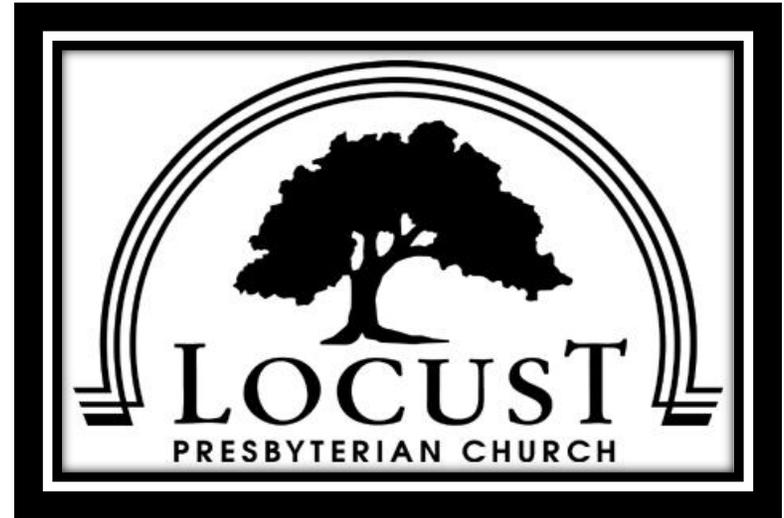


## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- \*Card Ministry meets on Monday 6pm & Thursday 9:30am
- \*Today immediately following worship the session has called a congregational meeting to hear the report from the nominating committee and elect 3 members to the Session Class of 2023. Nominating Committee members: Michael Longhurst, Dennis Joyner & Amy Ennis.
- \*Thanksgiving Worship Service will be held on Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00pm. Plan to join us.
- \*Congregational Life & Mission Committee monthly meeting will be on Wednesday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. This committee is working on a lot of events and you are invited to join Jane, Cindy, Contina, Ardy, Joan and Amy in this group!
- \*The Mission and Card Ministry teams have joined together to sell homemade Christmas gift tags. All money raised will be used for mission and card ministry.
- \*We will again be a collection site for Samaritan's Purse November 16<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>. Lee & Mary Ann Smith will organize and a sign-up sheet was emailed. Collections begin tomorrow at 10am
- \* First Sunday of Advent will be November 29.
- \* November Session Meeting will be Monday, November 30 at 7.
- \* Soup & Advent Bible Study Wednesday nights starting 12-2-20
- \*Congregational Life Committee is planning a drive-thru/delivery (*only*) pork BBQ sale on December 11. We need your help in the month of November to visit local businesses to take orders for lunch delivery. See Jane to volunteer for an area and get the order sheets and Deb Bradford to make cakes.
- \*Save the Date! We are planning a special family outdoor event on New Years Eve. The tentative time will be 6-8. Details coming soon but please put on calendar.

**November 15, 2020**



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

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Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Skidmore

**Call to Worship:**

ONE: Praise the Lord!

**MANY: Praise the name of the Lord;  
give praise, O servants of the Lord.**

ONE: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good;

**MANY: Your name, O Lord, endures forever. Praise to the  
Lord our God and Savior.**

**Hymn of Praise #391 - "Take My Life"**

Call to Confession

Rev. Skidmore

**Prayer of Confession: Holy God of our salvation, as we move  
through turbulent times, hear our prayers. Forgive us when we  
turn away from you. Forgive us when we like the priest and  
Levite turn away from our neighbors in need. Forgive us  
gracious and loving God, when we act like spoiled children  
rather than children of Your light as you have called us to be.  
Hear the cries of our heart.**

Assurance of Pardon

Scripture: Psalm 123

Judges 4:1-7

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Sermon: "Wisdom & Light"

Rev. Skidmore

\*Profesion of Faith (unision)

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 of Worship #420 - "God of Grace and God of Glory"**

**Prayers of the People (prayer concerns)**

**Bill Dehn, Gay Troutman, Ray & Debra Bradford, Glenda Love,  
Kathryn Griffin, Eugene Colavito, Traci Baucom, Sharon Hinson,  
Jan Almond, Shella Hollowell, Jason Washburn, Garrett Ward, ,  
Sheila Bolton, Jennifer Ruff, Peggy Garzoni, Ruth Bowers,  
Our Nation, Our Police Officers, Our Military.**

**Virginia Hartsell - Clear Creek Nursing Center Room 9 (6th Wing)  
10506 Clear Creek Commerce Drive, Mint Hill, NC 28227**

**Charge & Benediction**

**Postlude**

**Congregational meeting**

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83822845697?pwd=eFJFYnNuaXBwL3plMzNCsmh4KzRaUT09>

Meeting ID: 838 2284 5697

Passcode: 647967

**\*\*Offering**

***Please place in plate in Narthex as you leave or mail to  
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**Session Committee Chairs:**

**Administration & Finance:** Tammi Remsburg

**Building & Grounds:** Michael Longhurst

**Congregational Life & Mission:** Jane Blackman

**Christian Education:** Nancy Bartlett

**Worship & Music:** Leah Joyner

### Psalm 123

<sup>1</sup>To you I lift up my eyes,  
O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

<sup>2</sup>As the eyes of servants  
look to the hand of their master,  
as the eyes of a maid  
to the hand of her mistress,

so our eyes look to the LORD our God,  
until he has mercy upon us.

<sup>3</sup>Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us,  
for we have had more than enough of contempt.

<sup>4</sup>Our soul has had more than its fill  
of the scorn of those who are at ease,  
of the contempt of the proud.

### Judges 4:1-7

<sup>4</sup>The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD, after Ehud died. <sup>2</sup>So the LORD sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. <sup>3</sup>Then the Israelites cried out to the LORD for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years.

<sup>4</sup>At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. <sup>5</sup>She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. <sup>6</sup>She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The LORD, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. <sup>7</sup>I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

### 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

<sup>5</sup>Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. <sup>2</sup>For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. <sup>3</sup>When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! <sup>4</sup>But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; <sup>5</sup>for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. <sup>6</sup>So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; <sup>7</sup>for those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. <sup>8</sup>But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. <sup>9</sup>For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>10</sup>who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. <sup>11</sup>Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.