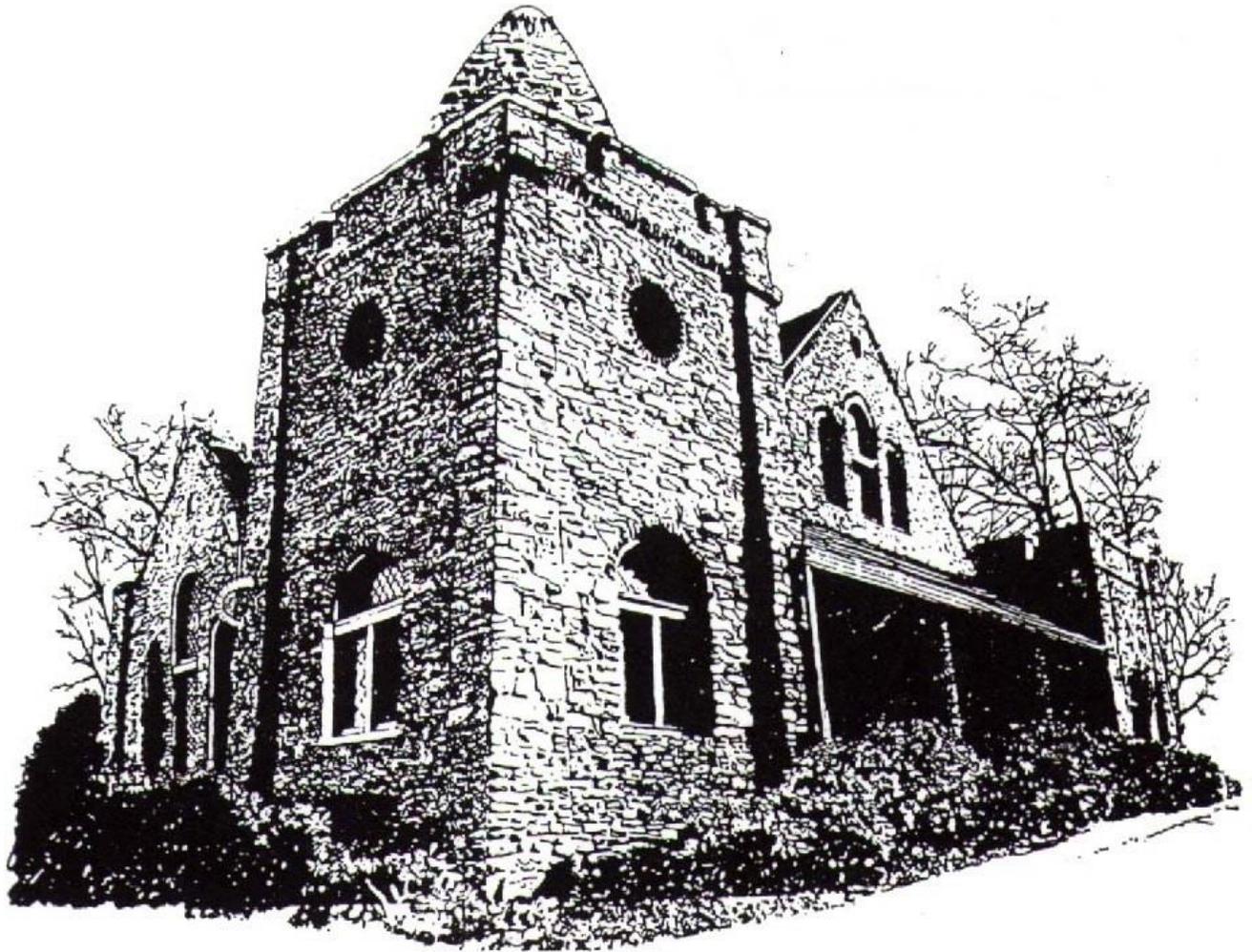


THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY



CROSSNORE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CROSSNORE, NORTH CAROLINA

REV. KATHY CAMPBELL, PASTOR

THE CELEBRATION OF GOD'S CREATION SUNDAY, JUNE 17, 2018

ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

THE GATHERING

Prelude: *This Is My Father's World*

based on TERRAPATRIS
by Franklin L. Sheppard, arr. by Mark Hayes

Chiming of the Hour
Welcome and Church Family News
The Passing of the Peace of Christ

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Choral Call to Worship # 1 *As The Deer* (Songs of Worship)

AS THE DEER

***Call to Worship:**

Wayne Matlosz

Praise to you, Creating God, for you are good and your love is everlasting.

