

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

**Our Communion bread is gluten-free.**

**After worship today, we will be honoring our wonderful elders, Pepé Abrusci, Fred France and Barbara Ross, who have completed their terms of office.**

**Thank you to all who helped yesterday with cleaning the sanctuary, setting up the nursery and stripping and waxing the fellowship hall floor. Special thanks to Charlotte Davila and Clarence Kenyon!**

**Wednesday Bible Study, 3- 4:30 p.m.** We will not have Bible Study on April 5 and 12 as we prepare for Easter. We will resume April 19.

**Jack Walrath's Memorial Service will be held this Saturday, April 8 at 1:00 p.m.**

**Hats (and scarves) for the Homeless had a great time last week.** We began knitting for the Hospitality House, a shelter for the homeless for Watauga, Avery and Ashe counties. We meet again **Thursday, April 6, from 1:00—3:00 p.m.** We have supplies, just bring yourself. You don't even have to know how to knit, we can teach you.

**Choir will meet Easter Sunday, April 16, at 9:40a.m. Choir practice will move back to Wednesdays from 5-6:15 p.m. on April 19.**

**We are half way to meeting our \$3,000 goal for Guatemala Scholarships with a total donated of \$1,500!**

**Mayland Fellowship Holy Week Services** will be held at First Presbyterian Church, Spruce Pine, April 9-12 (Sun—Wed) at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Billy Robinson will preach on Sunday, March 9.

**Maunder Thursday Communion Service will be held April 13 at 6:30 p.m** in the CPC fellowship hall, in partnership with Fletcher Presbyterian. There will be a light meal.

**Congratulations to Joanna Campbell!** She has chosen to attend Duke University for her PhD program in Chemistry.

**OUR ELDERS:** ; Class of 2017: Tommie Tennant, Jason DeWitt, Linda Berkley ; Class of 2018: Mimi Sloop, Charlotte Davila., Class of 2019: Barbara Ross (Clerk of Session), Charlie Sims  
Ashlyn DeWitt, Administrative Assistant  
Kathy Hutcheson, Director of Music  
Barbara Ross, Volunteer Church Administrator  
Attendance last Sunday: 27

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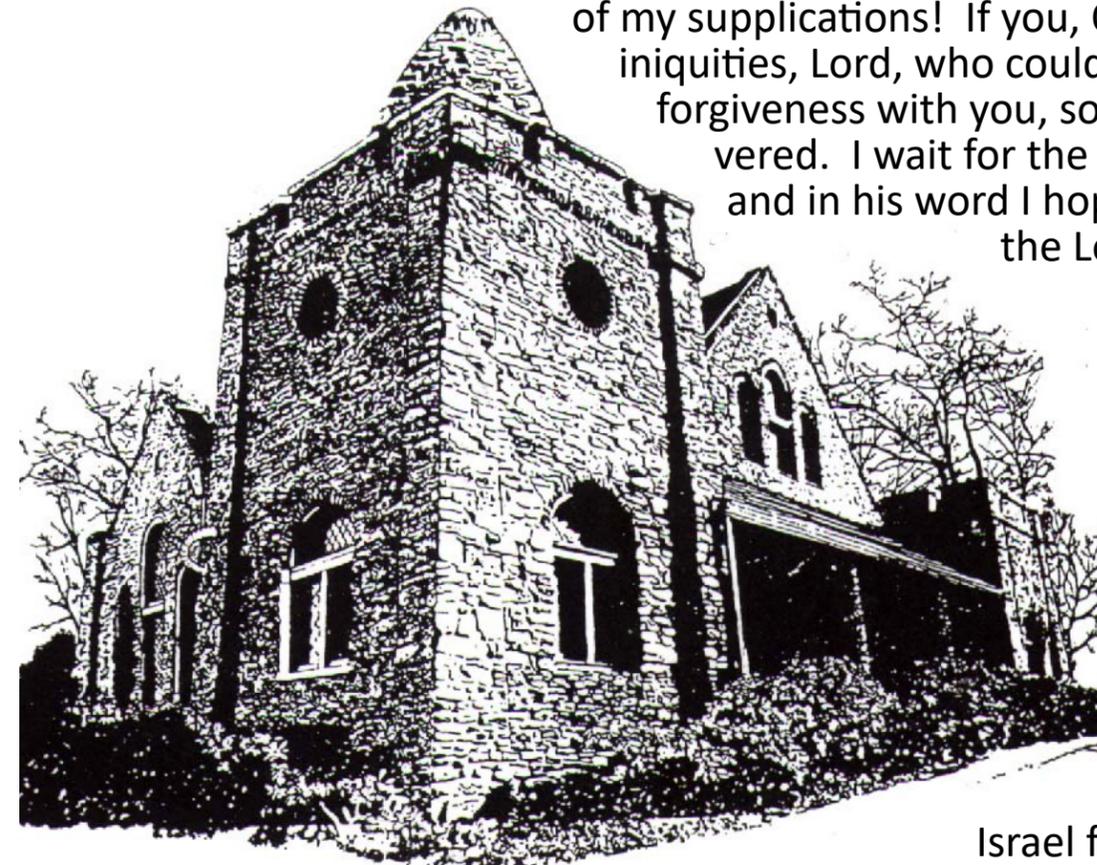
### Prayers and Concerns

