

WELCOME

First Presbyterian Church, Kannapolis

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

~ Gathering Before the Word ~

Welcome

Eddie Spencer

Prelude and Preparation

To God Be the Glory

Hustad

Lighting of the Candles

Landon & Noah Walker

Call to Worship

1 Chronicles 16: 23-27

Leader: "Sing to the Lord, all the earth! Tell of His salvation from day to day.

All: Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples!

Leader: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and He is to be feared above all gods.

All: For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the Lord made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before Him; strength and joy are in His place."

***Hymn of Praise No. 553**

How Great Thou Art

Hine

***Prayer of Adoration**

Prayer of Confession

"Holy and gracious Lord, You call us Your treasured possession yet we look for significance in other things. You call us a kingdom of priests. You call us a holy nation, yet we confess our unholy lips and lives. Ignite in us a holy zeal to declare Your excellencies to others. So move in our hearts by Your Spirit that we live as Your sent ones who bring light to a dark world and life to a dying world. For we pray in the strong name of Jesus, who is the only Savior of sinners."

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of the Gospel

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

***Hymn of Response No. 360**

You are My King (Amazing Love)

Foote

~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

Word With Our Children

Roxanne Spencer

Offering and Special Music

How Majestic is Your Name
Don Simmons

Smith

Scripture Reading

Mark 14: 1-9

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Sermon

“The Journey to the Cross”

Eddie Spencer

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

Sending Song No. 174

I Stand Amazed

MY SAVIOR’S LOVE

***Prayer and Benediction**

Postlude

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God Almighty

Lowe

*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.

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 in the Church Nursery.

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!

As we celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion, we traditionally collect for our Good Samaritan Fund. Donations to this Fund allow the Pastor and Church Staff to give immediate assistance to those in need - both in our congregation and our community. If you would like to contribute, please use the Good Samaritan Fund envelope found in the pew, or mark your offering for Good Samaritan Fund.



To all my wonderful church family. Thank you so much for the cards, phone calls and concerns during my shoulder surgery. I am on the mend and appreciate each and everyone of you. **Linda Hathaway**



Project 24 MARCH Update

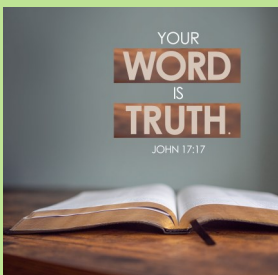
Thank you to all who have supported Project 24. To date, we have raised just over \$77,000 of the \$100,000 to \$110,000 that is needed to complete the top two priorities!

Project 24 is the beginning of a multi-year effort to improve our church campus functionally and aesthetically. **The current focus is on two items:** (1) replace the 50+ year old heating and air conditioning system for the Fellowship Hall and third floor of the Education Building and (2) improve the Fellowship Hall restroom.

Other potential improvements will be prioritized and worked after these two items. The overall vision is to make the church property well-maintained, in good working condition, and more attractive for visitors.

If you are able, please prayerfully consider making a financial contribution to support this effort. You can contribute online through the church website or by placing a check with "Project 24" on the memo line in the offering plate. Gifts of any size are greatly appreciated.

Feeding Kannapolis Hunger is in need of clean, empty egg cartons. Please bring them to church on Wednesdays or Sundays and place in the box outside the Fellowship Hall. Thank you.



WEDNESDAYS IN THE WORD will continue this week!

Children and youth are invited to gather at 6pm for Music Ministry. At 6:30pm, adults will meet in the Fellowship Hall for an Old Testament Survey with Rev. Dr. Trevor Smith. Roxanne Spencer and Lydia Vriesema will lead children to explore the "I AM" statements of Jesus. Middle High Youth are invited to meet with Michelle to investigate some "Believe-It-or-Not" Bible stories.

Join us as we study God's Word together!

JOURNEY TO THE CROSS

Please make plans to participate in our church's Holy Week and Easter celebrations, coming soon!



**Wednesday, March 13 and Wednesday, March 20,
at 6:30 pm** Join us in the Fellowship Hall for special Lenten
Worship Services.



Palm Sunday, March 24 at 11:00 am
Worship Service with Special Music



Maundy Thursday Service, March 28th at 6:30pm
Worship Service with Holy Communion



Good Friday, March 29 at 4pm
CrossWalk with Kannapolis First Baptist
Join us at the Research Center "horseshoe" as we travel through
various stations, remembering the importance in the life of Christ,
and Jesus' gift to humankind, through readings and song.

