

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

May 13 - 20

Today	9:30 am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship
	12:15pm	Mother's Day Lunch
Monday	7:00pm	Bible Study with Evan
Tuesday	9:30am	Presbytery Mtg at Myers Park PC
Wednesday	7:00pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	7:00am	West Stanly Rotary Meeting in FH
	6:00pm	Weight Watchers Meeting in FH
	6:30pm	Run for God Bible Study
Friday	7:00pm	Movie Night in LPC Backyard
Saturday		
Sunday	9:30 am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Sunday School
	11:00 am	Worship – Pentecost
		Spring Outdoor Worship Covered Dish Lunch

UPCOMING EVENTS

Session Meeting	May 22, 7:00pm
Senior Lunch Bunch-Last one before summer break	May 29, 11:00am
Hibachi Buffet in Matthews	
Finish the Race – 5k	June 1, 6:30pm
Graduation Sunday to Honor our Grads	June 3, 11:00am
American Red Cross Blood Drive	June 11, 2:30-7:30pm
Archie Love Memorial Blood Drive*	July 29
*Community Blood Bank	
VBS Campout	August 10

LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN

May 13, 2018



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

***Choral Call to Worship: Praise the Name of Jesus
#2066 Sing the Faith**

*Praise the name of Jesus. Praise the name of Jesus.
He's my Rock, he's my Fortress, he's my deliverer,
In Him will I trust. Praise the name of Jesus.*

***Call to Worship:** (from Psalm 47)

One: Clap your hands, all you peoples;
shout to God with loud songs of joy.

**Many: For the LORD, the Most High, is awesome,
a great king over all the earth.**

One: God has gone up with a shout,
the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

**Many: Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

**All: For God is the king of all the earth;
sing praises with a psalm.**

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Evan Amo

**Children's Message
(children may leave for the Nursery)**

***Opening Hymn: Seek Ye First
#333 Presbyterian Hymnal**

Call to Confession

Silent Prayer of Confession

OUTDOOR WORSHIP

A great tradition here at LPC is the celebration of Spring with Outdoor Worship under the large oak tree. Following the service, we will have a covered dish lunch in the fellowship hall and you are asked to bring food to share for this lunch. This will be celebrated next Sunday, May 20. This is a great time to invite a friend to join you at church.

NEW BEGINNINGS

The New Beginnings Sunday School Class will be beginning a new study beginning today using the book *If it could happen here... Turning the small membership church around* by Jeffrey H. Patton. This is a short book about how a Methodist congregation in rural Pennsylvania went from being a quiet 50 participant church into a thriving, spirit-filled ministry. Perhaps we can glean some information for our transformation. All are welcome to participate in this study, Sunday mornings at 10:00am.

WELCOME NEW GENERAL PRESBYTER

REV. DR. JANICE EDMISTON

Rev. Dr. Jan Edmiston has now officially begun as our new General Presbyter. Jan's call was approved at our February Presbytery meeting and she began her service on May 1st. She is also serving as the current Co-Moderator of the 222nd General Assembly of the PC(USA). We are so proud to have her join the Presbytery of Charlotte family and look we forward to working and serving with her for many years to come.

Jan's Email address is jan.edmiston@presbyofcharlotte.com

Presbytery Office direct line: 980-207-5212

CHURCH DIRECTORY APP

If you use the church directory app you will notice a new improvement. The iOS App that includes Groups and Birthdays just like the Android App has been released! Members should see the update in the App Store or their devices will automatically update if that feature is turned on within the next 7 days.

As a reminder, this did require us to log all members out when they update their app to ensure they don't get into a bad state. They can log back in using their email address and the password they created. Or use the FORGOT password option to create another one. You can see Amy Bates if you have problems.

***Affirmation of Faith: Apostle's Creed**

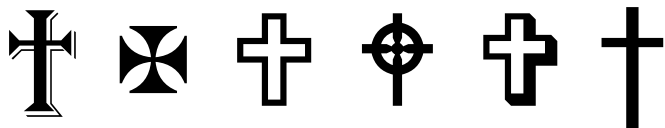
I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he 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: Crown Him with Many Crowns
#151 Presbyterian Hymnal**

***Benediction**

Evan Amo

Postlude



BULLETIN & PRAYER CONCERN

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

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

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, Brandon Furr, Patsy Smith-Seizures, Chan Smith, Joe Garzoni-Peggy's son, David Hartsell-home!!! Jane Ellen Huneycutt-double pneumonia.

Channing Smith-c/o Independence Lodge, Room 206, 400 East Independence Blvd, Charlotte, NC 28205

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

May Greeter: Fred & Jane

May Head Usher: Eugene

ACOLYTES - Lilly Hall

Emma Salyer, Jady Salyer, Emma Haggerty

COLLECTION COUNTERS – To Volunteer see Cindy Fish

5-13 Greta Baucom & Deb Bradford

5-27 5-6 Chris Fish & Michael Longhurst

5-20 Amy Bates & Joan Hall

MEAL TEAMS

May 30 - This meal will be the last before summer break – prepared by Girl Scout Troop

NURSERY – To Volunteer see Joan Hall & Diane Haggerty

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

Do you experience Jesus in every breath of air you take in? The anthem today begins with "This is the air I breathe". Sometimes we lose our focus or forget about God's presence in our lives. Just remember that with every breath you take you are receiving a gift from God. During the offering, the choir will share a fun, fast-paced song, *People Like Us*. This is not Kelly Clarkson's song, but a nice gospel song that reminds us that all God's people need prayer! We pray that the music today adds an extra blessing to your faith journey.

FLOWERS

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Margaret Stewart by her LPC family. Please join us in celebrating her 95th birthday!!

MOTHERS DAY LUNCH

A long - time tradition here at LPC is Mother's Day lunch prepared by the Men of the Church. Everyone is invited to stay for lunch today. We will also be celebrating the birthday of Margaret Stewart!!!

NURSERY

Following the Children's message, the children (birth-k) may go to the Nursery. Questions or if you would like to volunteer please see Joan Hall or Diane Haggerty.

BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study will resume on Monday at 7pm with Evan.

WEDNESDAY MEAL

Please join us Wednesday at 6:00pm for the meal prepared by Cindy Fish & Team. Following the meal will be Choir practice at 7:00pm. For those not in choir the Congregational Life Team will be doing a clean up of the basement area in preparation for the Family Movie Night. You are invited to help.

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Plan to join us this Friday for family movie night. We are starting at 7 and movie begins at 8:00pm. Bring a lawn chair and come join us. The event will be in the field behind the fellowship hall. This is a community event and we look forward to having our community join us!

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give him glory. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

Assurance of Grace

Rev. Evan Amo

***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: Breathe with He's All I Need **LPC Choir**
Music by Marie Barnett, Ken Bible; Arranged by Dave Williamson

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Tithes and Offering

Musical Offering: People Like Us **LPC Choir**
Michael Fordinal, David Moffitt, Jerry Salley; Arranged by Cliff Duren

Offering Response (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.

First Reading of Scripture: Ephesians 1:15-23

Second Reading of Scripture: Acts 1:1-11

Sermon: Departure/Arrival: Bearing Witness in the Void

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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

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