

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK Feb. 24 – March 3

Today	9:30am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Connect Hour
	11:00am	Worship - Ardy Skidmore
Monday	6:15pm – 7:15	Girl Scout Troop Meets at LPC
Tuesday	11:30am	Senior Lunch @ El Vaquero
	7:00-8:30pm	Divorce Care Ministry in FH
	7:00pm	Session Meeting
Wednesday	7:00pm	LPC Choir Practice
Thursday	7:00am	West Stanly Rotary Meeting
	Noon	Bible Study for Day of Prayer @ Joel Huneycutt Room - Locust
	6:00pm	Weight Watchers Meet in FH
Sunday	9:30am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Connect Hour
	11:00am	Worship - Ardy Skidmore
		Communion – Diane Giannola

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Ash Wednesday Service (Ardy Skidmore)
Wednesday, March 6th, 7:00pm

Senior Lunch Bunch
Tuesday, March 26th at 11:00am

Session Meeting
Tuesday, March 26 at 7:00pm

The church office phone number is 704.888.4339.

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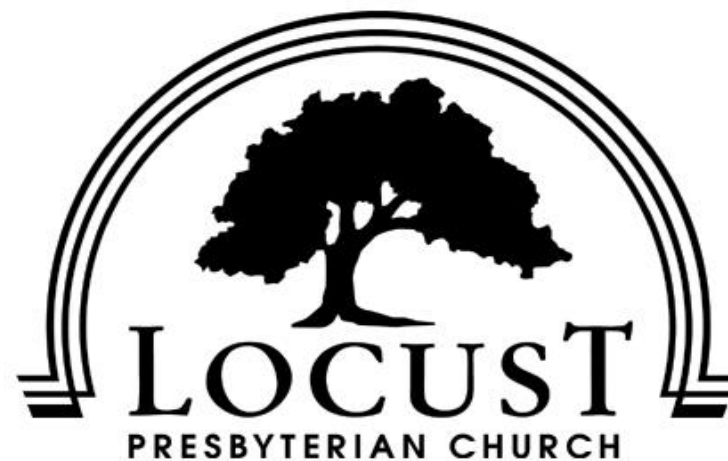
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Check out our Facebook page for up to date events and information.

Bulletin Announcements or prayer request:
Amy Bates at abbiv4@yahoo.com or 704.622.5003

LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN

February 24, 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

Prelude

Kay Howell

Welcome & Announcements

Bob Remsburg

***Song of Praise: Take Time to Be Holy**

Hymn #392 Hymns for the Loving Church

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;
Abide in Him always, and feed on His Word.
Make friends of God's children; help those who are weak;
Forgetting in nothing His blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;
Much time spend in secret with Jesus alone'
By looking to Jesus, like Him thou shalt be;
Thy friends in thy conduct His likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let Him be thy guide,
And run not before Him whatever betide;
In joy or in sorrow still follow thy Lord
And, looking to Jesus, still trust in His Word.

Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul;
Each thought and each motive beneath His control;
Thus led by His Spirit to fountains of love,
Thou soon shalt be fitted for service above.

***Song of Praise; Take My Life**

Hymn #391 Presbyterian Hymnal

Prayer of Restoration (from Psalm 37)

ONE: Do not fret because of the wicked;
ALL: do not be envious of wrongdoers,

ONE: Trust in the LORD, and do good;
ALL: so you will live in the land, and enjoy security.

ONE: Take delight in the LORD,
ALL: and he will give you the desires of your heart.

ONE: Commit your way to the LORD;
ALL: trust in him, and he will act.

ONE: Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for him;
ALL: do not fret over those who prosper in their way, over those who carry out evil devices.

ONE: Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath.
ALL: Do not fret--it leads only to evil.

ONE: The salvation of the righteous is from the LORD;
ALL: he is their refuge in the time of trouble. Lord hear our prayer

Children's Message

Ardy Skidmore

Anthem: Bless the Lord

LPC Choir

Scripture: Luke 6:27-38

Sermon: Measures of Grace

Ardy Skidmore

***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

Ardy 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**

Ardy Skidmore

***Benediction**

Postlude

Kay Howell

WELCOME TODAY: Today we welcome, Ardy Skidmore back with us. Ardy is a recent graduate of Union Presbyterian Seminary's Charlotte campus. Ardy will be with us each Sunday through March and on Ash Wednesday.