Saturday, March 30 at 10am
Journey Youth Easter "Egg"stravaganza!
Kids and youth are invited to celebrate Easter with fun games,
an egg hunt, and lunch on the church grounds!



EASTER SUNDAY

March 31 at 11am
**Resurrection Worship Service with special music
and flowering of the cross.**



Linda's Closet is open Tuesdays from 11am - 2pm.

Our greatest needs are: men's jeans sizes 28, 30 and 32; men's sneakers, especially size 9 & 10; and children's shoes in good condition, any size. We are also accepting spring and summer clothes for all. If you want to volunteer, please see Cindy Devoe.

Thank you to all who have donated to the First Pres Blessing Fence! So many items have been gifted to our community through this ministry.

Current needs: 1 & 2.5 gallon storage bags and small sealable plastic containers (to hold shampoo and conditioner)

Please see Sam or Kay McAllister if you can help!



Prayer Concerns

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

- Barbara Boucher - health concerns
- Elizabeth Arcos - recovery from pneumonia
- Hank Cranford - health concerns
- Debra Dandro - continuing treatments for cancer
- Bob Faust - health concerns

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF CHURCH FAMILY

- Lisa Threath - (mother of Chariti Lowder) - upcoming brain surgery
- Sheena Allen (Wren Philpot's daughter-in-law) - cancer treatments
- Ronnie Earl - tumor on vocal chords
- Charlotte Green (Friend of Matt & Brooke Beam) - 8 month old with blood cancer
- Bruce Pruett (Terri's husband) - health concerns
- John DeVoe (Cindy's husband) - health concerns
- Scarlett Porter's grandmother - recovery from knee surgery
- Tim Rubin (Ila Ortega's grandfather) - kidney disease
- Alan West - (father of a friend of Chariti Lowder's) - health concerns
- Barbara Coffey (Judy Hunter's friend) - cancer
- Terry Rainey (father of Walkers' friend) - cancer treatments

HOMEBOUND

- Randy Childers - Big Elm
- Bob and Shirley Faust - Morningside
- Barbara Hancock - Home
- Iris Efird - Home
- Loretta Young - Five Oaks

This Week @ FIRST PRES

Sunday, March 3

9:30am - Morning Coffee
- GraceFull Movements Dance Rehearsal
10:00am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship Service with Holy Communion

Monday, March 4

10:30am - Women's Council

Tuesday, March 5

11:00am - 2:00 pm Linda's Closet
12:00pm - NA
6:30pm - Session

Wednesday, March 6

6:00pm - Journey Youth Music Ministry
6:30pm - Wednesdays in the Word

Thursday, March 7

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

Friday, March 8

5:30 pm - Agape Chinese Baptist Church Stream Fellowship

Next Sunday, March 10

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS!

9:30am - Morning Coffee
- GraceFull Movements Dance Rehearsal
10:00am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship Service

SERVANTS

Elder Lock-Up: Dave Ellington

Children's Message: Roxanne Spencer

Children's Church: Roxanne Spencer & Lydia Vriesema

Children's Church next week: Dave & Jane Argabrite

Acolytes: Landon Walker & Noah Walker

Acolytes next week: Scarlett Porter & Ingrid Townsend

Nursery: Sharon Stricker

Nursery next week: Sue Maiocchi

Ushers: Phil Smith, Pam Hooks, Jeff Barnhardt, Mark Goodnight

Ushers next week: John Hammond, Tony Hunter, Amy Hurst, Chris Lowder

Greeters: Lynn Sechler & Debbie McDaniel

FINANCIALS

FOR JANUARY

YTD Income \$20,438.16

YTD Expenses \$17,988.94

YTD Budget \$26,396.67

Last week's attendance: 2/25/2024

Worship AM - 125

Sunday School - 62

SERMON NOTES

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION - ACTIVE ELDERS

Tracy Caskey

Dave Ellington

Lynn Sechler

Cookie Hamilton

Chris Lowder

Ken Sparks

Sue Maiocchi

Tony Rary

Donnie Swaringen

Pastor Eddie Spencer, Moderator

Jeff Barnhardt, Session Clerk



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