

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

Welcome to Worship this morning at Crossnore Presbyterian Church. If you are visiting for the first time, we hope you feel God's presence in our worship, ministry, and fellowship. If you would like a call or a visit, please include your contact information on the Register of Friendship. If you are here for the summer/fall, please include your local phone number, email address and/or mailing address. If you are interested in finding out more about our ministry or how to become a full member or an affiliate member, please contact Pastor Kathy (828-260-2512) or talk to one of our elders.

Following worship, we will be celebrating our September birthdays with birthday cake and coffee in the fellowship hall. Our September birthdays include: June Bagby (9/3), Karl Campbell (9/3), Pam Kidder (9/4), Marilyn Gascho (9/12), Pepe' Abrusci (9/13), Goldie Delanie (9/13), Pat Rouselle (9/16), Bud Corneal (9/17—he will be 101!), Mary Louise Aldridge (9/18), Dennis Jones (9/27), Beth Foster-Gacek (9/30). Who are we missing?

Special Thanks to all who helped with our annual church picnic this past Tuesday, especially Tommie Tennant. Over 50 folks enjoyed delicious food, fellowship, singing, and the flaming finale.

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! The Knitting Group delivered 120 knitted hats, scarves, and gloves and 377 pairs of socks for all ages to the Hospitality House in Boone this past Thursday. Your generosity will keep many homeless men, women, and children warm this winter. What a wonderful way to share Christ's love with those who are in need.

The Knitting Group will be taking a break and will be changing its weekly gathering to Wednesdays for the Fall and Winter beginning on Wednesday, September 20, 1-3 p.m. This group is open to those who can knit well and those who want to learn.

Next Sunday, September 10, at 10 a.m., there will be a special Session Meeting to approve new members. During worship at 11:00 a.m., our congregation will welcome our new members.

Wednesday: Bible Study, 3-4:30 p.m. We are studying Fresh Air: the Holy Spirit for an Inspired Life by Jack Levison, Professor of New Testament Studies at Seattle Pacific University. Each week covers a different Biblical person and a different way of experiencing the Holy Spirit. All are invited to participate.

Our partners in mission from Little Chapel on the Boardwalk Presbyterian Church in Wrightsville Beach will be in Avery County to work on the Habitat House as well as other projects September 5-9. They will be joining us for Dinner at Puerto Nuevo in Banner Elk on Thursday, September 7. We will be gathering there between 5-5:30 p.m.

Newland Presbyterian Church will be holding an Empty Bowls Luncheon in their Fellowship Hall on Friday, September 8, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The luncheon donations will benefit Reaching Avery Ministry's Food Pantry. "As our bowl are filled, let us remember those that remain empty."

Our final Country Breakfast for the season will be held on Saturday, September 9 from 7-10 a.m. Volunteers are needed! If you would like to volunteer for preparation, cooking, serving, or clean-up please call Pepé Abrusci at 828-387-7676 to let her know when and what you would like to help with.

Our next Summer Speaker Series talk will take place on Tuesday, September 19 from 7:00– 8:30 p.m in the Fellowship Hall. Joyce Roberts will share reflections of her experiences on 9/11. She was in one of the twin towers of the World Trade Center when it was hit. Joyce has been a full-time resident in Linville Land Harbor since 2004 and is very active in the community.

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: 76

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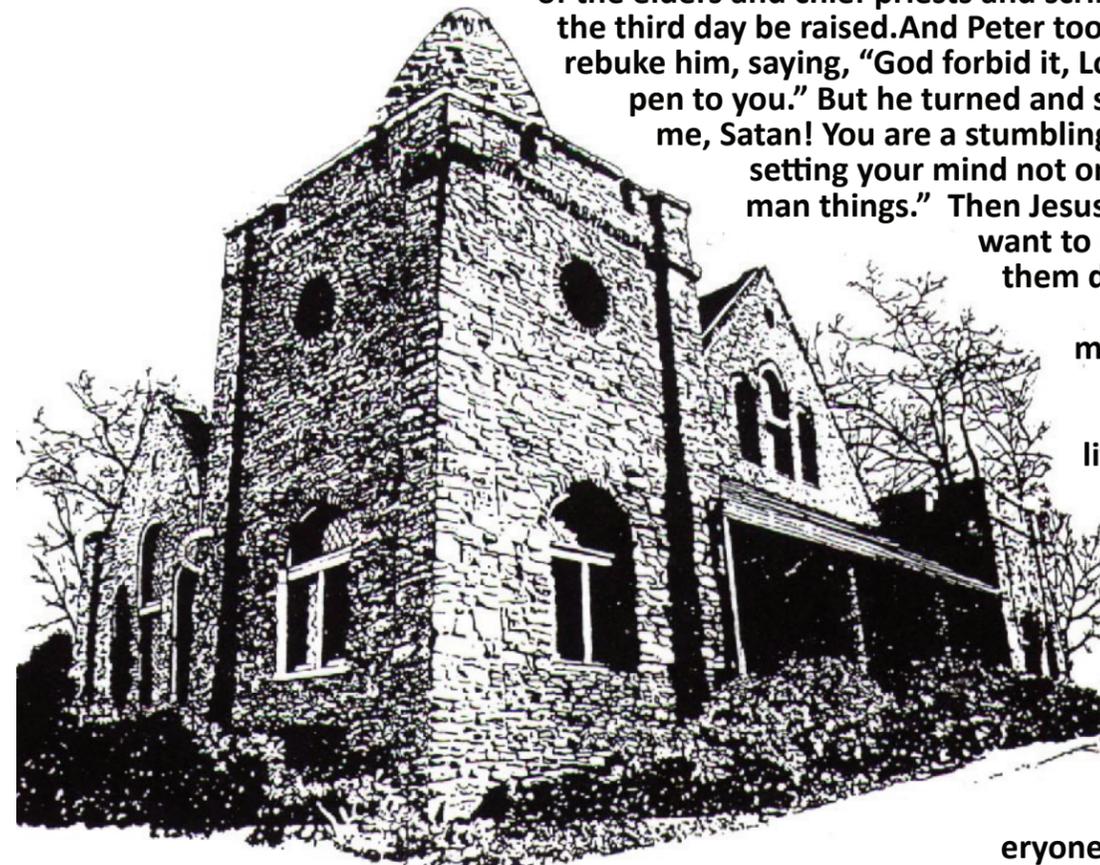
Prayers and Concerns

