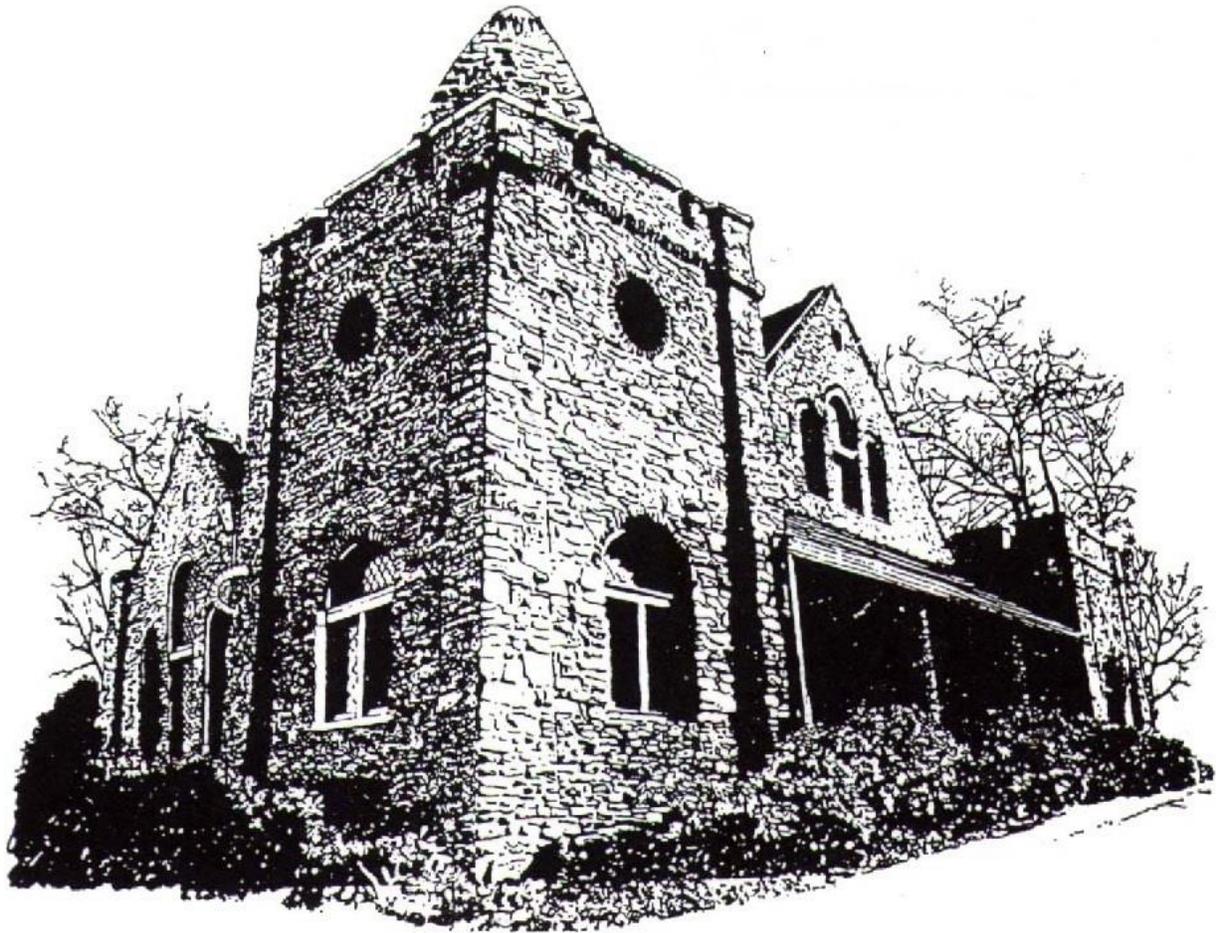


THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY



CROSSNORE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

"GROWING DEEPER IN FAITH, REACHING OUT IN LOVE"

CROSSNORE, NORTH CAROLINA

REV. KATHY CAMPBELL, PASTOR
5th SUNDAY AFTER EASTER, MAY 19, 2019
ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

THE GATHERING

Prelude: *God Leads Us Along*

based on tune by G.A. Young
arr. by Benjamin Harlan

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

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

Choral Call to Worship # 243 *Be Not Afraid*

BE NOT AFRAID

Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!
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***Call to Worship:**

God is the Gardener, and God is planting something new;

In this time of worship, may we grow in Christ.

God is pruning us back so we may bear fruit;

In this time of worship, may we repent, and know God's forgiveness.

God is nurturing us with water and Spirit, that we may blossom;

In this time of worship, may we praise our Creator and Sustainer!

Come, let us join together in worship;

Let us praise God, who is growing something new in us.

Hymn of Praise # 39 *Great is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

Call to Confession:

The seeds of grace, hope, joy, and love are planted deep with us, so they can bear fruit in our lives. But we resist staying connected to the Vine, thinking we can flourish on our own. Let us confess our sins, so we can once more feel God abiding deep within us. Please join me in the prayer of confession.

Unison Prayer of Confession:

God of compassion, called to be one body, we fragment ourselves into a million selfish pieces; called to be your children of love, we are not always good at sharing that love with our sisters and brothers. Though your perfect love was broken for us, we struggle to give of ourselves to the world. Abide in us, God of grace, and forgive us of our sins, so we may live boldly, love fearlessly, and proclaim unceasingly that Jesus Christ is our Lord and Savior (moment of silent confession). Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

Do you feel it – there, deep down in your hearts? God's love is alive, beating, breathing – in you!

Because God abides in us, we can live for others, allowing God's love to bear fruit in us. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.

