

**WELCOME TODAY:** Today we welcome, Ardy Skidmore to our pulpit. Ardy is a recent graduate of Union Theological Seminary's Charlotte campus and is currently working on her Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE). She was sponsored through the Steele Creek Presbyterian Church and served there as a ruling elder prior to hearing the call to seminary. Ardy will be with us January 13, 20 and 27 as well. Welcome to Locust.

**MUSIC NOTES:** Christmas season never really ends, but on the Church (liturgical) calendar, the celebration traditionally ends with the Feast of Epiphany which will be next Sunday, January 6. So, today, the choir will continue with a great Christmas medley based on the song, *Angels from the Realms of Glory*. Several folks are out-of-town today, so we thank Michael Longhurst, Leah Joyner and Lilly Hall for stepping up and helping with today's service.

**INTERIM MODERATOR:** The Session is pleased to report that Rev. Elizabeth Ayscue of First Pres. in Albemarle will be our interim Moderator. She will serve in this role as the Session seeks a long-term Supply Pastor.

**WEDNESDAY MEAL:** JOIN us Wednesday at 6:00pm for a family community meal by Cindy Fish & Team.

**CONGREGATIONAL MTG:** The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on January 13 following a covered dish lunch after worship. Make plans to stay that day as we look toward the future of our church

**HABITAT HOME UPDATES:** If you would like to schedule your time to work please see Michael Longhurst. LADIES..save the date of Monday, January 21 for an ALL LADIES BUILD DAY. Another great way to help is we will be making lunches to be delivered to the work crews on site. We are on a weekly rotation with the other 2 churches: **Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> -16<sup>th</sup> – Locust will be responsible for the meals.** Questions- See Jane, Chris or Michael.

**REV. EVAN AMO** has accepted a call to Peoples Presbyterian Church in Denver, Colorado. Evan and Lauren will be moving on January 8. *Upcoming Supply Pastors; January 6 – Petra Wahnefried-Sprick  
January 13, 20 & 27- Rev. Ardy Skidmor*

# LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN

December 30, 2018



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# LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 30, 2018, 11:00 AM

*We welcome any visitors who may be with us today. May the Lord bless our fellowship time together. We wish you a Merry Christmas.*

## Prelude, Welcome, Announcements

### Songs of Praise: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly

Hymn #37 Presbyterian Hymnal

Infant holy, infant lowly, for His bed a cattle stall;  
Oxen lowing, little knowing Christ the babe is Lord of all.  
Swift are winging Angels singing, Noels ringing,  
Tidings bringing: Christ the babe is Lord of all.

Flocks were sleeping; shepherds keeping vigil till the morning new.

Saw the glory, heard the story, tidings of a gospel true.  
Thus rejoicing, free from sorrow, praises voicing  
Greet the morrow: Christ the babe was born for you.

### Good Christian Friends, Rejoice

Hymn #28 Presbyterian Hymnal

### Children's Message

### Prayer of Restoration

### Anthem: The Realms of Glory Medley LPC Choir

*Music by Henry Smart, James Montgomery, Bradley Knight*  
"Angels from the realms of glory, wing your flight o'er all the earth. Ye who sang creation's story, now proclaim Messiah's birth.."

**Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17**

**Ardy Skidmore**

**Sermon: A New Year, A New Wardrobe**

### Affirmation of Faith (from Apostles Creed)

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen**

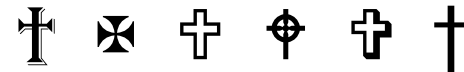
### Faith Conversations

### Prayers of the People

### 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



### PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR:

**Our Session and Our LPC Family**, Our Government Leaders, LPC Prayer Shawl Ministry, Our Youth, Our Military. Our Police Officers, Bill Dehn Helen Smetts, Virginia Hartsell, Gay Troutman, Katherine Griffin, Fannie Hathcock, Ruth Bowers, Allen Linker, Carl Linker, Jeff Carson, Patsy Smith, Patty Amos, Those traveling during New Years Eve.

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

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK Dec. 23 – January 6

Today	9:30am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Connect Hour
	11:00am	Worship- Rev. Ardy Skidmore
Monday	6:15pm – 7:15	Girl Scout Troop Meets at LPC
Tuesday		HAPPY NEW YEAR
Wednesday	6:00pm	Wednesday Community Meal
	7:00pm	LPC Choir Practice
Thursday	7:00am	West Stanly Rotary Meeting
	6:00pm	Weight Watchers Meet in FH
Sunday	9:30am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Connect Hour
	11:00am	Worship- Petra Wahnefried-Sprik

January Greeter: Vicki Higgins & Larry Baucom

January Head Usher: Eugene

### BRIDGE TO RECOVERY BREAKFAST TEAMS

Team 1 – Bob R, Ruthi J, James B. – 12-31-18, 2-25-19

Team 2 – Larry B, Vicki H, Chris F, - 1-14-19, 3-11-19

Team 3 -Nancy B, John H, Cindy F. –1-28-19, 3-25-19

Team 4 – Matt S, Fred W., Skip H. - 2-11-19,4-8-19

#### **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

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Community Wed. Meals (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed)  
Wednesday, January 2nd & 16th, 6:00pm

Session Mission Statement Team Meeting  
Monday, January 7, 6:30pm

Divorce Care Planning Team Meeting  
Tuesday, January 8, 7:00pm

Meal (Lunch) for Habitat Home Build  
Monday – Saturday, Jan 14<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>

Ordination & Installation of Elder Class 2021  
Sunday, January 13, 11:00am

Annual Congregational Meeting & Lunch  
Sunday, January 13

American Red Cross Blood Drive  
Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup> 2:30 – 7:00pm

ALL LADIES BUILD @ Habitat House  
Monday, January 21, (Badin Home Build)

Session Meeting  
Tuesday, January 22, 7:00pm

Senior Lunch Bunch  
Tuesday, January 29, 11:00am

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