

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK Feb. 17 - 24

Today	9:30am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Connect Hour
	11:00am	Worship – Meg Shaw Skidmore
	4:00pm	John Denver Benefit Concert
Monday	6:15pm – 7:15	Girl Scout Troop Meets at LPC
Tuesday	7:00-8:30pm	Divorce Care Ministry in FH
Wednesday	6:00pm	Wednesday Meal by Robin & Team
	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 - Ardy Skidmore

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Senior Lunch Bunch @ El Vaquero (Walmart Shopping Cntr)  
Tuesday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am - Meet there.

Session Meeting  
Tuesday Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm

Wednesday Community Meals (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed)  
Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm

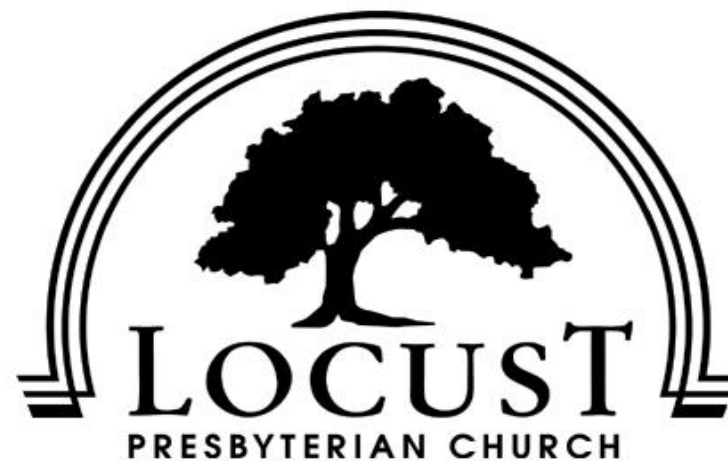
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[www.locustpresbyterian.org](http://www.locustpresbyterian.org)

Check out our Facebook page for up to date events and information.

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

## LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN

February 17, 2019



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**Our Mission:**

**"Locust Presbyterian glorifies God  
and grows in faith by serving and  
meeting needs of all, through love,  
hope and compassion."**

# LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

**Prelude** **Kay Howell**

**Welcome & Announcements** **Bob Remsburg**

**\*Song of Praise: Come, Christians, Join to Sing**

Hymn #150 Presbyterian Hymnal

**\*Song of Praise; O for a Heart to Praise My God**

Hymn #346 Hymns for the Living Church

O for a heart to praise my God, a heart from sin set free,  
A heart that always feels Thy blood so freely shed for me!

A humble, lowly, contrite heart, believing, true and clean;  
Which neither life nor death can part from Him the dwells within.

A heart in every thought renewed, and full of love divine;  
Perfect and right and pure and good, a copy Lord, of Thine!

Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart; come quickly from above,  
Write Thy new name upon my heart, Thy new best name of Love.

**Call to Confession** **Meg Skidmore**

**Prayer of Restoration  
Assurance of Pardon**

**Children's Message** **Meg Skidmore**

**Anthem: 10,000 Reasons** **LPC Choir**

*Written by Jonas Myrin, Matt Redman; Arranged by Cliff Duren*  
"Bless the Lord, O my soul. Worship His holy name. Sing like  
never before, O my soul, I worship Your holy name."

**Scripture: Luke 6: 17-26**

**Meg Skidmore**

**Sermon: "With Blessings Like These"**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (from the confession of Belhar)

We believe in God-the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church. We believe the church is one worldwide communion of saints, called from the entire human family. We believe the church is the single community of believers, reconciled with God and with one another. We believe that through the working of God's Spirit, unity is a binding force and also that we must seek this unity, which must become visible to the world. We believe that the sin of division, separation and hatred between people and groups has been conquered by Christ. We commit ourselves to protecting the unity of the church universal. We pledge to make this unity active in all of our words, thoughts and deeds.

