

## WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK September 8 - 15

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| Today     | 9:30am        | Choir Practice  |
|           | 10:00am       | Connect Hour  |
|           | 11:00am       | Worship - 10 Cent Meal Offering                                     |
|           | 12:15pm       | Congregational Life Committee Mtg<br>In New Beginnings SS Classroom |
|           | 12:15pm       | New Member Class<br>In Rev. Ardy's Study                            |
| Monday    | 6:15pm – 7:15 | Girl Scout Troop Meets at LPC                                       |
|           | 6:00pm – 8:00 | Card Ministry Meets (night edition)                                 |
| Wednesday | 6:00pm        | Wonderful Family Meal   |
|           | 7:00pm        | Choir Practice  |
| Thursday  | 7:00am        | Rotary of West Stanly meets in FH                                   |
|           | 9:30-11:30am  | Card Ministry Meets   |
|           | 6:00pm        | Weight Watchers Meet in FH  |
| Sunday    | 9:30am        | Choir Practice  |
|           | 10:00am       | Connect Hour  |
|           | 11:00am       | Worship   |

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Picnic in Locust Park & 150<sup>th</sup> Celebration  
Sunday, September 22, 12:30pm

Senior Lunch Bunch  
Tuesday, September 24, 11:00am

Session Meeting  
Tuesday, September 24, 7:00pm

Homecoming at LPC & Covered Dish  
Sunday, October 20

Session Meeting  
Tuesday, October 22, 7:00pm

Reformation Sunday  
Sunday, October 27, 11:00am at First PC Albemarle

Trunk or Treat @ LPC  
Sunday, October 27, 5:00 to 7:00pm

Senior Lunch Bunch  
Tuesday, October 29, 11:00am

# LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN

September 8, 2019



Our Mission:

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



*Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker! Psalm 95:6*

**Prelude**

**Welcome and Announcements** **Rev. Skidmore**

*Please sign and pass the Register of Friendship during this time.*

**GATHERING**

**Call to Worship:**

ONE: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

**MANY: For God has looked favorably on God's people and redeemed them.**

ONE: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

**MANY: For God has called us God's own beloved and called each of us by name.**

ONE: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

**MANY: For God has blessed God's creation and called us to worship.**

**MANY: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,**

**Morning Prayer**

**Rev. Skidmore**

**Hymn of Praise: Trust & Obey**

Hymn #349 The Hymnal for Worship (new Red hymnal)

**Call to Confession**

**Rev. Skidmore**

**Holy God, we confess that we fail to put our trust in you completely. Instead, we calculate our gains and losses, hoarding the things that do not lead to abundant life. Forgive us, and help us to treasure only you, that we may follow you faithfully and discover the blessings only you can give. Continue in silence**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Rev. Skidmore**

**Children's Message**

*Children are invited to join Rev. Ardy at the front*

**Anthem: Trading My Sorrows**

**Choir**

"I am pressed but not crushed, persecuted, not abandoned, struck down but not destroyed. I am blessed beyond the curse for His promise will endure that His joy's gonna be my strength."

**PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR:**

**Our Session & Our LPC Family, Our Pastor- Rev. Ardy Skidmore, 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, Bonnie Hovey, Allen Linker, Craig Blackman-hand recovery, Mitchell Efirid, Those dealing with the devastation following Hurricane Dorian**

**September Greeter: Larry Baucom & Leah Joyner**

**September Head Usher: Eugene Colavito**

**WEDNESDAY MEAL TEAMS (captains listed) see one to volunteer**

Team 1 – Cindy Fish 10-2, 11-6, 12-4,  
Team 2 – Ardy Skidmore 9-11, 10-9, 11-13, 12-11  
Team 3 – Robin Hill 9-18, 10-16, 11-20  
Team 4 – Amy Ennis 9-25, 10-23, 11-27-(mission meal),  
5<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Team – Girl Scout Troop – Contina Salyer 10-30

**BRIDGE TO RECOVERY BREAKFAST TEAMS**

Team 1 – Bob R, Ruthi J, James B. – 10-7-19  
Team 2 – Larry B, Vicki H, Chris F. - 10-21-19  
Team 3 -Nancy B, John H, Cindy F. – 9-9-19, 11-4-19  
Team 4 – Matt S, Fred W., Skip H. - 9-23-19

**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

**Session Committee Chairs:**

*Administration & Finance Chair: Chris Fish*

*Christian Education Co-Chairs: Joan Hall, Nancy Bartlett, Leah Joyner*

*Building & Grounds: Ray Bradford*

*Worship & Music Co-Chairs: Michael Longhurst, Leah Joyner*

*Congregational Life-Chair: Jane Blackman.*

*Mission, Outreach & Membership Co-Chairs: Jane Blackman & Michael Longhurst*

If you wish to put flowers in the church in honor or memory of someone or just to provide beauty to the service, please sign up on the calendar- in the narthex.

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

Stated Supply Pastor: Rev. Ardy Skidmore - [revardylpc@gmail.com](mailto:revardylpc@gmail.com)

Organist: Kay Howell

Choir Leader: Bob Remsburg

Treasurer: Cindy Fish

Piano: Patsy Smith

Sound Board: Stephen Remsburg, Lilly Hall

Bulletin/Communications: Amy Ennis - [abbiv4@yahoo.com](mailto:abbiv4@yahoo.com) / 704.622.5003

**The church office phone number is 704.888.4339.**

## **COLLEGE STUDENTS**

Please remember our college students in your prayers. Below are the addresses for this upcoming year. Please let Amy know of any additions or corrections.

