

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

April 22 - 29

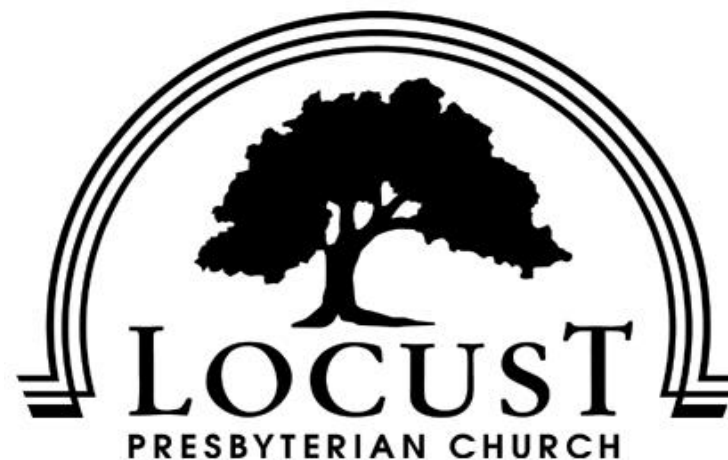
Today	9:30 am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
Monday	7:00pm	Bible Study
Tuesday	11:00am	Senior Lunch Bunch – Mayflower
	7:00pm	Session Meeting
Wednesday	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	7:00am	West Stanly Rotary Meeting in FH
	6:00pm	Weight Watchers Meeting in FH
	6:30pm	Run for God Bible Study
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday	9:30 am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship

UPCOMING EVENTS

National Day of Prayer at Town Center	May 3, Noon
Boy Scout Yard Sale at LPC	May 5
Mother's Day Lunch	May 13
Presbytery Mtg @ Myers Park PC	May 15, 9:30am
Family Movie Night at LPC	May 18
Spring Outdoor Worship & Lunch	May 20, 11:00am
Session Meeting	May 22, 7:00pm
Senior Lunch Bunch-Last one before summer break	May 29, 11:00am
Finish the Race – 5k	June 1, 6:30pm
VBS Campout	August 10

LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN

APRIL 22, 2018



Our Mission:

To be a place where people want and need to be - where God is glorified in Jesus Christ and real human needs are met. We will do this as Christ's Church through the power of the Holy Spirit as we worship, study, serve and fellowship.

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LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

11:00am

**All who are able please stand, acceptable to remain seated also.*

Prelude

***Choral Call to Worship Glorify Thy Name
#2016 Sing the Faith**

*Father (Jesus, Spirit) we love You,
We worship and adore You,
Glorify thy name in all the earth.
Glorify thy name, glorify thy name,
Glorify thy name in all the earth.*

***Call to Worship** (from Revelation 4)

One: Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!

Many: Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Evan Amo

Children's Message

***Opening Hymn: All Things Bright and Beautiful
#267 Presbyterian Hymnal**

Call to Confession

Silent Prayer of Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you are our Good Shepherd, and the Gate to eternal life. While you showed us your love in your Son, we often fail to show his love to others. For we often show love out of convenience and partiality. Forgive us God, for your love is impartial and costly. Help us to love boldly, in action and truth, as we follow the Shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep. Amen

CHURCH DIRECTORY APP

If you use the church directory app you will notice a new improvement. The iOS App that includes Groups and Birthdays just like the Android App has been released! Members should see the update in the App Store or their devices will automatically update if that feature is turned on within the next 7 days.

As a reminder, this did require us to log all members out when they update their app to ensure they don't get into a bad state. They can log back in using their email address and the password they created. Or use the FORGOT password option to create another one. You can see Amy Bates if you have problems.

PRESBYTERY NEWS

WELCOME LISA DILLARD!

Presbytery of Charlotte welcomes our new Coordinator for the Committee on Ministry and the Committee on Preparation for Ministry. Beginning Tuesday, May 1st, Lisa Dillard will join the staff of the Presbytery of Charlotte as our COM/CPM Coordinator. Her contact information: 980-207-5211 or Email: lisa.dillard@presbyofcharlotte.org

SESSION NEWS

The Session met on Tuesday 27 March 2018. Pastor Evan opened the meeting with a devotional and prayer.

Pastor Evan is continuing his Bible Study series on the Book of Revelation. The Bible Study is on Monday evenings from 7:00PM until 8:15PM.

Pastor Evan has been conducting both home and hospital visits during the past month. All of us are encouraged to reach out to our friends who are homebound and let them know we are thinking of them.

The upcoming calendar of events was reviewed. The Finish the Race program is well underway with good participation. This program is loosely based on the Run For God program done by other area churches.

The Session will again meet on April 24th at 7:00pm The meetings are open and members are welcome to attend.

10 CENT PER MEAL

10 cents per meal hunger offering is today. Let's contribute to help those in need of a good meal.

BULLETIN & PRAYER CONCERN

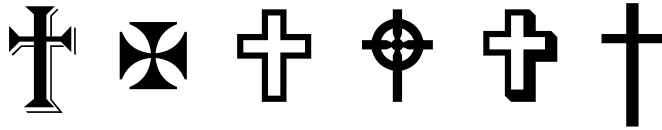
If you have an announcement for the bulletin or a prayer concern please submit to Amy Bates @ abbiv4@yahoo.com or leave message at 704.622.5003. Bulletin information needs to be submitted by noon on Thursdays.