**Prayers of the People**

**Meg Skidmore**

**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.

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Benediction**

**Meg Skidmore**

**Postlude**

**Kay Howell**



**WELCOME TODAY:** Today we welcome, Meg Shaw Skidmore to Locust for the first time. Meg is currently a chaplain with Hospice and Palliative Care in Charlotte. She has served several churches as an interim pastor and was an Associate Pastor at Mallard Creek Presbyterian. She also has experience as a barista at Starbucks. Meg was excited when contacted about coming to Locust because she likes to visit different churches in Charlotte Presbytery and she's never been to Locust before. Welcome Meg!

**ARDY** Ardy will be back next Sunday and also for the month of March.

**MUSIC NOTES:** Today's hymns are great "old" hymns of the church. *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* and *O For a Heart to Praise My God*. The last hymn is one from the old white hymnbook used by the church in the 1970s and 80s. It was sometimes sung as a response. The anthem today is a contemporary song by Matt Redman. Sing along if you wish to *10,000 Reasons*.

**CONCERT: TODAY at 4:00 PM,**

Locust Presbyterian will host a special concert, *Rocky Mountain High in Carolina! A tribute to John Denver*. This will be a special treat for us and we encourage you to invite friends, family and neighbors. Rod Almond and a talented group of musicians are coming together to give us a concert to remember! The concert is free. We will collect a love offering with funds going to support Live Again Ministries and Stanly County Habitat for Humanity. Don't miss it!!!

**HABITAT HOME UPDATES:** Questions- See Jane, Chris or Michael. Continue to look for opportunities to help out. Thanks to Michael, Jane and Chris for helping coordinate our part in this great ministry! Completion is very close!

**NEW CLASS:** The New Beginnings Connect group is beginning a new study based on Max Lucado's book on the Psalm 23, *Traveling Light*. Anyone can join this group each Sunday in the first classroom on the east wing next to the sanctuary. Hope you will participate in the New Beginnings Connect group of the Fellowship Connect Group which meets in the Fellowship Hall.

**WEST STANLY CHRISTIAN MINISTRY:** The urgent needs this month at the Pantry are: Pastas, Baked Beans, Pork N Beans, Laundry Detergent (small bottles), Shampoo, Disposable Razors, Rice, Canned Ham, Spam, Chef Boyardee Products, Black Eyed Peas. They can also now handle fresh juices and milk. These get expensive but if you wanted to bring a half gallon or two of milk, they now has fridge storage space. Please consider donating items to this worthy ministry.

**PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR:**

**Our Session & Our LPC Family,** Our Government Leaders, LPC Prayer Shawl Ministry, Our Youth, Our Military. Our Police Officers, Bill Dehn Helen Smetts, Virginia Hartsell, Ruth Bowers, Gay Troutman, Katherine Griffin, Fannie Hathcock, David Hartsell, Jordan Hinson, Kay Baucom,

