



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH

Welcome

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

Youth Sunday

~ Gathering before the Word ~

Welcome

Landon Walker

Prelude and Preparation for Worship

Fred Caskey

All Creatures of Our God and King

Lighting of the Candles

Camryn Lowder & Evie Sechler

*Call to Worship

Psalm 72:1-2, 17-19

Ella Sechler

Leader: “Endow the king with Your justice, O God, the royal Son with Your righteousness.

All: May He judge Your people in righteousness, Your afflicted ones with justice.

Leader: May His name endure forever; may it continue as long as the sun.

All: Then all nations will be blessed through Him, and they will call Him blessed.

Leader: Praise be to the Lord God, the God of Israel, who alone does marvelous deeds.

All: Praise be to His glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with His glory. Amen and Amen.”

*Hymn of Praise No. 372 *When Morning Gilds the Sky*

LAUDES DOMINI

*Prayer of Adoration

Amelia Caskey

Song of Adoration

I'm So Blessed Cain/West/Matz/Smith/Johnson

PraiseMakers feat. Abigail Malinovsky & Toby Caskey

Prayer of Confession

Erica Efirid

Father, we are blessed, but we so often forget just how blessed we are. Forgive us for taking Your blessings for granted, for not using the blessings You give us for Your glory, and for not sharing Your blessings with others. Help us to see each day as a gift from You, and each person we meet as someone You love. Remind us to live like we are blessed, giving You thanks and praise always. We pray in the name of Jesus, who gives us the blessing of eternal life, now and forever.

Moments of Silent Confession

*Affirmation of Faith

John 1:1-4, 12-14

Caylin Lowder

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through Him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made. In Him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. ... Yet to all who did receive Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God – children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband’s will, but born of God. The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.”

Song of Devotion *The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)* Maher/Fowler/Sooto
PraiseMakers

Concerns and Celebrations of Our Church Family Noah Walker

***Hymn of Devotion No. 859** *Be Thou Thy Vision* SLANE

~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

Word with our Children *Religiosity* Acting Out Drama Ministry

Offering & Dance of Worship *Waymaker* Mandisa; Okoro
Gracefull Movements Dance Mnistry

***Scripture Reading** Colossians 1:15-20 Abigail Malinovski

Sermon "The Greatness of Jesus - part 2" Eddie Spencer

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

***Hymn of Promise No. 770** *In Christ Alone* IN CHRIST ALONE

***Prayer and Benediction** Fred Caskey

***Postlude** *Holy, Holy, Holy* Amelia Caskey

Greeters: Lily Efird, Camryn Lowder, Evie Sechler, Ingrid Townsend

Ushers: Toby Caskey, Oliver Townsend, Landon Walker, Noah Walker

*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.

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!

UPCOMING *Events*

thank you

Thank you to all who offered your time Friday or Saturday to help with the Feeding Kannapolis Hunger Health & Wellness Market or the Linda's Closet Grand Opening! Your kindness and service shared the love of Jesus with many in our community!!!

David and Amy Hamilton are away this Sunday, attending a Crescendo Conference at Wheaton College in Illinois. David has been offered a position to serve as Student Ministries City Coordinator with CRU Crescendo (aka Campus Crusade for Christ) at the international headquarters in Basel, Switzerland. Crescendo is a network of thousands of artists who share the gospel message through every artistic discipline, and plants Creative Churches throughout Europe. Please pray for discernment as David considers this position, fruitful relationship building, the Hamiltons' journey, and their children while they are away.



The Cabarrus Women's Center Baby Bottle Boomerang has begun! Simply pick up a baby bottle from the Narthex and return it with donations by Sunday, June 18 (Father's Day). The Cabarrus Women's Center is a life-affirming pregnancy support center. See Vickie Ellington for more information.

First Pres is once again assisting Kimball Lutheran with Samaritan's Table food distribution. On Thursday, June 8, volunteers are needed to prep, package, and hand out meals in a drive-thru at Kimball. Please see Phil or Jill McLain if you can help!



