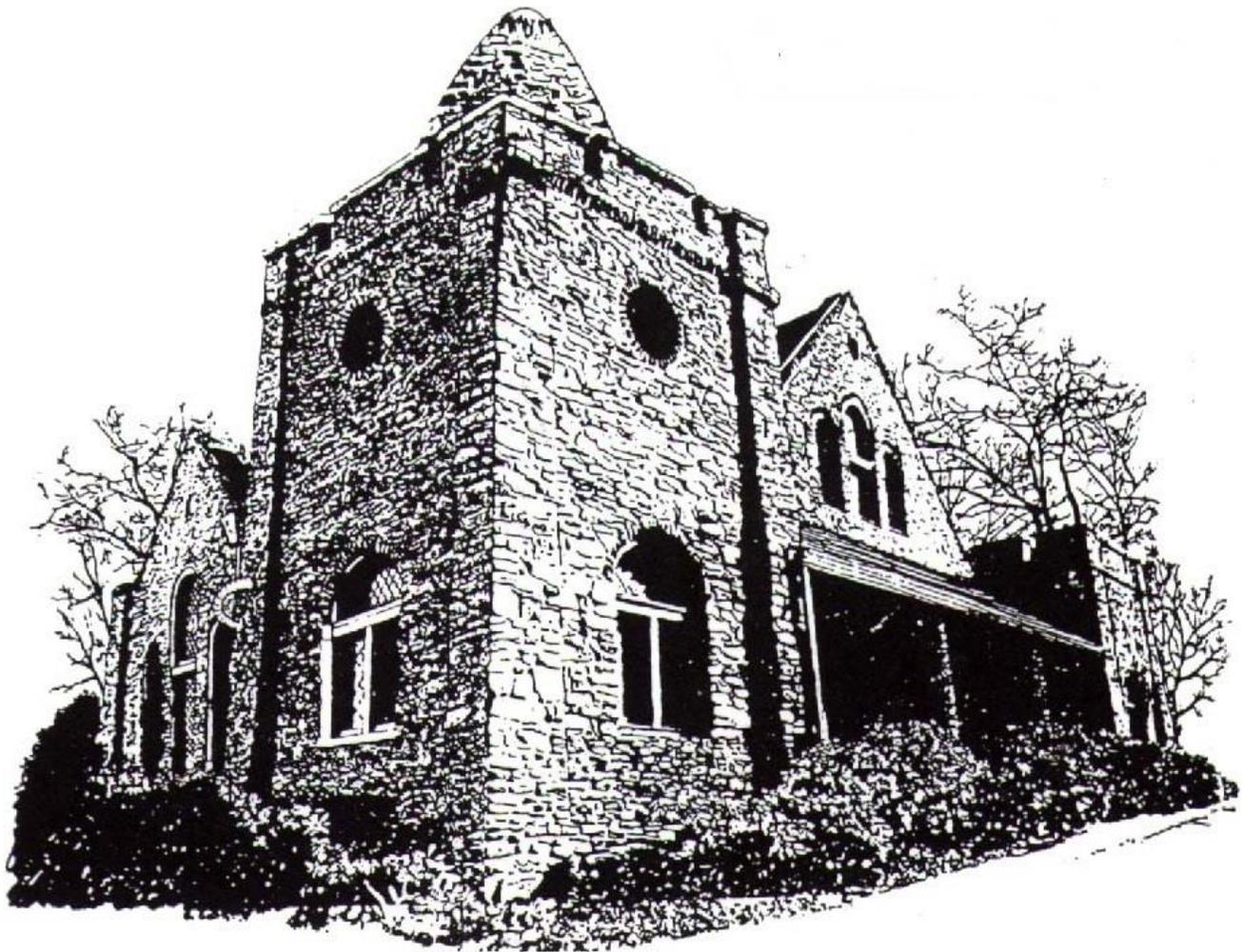


THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY



CROSSNORE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CROSSNORE, NORTH CAROLINA

REV. KATHY CAMPBELL, PASTOR
SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2019
ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

THE GATHERING

Prelude

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

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Choral Call to Worship # 667 *When Morning Gilds the Skies* (verse 2)

LANDES DOMINI

Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find: may Jesus Christ be praised!
Or fades my earthly bliss? My comfort still is this: may Jesus Christ be praised!

