

Preparation

God of mystery and possibility, we confess that there is so much about you that we do not understand. More than that, we confess we have become convinced that we are supposed to understand you. Instead of appreciating your free-Spirited-ness, we try to force you into neat boxes and simple categories. Forgive us for doing to you what we don't like others doing to us: making assumptions about you and not seeing you for who you really are. By your Spirit, transform us into people who are comfortable with mystery and who trust your leading. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

We believe that God is a wonder-filled wanderer, that God delights in the beauty of creation and that God delights in us. Just as the very being of God knows no bounds, neither does God's love, grace, or compassion. We believe that no matter how far we wander outside of God's intentions for us, God's love for us is steadfast. There is no place in our lives, our faith, or the world that is beyond God's reach or grace. Jesus shows us just how wide the circle of God's love is and challenges us to widen our circles too. We believe that, through the power of the Spirit, God can do abundantly more than we can ask or imagine. We believe that God's vision for the world looks like more beauty and justice, more peace and life, more love and grace than we can imagine. We believe that God's intends more and better for us too - more purpose and courage, more belonging and fulfillment, more love and grace than we can imagine. We believe that God calls us to be wonder-filled wanderers. We are made in God's image, and sent out with God's blessing to serve others, to speak the truth, to care for creation and communities, to ask big questions to explore this great big world and to always, always know that God goes with us. Amen.

† Stand as you are able

Sunday, September 20th 1:15pm Lazy 5 Ranch for all ages. It is a wagon ride safari in Mooresville, NC. Register with Alice by September 6th.

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.

RETIREMENT/NURSING HOMES-HOMEBOUND

Bob Falls, Jane Spratt, Lorraine Stewart & Cathy Kemp

FLOWERS: The sanctuary flowers are dedicated to the glory of God and in gratitude for His unfailing love and abundant blessings.

During this season of celebrating our nation's freedom, may we remember the greater freedom we have through Jesus Christ. May our hearts be filled with gratitude, our lives reflect His grace, and our prayers continue for our country, its leaders, and all who serve.

"It is for freedom that Christ has set us free." — Galatians 5:1

Given by Kelly & Neil McWhorter

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.

LITTLE DISCIPLES

2nd LizAnn Hill

9th Melissa Allman

ACOLYTES

2nd Kemp Hall/Oscar Setzer

9th James Caveny/Aubrey Walden

NURSERY

Angie Pratt

Susan Hill

CROSS BEARER

Elizabeth Hiott

Ryleigh Walden

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.

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CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. 8-2 10:00am Adult Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Dimes for Hunger/Backpack Blessing
Mon. 8-3 8:00pm AA
Tues. 8-4 1:00pm Staff Meeting
Wed. 8-5 5:00pm Worship Committee
6:0pm Choir
8:00pm AA
Fri. 8-7 Parlor in use all day
Sat. 8-8 Parlor in use all day
Sun. 8-9 8:30am PWCT
9:00am Family Life Committee
10:00am Adult Sunday School
11:00am Worship/Communion
2:00pm All ages to Carowinds

Mark your calendars for the First Presbyterian Preschool Back to School Carnival. It will be 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 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
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York, South Carolina

August 2, 2026

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

YOUTH SUNDAY