**Please keep the following people in your prayers this week for healing and peace:** **\*\* Amanda Frazier passed away peacefully in her home surrounded by her family on March 30.** Ben's address is: 3337 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. **\*\*Ron Flowers passed away at home on March 29.** Julie's address is: 1200 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. Please keep **\*\*Larry Brown** in your prayers as his doctors continue to diagnosis his hip problems. His address is: 906 West College Ave., Enterprise, AL 36330. **\*\*Doug Noble** is doing well after successful shoulder surgery. His address is: 1013 Charter Place, Charlotte, NC 28211. **\*\* Lorraine Alls** is having tests run. She would appreciate your prayers as she awaits a diagnosis and a treatment plan. Her address is; Apt. 208, 507 Linville St., Newland, NC 28657. **\*\* Tasha Reid has had a relapse of her multiple sclerosis and would appreciate your prayers.** Her address is: 5608 Farley Drive, Raleigh, NC 27609. **\*\*Bill Paul** is in the final leg of his journey on this earth. His wife, Juanita, his daughter, Pamela, and his granddaughter, Beta, are with him. Cards only, no phone calls. Their address is: 551 Cypress Way East, Naples, FL 34110. **\*\*Carroll Berkley's brother, John Berkley,** is preparing for surgery on his esophagus and John's wife, **Kay Berkley,** was diagnosed with three brain tumors—two of which are inoperable. Their address is: 12905 Barnsanlaw Dr., Raleigh, NC 27613. **\*\*Charles Berkley,** Carroll Berkley's uncle, is fighting pancreatic cancer. His address is: 270 Battlefield Dr., Dandridge, TN 37725. **\*\*Karen Phillips,** Kathy's twin sister, is still struggling with pressure on the brain. There is no diagnosis as of yet. Her address is: 1816 N. 111<sup>th</sup> Street, Omaha, NE 68154. **\*\*Deborah Garrison's father, Don Jendrey,** is struggling with liver disease. Her address is: P.O. Box 261, Crossnore, NC 28616. **\*\*Dedie Andrews** is suffering from cancer and is in need of our prayers. **Sherry Snodgrass,** a neighbor and friend of the Gaceks, continues her chemotherapy for cancer. Beth and Greg's address is: 3223 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. **\*\*Dottie and Don Huston's daughter, Julie Ann Roche,** continues her battle with cancer.