***Hymn: Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise**
#263 Presbyterian Hymnal
(10 Cent per Meal Hunger Offering Collected)
You may place offering in baskets on table at front

***Benediction**

Evan Amo

Postlude



LPC FINANCIAL UPDATE
Needed Weekly in General Fund: \$ 3,072.00
Given Last Week General Fund: \$ 1,552.00

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR: Our Session and Our LPC Family, Our Government Leaders, LPC Prayer Shawl Ministry, Our Youth, LPC Choir, Our Military. Our Police Officers, Bill Dehn, Ruth Fitton, Helen Smetts, Fannie Hathcock, Virginia Hartsell, Gay Troutman, Allen Linker-surgery recovery, Amanda Thomas-tumor, Brandon Furr, Patsy Smith-Seizures, Chan Smith, David Hartsell-Clear Creek Rehab Center Room 704, Joe Garzoni-Peggy's son,

Our Servanthood Schedule... No Service is too Small...

April Greeters: Lauren Osgo & James Baucom **May Greeter: Fred & Jane**
April Head Usher: John Haggerty SR **May Head Usher: Eugene**

ACOLYTES - Lilly Hall
 Emma Salyer, Jady Salyer, Emma Haggerty

COLLECTION COUNTERS – To Volunteer see Cindy Fish
 4-22 Chris Fish & Michael Longhurst
 4-29 Greta Baucom & Deb Bradford

MEAL TEAMS **Robin Hill-1st Wed, Cindy Fish- 3rd Wed & Contina Salyer-5th Wed.**
 May 2 May 16 May 30

ELDERS

Clerk of Session – Chris Fish

Dianne Haggerty	18	Ray Bradford	19	Nancy Bartlett	20
Matt Salyer	18	Chris Fish	19	Jane Balckman	20
Lee Smith	18	Joan Hall	19	Michael Longhurst	20

Administration & Finance Chair: Chris Fish

Christian Education Co-Chairs: Joan Hall, Matt Salyer & Nancy Bartlett.

Building & Grounds Co-Chairs: Matt Salyer, Ray Bradford & Lee Smith.

Worship & Music Chair: Michael Longhurst.

Congregational Life Co-Chairs: Diane Haggerty and Jane Blackman.

Mission & Justice, Outreach & Membership Co-Chairs: Diane Haggerty, Jane Blackman & Michael Longhurst

MINISTERS: All of the Members of LPC

Pastor: Evan Amo	Choir Leader: Bob Remsburg
Youth Leader:	Organist: Kay Howell
Piano: Patsy Smith	Treasurer: Cindy Fish
Sound Board: Stephen Remsburg & Maverick Baucom	

PASTOR EVAN AMO

The church office phone number is 704.888.4339. During other times Evan can be reached at 714.397.4832.

MUSIC NOTES

Several of the choir members are traveling today, so our skeleton crew is soldiering own. Today is Earth Day, so we'll sing *All Things Bright and Beautiful*. God has provided us with a great planet and asks us to tend to it carefully. Our scripture today calls on us to come as we are and to serve others. The choir anthem is *Just As I Am*. During the offering, the choir will share a great Good Friday anthem, *Via Dolorosa*. Thanks to Tammi for singing the solo on this beautiful song. Sing out today for the joy of the Lord.

SENIOR LUNCH BUNCH

The Senior will be traveling to Mayflower in Concord on Tuesday, April 24 for the monthly meal. LPC tradition is to take the summer months off so May will be the last one till September. We want to give a HUGE thank you to Glenda Love for coordinating these monthly outings for over 20 years!!! Thank you for leading this ministry all these years!!!

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Changes – we are instituting some changes to the order of our worship service. You'll see a few new things and some things may disappear as we work to make our worship together as uplifting and spiritually powerful as possible. The Birthday and Anniversary offering which has been taken up most Sundays for many years is designated for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. This is used when someone with a legitimate need comes to the pastor or the church elders requesting assistance. Usually groceries are purchased or particular bills are paid using this funds. We are going to change things a bit and collect this offering on the first Sunday of each month. So if you have birthdays and anniversaries or other events to honor during May, please bring your offering on May 6th.

YARD SALE

Boy Scout Yard Sale coming up on May 5th. If you have items to donate, contact Bob or Stephen Remsburg or David Wallace. We are beginning to gather items for this big annual event. Help send the Scouts to camp and to Yosemite Park this summer.

Assurance of Grace

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end, Amen, Amen.

Anthem: Just As I Am

LPC Choir

Written by Charlotte Elliott, William Bradbury, Travis Cottrell, David Moffitt, Sue Smith; Arranged by Travis Cottrell

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Tithes and Offering

Musical Offering: Via Dolorosa

LPC Choir

Words and Music by Niles Borop, Billy Sprague; Arranged by Russell Solo by Tammi Remsburg

Offering Response (Doxology)

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.

First Reading of Scripture: John 10:11-18

Second Reading of Scripture: 1 John 3:16-24

Sermon: Bold Love: in Truth and Action

Affirmation of Faith (from Confession of 1967):

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of humanity's mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals his love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful people. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of his love.

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There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Simply search for "**Instant Church Directory**" to get the download.

You will need to use your email address as listed in our directory to create a log-in the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app.

Our Church Website

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Do you check out the church website? A calendar is listed there along with each week's bulletin to keep you informed if you miss a Sunday. We are working on adding more content.

Our Church Facebook

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