

Service for the Lord’s Day

August 16, 2026

Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

Preparation

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE “Andante Moderato” Gabriel Faure
 (“Romance Sans Paroles,” Op. 17, No. 3) Arr. Jacques-Louis David

WELCOME, JOYS, AND CONCERNS Melissa/Tripp Allman

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS Angie Pratt

INTROIT “Children Of The Heavenly Father” Swedish Folk Tune

(Children of the heav’nly Father Safely in His bosom gather; Nestling bird
or star in heaven Such a refuge ne’er was given.)

† CALL TO WORSHIP
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
Let all the peoples praise you.
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
For you judge the peoples with equity
And guide the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
Let all the peoples praise you!

† HYMN 301 “Let Us Build a House” (v.1-5) Two Oaks

† CALL TO CONFESSION

We call to God, saying, “Have mercy on us!” We call to God, saying, “Lord,
help us!” We call to God even in the midst of our sin, knowing that God is
gracious and just.

† PRAYER OF CONFESSION
God of all goodness, We do not want to face all that is in our own hearts.
We want to focus on the good—
on the love, the compassion, the care—
and ignore the bad—
the greed, the envy, the cruelty.
But before you, God, we must face it.
Forgive all the ways we have let evil
take hold in our hearts.
Cleanse us. Help us face our own demons,
and empower us to live a Christlike life. Amen.

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Hear the Good News! We have been disobedient to God, but we have received
mercy.
Let us live our lives as those transformed by the abundant mercy of God!
Amen!

† ACT OF PRAISE 582 “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

† PASSING OF THE PEACE
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**
As God’s forgiven people, let us pass the peace of Christ to one another.

Proclamation

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES Alice Smith

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION
Holy, Holy, Holy One, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life
you speak, and to give all glory, honor and praise to your threefold name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 56:1, 6-8

ANTHEM “Day By Day” Martin How
(Day by day, dear Lord, of Thee three things I pray: to see Thee more clearly,
love Thee more dearly, follow Thee more nearly, day by day.)

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Romans 11:1-2, 29-32

MESSAGE “God is in Control” Rev. Nick Setzer

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostle’s Creed p.35

† HYMN 689 “When the Morning Stars Together” (v.1-4) Weisse Flaggen

Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “Little Offertory in D” Edward Broughton

† DOXOLOGY 609 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of unending gifts, we praise you for your abundant goodness. As you are
generous, we want to be generous too. May the gifts we bring extend your
generosity into the world, so that all people may be made whole by your
goodness and grace. **Amen.**

† HYMN 754 “Help Us Accept Each Other” (v.1-4) Baronita

† BENEDICTION

† CHORAL BENEDICTION “Go Now in Peace” Besig

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with you each hour of ev’ry day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true.
Know He will guide you in all you do.
Go now in love, and show you believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love

POSTLUDE “Christus, der ist mein Leben” Friedrich Wilhelm Marpurg
(Christ is My Life)

† Stand as you are able

BBQ YOUTH FUNDRAISER AT SUMMERFEST
NEXT SATURDAY, AUGUST 22ND

We will have a smoker set up at Boney Insurance, and will be cooking and
selling pulled pork, chicken wings and sausage. All money raised will go
toward Youth summer camps and conferences in 2027. **VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED! DONATED INDIVIDUAL BAGS OF CHIPS AND CANNED COKE
PRODUCTS ARE ALSO NEEDED!**

Book club will meet September 9th in the parlor! We are reading
“Whistler” by Ann Patchett. All are welcome!! Contact Liz Ann Hill
(lizannhill15@gmail.com) with questions.

The First Presbyterian Preschool Back to School Carnival will be
next Sunday, August 23rd from 5-7pm in the Family Life Center.
Hot dogs will be served. Bring your child’s backpack for Blessing
of the Backpacks.

The Pastor’s Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, September 9th at 10am.
The study will be on John’s Gospel. We will meet every Wednesday at
10am.

Theology 101 will continue starting Tuesday, September 8th at 4pm. The study
will continue on the PC(USA) Book of Confessions.

SHHHH....IT’S A SURPRISE!

Join us for a SURPRISE Birthday Drop In for Mike Allman, Sr. on
Saturday, August 29th from 11:00am-1:00pm at the River Hill’s Country
Club. Please help keep it a surprise. RSVP to Caroline at (803)487-1835.
No gifts please, but he loves birthday cards! No speeches, no agendas,
just good friends, great company and chance to celebrate Mike.

CHURCH FALL EVENTS YOU DON’T WANT TO MISS!

