

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

February 18 - 25

<b>Today</b>	9:30 am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	5:00pm	Hatley Family & Hinson Girls Refreshments in FH to follow
<b>Monday</b>		
<b>Tuesday</b>		
<b>Wednesday</b>	6:00pm	Wednesday Meal
	7:00pm	Choir Practice
<b>Thursday</b>	7:00am	West Stanly Rotary Meeting in FH
	6:00pm	Weight Watchers Meeting in FH
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	9:30 am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Sunday School
	11:00am	Worship

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Session Meeting	February 27, 7:00pm
Senior Lunch Bunch-DeAnn's (leave LPC 10:50am)	February 27, <b>11:00am</b>
Worship Committee Mtg	February 28, 7:00pm
Finish the Race 5k Series Starts	March 1, 6:30pm
Chicken Dinner Fundraiser	March 23, 4:00pm
Spring Workday to Clean up at LPC	March 24, 9am
Senior Lunch Bunch	March 27, 11:00am
Session Meeting	March 27, 7:00pm

### BULLETIN & PRAYER CONCERN

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

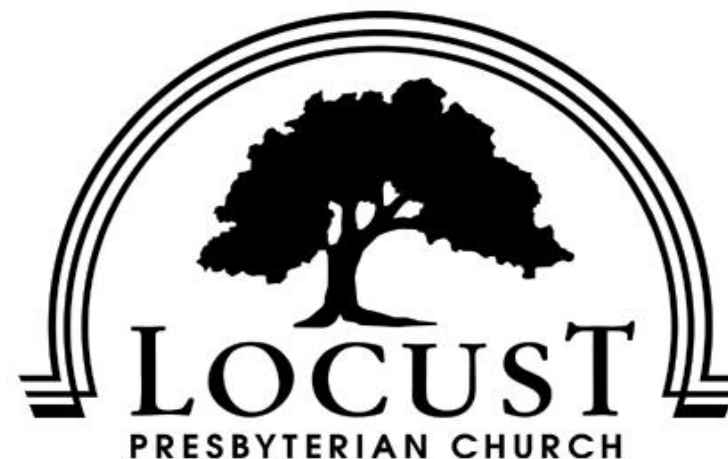
### UPDATE YOUR INFO

If you have had a change of phone number, email, update picture or need to be added to the church directory-PLEASE see Amy Bates.

# LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN

2-18-18

*1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent*



### 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, Welcome, Announcements**

**Honoring Birthdays and Anniversaries**

**Children's Message**

**Rev. Evan Amo**

**\*Call to Worship:**

One: To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust;

**Many: do not let me be put to shame;**

**do not let my enemies exult over me.**

One: Make me to know your ways, O LORD;

teach me your paths.

**Many: Lead me in your truth, and teach me,**

**for you are the God of my salvation;**

**for you I wait all day long.**

**\*Opening Hymn: My Life Is in You, Lord**

**#2032 Sing the Faith**

**Call to Confession**

**Silent Confession**

**Corporate Confession**

**Holy God, you are the source of truth and giver of life. We confess to you the ways we ignore the life to which you have called us, as we seek out pathways other than your own. We need your grace. We need your Spirit to breathe life into us. Lead us, on your path of righteousness, that we might shed the chains of sin and be renewed in your love, o God of our Salvation.**

**Assurance of Grace**

**Rev. Evan Amo**

## **SENIOR LUNCH BUNCH**

Join this awesome group for the monthly lunches!!! This month on Tuesday, February 27 plan to leave LPC for lunch at DeAnna's kitchen in Midland at 10:50am or meet them there for 11:00am reservations. Need more information or directions see Glenda Love.

## **SENIOR CENTER INPUT**

Your input is needed regarding Senior Services in Stanly County. Please come to a drop in on Tuesday, February 20 from 9 to 11:00am in the Joel Huneycutt room at Locust Government Center. More info – call 704.986.3769. Now is the time to make your voice heard.

## **HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

Stanly County Habitat for Humanity BBQ Chicken Fundraiser ½ BBQ Chicken, Slaw, Chips, Roll, and Dessert Thursday, February 22 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. At Centerview Baptist Church (508 Northeast Connector, Albemarle) Advance tickets available in the church office. Ticket Prices: \$9.00 in advance...\$10.00 day of the event Drive Thru, Take-Out, Delivery, & Dine-In Delivery Available with orders of 5+ plates \*\*\*\*(Delivery must be scheduled before February 20)\*\*\*\* Catered by Port-A-Pit BBQ.