MUSIC NOTES: Today's hymns fit with the scripture lesson today. Jesus calls us to turn the other cheek and to love our enemies. This includes taking our life and using it for service to others. The anthem by the choir is a Laura Story song, *Bless the Lord*. This is a fantastic song where we can let God refine us. Jesus came "to heal the broken, to redeem and make me whole."

FLOWERS TODAY: The flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ruby Smith by her son Maurice Jr, granddaughter Sarah and her husband Aaron. Ruby and husband Maurice Sr were life long active members of LPC. They were very loved and respected by all.

SENIOR LUNCH BUNCH: They will be meeting at El Vaquero Mexican Restaurant on Tuesday at 11:30am for their monthly lunch. All ages are invited to join them. This is located in the Wal-Mart shopping Center.

SESSION MEETING: The regular monthly Session meeting will be this Tuesday at 7:00pm in the Children's Church Room. As always you are invited to attend the Session Meeting. Rev. Asycue will be the moderator.

ASH WEDNESDAY: Ash Wednesday service will be March 6 at 7:00 pm. Ardy Skidmore will be leading this meaningful service. This will be after our 6:00pm supper in the Fellowship Hall.

HABITAT HOME UPDATES: Questions- See Jane, Chris or Michael. *We are responsible for preparing lunches next week for the Habitat teams. Need volunteers – See JANE or MICHAEL.* Completion is very close!

THANK YOU: This week in Roatán we will distribute 200 water filters. Your donation from the concert will enable us to buy 30 more, providing clean water to 200 people or more. Thank you and Locust Presbyterian for being a light to the community and to the world. Ronny Russell, Executive Director, Live Again Ministries. Thank you to Rod Almond & Friends for the concert last Sunday!!

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER – MAY 2: at noon in Town Center. Brenda Carpenter is heading up a committee to organize and hold prayer groups/bible studies leading up to the event. **First meeting is Thursday, February 28th at noon in the Joel Honeycutt room at the Government Center.** Weekly meetings/Bible studies will begin in March and go through April. Bible Study will be lead by Marcelle Hickey on how to Seek/Love/Serve God. This is a wonderful event/study with an amazing group of people. All are invited to join, but we would like to have at least one volunteer to represent LPC. Please see Jane Blackman for more information, (210) 889-7932.

MISSIONS: ASP MISSION TRIP TO JONESVILLE, VA

Sponsored by MorningStar Presbyterian Church

MorningStar Presbyterian Church is welcoming congregational mission teams to join our efforts for a weekend Appalachia Service Project trip to **Jonesville (Lee County, Virginia) the first weekend in May 2019.**

It will involve travel to the ASP center in Jonesville, VA on Thursday, May 2nd, with work onsite Friday and Saturday, and returning to our home congregations Sunday morning May 5th. Work teams are composed of 5-6 adults per team. The cost is \$95 at registration time per team (before March 1), and \$130 per team member, with the balance of fees due to ASP by April 2nd. *PLEASE LET AMY BATES KNOW this week if you are interested.*

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, A friend of one of our employees (John Spencer) lost his house Thursday to fire. Please keep Billy Griffin in your prayers, he lost everything.

