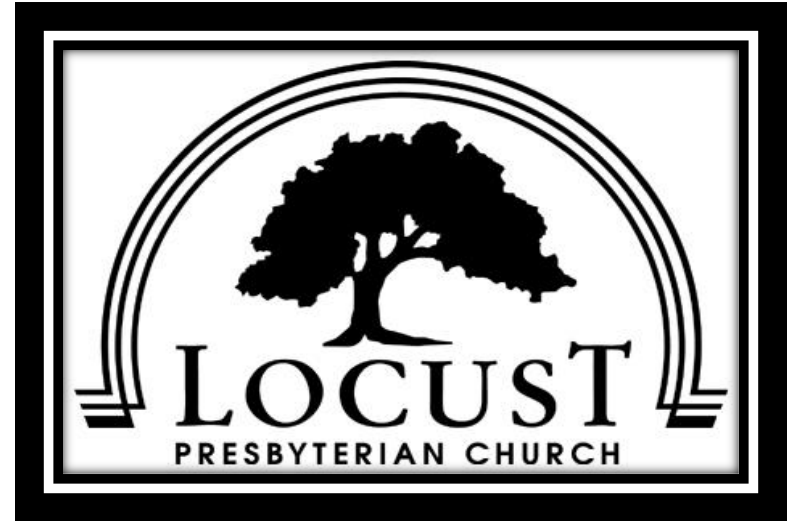


ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *Ladies of Locust (LOL) will meet Tuesday at 7:00pm
- *Card Ministry meets on Monday 6pm & Thursday 9:30am
- *Session meeting – Monday, September 21 at 6:30pm.
- *West Stanly Rotary will begin back with breakfast meetings at 7:00am in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, Sept. 24. The Mission Team cooks/serves the breakfast. Can you help one week? – See Rev. Ardy
- *Girl Scout Troop will have a yard sale at LPC on 9-26-20.
- *Homecoming/Outdoor Worship Sunday – October 4.
Following worship, we will supply a BBQ lunch and invite you to bring a churn of homemade ice cream for the “Churn Off”
- *Boy Scout Yard Sale at LPC on 10-10-20.
- *You may see more activity at LPC during the week. Our girl scout and boy scouts have begun back with in person meetings.
- *The Mission and Card Ministry teams have joined together to sell homemade Christmas gift tags. They are busy putting these together and will be available for you to purchase soon. All money raised will be used for mission and card ministry.
- *Thank you to all that came out to help with the church clean up yesterday. During this time, we do not have a full-time cleaning service so now is the time for us all to pitch in!
- *The September Voice (newsletter) is on the church website.
- *Congregational Life and Mission Committee met last week and they are ready for an active fall/winter. Stay tuned for upcoming details! We hope everyone will find an activity to be involved with at LPC.
- *Thank you, Matt & Team, for building a ramp for David - to assist him with getting in his house.

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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."

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WORSHIP

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Skidmore

Call to Worship:

ONE: I will bless the Lord at all times;

MANY: His praise shall continually be in my mouth. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together.

Morning prayer

Rev. Skidmore

Call to Confession: The Psalmist says “then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not hide my iniquity; I said, ‘I will confess my transgression to the Lord.’ and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to you.” 12:5-6a

Confession: Gracious and loving God, you hear our hearts and know our minds. We come before you openly to confess that we don’t always do what you have called us to do, acts as you have told us to and say uplifting words as you have done for us. Forgive us Lord, as we bring our shortcomings before you. Forgive us Lord, and fill us with your peace that we may be peaceful. Hear the cries of our hearts.

Assurance of Pardon

Children’s Message

Hymn #170- “The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want”

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Psalm 103:1-12 Colossians 3:1-17

Sermon – “Peace Among Us”

Rev. Skidmore

Affirmation 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 #333- “Seek Ye First”

Prayers of the People (prayer concerns)

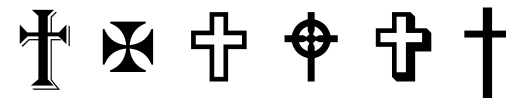
Bill Dehn, Gay Troutman, Ray & Debra Bradford, Glenda Love, Kathryn Griffin, Eugene Colavito, Joan Hall-knee surgery rehab. Bill Downer-stroke-wife name is Linda, Western fires in California, Oregon & Washington. Our Nation, Our Police Officers, Our Military. Virginia Hartsell - Clear Creek Nursing Center Room 9 (6th Wing) 10506 Clear Creek Commerce Drive, Mint Hill, NC 28227

Charge & Benediction

Postlude

**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

Hymn 170 - "THE LORD'S MY SHEPHERD, I'LL NOT WANT"

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want
He makes me down to lie
In pastures green. He leadeth me
The quiet waters by
My soul he doth restore again
And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness
E'en for his own name's sake
Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale
Yet will I fear none ill
For thou art with me, and thy rod
And staff me comfort still
My table thou has furnished
In presence of my foes
My head thou dost with oil anoint
And my cup overflows
Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall surely follow me
And in God's house for evermore
My dwelling-place shall be

Hymn #333- "SEEK YE FIRST"

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be added unto you
Allelu Alleluia
Ask and it shall be given unto you
Seek and ye shall find
Knock and it shall be opened unto you
Allelu Alleluia

Psalm 103:1-12 NRSV

Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name.
² Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all his benefits—
³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,
⁴ who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
⁵ who satisfies you with good as long as you live, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.
⁶ The LORD works vindication and justice for all who are oppressed.
⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.
⁸ The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
⁹ He will not always accuse, nor will he keep his anger forever.
¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.
¹¹ For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
¹² as far as the east is from the west, so far he removes our transgressions from us.

Colossians 3:1-17 NRSV

So, if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). ⁶ On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. ⁷ These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. ⁸ But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. ¹¹ In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

¹² As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. ¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one

body. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ¹⁶ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.