

**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.

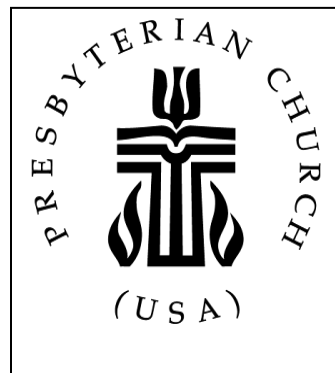


**LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

www.locustpresbyterian.org

**MINISTERS: All of the Members of LPC**

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



August 12, 2018

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

**Prelude, Welcome**

**\*Songs of Praise Mighty to Serve** (see sidebar)

*Words and Music by Laura Story*

**Hymn #389 Presbyterian Hymnal**

**O Jesus, I Have Promised**

**Children's Message**

**(children may leave for the Nursery)**

**Prayer of Restoration**

**Anthem Majesty Medley**

**LPC Choir**

*By: Jack Hayford; Twila Paris; Arranged by Russell Mauldin*

We will glorify the King of kings. We will glorify the Lamb. We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I Am.

**Proclaiming the Word: Ephesians 4:25-5:2**

**Sermon: Be Imitators of God: Our Greatest Call**

**\*Responding to the Word: Affirmation of Faith**

(from *Brief Statement of Faith*) – (see sidebar)

**Responding to the Word: Faith Conversations**

**Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer**

**Offering**

**\*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.

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**



**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, Virginia Hartsell, Gay Troutman, Katherine Griffin, Chan Smith, David Hartsell, Joe Garzoni-Peggy's son, Dana Guinn, Ron Lane, Traci Baucom, Fannie Hathcock Glenda Love – total knee replacement recovery at home

**MUSIC NOTES:** Lauren is off today and so is Bob... so, Leah is stepping up and helping to lead our worship music today. The Praise Song today is *Mighty to Save* by Laura Story. "Our God is mighty to save". Sing out if you believe. We'll sing the traditional hymn, *O Jesus I have Promised* and the choir will sing a medley that includes *Majesty* and *We Will Glorify*.

**Mighty to Save**

*Words and Music by Laura Story*

Everyone needs compassion  
A love that's never failing  
Let mercy fall on me  
Everyone needs forgiveness  
The kindness of a Savior  
The hope of nations  
*Chorus 1*  
Savior, He can move the mountains  
My God is Mighty to save  
He is Mighty to save  
Forever; Author of salvation  
He rose and conquered the grave  
Jesus conquered the grave (last time go to Chorus 2)  
Take me as You find me  
All my fears and failures  
Fill my life again  
I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in  
Now I surrender, yes I surrender (*chorus 1*)  
Shine your light and let the whole world see  
Singing for the glory of the risen King; Jesus  
Shine your light and let the whole world see  
Singing for the glory of the risen King (*chorus 1*)

*Chorus 2*

Your my Savior, you can move the mountains  
God, you are Mighty to save  
You are Mighty to save  
Forever; Author of salvation  
You rose and conquered the grave  
Yes, you conquered the grave  
You are Mighty to save!

**\*Responding to the Word: Affirmation of Faith**

(from *Brief Statement of Faith*)

We trust in Jesus Christ,  
Fully human, fully God.  
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
preaching good news to the poor  
and release to the captives,  
teaching by word and deed  
and blessing the children,  
healing the sick  
and binding up the brokenhearted,  
eating with outcasts,  
forgiving sinners,  
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.  
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,  
Jesus was crucified,  
suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to life eternal.

**KIDS CONNECT:** During our Connect time after church, the young people of the church will start learning hand bells and puppetry. We will also still have our fun lessons as we have had during Sunday School in the past. We plan to use our new talents in the worship service. We hope you will join us for this fun way to praise God! (If you are young at heart and want to help the youngsters with bells and puppets, let Tammi Remsburg know.)

**WALK WITH US:** The "Finish the Race" group will be starting back up on **August 30th**, but we've decided to be a walking group and now called "Walking with God". We will meet once a week on Thursdays at **6:30pm**. The first meeting will be in the New Beginnings Room and then we may branch out to meet in Locust Park for future dates. There will be a small devotional and then together we will start with a slow 15 min walk with a goal to work our way up each week to participating in a 5k later in the year. Come out, bring the family, bring a neighbor. and let's build up our physical and spiritual selves!