February Greeter: Jane Blackman & Fred Wickert

February Head Usher: Eugene

March Greeter: Larry Baucom & Vicki Higgins

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BRIDGE TO RECOVERY BREAKFAST TEAMS

Team 1 – Bob R, Ruthi J, James B. – 2-25-19 4-22-19 6-17-19
Team 2 – Larry B, Vicki H, Chris F. - 3-11-19 5-6-19 7-1-19
Team 3 -Nancy B, John H, Cindy F. – 3-25-19 5-20-19 7-15-19
Team 4 – Matt S, Fred W., Skip H. - 4-8-19 6-3-19 7-29-19

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

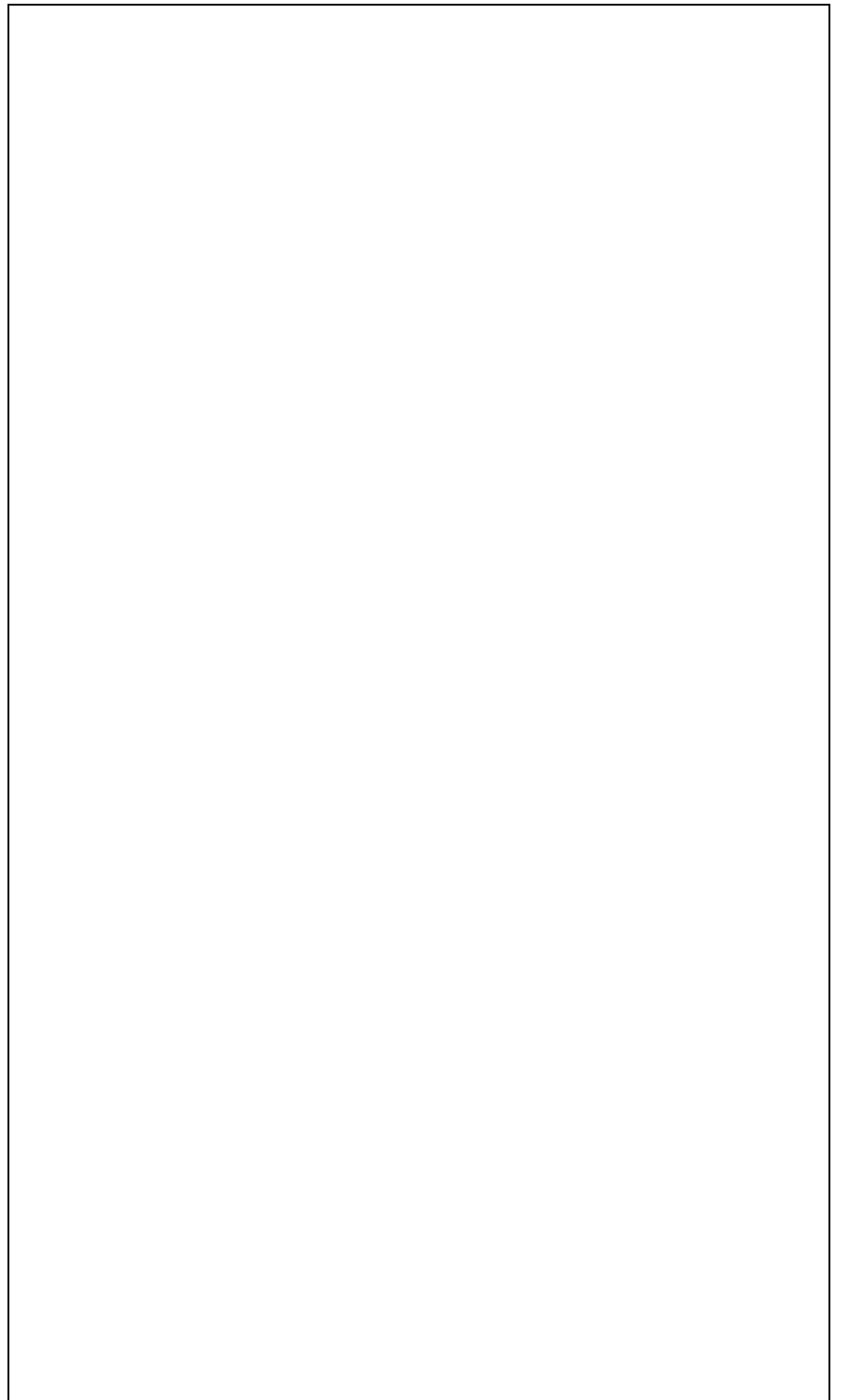
Christian Education Co-Chairs: Joan Hall, Nancy Bartlett. Leah Joyner

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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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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