Saturday, August 22nd 10am-5pm...10am-5pm...1st Presbyterian BBQ
Youth Fundraiser @ Summer Fest in Boney Insurance parking lot. Come
buy some BBQ to support our Youth.
Sunday, August 23rd 5-7pm...Preschool Back to School Carnival. Hot dogs will
be served. The children’s back packs will be blessed at that time.

Sunday, August 30th 6pm..Burgers and Bingo..Church Family will gather at 6pm
to enjoy hamburgers, chips, cookies and drinks. Then we will play BINGO. Let
Alice know if you can donate a prize (\$5 & Under)
Sunday, September 13th 2pm Bowater Park Church Picnic for everyone. We
will have hamburgers. Bring a side to share and a beverage. We will eat at
6pm.
Sunday, September 27th (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE IN DATE) 1:15pm Lazy 5
Ranch for all ages. It is a wagon ride safari in Mooresville, NC. Register with
Alice by September 13TH.

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS Thank you for joining us today. We're glad you're here and hope that you'll experience God's love as we worship together. If you would like to know more about us, please call our church office (684-2356) and ask to speak with our pastor. May God's peace be with you.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS:

All caregivers, Mark Good (Friend of Jody Templeton has cancer), Gloria Ludwig (Stacey Walden's grandmother), Joe & Mickey Howe, Archie Buchanan, Robert Clewis (Shelia Herron's son), Danny Allman (19 yr. old nephew of Mike Allman), Bill Herron (Leukemia), Donna Jo McKinney Ferrell and Jane McKinney Bolin (have cancer, they are nieces of Brenda Brandon), Chip Lee (father of Bethany James), Patti Whiteside (Joanna Setzler's step mom), Jim Bolduc (Surgery), Lorraine Stewart, Mike Allman, Sr. (brain cancer), Julie Setzer (Jane Ratliff's daughter) has bone cancer, Ree Dillon (Neck Surgery), Becca VanVoorhis (Molly Leake & Will McCormick's sister) fell & broke her hip & Jane Ratliff.

RETIREMENT/NURSING HOMES-HOMEBOUND

Bob Falls, Jane Spratt, Lorraine Stewart & Cathy Kemp

FLOWERS: The sanctuary flowers today are given in memory of Susan and John Langford by their family.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have placed someone on the prayer list and they are doing better, or if you are on the prayer list and wish to be removed, please notify the church office.

The Worship Committee is looking for volunteers to help in the Nursery on Sundays. If you are interested in helping, please contact Nick or Eddie Lee.

Parents, high school & middle school students, mark your calendars now!

Montreat Youth Conference Week 3 July 11-17, 2027
Maryville Middle School Conference July 21-25, 2027

LITTLE DISCIPLES

16th Lauren Klepinger
23rd Molly Leake

ACOLYTES

16th Sadie Hill/Eliana S.
23rd Elizabeth Hiott/Maggie Hill

NURSERY

Jenny Hill
Melissa Allman

CROSS BEARER

James Caveny
Eliana Setzer

After school programs for 1st-6th graders will begin in September. If your child wants to participate one Wednesday per month, please let Alice know!

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CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. 8-16 9:00am Finance Committee Meeting
9:00am Mission Committee Meeting
10:00am Adult Sunday School
11:00am Worship
1:30pm Presbytery Meeting (Virtual)

Mon. 8-17 8:00pm AA

Tues. 8-18 7:45am Youth to Southern Touch Cafe
6:00pm PW Gathering

Wed. 8-19 10:00am Preschool Meet the Teacher
6:0pm Choir
8:00pm AA

Thur. 8-20 Gym Reserved

Fri. 8-21 Gym Reserved

Sat. 8-22 Gym Reserved
10:00am-5:00pm BBQ Fundraiser @ Summerfest

Sun. 8-23 7:30am Session Meeting
10:00am Adult Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Baptism
5:00pm Preschool Back to School Bash in gym

Our Youth, grades 7-12 meet at Southern Touch Café every Tuesday morning from 7:45-8:30am. Please join us for a devotion, conversation, a breakfast coffee or some food. Nick and/or Alice will take you to school if you do not drive!

The church has only two cemetery plots left for sale at Lakeview Memory Gardens. The Session has authorized the Finance Committee to reduce the price of each plot to \$2,000.00. If you are interested, call Ronnie Bailes or any member of the Finance Committee.

