

**WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK** May 5 - 12

Today	9:30am	Choir Practice
	10:00am	Connect Hour
	11:00am	Worship
Monday	6:15pm – 7:15	Girl Scout Troop Meets at LPC
Tuesday	7:00pm	Divorce Care – Final Session
Wednesday	7:00pm	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
		<i>MOTHER'S DAY</i>

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Wednesday Community Meals (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Wed)  
Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

Presbytery Mtg at Cooks PC – Ardy goes before COM  
Tuesday, May 21, 9:30am

Senior Lunch Bunch ~ Hosted by  
Tuesday, May 28, 11:00am

Session Meeting  
Tuesday, May 28, 7:00pm

Ardy's Service of Ordination @ Steel Creek PC  
Saturday, June 1 (time to be announced)

Graduation Sunday & Covered Dish  
Sunday, June 2

American Red Cross Blood Drive at LPC  
Monday, June 10, 2:30 – 7:00pm

**LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN**

*May 5, 2019*



**Our Mission:**

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

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

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Call to Worship:**

ONE: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones

**ALL: And give thanks to His Holy name.**

ONE: For His anger is but for a moment; His favor is for a lifetime

**ALL: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

**Morning Prayer**

**\*Song of Praise: Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore**

Hymn #377 Presbyterian Hymnal

**Call to Confession:**

**Prayer of Confession:**

Gracious and Holy One, creator of all things and of emptiness,  
I come to you full of much that clutters and distracts,  
Too much that separates me from you.  
Empty me now of the lies I tell myself and others.  
Empty me now of prejudice and pride.  
Empty me now of the barriers and boundaries I put in my life.  
Fill me Lord with your love and forgiveness so that I may forgive  
Others and myself.

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Children's Message**

**Ardy Skidmore**

**Anthem: Shout Hosanna**

**LPC Choir**

*Words and music by Kristian Stanfill, Brett Younker, Ed Cash, Chris Tomlin;  
Arranged by Daniel Sensen*

*"Shout, "Hosanna! Jesus, He saves!" Shout, "Hosanna! He rose from the grave!" Come and lift Him up, Hosanna!"*

**Scripture: John 21: 1-14**

**Ardy Skidmore**

**Sermon: "Of Fish and Sheep"**

**\*Hymn of Worship: "Here I Am Lord"**

Hymn #525

**The Invitation**

**Rev. Diane Giannola**

**Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

One: The Lord be with you.

**MANY: And also with you.**

One: Lift up your hearts.

**MANY: We lift them up to the Lord.**

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**MANY: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**You are invited to come forward and receive the elements by intinction.**

**Offering**

**\*Doxology**

**Dedication Prayer and Prayers of the People**

**\* Charge & Benediction**

**Ardy Skidmore**

**Postlude**

**Kay Howell**



**WELCOME ARDY:** Ardy Skidmore has agreed to serve our church as a Stated Supply Pastor. She will be examined by the Presbytery of Charlotte at the **May 21<sup>st</sup> meeting** of the Presbytery at Cook's Memorial PC. All are invited to this gathering to support Ardy. Also, Ardy's Service of Ordination will be held on Saturday, **June 1<sup>st</sup>** at Central Steele Creek PC. We'll plan to have the van/carpools to travel to this special service. Ardy will be moving into the manse. **June 2<sup>nd</sup>** will be a special day as our pastor, Ardy Skidmore will be administering her first communion – MAKE PLANS TO BE HERE!!!

**MUSIC TODAY:** Our Easter celebration continues with today's anthem, *Shout Hosanna*. This is a recent song recorded by Kristian Stanfill. Our hymns today are *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore* and *Here I Am, Lord*. One is a hymn of invitation and the other is a hymn of commitment.

**GRADUATION SUNDAY:** We will be honoring our graduates on Sunday June 2 during worship. Ardy would like any parent with a high school or college student that is graduating please let her know how they were named at Baptism and if they would please plan on attending on June 2nd.

**CELEBRATION LUNCH:** We will be having a celebration lunch following worship on June 2 to honor our graduates and celebrate Ardy becoming our Stated Supply Pastor. Save this special date on your calendar.

**THANK YOU:** Boy Scout Troop 202 would like to thank Locust Presbyterian for their allowing the annual yard sale in the front yard of the church. Funds raised this year will help cover the cost of summer camp for the boys and help pay for their big trip in 2020 to Zion and Arches National Parks in Utah & Nevada.

