

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

\*Today we welcome Gina Hall Votik and Sue Shoemaker as members of our congregation. We are glad to have you as members of LPC.

\*Homecoming 2021 will be next Sunday, **October 3rd**. Our guest speaker that day will be Rev. Rick Hoffarth. Covered dish lunch following Worship,

\*Card Ministry meets on Monday 6pm & Thursday 9:30am. They have started to meet every other week so please contact Jane for the correct date.

\*Workday at LPC will be October 30. Save the date and plan to come out to help. Scott Hall & Team will have a to do list!!

\*Rev. Ardy and Cindy Fish are looking for volunteers to assist with serving Rotary breakfast on Thursday morning. See one of them for the details. Thank you to Skip Hall and Contina Salyer for coming to help with cleanup!

\*We will be collecting medications here on Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11 am to 1:00 pm. Please help us get the word out and bring in your used, expired, or unwanted medications to dispose of in a safe and secure way! This is by Project Lazarus in Stanly County.

### **Prayer Concerns:**

**Our Pastor Ardy Skidmore, Our Nation, Our Police, Our Military, Virginia Hartsell, Bill Dehn, Gay Troutman, Peggy Garzoni, Glenda Love, Charlie Higgins, Michael Longhurst, David Hartsell, David Micheal Gira-cancer on esophagus, Nominating Committee Members-Leah, Joan & Amy,**

### September

**Head Usher-** Contina Salyer

**Offering Counters-** Cindy Fish & Joan Hall

### Session Committee Chairs and Meeting Dates

*Clerk of Session* – Chris Fish

*Administration & Finance:* Tammi Remsburg

*Building & Grounds:* Scott Hall

*Christian Education:* Contina Salyer

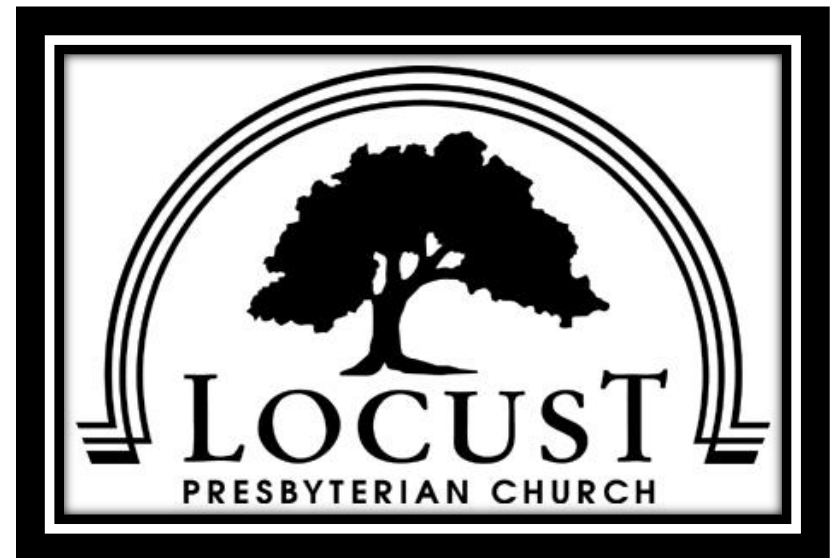
*Congregational Life & Mission:* Jane Blackman

*Worship & Music:* Leah Joyner

### **\*\*Offering\*\***

**Please place in plate in Narthex as you leave or mail to  
PO Box 277, Locust, NC 28097**

**September 26, 2021**



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

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We are glad you have joined us for worship. We also record each service and they are available on our Facebook and YouTube pages.

Welcome Rev. Skidmore

Choral Introit: Lord God, Almighty LPC Choir

**Call to Worship:**

ONE: The earth is full of God's glory

**ALL: Blessed be our creator God**

ONE: The heavens sing of God's glory

**ALL: Blessed be our sustainer God**

ONE: We are filled with God's Holy Spirit

**ALL: Blessed be our redeemer, God with us, Jesus Christ.**

Let us worship our God.

Morning Prayer Rev. Skidmore

Anthem: In the Hollow of Your Hand LPC Choir

Children's Message

\*Hymn: #464 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession: God of unity, forgive us when we make this world divided. When we neglect and reject your children, your beloved creation. Give us the eyes, the heart, the love of Christ to join together, to show grace and forgiveness, even as we come to you for the same. Show us mercy, even when we do not deserve it, but because you are God who we trust and worship. Forgive us, gracious God, and lead us in your holy way of life and love and peace. Hear the silent cries of our hearts.**

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 124

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: James 5:13-20 & Mark 9:38-50

\*Sermon "Community of Believers" Rev. Skidmore

**Receiving of New Members**

*With the whole church we confess our faith responsively:*

Do you believe in God, the Father almighty?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, and the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Laying on of hands

Welcome response:

**With Joy and thanksgiving we welcome you to share with us in the ministry of Christ, for we are all one in Him.**

\*Hymn: #525 "Here I Am, Lord"

Prayers of the People Rev. Skidmore

\***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 & Benedictions** Rev. Skidmore

\***Sending Song - #2281 – "May You Run and Not Be Weary"**

**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.**



## **Congregational Life/Missions Committee Meeting September 22**

Jane and Committee updates – We have a busy fall planned!!

**Mission Projects** Presbyterian Disaster Assistance Warehouse - Next the fencing will be installed - ~ November

**Card Ministry** - Received a donation of handmade cards from a lady that heard of our ministry. We will donate 100 cards to be given out at Rotary Golf Tournament in October and will sponsor a hole.

**Blood Drives** - Red cross drives will pick back up in 2022 January & June dates

**Vaccine Drives** - Optimum Serve will be hosting drives 8/27-10/22 10a - 7p Fridays - 10a - 5p Saturday. Free to the community.

**Fellowship Hall** - Contina Refreshed the bulletin boards with help from her girls!

**Operation Christmas Child / Shoebox drive** – We will not be a drop off site this year but will collect boxes – details coming closer to November.

**2022 Happy New School Year Project** - Bags or boxes or school supplies for the kids at the local schools, Will add a fundraiser to the Bonfire night to help purchase items/bags.

**Flood Buckets - Presbytery Disaster Assistance** - Use Ice cream money to purchase 5 gallon buckets and host a fill-er-up drive Oct - mid November. - Hand out buckets in service October 17th- Return filled by November 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Fall Craft Fair/Chicken Dumplin Sale** - 11/6/21 11a-4pm - Outdoors - Order take out quart containers - Sell dumplings, slaw, remainder of BBQ sauce, coffee and baked goods. Interested in setting up a vendor booth See Contina or Amy.

**Congregational Life Come Have Lunch - Lunch group** - October 20th - 11:30am. Brunswick stew & Pumpkin soup - Averaging 20 people - 5 min devotion and a quick game after - Next event - 11/17 & 12/15 We have purchased BINGO, played Scattergories, Trivia and Brain Teaser worksheets, riddles, and Things Your Momma Says.

**New Year's Eve Bonfire 12/31 6-8pm** (Friday night) - Same ideas/flyers as 2020 - Hot dogs/s'mores/cider - Make s'mores kits and sell for \$1/kit for Restock the School fundraiser - Bring school supplies and get s'mores kit for free.

**Next Meetings:** October 20th, November 17th, and December 15th at 6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.