Haley Bates  
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Graceville, FL 32440

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Graceville, FL 32440

## **THE WORD**

**Old Testament – Jeremiah 18:1-11**

**New Testament – Luke 19:41-44**

**Sermon: “Being Shaped”**

**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: Change My Heart O God**

Hymn 2152 Sing The Faith

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.  
You are the Potter, I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me, this is what I pray.  
Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.  
Change my heart, O God, may I be like you.

**Offering**

**\*Doxology**

**Dedication Prayer and Prayers of the People**

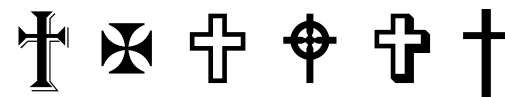
## **SENDING INTO THE WORLD**

**Charge and Benediction**

**Rev. Skidmore**

**Postlude**

**Kay Howell**



### **WE REJOICE THAT YOU ARE WORSHIPING WITH US**

If you are a member of this church, please seek out those who are visiting and welcome them to this family of faith. If you are visiting and would like to know more about the church and membership here, please speak to Rev. Ardy Skidmore. You may email her at [revardylpc@gmail.com](mailto:revardylpc@gmail.com)

**MUSIC TODAY:** The choir will sing an old favorite for our anthem today. *Trading My Sorrows* reminds us that we don't need to keep our sorrows because we have hope for tomorrow. Feel free to sing along especially on the "Yes, Lord, yes, Lord" part. Our opening hymn is an old gospel tune, *Trust and Obey*.

**10 CENT PER MEAL HUNGER OFFERING:** Our youth will collect the Hunger Offering today during Children's Time. **"Little Is Much When God Is In It"** The words of this hymn often come to mind when asked to describe The Presbytery of Charlotte's Ten Cents-a-Meal outreach ministry. Like a raindrop falling in a tiny stream at the head waters of a watershed, our Ten Cents joins with others and the shared resources of many to form a mighty river of blessings that flows to those who hunger and thirst! And then... there are those times when God takes our LITTLE and the Spirit moves to accomplish MUCH with it, so much more than we could ever imagine.

**THANK YOU:** The choir is being led by Leah Joyner and the sound board is being run by Lilly Hall today. Thank you to these ladies for stepping up! Bob, Tammi and Stephen are traveling to see Alexander and we pray for their safe travels and a great visit!

**NEW MEMBER CLASS:** Are you interested in becoming a member of Locust Presbyterian? Would you like more information? Please join Rev. Ardy in her study following worship today, for a brief class on more about this denomination and what it means to be a member.

**CONGREGATIONAL LIFE:** Congregational Life/Missions Meeting will be held in the New Beginning Sunday School room after church today. Please come join in discussion about Trunk-or-treat, 150th Celebration, Shoebox drive, and future community outreach events through the end of the year. We are looking for eager volunteers and fresh ideas. Questions – See Jane Blackman.

**WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY MEALS:** Last week we started back our Wednesday dinners with approximately 50 folks in attendance! Serving will begin at 6:00pm. We will have a meal each Wednesday. Donations will be accepted to cover the cost of the meals. This is a great time to invite a friend to join you at LPC!

**THE VOICE:** The September copy of the LPC Voice is available in the Narthex. Any items or updates (recipes, Connect, Scouts) for the October Newsletter needs to be submitted to [revardylpc@gmail.com](mailto:revardylpc@gmail.com) no later than the 20th of September.

**CHOIR NEWS:** The Adult Choir is practicing each Wednesday night following our church dinner at 7:00 PM. Now will be a great time to join the choir and jump into singing for the glory of God!

**SCOUTINGNEWS:** Time to join Girl Scout Troop 1061 and Boy Scout Pack and Troop 202. Invite all young girls to come to LPC on Monday night at 6:00 PM to join Troop 1061. Invite boys to go to Mission Baptist at 7:00 PM for Pack and Troop 202's open house. For information on the Girl Scouts see Contina or Boy Scouts see Bob Remsburg.

**LOCAL CONCERT:** Aspenglow - a group of local musicians led by Rod Almond will present the third annual "Afternoon with John Denver" tribute fundraiser for Stanly County Homes of Hope on Sunday, September 15 at 4:00 PM at New London Methodist Church. All are invited to come and enjoy these great musicians and hear an afternoon of John Denver's greatest songs. No admission, donations only.

**HOMECOMING:** October 20 will be our 136<sup>th</sup> Homecoming! This is a time to invite family and friends to worship.

**REFORMATION SUNDAY:** Save the date – October 27<sup>th</sup> will be Reformation and Tartan Sunday. We will once again join together with First Pres. in Albemarle and Norwood PC for a joint worship service. This will be held at First Presbyterian at 11:00 AM. No worship in Locust.

**TRUNK OR TREAT:** October 27<sup>th</sup> will be Trunk or Treat day – get ready to decorate your vehicle and have plenty of candy ready to share! **5-7pm**

**LOCUST CELEBRATION:** The Locust 150th Anniversary will take place Friday Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> - Sunday Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Events will be taking place all weekend. LPC will be having a booth showcasing our church on Sunday at the Park and participating in the picnic. The event website is [www.locust150.com](http://www.locust150.com).

**MEMBER UPDATES:** If we do not have your information and you would like to be included - please fill out a form. You may place in the offering plate or give to Amy Ennis. Forms are in the narthex.