Your wisdom made the heavens; you set the earth on the waters;

you made the lights that make our days bright; you made our inmost selves.

For all these mysteries and the wonder of your works, we praise your holy name.

***Hymn of Praise # 20 *All Things Bright and Beautiful* (Glory to God Hymnal)**

ROYAL OAK

Call to Confession:

We know that God created us in God's image. In that image, Jesus showed us what it means to be God's children—we are to love and serve and care for all that God has given to us. Let us come before God and each other and confess that we don't always reflect this way of life in our words and actions.

Unison Prayer of Confession:

What a wildly wonderful world you have made for us, O God. In all its complexity and beauty, its chaos and order, its delight and terror, all creation sings a hymn of praise to you and we would join the chorus.

What a wildly wonderful salvation you have given us, O God. In Jesus you come among us with news of your love that welcomes us and challenges us; that comforts us and unsettles us; that pulls us beyond our own selves into the broad, open spaces of your truth. We seek the humility that is the gateway into the mystery of your gracious purposes.

What a wildly wonderful mission you have invited us to share, O God. By the breath of your Holy Spirit, you bring life where we can only see death. By your Spirit-driven winds of change, you sweep away our idols. We are awed at your relentless push toward life for all creation. You are more than our minds can comprehend. You summon us into realities beyond what we can explain.

Loosen our tight grip on that which we know. Open our hands and our hearts to your newness. Then teach us to will one thing: to follow you wherever you may lead us, through Christ our Lord and by the power of the Holy Spirit (moment of silent confession). Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Friends, hear the good news of the gospel: We are loved and we are forgiven. God in Christ gives us new life to enjoy and to care for God's creation. May we rejoice in the joy and wonder of our planet and share in the responsibility to care for all that God has given us.

Response to God's Grace and Mercy # 437 *You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy*

WAYFARING STRANGER

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

You are the Christ, giver of mercy!

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

First Lesson: Psalm 65 Litany (insert)

Meditation: "The Gift of Water"

Rev. Kathy Campbell

Choir Anthem: *The Earth Belongs to the Lord*

words adapted from Psalm 24 & Psalm 8
music by Albert Zabel

Second Lesson: Leviticus 25:1-7, 18-24 (insert)

Meditation: "The Gift of Soil"

*Hymn of Meditation # 630 *Fairest Lord Jesus* (Glory to God Hymnal)

CRUSADERS' HYMN

Third Lesson: Job 38:1-13, 19-21, 31-36 (insert)

Meditation: "The Gift of Air"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

***Affirmation of Faith**

**We believe in God the Creator, who created and is creating everything:
the universe, the world, the plants and animals, and us; each of us, unique, individual and beloved of God.**

**We believe in God the Christ, who saved and is saving everything:
the universe, the world, the plants and animals, and us: each of us; unique, individual and beloved of the Christ.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who guided and is guiding everything:
the universe, the world, the plants and animals, and us; each of us, unique, individual and beloved of the Spirit.**

**We believe that this one God in three persons, is present among us, working directly in our lives and the lives of all who are born into this world, striving to bring us back into harmony with all creation and with God:
forgiving, healing, touching everyone, never rejecting any who willingly receive this freely offered gift of love and grace and eternal life.**

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*Hymn of Meditation # 39 *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (Glory to God Hymnal)

FAITHFULNESS

Prayers of the People

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *On Eagle's Wings*

by Michael Joncas, arr. by Janet Vogt

Doxology # 606 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDRETH

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen***

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

Generous God, you have blessed us with the resources to share the good news of your love for all creation. We dedicate these gifts and pray that they may bring healing, wholeness, and hope to the world, that future generations may also know your graciousness and love. Amen.