***Call to Worship**

The heavens open. The Spirit descends.

Jesus emerges from the water.

And a voice echoes through the blue expanse.

"This is my child, the Beloved, with whom I am well-pleased."

Jesus is named and claimed.

We come to the water. We remember we are named and claimed.

Can it be so? What a thing to be named, to be claimed by God.

Let us worship the one who names and claims us still.

***Hymn of Praise # 35** *Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

Opening Prayer

Call to Confession:

Broken? God promises to make us whole. Lost? God promises to come and find us, gather us up, and bring us home. Confused about tomorrow? God promises our future is grounded in love. Let us confess that, though we have heard the promises over and over, we have trouble believing them, as we pray together.

Unison Prayer of Confession:

We are incredibly stubborn, O Lord. We have entered the season in which Your Light has been given to the world, your blessings have been poured out on the world, and yet all we can think about is our own problems, our own needs, our own desires.

Help us to desire you, Lord. Help us to yearn for your presence. Pour your baptismal waters over us again, cleansing us from our self-pity and arrogance. Nourish and heal us so that we may joyfully serve you. Wash away our jealousy, greed, and all negative thoughts and behaviors that stand in the way of our truly being the people you have called us to be.

Again let us receive the blessings offered in creation, in the birth and baptism of Jesus, and in the ministry of the saints of light (moment of silent confession). We ask this in Jesus' Name. **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon:

The love of God is always offered to us, freely, joyfully, for all eternity. Rejoice, dear friends, this is the Good News of our Lord. **Amen.**

Response to God's Grace and Mercy # 647 *Give Thanks*

GIVE THANKS

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

First Lesson: Isaiah 43:1-7

But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and

through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Choir Anthem: *Lord, We Come to Ask Your Blessing*

words by Fred Pratt Green
music by Daniel Landes

Second Lesson: Mark 1:9-12

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased." And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness.

Sermon: "Living into Your Baptism"

Rev. Kathy Campbell

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn of Meditation # 767 *Together We Serve

SAN ANSELMO

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology # 609 *Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

We offer our gifts in recognition that we are baptized people, transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit. So, we will hold nothing back but will share our lives, our hearts, our energies, as well as our efforts, in ministry to the world around us. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

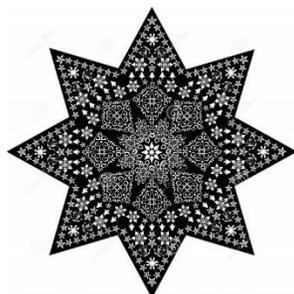
THE SENDING

Closing Hymn # 838 *Standing on the Promises

PROMISES

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude**



Serving us today –Preacher: Rev. Kathy Campbell; Music Director: Kathy Hutcheson; Pianist: Lisa Smith

Announcements

We warmly welcome everyone to worship this morning. We hope that you will experience God's presence in this time of worship and fellowship. Please join us for Coffee Fellowship after worship.

We are moving the 10:15 am Coffee and Conversation from the kitchen to the parlor/conference room off of the fellowship hall. Sunday School meets in the fellowship hall at this time and we want both groups to have their own space.

Wednesday, 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Knitting Group - All are welcome. If you are a beginner, there is always someone to help you get started. In the event of inclement weather, follow the Avery County Schools Schedule. No public school means no knitting that day. You can also call the church office to find out.

Wednesday Bible Study, 3-4:30 p.m.— We will be studying the Gospel of Mark, Chapter 15.

We held the Ordination and Installation of our 2021 Class of Elders Sunday, January 6. Janis Kenyon was ordained and installed. Charlotte Davila and Mimi Sloop were installed. Please congratulate and thank these leaders of our congregation.