Session Members & Their Committees

Liz Ann Hill...Clerk & Personnel & IT	Rick Beard.....Property
Jenny Hill.....Asst. Clerk & Family Life	Pete Carroll....Property
Eddie Lee....Worship & Personnel	Donna Langford..Cong. Care & PW
Ronnie Bailes..Finance & Personnel	Sonya Kent....Congregational Care
Melissa Allman....Family Life & Personnel	Jamie Caveny..Family Life
Lynn Leake...Worship	Jay Leake.....Property
Christopher Black..Personnel & Finance	Shawn Jarrett...IT
Debbie Lowe...Congregational Care	Jake Walden...Mission/Evangelism
David Dickson..Mission/Evangelism	Neil McWhorter...Finance
Angie Pratt....Mission/Evangelism	Tom Setzler....Congregational Care

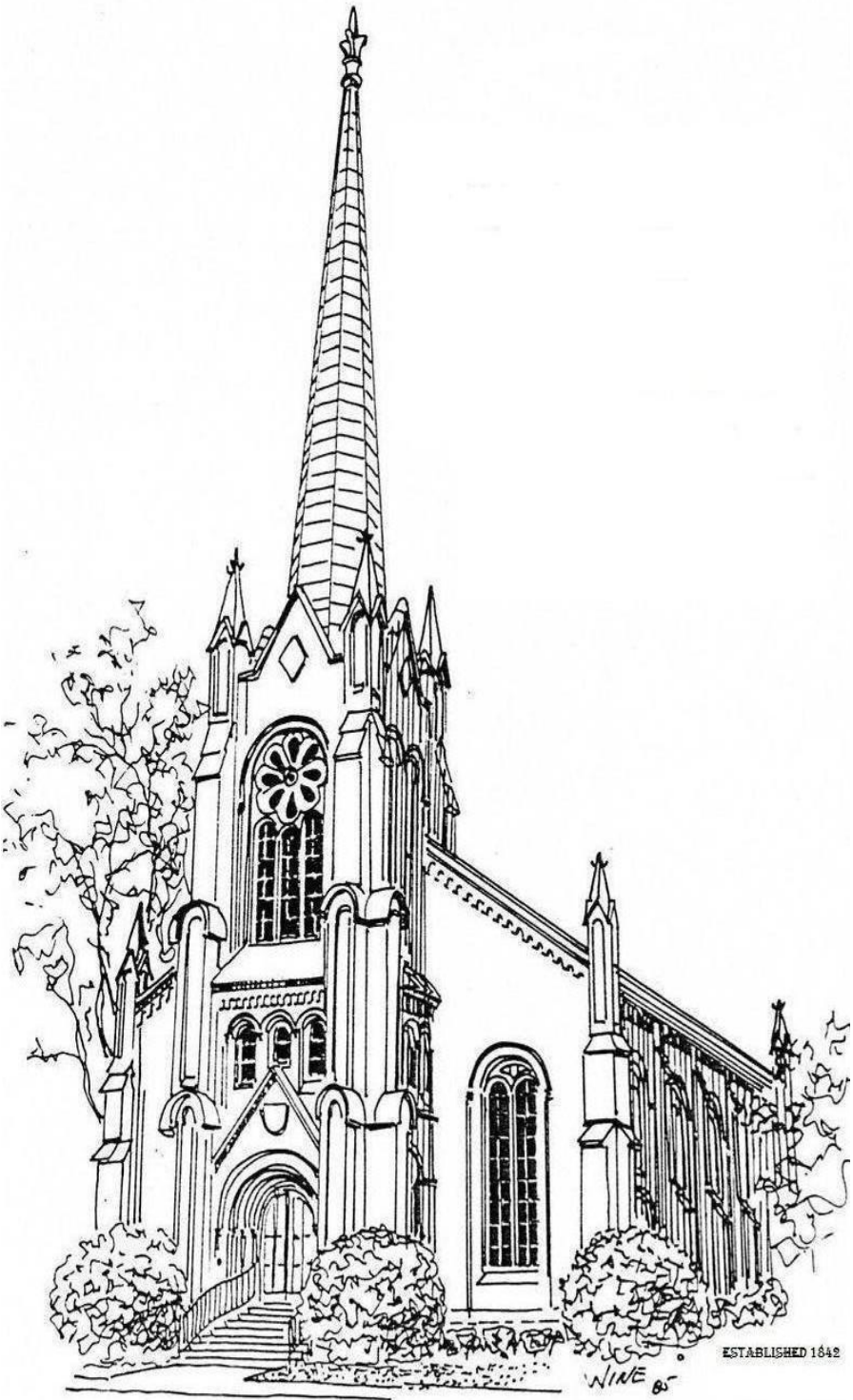
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