## **COMMUNITY NEEDS**

You are requested to complete the 2018 Community Health Assessment survey. This is the survey the Stanly County Health Department and Carolinas HealthCare System Stanly conduct to determine what our major priorities are for the next three years by analyzing community responses and State data. **The survey can be done through February 28.** For more information, contact Debbie Bennett at dbennett@stanlycountync.gov or 704-982-9171. The link is:

<https://goo.gl/forms/u0c06jntFJeY1Sc32> or visit the Stanly County Health Department website at health.stanlycountync.gov

## **LENT DEVOTIONS Theme: "Jesus' Questions"**

You are invited to check out these special services during Lent in Albemarle. COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES at First-Albemarle Presbyterian

Wednesdays: February 21, at Noon in the Sanctuary; An offering will be received to support a local helping agency; Lunch following in the Gym; Cost: Donation

**Wednesday, February 21** Preacher: Rev. Bob Gruver, Pastor of Albemarle First Assembly Church; Worship Leader: Rev. Ray Sipe, Chaplain at Trinity Place

## 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, Ruth Colavito, Doug Hill. Ben Sloop, Ron Lane, Doris Watson-flu, Prayers for safe travels for Maverick Baucom David Hartsell- Clear Creek Nursing Center on Hwy 51 – Room 704 Laura Medlin-pneumonia-Shirley Hatley's mother.

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

**Feb. Greeters: Jane Blackman & Larry      March Greeters: Lauren Osgo & Fred Wickert**  
**Feb. Head Usher: James Baucom      March Head Usher: Gene Colavito**

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

**COLLECTION COUNTERS** – To Volunteer see Cindy Fish  
2-18-18 Joan Hall & Chris Fish  
2-25 Greta Baucom & Deb Bradford

**MEAL TEAMS** **Robin Hill-1<sup>st</sup> Wed, Cindy Fish- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed & Contina Salyer-5<sup>th</sup> Wed.**

March 7	April 4	May 2
March 21	April 18	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**

Often during Lent the music becomes a bit somber and reflective. While being reflective is really important as we approach Easter, we are going to ignore that most of today in the music side of the worship. Rev. Amo's theme calls for us to sing songs about trusting God's will and following His pathways. So, we'll open worship with a song from the small *Sing the Faith* book, *My Life is in You, Lord!* You'll see why this song is good one as you hear more about today's theme regarding pathways. The choir will sing *Trading My Sorrows*. This song is all about the choices we make to let God take care of all our troubles. The second anthem is based on the old hymn, *On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand*. We'll finish the service with a song printed in the bulletin, *I'm Pressing on the Upward Way*. In this song, we ask for God's help to plant things "on higher ground".

## **HATLEY/HINSON CONCERT**

Be sure to be at LPC tonight at 5:00 PM for a fantastic concert doubleheader with The Hatley Family and The Hinson Girls. We will be having finger food following the concerts. Invite your friends and please bring a dish to share. We expect a full crowd.

## **FINISH THE RACE**

Finish the Race! Join our walk/run 5k challenge.

Join in a healthy challenge of body and spirit in this 12 week journey guided by *Run for God* as we reflect on scripture and train together to run or walk a 5k. The race will be on June 1 at 6:30 in Locust Town Center, and we will begin our weekly devotional and practice together on March 1 at 6:30. You can sign up on the sign up sheet or call the church. You can contact Cindy Fish or Jane Blackman for more details.

## **ELECTRIC POWER BILL**

Everyone's electric bill was high in January due to the really cold temperatures. The church's bill was also very high. If you can help with some extra offering to assist the church in covering the extra expense, it will be much appreciated. Also, please help by making sure the thermostats are adjusted downward during the winter months to help us save money and to save our planet's energy (a bit of God's creation).

<b>LPC FINANCIAL UPDATE</b>
Needed Weekly in General Fund: \$ 3,072.00
Given Last Week General Fund: \$

## **\*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: Trading My Sorrows**

**LPC Choir**

*Words and Music by Darrell Evans; Arranged by Dave Williamson*

## **Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

## **Tithes and Offering**

## **Musical Offering: The Solid Rock**

**LPC Choir**

*dward Mote, William Bradbury, Greg Allen, Brian Sites; BJ Davis*

## **Offering Response**

*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*

## **Sermon Series: Postures of Renewal**

**Scripture: Psalm 25:1-10**

## **Sermon: Charting the Pathway of God**

## **Affirmation of Faith: Apostle's 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 at 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 life everlasting. Amen.**

## **\*Hymn: I'm Pressing on the Upward Way**

**#355 Hymns for the Living Church**

## **\*Benediction**

**Rev. Evan Amo**



## **BE AN INFORMED LPC MEMBER**

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Below is a great way to stay connected:

To view our church directory online, go to **members.InstantChurchDirectory.com** and follow the prompts under "Sign In" to "Create a login now." Please remember, you must confirm your email address before you can sign in.

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**

**Locust Presbyterian Church (USA)**

Have you liked the LPC Facebook page? This page is full of up to date information, pictures and events. Please LIKE it today! Need help or have questions? CONTACT AMY BATES



**COMMUNITY**  
*Lenten Worship  
and Luncheon*

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**Wednesday, March 7** Preacher: Rev. James Lawrence, Pastor of First Lutheran Church Worship Leader: Rev. Matt Drumheller, Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church

**Wednesday, March 14** Preacher: Rev. Jacob Waldrip, Associate Pastor of First Baptist Church; Worship Leader: Dr. Andy Jung, Senior Pastor of First Baptist Church

**Wednesday, March 21** Preacher: Rev. Dr. Jim Bernacki, Rector of Christ Episcopal Church; Worship Leader: Rev. Ben Sloan, Pastor of Bethany United Methodist Church