**MENTAL HEALTH** Our church ladies group is sponsoring this outreach, Mental Health First Aid Training. It's an 8 hour class that we will split over 2 days, **Aug. 25 and Sept 8**. Check in will be at 8:30am, class begins at 9am. Class is FREE and open to anyone 18 and over. You must attend all 8 hours to gain certificate. It's a great offering, class size is limited but we must have at least 10 to hold the class. Folks are asked to register with Greta Baucom @ 704.562.1371

**CHOIR NEWS:** Choir practice is on Sunday mornings at 9:15 for the summer! Come join in – you don't have to be a professional, you just want to sing God's praise! Our next Wednesday night choir practice will be **September 5th at 7:00pm**.

**NEW BEGINNINGS GROUP:** The New Beginnings Connect Group will begin a new study on **September 9th**. The study will be Rachel Held Evans' new book, *Inspired: Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again*. Invite a friend – all are welcome!

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY YARD SALE:** We are excited to be partnered with 1st Presbyterian Albemarle and 1st Presbyterian Norwood for the next Stanly County Habitat build sometime later this fall. Habitat for Humanity is a reputable international non-profit that fights poverty by helping people in need achieve affordable housing and home-ownership. Our goal is to raise \$5000.00 for Habitat and this build project. We need your help with spreading the word and collecting items to sell in a big yard sale on the front lawn on **Sept. 15th**. Please contact Jane Blackman (210) 889-7932 or Chris Fish (704) 451-5329 to schedule a time for item drop off or to volunteer to help with the sale. Working on site on a Habitat build is a very fun and rewarding experience, and a great way to invite people into the life of our church. If you are interested in joining one of our LPC construction crews please let Evan or Chris know--no experience needed.

**OUTDOOR WORSHIP** A very special Outdoor Worship and fun day is being planned for **September 16th**. Plan to be here and invite friends and family as we kick off the church new year! Don't miss it!

**CARE OUTREACH GROUP** In a desire to expand our outreach to the community, LPC is considering providing divorce and separation support to those in need. Several facilitators with experience related with divorce and separation, or an interest in showing compassion to those hurting will be needed. Materials for facilitation provided by curriculum. This is 13 week course and we are looking toward a January start. Please see Michael Longhurst or Amy Bates for questions.

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Bulletin Announcements or prayer request:  
Amy Bates at [abbiv4@yahoo.com](mailto:abbiv4@yahoo.com) or 704.622.5003

**Elder Session Members Clerk of Session – Chris Fish**  
Class of 18: Diane Haggerty, Matt Salyer, Lee Smith  
Class of 19: Ray Bradford, Chris Fish, Joan Hall  
Class of 20: Nancy Bartlett, Jane Blackman, Michael Longhurst

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

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

August Greeters: Larry Baucom & Jane Blackman  
August Head Usher: Matt Salyer

**ACOLYTES** - Lilly Hall  
Emma Salyer, Jadyn Salyer, Emma Haggerty

**COLLECTION COUNTERS** – To Volunteer see Cindy Fish  
August 12 – Greta Baucom

**NURSERY** – To Volunteer see Joan Hall & Diane Haggerty

**BRIDGE TO RECOVERY BREAKFAST TEAMS**  
Team 1 – Bob R, Ruthi J, James B. – 8-27-18 & 11-5-18  
Team 2 – Larry B, Vicki H, Chris F, - 9-10-18 & 11-19-18  
Team 3 - Nancy B, Robin H, John H, Cindy F. – 9-24-18 & 12-3-18  
Team 4 – Ray B, Deb B, Skip H. - 10-8-18 & 12-17-18  
Team 5 – Evan A, Matt S, Fred W. – 8-13-18, 10-22-18 & 12-31-18

**WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK** August 12 -19

<b>Today</b>	<b>9:15 am</b>	<b>Choir Practice</b>
	<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Connect Time</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:00am</b>	<b>West Stanly Rotary Meeting in FH</b>
	<b>6:00pm</b>	<b>Weight Watchers Meeting in FH</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>9:30am</b>	<b>Presbytery Mtg at Derita Presby</b>
		<b>“Hosted by CN Jenkins PC”</b>
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	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>Connect Time</b>

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Session Meeting  
Tuesday, August 28, 7:00pm

Mental Health Workshop  
Saturday, August 25 & September 8

Walk with God Group  
Thursday, August 30, 6:30pm

Wednesday Choir Practice Begins  
Wednesday, September 5, 7:00pm

Habitat Yard Sale at LPC  
Saturday, September 15, 8:00am

Fall Outdoor Worship & Lunch “Fallapoloosa”  
Sunday, September 16

**Session Committee Chairs:**

*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