Please keep the following people in your prayers this week for healing and peace. ** Daryl Storm asks us to pray for Darlene Cordani and Cristina Cordani. **Don Huston's brother, Bob, had successful quintuple bypass surgery. Don and Dottie Huston's address is: 8467 SW 84th Loop, Ocala, FL 34481. **Linda Drivas's son, Mike, passed away unexpectedly on August 10. Her address is: 1365 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657 **Kay Sherwood is staying with her son as she recovers from a stroke. Her address is: 572 Bradenton Rd, Venice FL 34293. **Mary Wiseheart continues to recover from a heart attack. **Pat Shrader is living with cancer. She and Dave have returned to Mount Pleasant. Pat and Dave's address is 3483 Stockton Drive, Mount Pleasant, SC 29466. **Bobby Taylor's brother, Pat Taylor, is fighting amyloidosis. Bobby's address is: P.O. Box 102 Jonas Ridge, NC 28641. **Charlotte Davila's brother, Guy Genske is struggling with alcoholism. Her granddaughter, Barbara, lost her baby boy through a miscarriage. Charlotte's address is: P.O. Box 38, Jonas Ridge, NC 28641. **Lorraine Alls is struggling with leg and back issues. 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 continues to recover from her relapse of multiple sclerosis and would appreciate your prayers. Her address is: 5608 Farley Drive, Raleigh, NC 27609.

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

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY



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From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done.

~Matthew 16:21-27



CROSSNORE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CROSSNORE, NORTH CAROLINA

REV. KATHY CAMPBELL, PASTOR

13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

THE GATHERING

Prelude: *Worthy, You Are Worthy/Holy, Holy, Holy*
Chiming of the Hour
Welcome, Church Family News
The Passing of the Peace of Jesus Christ

arr. by Susan Naylor Callaway

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Choral Call to Worship: # 406 *We Are Standing On Holy Ground*

HOLY GROUND

***Call to Worship:**

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One, is here.

We come together and find that this is holy ground.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

We stand on this holy ground, renewed by awe.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place.

We stand on this holy ground, waiting, listening, watching, hoping.

Be still and know that God is here.

Come, let us worship the Lord, our God.

Gary Gascho

Hymn of Praise: # 401 *Here In This Place

GATHER US IN

Call to Confession:

If God is in every person we meet, what does that say about the hurt we cause to others in our lives? We are invited to bring our faults and foolishness, our brokenness and bitterness to our God, confessing our sins, so we might be made new.

Unison Prayer of Confession:

O God, you are hard to pin down. We want to be able to name you and speak of you with certainty, but you are always bigger than our words and faster than our thoughts. Forgive our attempts to control you, and our desire to speak our words on your behalf. Forgive our halfhearted ‘yes’ and our excuses for saying ‘no’ to your call. Help us to truly listen to your Living Word, so that we may fully love as you love and humbly serve as you serve (moment of silent confession). Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

This is the good news for us, my friends. God remembers us and forgives us, so we might live as people of love and hope.

We will sing our praises to the One who has made us whole. Thanks be to God! Amen.

Response to God’s Grace and Mercy: # 447 *We Are Forgiven*

WE ARE FORGIVEN

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

Our First Lesson: Romans 12:9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.” No, “if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

*Congregation stand as are able

Choral Anthem: *Make Me A Channel of Your Peace*

words & music by Sebastian Temple
choral setting by Jane Holstein

Second Lesson: Matthew 16:21-27

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Sermon: “Learning From Peter”

Rev. Kathy Campbell

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Draw Me Nearer*

based on tune by William Doane
arr. by Todd Billingsly

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

LAST UNS ERFEUEN

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

May the gifts we offer, Loving God, feed those who are hungry, as you have fed us with your Word. May these gifts give those who thirst for hope a cup which is overflowing. May our gifts be used to welcome all those who are your children, our sisters and brothers in this life. Amen.

Hymn of Meditation: # 498 *Loaves Were Broken, Words Were Spoken

BEACH SPRING

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Prayer after Communion

Communion Music: *There Is A Redeemer*

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

arr. by Joel Raney
arr. by Garrett Parker

THE SENDING

Closing Hymn: # 69 *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

HERE I AM

***Charge and Benediction**

Postlude: *Lead On, O King Eternal

based on tune by Henry T. Smart
arr. by Edward Brought

THOSE SERVING US TODAY

Minister: Rev. Kathy Campbell; Director of Music: Kathy Hutcheson; Liturgist: Gary Gascho