you would like a ticket.



You are invited to the Hamilton

Mission Benefit Concert

at First Reformed Church in Landis (210 N. Central Ave.) on Sunday, May 7 at 4:00pm! David and others will provide a Gospel Concert benefiting the Hamilton's GEM calling. A love offering will be accepted.



Greater Europe Mission



A CPR & AED certification class

will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, May 20th from 9:30am - 12:30pm. The cost is \$25 per person. See Ryan Walker if you would like to attend.



Mark your calendars for our Spring Friends & Family Day!

On Sunday, May 21, invite guests to join you for worship and lunch on the church grounds. Fun activities will be available for the kids!

Staff Update!

We are saddened to announce that our Administrative Assistant, Patricia Hartsell, and our Bookkeeper/Videographer, Terri Pruett, have both announced their resignations. Patricia will be with us through Thursday, April 27. She leaves us to spend more time with her family on their farm in Mt. Gilead. Terri is retiring after nearly 9 years with FPC. She will work through May, or as long as she is needed to ensure a smooth transition to new office staff. We are truly grateful for the time and talents Patricia and Terri have devoted to the service of our Lord and First Presbyterian Church. They will be greatly missed!



New members needed!

Do you enjoy sharing God's love and encouragement with those who are suffering physically or emotionally, or just going through a hard time? Do you wish to celebrate with those experiencing joyful life events? The mission of the First Pres Care Team is simply to love on our members and community by sending cards, texts or emails; making a phone call; or letting them know that members of First Presbyterian care about them. If you would like to know more about this ministry and be a part of our Care Team, contact Renee Goodnight.

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 - Battling cancer
Hank Cranford - Health concerns
Betty Sechler - Improving from knee injury
Donna Hancock - Recovery from surgery

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF CHURCH FAMILY

Ellen Morrison (Judy Hammond's friend) - Cancer
Toshieta Foster (Devin Goode's friend) - On life support
Kimberly Stipe (Kay McAllister's daughter) - Slowly recovering at Kay's home
Robert Little (Richard's brother) - Treatment for cancer
Mike Allen - Beginning a 5-week radiation treatment at Emory
Buddy Troutman (Judy Hammond's family) - Health concern

HOMEBOUND

Peggy Barnhardt - Morningside
Barbara Hancock - Home
Iris Efird - Home
Barbara Wise - Oaks at Hampton, Cummings, Georgia
Loretta Young - Five Oaks

SERVANTS

Elder Lock-Up: Lynn Sechler
Children's Message: Roxanne Spencer
Children's Message next week: Mexico Commissioning
Children's Church: Brian & Hannah Efird
Children's Church next week: Ryan & Michelle Walker
Acolytes: Erica Efird & Noah Walker
Acolyte next week: Camryn Lowder & Evie Sechler
Nursery: Jenna Baker
Nursery next week: Allison Hammett
Ushers: John Hammond, Tony Hunter, Amy Hurst, Chris Lowder
Ushers next week: Mike Lowder, Sam McAllister, Mallory McDaniel, Todd Pless
Greeters: Dave Argabrite, Debbie McDaniel

FINANCIALS FOR MARCH

YTD Income	\$75,479.26
YTD Expenses	\$71,345.97
YTD Budget	\$72,876

Last week's attendance: 4/16/23
Sunday School - 62
Worship -119

THIS WEEK@FIRST PRESB

Sunday, April 23

9:30am - Fellowship Breakfast
9:45 am - Choir Rehearsal
10:00am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship Service with Gideon Presentation
12:15pm - Handbell Rehearsal
1:00pm - Cannon Ballers game

Monday, April 24

2:00pm - Dorcas Circle of Hope

Tuesday, April 25

12:00pm - NA
6:00pm - Grace & Gratitude Circle

Wednesday, April 26

5:30pm - Small Ensemble Rehearsal

Thursday, April 27

10:30am - Ladies' Bible Study
12:00pm - NA

Friday, April 28

12:00pm - Joy Group Luncheon

Saturday, April 29

10:00am - Wren Philpot family Wedding/Reception

Sunday, April 30

9:30am - Fellowship Breakfast
9:45 am - Choir Rehearsal
10:00am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship Service with Mexico Missions Team Commissioning
12:15pm - Handbell Rehearsal
4:30pm - Women Without Reservations at Sechler home



