

*Ladies of Locust (LOL) meeting for lunch today. For information see Jane Blackman.

*Join us this Wednesday for book discussion "The Return of the Prodigal Son" Henri Nouwen at 6:30pm in The New Beginnings Classroom.

*LPC Youth (F3 – Faith, Fun, Fellowship) see Contina for information.

*Card Ministry meets on Tuesday 6:00pm & Thursday 9:30am

*Save - August 14 for the Summer Ice Cream Churn Off and Hymn sign.

*"Come have Lunch" will be August 17 at 11:30am.

*Save - August 21, 12-4pm for the Archie Love Community Blood drive. We will have the blood/platelet buses in the parking lot.

*August 31st book discussion will be "Sabbath" by Wayne Muller

Session & Committee Chairs & Mtg Dates

Clerk of Session – Chris Fish

Administration & Finance: Tammi Remsburg 8-14@9:30am

Building & Grounds: Scott Hall

Christian Education: Dennis Joyner

Congregational Life & Mission: Contina Salyer 8-10 @6:30pm

Worship & Music: Bonnie Hovey 8-24 @6:30pm

Session Meeting - August 21

Communion Server – August 7 – Dennis Joyner

Offering Counters

July - Amy & Joan

Greeter

July 24 – Leah Joyner

July 31 – Rex Hovey

August 7 – Bonnie Hovey

August 14 – Contina Salyer

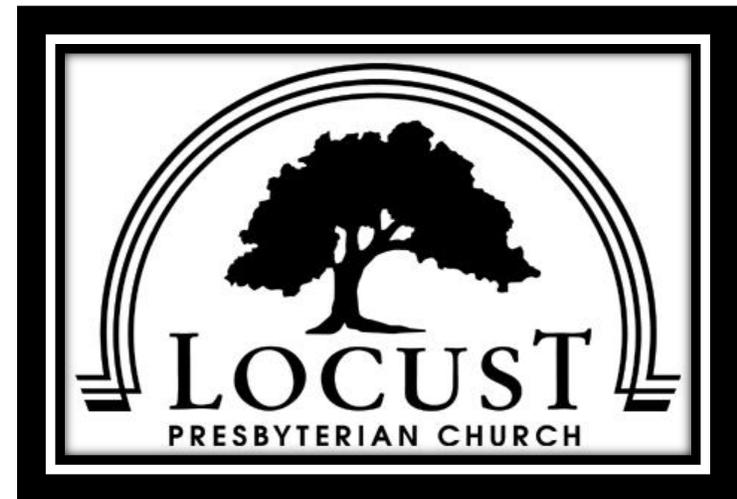
August 24 – Bonnie Hovey

Prayer Concerns:

Our Pastor Ardy Skidmore, Our Nation, Our Police, Our Military, Conflict in Ukraine, People of Afghanistan, Charlie Higgins, Glenda Love, Virginia Hartsell, Bill Dehn, Gay Troutman, David Hartsell, Kay Baucom-hip surgery recovery, Craig Blackman's Mother surgery, Emma Dixon-preemie baby born at 23 weeks-Janice Hil's family member.

July 24, 2022

Jesus
Name Above All Names



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

Pastor: Rev. Ardy Skidmore

Welcome and Announcements **Rev. Ardy Skidmore**

Call to Worship:

ONE: Come worship the Lord!

ALL: We praise the Lord with our whole being

ONE: You are the God of steadfast love

ALL: We learn from that love and worship you

ONE: You are the God of hope

ALL: We praise you as our faithful God

Morning Prayer **Rev. Skidmore**

Children's Message

***Hymn: #482 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty**

Call to Confession **Rev. Skidmore**

Prayer of Confession: (unison) Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Restore us to a right relationship with you and with each other and sustain us with your Holy Spirit. You have called us beloved; you have called us as your children, hear our confession and need to be forgiven. Hear the silent cries of our hearts.

Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, in now, and every shall be, world with out end, amen, amen.**

Psalm 85

Prayer of Illumination **Rev. Skidmore**

**Scripture: Hosea 1:2-10
Colossians 2:6-19**

Sermon: "Name above all names" **Rev. Skidmore**

***Affirmation of Faith (unison)** **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.

***Hymn: #466 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

***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**

***Charge & Benediction** **Rev. Skidmore**

***Sending Song – #2281**

May you run and not be weary, may your heart be filled with song.
And may the love of God continue to give you hope and keep you strong.
And may you run and not be weary. May your life be filled with joy!
And may the road you travel always lead you home.

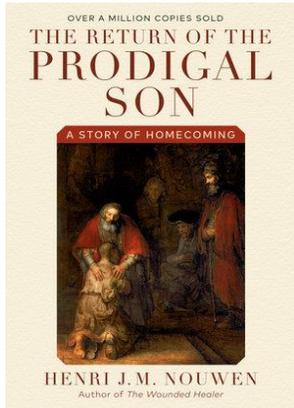
Postlude **Timothy Brown**



Accompanist: Tim Brown Choir Director: Bob Remsburg

Pastor: Rev. Ardy Skidmore
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SUMMER BOOK

We will be reading this book for July. We will meet on July 27 at 6:30pm in the New Beginnings Classroom for a book discussion. Get the book, read, join in and invite a friend!!

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“The Return of the Prodigal Son” *By: Henri J.M. Nouwen*

With over a million copies sold, this classic work is essential reading for all who ask, “Where has my struggle led me?”

A chance encounter with a reproduction of Rembrandt’s *The Return of the Prodigal Son* catapulted Henri Nouwen on an unforgettable spiritual adventure. Here he shares the deeply personal and resonant meditation that led him to discover the place within where God has chosen to dwell.

As Nouwen reflects on Rembrandt’s painting in light of his own life journey, he evokes a powerful drama of the classic parable in a rich, captivating way that is sure to reverberate in the hearts of readers. Nouwen probes the several movements of the parable: the younger son’s return, the father’s restoration of sonship, the elder son’s resentfulness, and the father’s compassion. The themes of homecoming, affirmation, and reconciliation will be newly discovered by all who have known loneliness, dejection, jealousy, or anger. The challenge to love as God loves, and to be loved as God’s beloved, will be seen as the ultimate revelation of the parable known to Christians throughout time, and is here represented with a vigor and power fresh for our times.

Henri J. M. Nouwen was a Dutch-born Catholic priest, professor, and pastor, who gained international renown as the author of more than thirty books on the spiritual life, including such classics as *The Wounded Healer*, *The Inner Voice of Love* and *The Return of the Prodigal Son*. Since his death in 1996, ever increasing numbers of readers, writers, teachers, and seekers have been guided by his literary legacy.