Shirley Price's Memorial Service was held in our Sanctuary Saturday, January 19, at 2:00 p.m. Cards may be sent to her son and daughter-in-law, Brent and Tammy Price. Their address is PO Box 726, Newland, NC 28657.

There will be a Presbytery meeting on January 26 at the First Presbyterian Church of Gastonia.

Our next potluck luncheon will be on Sunday, January 27, after worship. Ham, coffee, and tea will be provided. Please bring side dish if you are able.

We will be collecting Food for People and Pets donations and 5 Cents A Meal offering on Sunday, January 27. The food pantry shelves are bare.

The gate which was stolen has been replaced. Bruce Dyak and his crew made and installed a new one. Thank you, Bruce! It is beautiful.

Reminder: Please send in your directory update forms. These were sent out in the Advent mailing. Please let us hear from you confirming all is correct or giving us your corrections. You can mail the form in or email us at cpcpcusa@gmail.com. You can email an updated photo if you wish.

Elders on Duty today are Barbara Ross and Mimi Sloop. **If you have any questions, please see them.** Next week, Linda Berkley and Janis Kenyon will be the Elders on Duty.

OUR ELDERS

Class of 2019: Barbara Ross (Clerk of Session), Charlie Sims
Class of 2020: Jason DeWitt, Linda Berkley
Class of 2021: Mimi Sloop, Charlotte Davila, Janis Kenyon
Ashlyn DeWitt: Administrative Assistant
Kathy Hutcheson: Director of Music
Barbara Ross: Voluntary Church Administrator
Attendance Last Sunday: 32

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Prayers and Thanksgivings

Please keep ****Joel and Joan Strickland** and their family in your prayers. Their grandson, Mario, who was 27 years old, passed away recently. Joel and Joan's address is 745 West 2nd Ave., Windermere, FL 34786. ****Pat McMannen** is having health concerns and would appreciate our prayers. She and Archie are in Florida through January. Their mailing address is: P.O. Box 293, Jonas Ridge, NC 28641. ****Susan Hartley** (daughter of Bob and Linda Taylor) is also having health concerns. She loves phone calls and cards. Susan and Clay Hartley's mailing address is: P.O. Box 35, Crossnore, NC 28616. ****Prayers of thanksgiving for Anne Blazer.** She is cancer free - no more chemo. Anne's and Bill's address is 1838 Asbury Drive, Clearwater, FL 33765. ****Bill and Laura Lind** are asking prayers for a dear friend, **Amanda Edwards**, who has just been diagnosed with breast cancer for the third time. She is starting her fourth round of chemo in three years. She and her husband have two young children. The Lind's' address is: 3334 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. ****Kathy Hutcheson** has received good news from her doctor. It does not appear that she has permanent damage to her eyes. Let's add thanksgivings to our continued prayers for her recovery. Her address is P. O. Box 146, Crossnore, NC 28616. ****Pastor Kathy** asks for prayers for her sisters, **Karen Phillips and Susan Parsons**, who are both suffering from very low hemoglobin and the doctors are unable to locate the source of bleeding. ****Becky Franklin** is being treated for cervical cancer. McCoy, her husband, was the interim pastor before Pastor Kathy arrived. Please keep the Franklins in your prayers. Their address is 1015 Albert Rennolds Dr., Fredericksburg, VA. 22401. ****Gail Spooner** is suffering from a progression of her disorder, pure autonomic failure, and would appreciate our prayers. Her address is 3147 Cameron Hill Road, Cameron, NC 28326. ****Nancy Stroupe Morrison's husband, Bruce**, suffered a stroke and has been moved to Life Care. Nancy's address is PO Box 278, Crossnore, NC 28616. ****Please remember Judy Lily**, who is a friend of many in our congregation, as she receives treatment for cancer. Cards and letters may be sent in care of Beth and Greg Gacek, 3223 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. ****Lorraine Alls** appreciates your prayers and 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. Her address is Life Care at Banner Elk, P.O. Box 2199, Banner Elk, NC.

Rev. Kathy Campbell may be reached at the church office: 828-733-1939; cell phone: 828-260-2512, email: rev.kathy.campbell@gmail.com. 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.