

Welcome

First Presbyterian Church

Kannapolis, North Carolina

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

~ Gathering Before the Word ~

Welcome Eddie Spencer

Prelude and Preparation

Amazing Grace
Toby Caskey, piano
Wonderful Words of Life
Amelia Caskey, piano
Swing Low, Sweet Chariot
Fred Caskey, piano

Early American Tune

Bliss

Spiritual

Lighting of the Candles

Caylin Lowder & Abby Vriesema

Call to Worship

Isaiah 9:6-7

Leader: For to us a Child is born, to us a Son is given, and the government will be on His shoulders. And He will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

All: Of the greatness of His government and peace there will be no end. The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this.

*Hymn of Praise No. 451

When Peace Like a River

VILLE DU HAVRE

*Prayer of Adoration

Responsive Reading on Peace

Psalm 29:11; Rom 5:1;

John 24:27; Is 26:3; Phil 4:6-7; Col 3:16,17; Jer 29:7; II Thes 3:16 Leader: The Lord gives strength to His people; the Lord blesses His people

with peace.

All: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Leader: Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

All: You will keep in perfect peace those whose minds are steadfast, because they trust in You.

Leader: Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

All: And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity. Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace.

Leader: Seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper. All: Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.

Doxology No. 965

OLD HUNDREDTH

~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

Offering and Special Music Fruit That is Rooted in You Clydesdale PraiseMakers; Presley Baker & Ingrid Townsend, duet

*Scripture Reading

Philippians 4:4-9

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Sermon

"Fruit of Peace"

Eddie Spencer

~ Responding to the Word of God ~

**Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Sending Song

Peace in the Valley

Dorsey

Vocal Ensemble

*Prayer and Benediction

Postlude Peace Like a River

Traditional

CCLI# 222113

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!

^{*}All who are able, please stand

^{**}Please pray for peace during the Lord's supper.



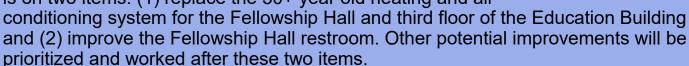
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Fund. This fund allows the church pastor and staff to assist those in need - both in our church and in our community, If you would like to contribute, please place your donation in the 'Good Samaritan Fund' envelope, or mark your offering envelope 'Good Samaritan Fund'.

Thank you to all who have supported Project 24.

To date, we have raised approximately **\$97,948** 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



If you wish to contribute financially, place a check with "Project 24" on the memo line in the offering plate, or give through the church website. Gifts of any size are greatly appreciated.

You Are Cordially Invited to

"An Afternoon Tea"

presented by

First Presbyterian Church of Kannapolis Women's Council



Staturday, May 18 at 2:00p.m. 201 Vance St., Kannapolis, KG 28081

Inspiring Message • Delicious Treats from Local Vendors • Beautiful Fellowship Featuring The Spice & Tea Exchange; Decadence Popcorn; Eat Cakes Bakery

RSVP by Sunday, May 12 at www.firstpresb.org





The First Presbyterian Women's Council will meet tomorrow, May 6, at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall. The Council meets regularly on the first Monday of each month. All ladies of the church, whether Council Members or not, are welcome to attend any meetings for more information about the Council or its plans. See Judy Goodnight or Sharon Stricker with any questions.





First Presbyterian will once again partner with Kimball Lutheran for Samaritan's Table THIS Thursday, May 9 at 5 pm. Volunteers prep to-go meals at First Pres, then help hand them out in a drive-thru at Kimball. See Phil McLain if you are willing to help!

On Sunday, May 19, we will celebrate Graduation Sunday! Fred Caskey, our graduating high school senior, will be honored during the worship service. A reception will also be held in his honor following worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please make plans to attend and share your best wishes with Fred!



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: Small (travel size) empty sealable plastic containers to hold shampoo and conditioner, ball caps, bandanas, small bottles of water, sunscreen Please see Sam or Kay McAllister if you can help!





Linda's Closet is open on Tuesdays from

11am-2pm. We are starting to restock the Closet with spring and summer clothes and are in need of men's and women's shorts, all sizes! Donations can be left in the box outside the church office or you can stop by and see us on Tuesday.

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

- Hank Cranford hospital with serious health concerns
- Judy Goodnight upcoming treatments
- Eric Cowan mom is in hospice care in Winston-Salem
- Adam Caskey recovery from hernia surgery
- Debra Dandro completed treatments and awaiting surgery

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF CHURCH FAMILY

- Tony Wilson's family (Judy Hammond's cousin) loss of Tony
- Sheena Allen (Wren Philpot's daughter-in-law) chemo treatments
- Alan West (father of a friend of Chariti Lowder's) remains in hospital
- Sam Dunn (Dave Argabrite's cousin) lung cancer
- Barbara Coffey (Judy Hunter's friend) stage 4 cancer
- Buddy & Alice Troutman (friends of Judy Hammond) health concerns

HOMEBOUND

- Shirley Faust Morningside
- Bob Faust Accordius Health in Concord
- Barbara Hancock Home
- Iris Efird Home
- Loretta Young Five Oaks
- Randy Childers Big Elm



This Week @ FIRST PRES

Sunday, May 5

9:30am - Morning Coffee

- PraiseMakers Rehearsal

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Worship Service with Holy

Communion

Monday, May 6

10:30am - Women's Council in Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, May 7

11:00am - 2:00pm - Linda's Closet

12:00pm - NA

6:30pm - Session

Thursday, May 9

10:30am - Ladies' Bible Study

12:00pm - NA

5:00pm - Samaritan's Table at Kimball

Friday, May 10

4pm-9pm - Caskey Family in Pavilion

5:30pm - Agape Chinese Baptist

Church Stream Fellowship

Next Sunday, May 12 Happy Mother's Day!

9:30am - Morning Coffee

10:00am - Sunday School

11:00am - Worship Service

SERVANTS

Elder Lock-Up: Jeff Barnhardt

Children's Message Next Week: Youth

Honor Moms

Children's Church: Lynn Efird & Lydia

Vriesema

Children's Church next week: Michelle

Walker & Carol Lowder

Acolytes: Caylin Lowder & Abby Vriesema

Acolytes next week: Michael Herbst &

Landon Walker

Nursery: Vickie Ellington

Nursery next week: Jenny Sparks

Ushers: Mark Goodnight, John Hammond,

Tony Hunter, Amy Hurst

Ushers <u>next week</u>: Chris Lowder, Mike Lowder, Sam McAllister, Mal McDaniel **Greeters:** Tony Rary, Renee Goodnight

FINANCIALS FOR APRIL

YTD Income \$ 86,077.38 **YTD Expenses** \$ 95.976.03

YTD Budget \$105,586.68

Last week's attendance: 4/28/2024

Worship AM - 96 Sunday School - 64

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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