**February Greeter: Jane Blackman & Fred Wickert**  
**February Head Usher: Eugene**

**March Greeter: Larry Baucom & Vicki Higgins**  
**March Head Usher: Eugene**

**BRIDGE TO RECOVERY BREAKFAST TEAMS**

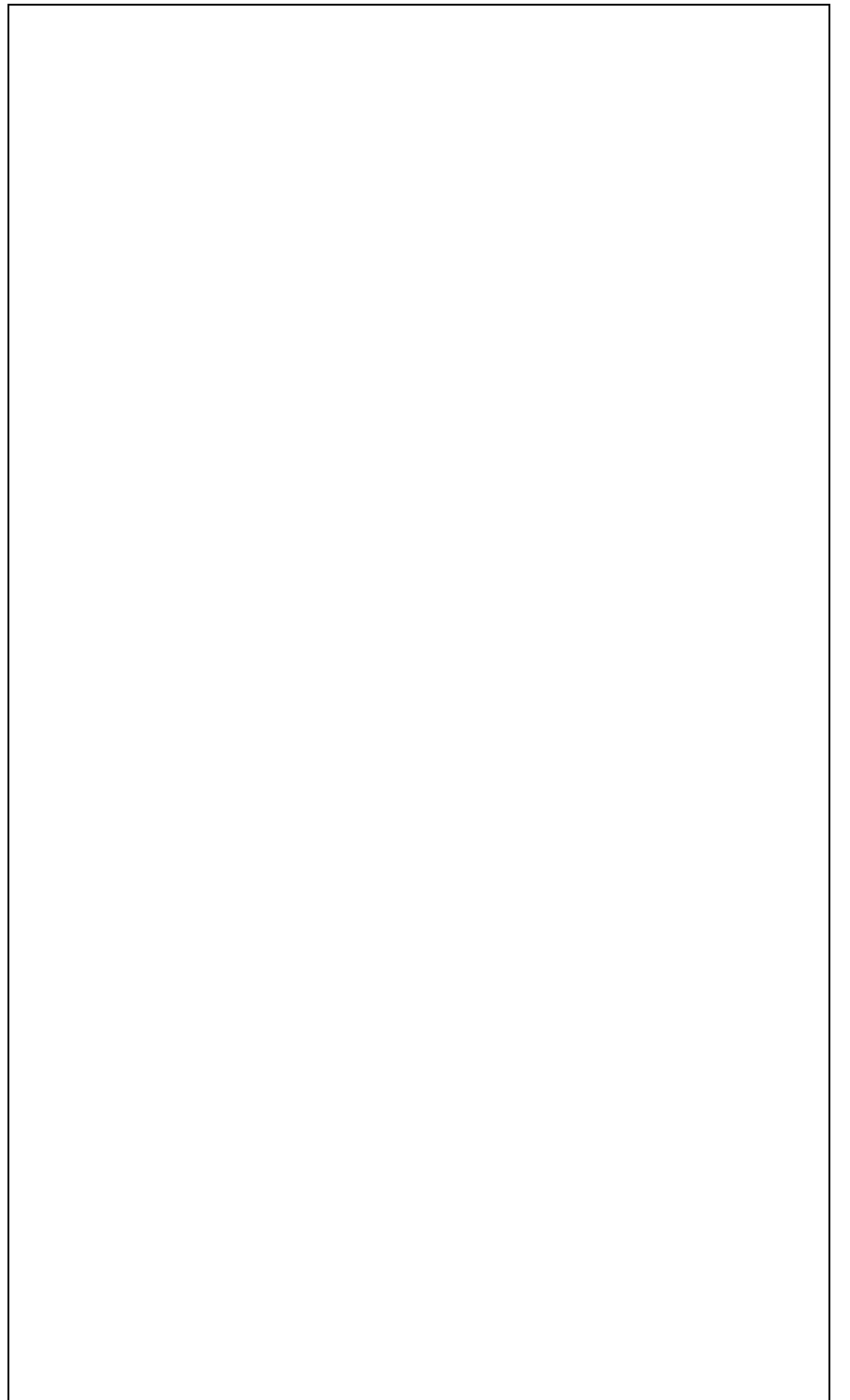
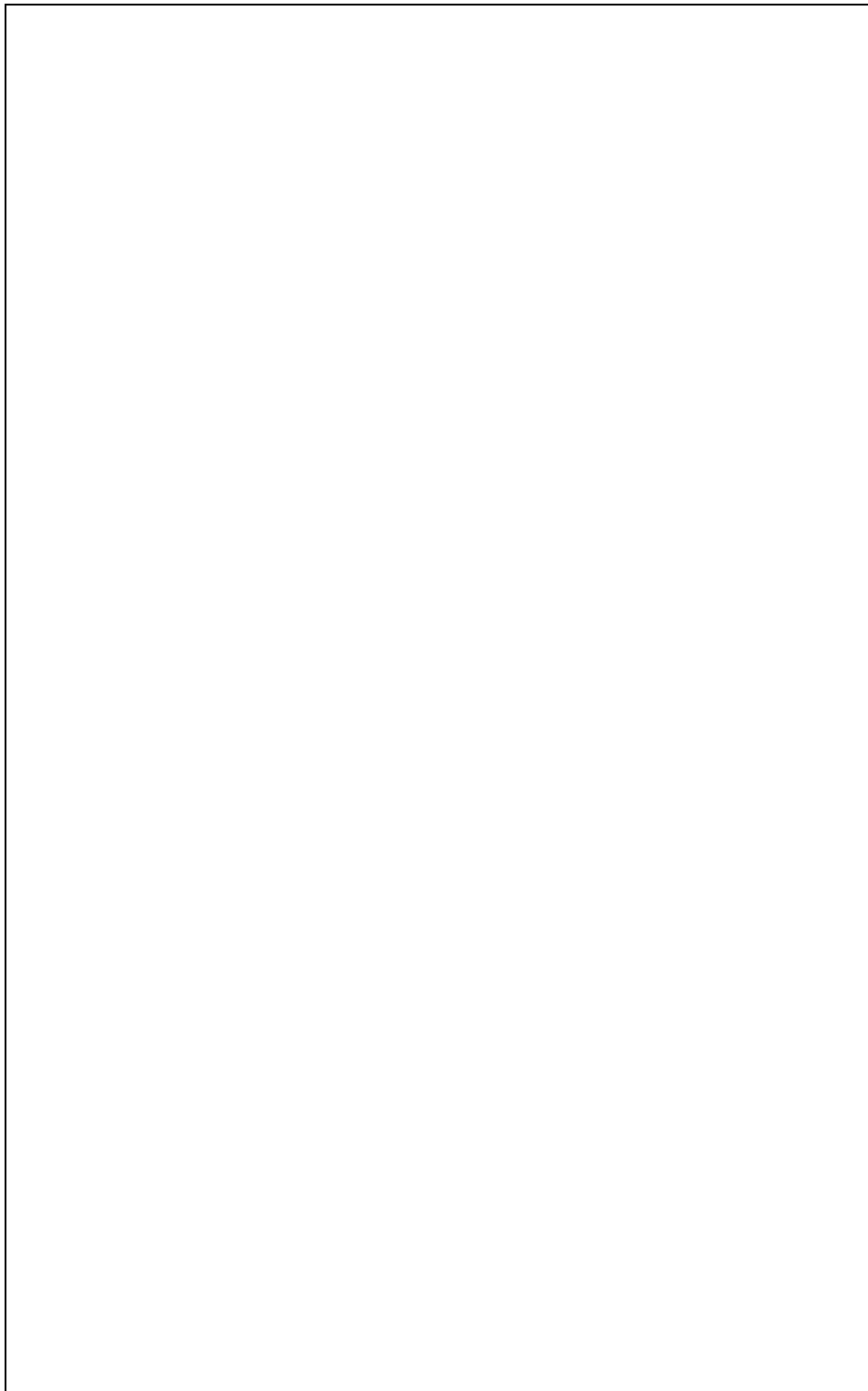
Team 1 – Bob R, Ruthi J, James B. – 2-25-19  
Team 2 – Larry B, Vicki H, Chris F. - 3-11-19  
Team 3 -Nancy B, John H, Cindy F. – 3-25-19  
Team 4 – Matt S, Fred W., Skip H. - 4-8-19

**SESSION Clerk of Session – Chris Fish**

Class of 19: Ray Bradford, Chris Fish, Joan Hall  
Class of 20: Nancy Bartlett, Jane Blackman, Michael Longhurst  
Class of 21: Leah Joyner

**Session Committee Chairs:**

*Administration & Finance Chair:* Chris Fish  
*Christian Education Co-Chairs:* Joan Hall, Nancy Bartlett, Leah Joyner  
*Building & Grounds Co-Chairs:* Ray Bradford  
*Worship & Music Chair:* Michael Longhurst, Leah Joyner  
*Congregational Life Co-Chairs:* Jane Blackman.  
*Mission, Outreach & Membership Co-Chairs:* Jane Blackman & Michael Longhurst



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### **Our Church Website**

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**Locust Presbyterian Church (USA)**

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