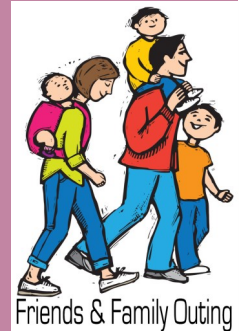
Graduation Sunday will be Sunday, June 11. We will honor our graduating high school seniors, Banagher Hamilton and C.J. Semcho, during the worship service and with a reception in the Fellowship Hall immediately thereafter.

The Women's Council invites church women and girls of all ages to a **Bingo Bash!** Join us Saturday, June 10th at 2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall for fun, food, and fellowship with guest Rachel Spencer. We'll play Bingo and Name that Tune - and yes, there will be prizes! Sign up in the Narthex or on our church website.



This summer, Journey Youth are invited to **Create and Celebrate: A Summer with Our Creative God!** We will explore God's creativity through various forms of art, including music, painting, pottery, and more! Service projects and outings will also be available. Our first meeting is Wednesday, June 14 at 6:30pm. Allison Hammett will lead a painting class. Dinner will be provided at 6:00pm, so let Michelle know if you will be here.

Journey Youth are invited to another **Friends & Family Outing!** On Friday, June 16, we will meet at Village Park for dinner and a movie. Pizza will be provided at 7:00pm, then we will watch *Jungle Cruise*, beginning at 8:45pm. Invite friends, but please sign up in the Narthex so we have enough!



The Missions Team is hosting a **Night of Service on Wednesday, June 21st!**

We will meet at Lifeline Christian Mission's Charlotte Center – 325 McGill Ave NW, Suite 175, Concord, NC 28027 – at 6pm and pack meals for about an hour. All ages are invited to serve, but space is limited, so please sign up in the Narthex if you would like to go!

A Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, June 25th during the Worship Service for the purpose of electing Elders. The nominees for Elder are Chris Lowder, Sue Maiocchi, and Ken Sparks. Elders elected in 2023 will serve a three-year term, beginning in July.



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

- Randy Childers - rehab at Big Elm
- Devin Goode - recovery from concussion
- Banagher Hamilton - recovery from severe migraine
- Danny Bost - battling cancer
- Hank Cranford - health concerns

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF CHURCH FAMILY

- Rachel Spencer (Eddie's mom) - hospitalized
- Linda Cobb's Family (Judy Hammond's friend who died)
- Ellen Morrison (Judy Hammond's friend) - cancer
- Robert Little (Richard's brother) - third of four treatments for cancer
- Mike Allen (Bargers' family) - scans this week to evaluate his cancer treatment
- Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Troutman (Judy Hammond's family) - health concerns

HOMEBOUND

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



THIS WEEK@FIRST PRESB

Sunday, June 4 - Youth Sunday

9:30am - Fellowship Breakfast
10:00am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship Service

Monday, June 5

10:30am - Women's Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 6

12:00pm - NA
6:30pm - Session

Thursday, June 8

10:30am - Ladies' Bible Study
12:00pm - NA
5:00pm - Samaritan's Table @ Kimball Lutheran

Saturday, June 10

2:00pm - Women's Council Bingo Bash!

Next Sunday, June 11

9:30am - Fellowship Breakfast
10:00am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship Service with Holy Communion
12:00pm - High School Graduates Reception

SERVANTS

Elder Lock-Up: Donnie Swaringen
Children's Message: Acting Out Drama Ministry
Children's Message next week: Michelle Walker
Children's Church: NONE
Children's Church next week: Jenna Baker & Lynn Efirid
Acolytes: Camryn Lowder & Evie Sechler
Acolyte next week: Amias & Violet Hamilton
Nursery: Jane Argabrite
Nursery next week: Vickie Ellington
Ushers: Youth
Ushers next week: Lynn Sechler, Ryan Walker, Jeff Barnhardt, Danny Bost
Greeters: Ryan Walker, Roxanne Spencer

FINANCIALS

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| YTD Income | \$126,421.01 |
| YTD Expenses | \$115,564.34 |
| YTD Budget | \$121,460.00 |

Last week's attendance: 5/28/23
Sunday School - 64
Worship - 100