Rev. Kathy Campbell may be reached at the church office: 828-733-1939; at home: 828-963-5190; cell phone: 828-260-2512. Her office hours are Tuesday - Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., weather permitting. Please call to ensure Pastor Kathy will be there. Her e-mail is [rev.kathy.campbell@gmail.com](mailto:rev.kathy.campbell@gmail.com)

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## THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY



Historic Crossnore Presbyterian Church. Built 1924-26

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be re-  
vered. I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

~Psalm 130



## CROSSNORE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CROSSNORE, NORTH CAROLINA

REV. KATHY CAMPBELL, PASTOR

5TH SUNDAY IN LENT, APRIL 2, 2017

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

# THE GATHERING

**Prelude: *Were You There?/Near the Cross***  
**Chiming of the Hour**  
**Welcome, Church Family News**  
**The Passing of the Peace of Jesus Christ**

## PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

**Choral Call to Worship: # 15** (in Songs of Worship) *I Come to The Cross*

**\*Call to Worship:**  
The prophet asks: Can our soul-weary bones live again?  
**O God, you know!**  
We ask: Can we dance again after mourning, loss and grief?  
**O God, you know!**  
The gift is sure and unmistakable:  
**God's breath poured out as new life for weary souls!**  
Let us celebrate the gift of God's new life,  
**And come to worship God in laughter and dancing!**

**\*Hymn of Praise: # 612 *We Praise You, O God***

### Call to Confession:

If it is true that God has recorded our failings, we hope it will never be published. But in truth, if the book was opened, every page would be blank, for God forgives us of everything we have done, or failed to do. So, let us wait for God's mercy and grace, as we come with our prayers for forgiveness.

### Litany of Confession:

You call us to be your voices in this world and we stay silent.  
**You call us to be your hands in this world and we keep them hidden.**  
You call us to be your feet in this world and we go our own way.  
**When we meet those who are doubting and say nothing, forgive us.**  
When we meet those who need your touch and do nothing, forgive us.  
**When we are called to take up your cross and carry nothing, forgive us.**  
Breathe life into our bones and bring freedom to our lives, that we might declare with heart and soul and voice that you are our Lord and our God.  
(*moment of silent confession*). **Amen.**

### Assurance of Pardon:

The God we serve is the God of life, the God of hope, the God of new beginnings—even for dried-up bones and shattered dreams. That rattling of bones in Ezekiel's vision may be heard as the shackles that once held us down in fear, sin, prejudice, and guilt. God defies these deadly entanglements with the power of life.  
**This we trust, and by this we live. Thanks be to God!**

**Response to God's Grace and Mercy: # 227 *Jesus, Remember Me***

## THE WORD PROCLAIMED

### Our First Lesson: Psalm 130

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD. Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered. I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love, and with him is great power to redeem. It is he who will redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

\*Congregation stand as are able

**Choir Anthem: *We Know How the Story Ends***

words and music by Mary Kay Beall

### Second Lesson: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the LORD." So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude. Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophecy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken and will act," says the LORD.

**Sermon: "Breathing in Hope"**

**Rev. Kathy Campbell**

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

### Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory: *Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone***

based on a tune by George Allen  
arr. by Donna Williams  
LASST UNS ERFRUEUEN

**\*Doxology: # 609 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow***

**\*Unison Prayer of Dedication and Thanksgiving:**

**Living God, you are the Holy One of Israel. Our world cries out in pain, as children and adults bear heavy loads of injustice and sorrow. You respond with great assurance: 'I am your Savior; I will give you a new life!' Thank you for including us in the work of your church to bring help and renewal to people here and around the globe. Use our lives and these offerings to share the good news of your Spirit's gracious, healing power. We pray through Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Meditation: # 286 *Breathe on Me Breathe of God***

TRENTHAM

### Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

**Invitation** (see Insert)

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving** (see Insert)

**Words of Institution**

**Sharing of the Bread and Cup**

**Prayer after Communion** (see Insert)

## THE SENDING

**\*Closing Hymn: # 213 *In the Cross of Christ I Glory***

RATHBURN

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**\*Postlude: *Man of Sorrows***

based on tune by P. P. Anna Laura Pages

THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Minister: Kathy Campbell; Director of Music: Kathy Hutcheson; Liturgist: Susy Martin