**LANDSCAPE PROJECT:** We have restored the shrubs & mulch and that is **not** covered in our current budget. If you would like to make a donation toward this project (approx. cost is \$1,500.00) please mark your envelope for Landscape Update. **We have collected approx. \$750 so far!!! Please consider donating.**

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:** We appreciate your commitment to the work of West Stanly Christian Ministries and we hope you really know that without you, we would not be able to reach those in need like we do! Our food pantry has been busy through the first part of 2019. We have assisted out well over 11,000 lbs of food through March and fed almost 350 individuals. Our current critical needs are: Canned Mixed Veggies (Veg All, etc), Spaghetti Sauce, Box Macaroni and Cheese, Box Mashed Potatoes, Canned Chicken, Grits (Instant or otherwise), Grape Jelly, Pop Tarts (breakfast foods), Sml Containers of Laundry Soap. If you put in the buggy in the back, we will get them to the 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, Gay Troutman, Katherine Griffin, Fannie Hathcock, David Hartsell, Ruth Bowers-Clear Creek Center, Ray Bradford, Jerry Linker-leukemia, Kay Baucom-recovery, Patsy Wolcott-test results, Caroline Morton-Chisolm-cancer treatments, Cheri Hinson-upcoming surgery, College Students graduating this week, Students & Staff of UNCC, Families of Riley Howell & Ellis Parlier, Healing for Rami Alramadhan, Sean Dehart, Emily Houpt, Drew Pescaro - UNCC Students.