Response to God's Grace and Mercy # 3 *Wonderful, Merciful Savior, vs 1 (Songs of Worship)* words & music by

Wonderful merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend

Dawn Rodgers & Eric Wyse

Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men?

Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore.

You give us the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for,

Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

First Lesson: 1 John 4:18-21

There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their

brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

Choir Anthem: *Love One Another*

text & music by John W. Peterson & Alfred B. Smith
based on Psalm 23

Second Lesson: John 15:1-5

I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing

Sermon: "Abide in Love"

Rev. Kathy Campbell

Response to The Word

Affirmation of Faith: Brief Statement of Faith, Sections 1 and 2, page 37, *Glory to God Hymnal

Hymn of Meditation # 693 *Though I May Speak

GIFT OF LOVE

Prayers of the People

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory:

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

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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:**

From you comes every gift we need, every blessing we have. May we not hoard them for ourselves, but offer them back to you, that the poor might be fed, the lonely befriended, and the despairing be filled with hope. This we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

Closing Hymn # 727 *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant

THE SERVANT SONG

***Charge and Benediction**

***Postlude:**



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 following worship.

Wednesday Programs:

- **Knitting Group 1:00 to 3:00 pm., in the fellowship hall.** All are welcome. The knitting group knits hats and scarves for the homeless. Come and enjoy the fun and fellowship.
- **Bible Study 3 to 4:30 pm., in the fellowship hall. We are beginning a study on the Book of James.** This book of the Bible is one that not many have studied but is full of wonderful life lessons. Come share, learn, and grow in faith.
- **Choir Practice 5:00 to 6:15 pm, in the sanctuary.** You are invited to join this great group of singers.

Potluck luncheon—Sunday, May 26, after worship. Fried Chicken and coffee, tea & lemonade will be provided. Please bring a side dish or a dessert, if you are able. At our luncheon, we will be honoring Rachel Deal for her decades of service to the church, the county, and the state.

Sunday, May 26, is also Food for People and Pets Sunday. Begin gathering your donations and remember to bring them on May 26.

June Sunday School, 10:15- 10:45 a.m., will begin a study of the Minor Prophets beginning on the first Sunday in June. Barbara Ross will be leading the discussion.

We are looking for volunteers to act as Docents for 2 hour shifts on Mondays, Fridays or Saturdays to allow us to expand the time our sanctuary is open to visitors. Volunteer for one shift or more. Docents will receive training in Crossnore Presbyterian Church's history and architecture in order to be able to share this information with and answer questions for our visitors. Please contact Barbara Ross at (828) 387-6332 for more information.

Communion for the Homebound: Elders will visit the homebound on Communion Sundays (1st Sunday of each month) after worship. If you have been ordained as an Elder and would like to visit one of our homebound and serve communion, please contact Barbara Ross at 828-387-6332.

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: 50

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Prayers and Thanksgivings

****Please keep Karen Phillips, Pastor Kathy's twin sister, in your prayers; she will have another inter-endoscopy on Tuesday, May 28.** Her address is 1816 N. 111th Street, Omaha, NE 68154. ****Martha Hutcheson, Kathy Hutcheson's sister, had successful surgery on Thursday to repair a broken hip from a fall.** Her address is: P.O. Box 146, Crossnore, NC 28616. ****Sylvia Gill had a successful hip replacement on May 8 and is at home recovering.** Her address is 7110 Old Oak Lane, Mint Hill, NC 28227. ****Betty Redman France is at home recovering from a successful heart stint surgery.** Please keep her in your prayers. Her address is 108 Lower Grouse Ridge Road, Beech Mountain, NC 28604. ****Laura Lind would like prayers for a proper diagnosis for double vision in her eyes.** Her address is 3334 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. ****Frances Magruder is in Texas at MD Anderson Cancer Center beginning her treatment.** She is able to come back home for short periods. Her address is P.O. Box 154, Linville, NC 28646-0154. ****Please continue to keep the Tennant family in your prayers in the passing of Dalton Tennant on Sunday, April 21.** Dalton was the grandson of **Tommie Tennant, P.O. Box 548, Crossnore, NC 28616,** and the great nephew of **Bob and Linda Taylor, P.O. Box 186, Crossnore, NC 28616.** Donations may be made to Dalton Tennant Memorial Scholarship Fund and sent to Avery County Educational Foundation, 775 Cranberry Street, Newland, NC 28657. ****Bob Schanzle continues to recover for his cornea transplant.** His address is: 1524 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. ****David Lydick, Janis Kenyon's nephew, has had several heart attacks and recently was given six months to live.** His mother passed away recently. ****Jim Taylor continues his long recovery from a total knee replacement.** His address is: 1592 Meadow Ave., Banner Elk, NC 28604. ****Daniel Coffey's grandmother, Dorothy Ward, is under hospice care and struggles with pain.** Daniel's address is: P.O. Box 1102, Blowing Rock, NC 28605. ****Susan Hartley, daughter of Bob and Linda Taylor, is having health concerns.** She enjoys cards! Her address is: P.O. Box 35, Crossnore, NC 28616. ****Kathy Hutcheson continues to ask for prayers as she works with her doctors to regain her full vision.** Her address is P.O. Box 146, Crossnore, NC 28616. ****Please keep Judy Lily, who is a friend of many in our congregation, as she receives treatment for cancer.** Cards may be sent in care of Greg and Beth Gacek, 3223 Land Harbor, Newland, NC 28657. ****Lorraine Alls appreciates your prayers and cards.** Her address is Apt. 208, 507 Linville Street, Newland, NC 28657. ****Mary Agnes Smith, Rachel Deal's sister, is in the Banner Elk Life Care Center and enjoys visits.** Her address is Life Care of Banner Elk, P.O. Box 2199, Banner Elk, NC 28604

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.