THE SENDING

*Closing Hymn # 767 *Together We Serve* (Glory to God Hymnal)

SAN ANSELMO

*Charge and Benediction

*Postlude *The Spacious Firmament*

based on CREATION
by Franz J. Haydn
arr. by Ron Loree

Serving us today –Preacher: Rev. Kathy Campbell; Music Director: Kathy Hutcheson; Liturgist: Wayne Matlosz;
Ushers: Ty & Peg Prior

Announcements

We are Celebrating God's Creation today. The wildlife animal ambassadors and staff from May Wildlife Center at Lees McRae College are joining us for worship – Feel free to meet the staff and animals before and after worship.

Wednesday Knitting Group, 1-3 p.m., is back in action! New knitters and beginning knitters are welcome. Join in the fun and fellowship weekly!

Wednesday Bible Study Group, 3-4:30 p.m., has begun a new Bible Study this week, using the book, *Which Way, Lord? Exploring Your Life's Purpose in the Journeys of Paul*, by Rob Fuquay. Please come and join us!

Wednesday Choir Practice begins at 5 p.m. and finishes around 6:15 p.m. If you are here full-time or part-time and you enjoy singing, you are invited to join our choir.

Thank you to all who came out for this season's first Country Breakfast Saturday, June 8. 111 people were served in addition to the 27 volunteers. We raised \$1600. We appreciate all the hardworking volunteers! It was a great time of fellowship. If you would like to volunteer for the next Country Breakfast on Saturday, August 11, please talk to Barbara Ross, or email her at rossbw335@gmail.com

The Choir from First Presbyterian Church of Hickory will be joining us for worship next Sunday, June 24. They will be sharing four choral pieces throughout the service. Bobby Taylor is one of their past choir directors. They will also be joining us for our potluck.

June Potluck will be held on Sunday, June 24, following our worship service. Meat and drinks will be provided. The visiting choir will be sharing in our meal, so please bring an extra big side dish to share.

Centennial Special Speaker Series:

- This coming Tuesday, June 19, 7 p.m., Dr. Karl Campbell, "North Carolina in WWI"
- Tuesday June 26, 7 p.m., Dr. Karl Campbell, "How We Lived in North Carolina 100 Years Ago"
- Tuesday, July 17, 7 p.m., Rev. Maggie Lauterer, "The History of the Crossnore Community and Crossnore Presbyterian Church".

Crossnore Presbyterian Church Centennial Celebration Sunday, July 22, 2018. Morning Worship Service with Traditional Mountain Music 11 o'clock a.m., Centennial Celebration Worship Service, 3 o'clock p.m., Dinner on the Grounds, 4:30 p.m.

Reaching Avery Ministry Golf Tournament, Saturday, June 23, 2018, Sugar Mountain Golf Club. This fund-raising tournament will benefit Reaching Avery Ministry as they help support those in need of emergency support in our community. Entry fee for the four-man captain's choice tournament is \$65 per player and includes lunch after play. See Pastor Kathy for the form or contact Sugar Mountain Golf Club (828-898-6464) or Reaching Avery Ministry (828-733-5127) for more information.

If you would like to provide a meal for Pat and Archie McMannen, please contact the church office, 828-733-1939.

OUR ELDERS

Class of 2018: Mimi Sloop, Charlotte Davila
Class of 2019: Barbara Ross (Clerk of Session), Charlie Sims
Class of 2020: Marion Blue, Jason DeWitt, Linda Berkley
Ashlyn DeWitt: Administrative Assistant
Kathy Hutcheson: Director of Music
Barbara Ross: Voluntary Church Administrator
Attendance Last Sunday: 78

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Prayers, Concerns and Thanksgivings

Thanksgiving for Phil and Jonnie McBryde. Their great granddaughter was born last week. Their address is 8510 Silver Maple Lane, Mint Hill, NC 28227. ****Shirley Price is fighting fibrosis of the lungs and would appreciate our prayers.** Her address is P.O. Box 275, Linville, NC 28646. ****Lorraine Alls appreciates your prayers and your cards.** Her address is: Apt. 208, 507 Linville St., Newland, NC 28657. ****Mary Agnes Smith, Rachel Deal's sister,** is at Banner Elk Life Care and enjoys visits. She has recently suffered a TIA. Her address is Mary Agnes Smith, Life Care at Banner Elk, P.O. Box 2199, Banner Elk, NC 28604

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