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

**BRIDGE TO RECOVERY BREAKFAST TEAMS**

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

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

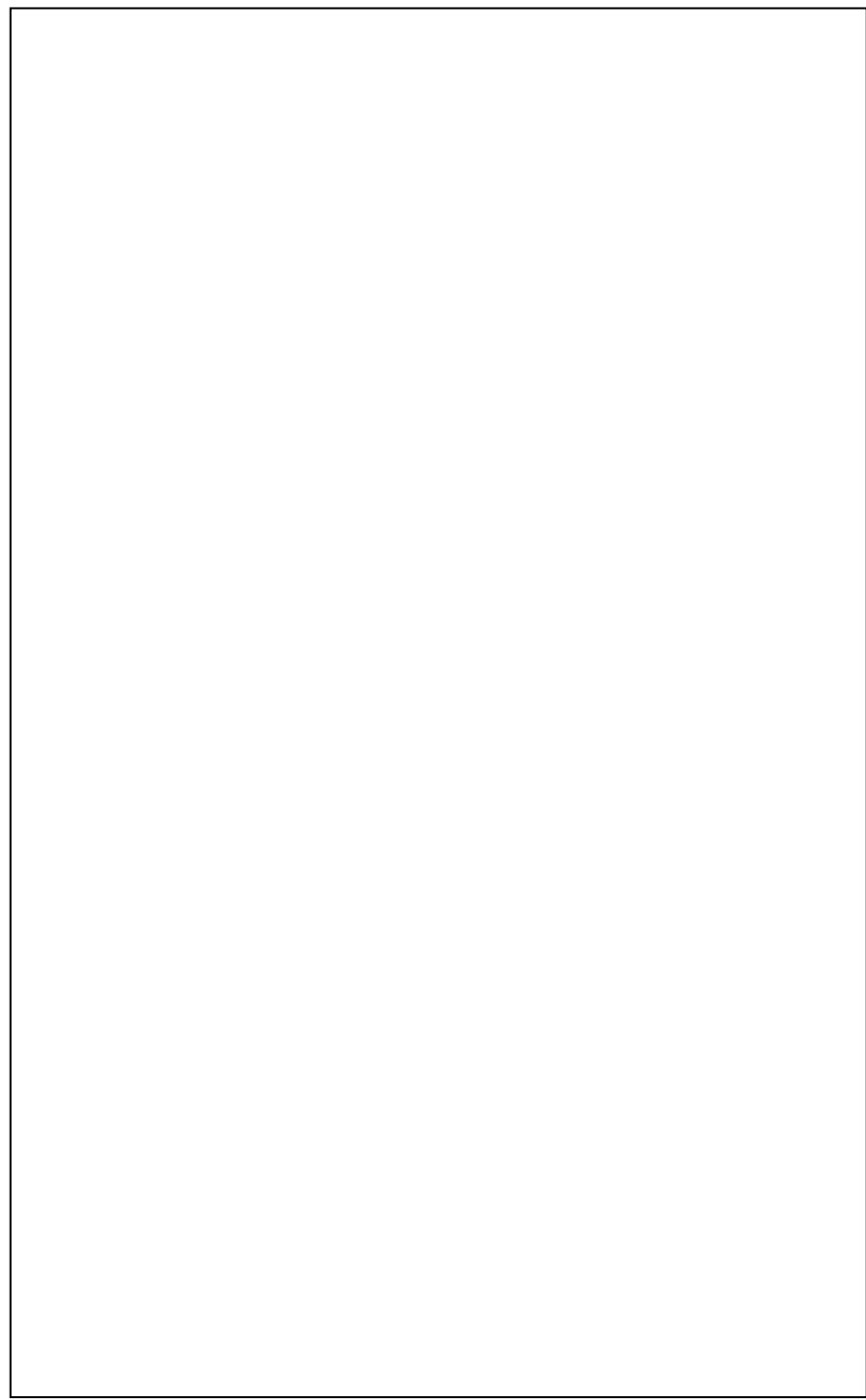
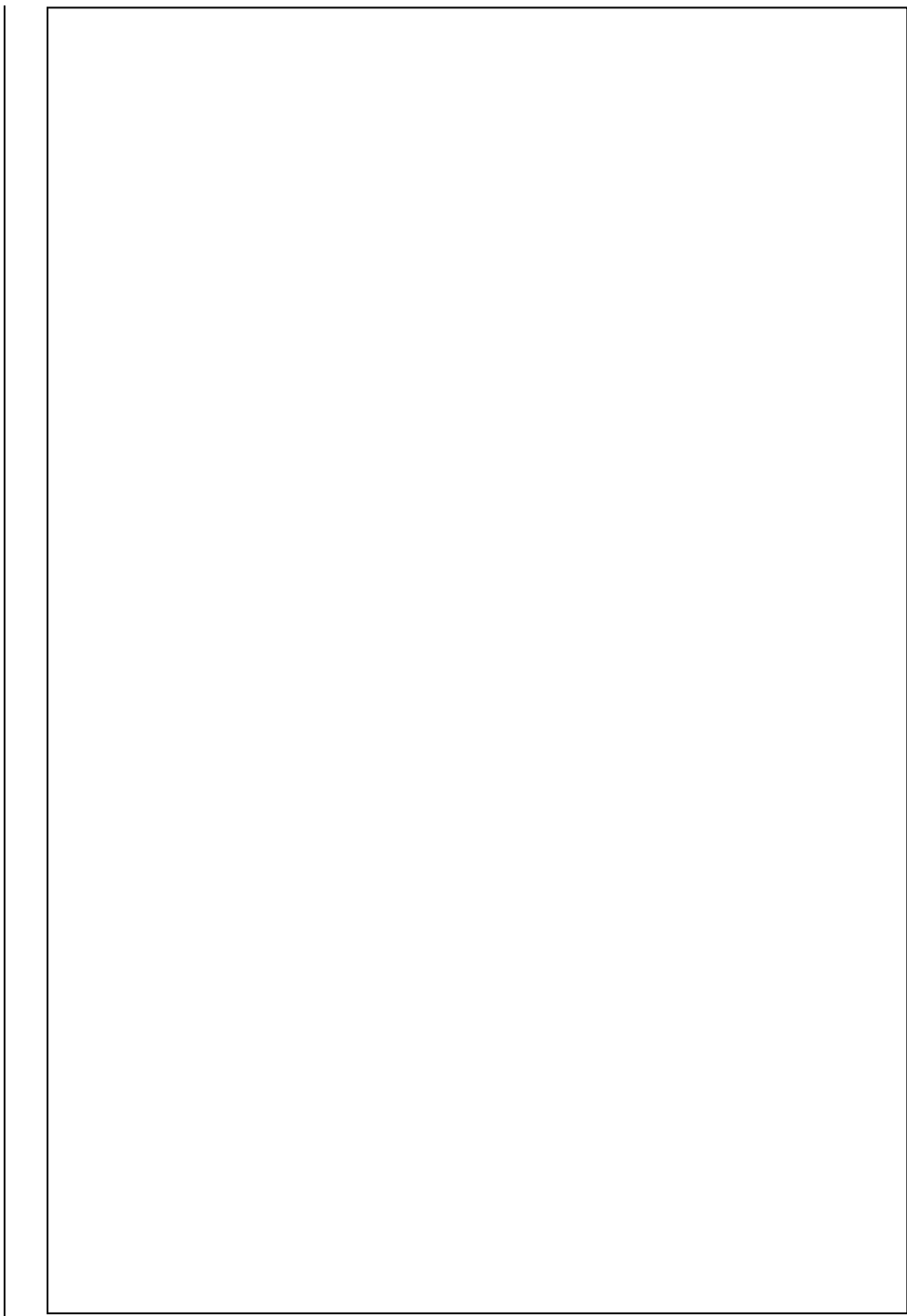
**Session Committee Chairs:**

*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

**MINISTERS: All of the Members of LPC**

Stated Supply Pastor: Ardy Skidmore Choir Leader: Bob Remsburg  
Organist: Kay Howell Piano: Patsy Smith  
Treasurer: Cindy Fish  
Sound Board: Stephen Remsburg, Maverick Baucom, Lilly Hall

**The church office phone number is 704.888.4339.**  
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### **Our Church Website**

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

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