

*Thank you to all that helped with Holy Week and Easter Sunday events. We are blessed with a congregation of caring folks!

*You are invited to Sunday School at 10:00 am in the New Beginnings Classroom. The study will be "The Message of Jesus; Words that Changed the World." For those with children, they will be right next door enjoying a special video lesson. We'd love to have you there—come be a part of this new journey with us!

*Come Have Lunch - plan to join us on May 21 at 11:30am.

*April Mission item for West Stanly Christian Ministry food pantry - we will be collecting hot breakfast items: grits, oatmeal, pancake mixes, bisquik mix and syrup. Please place items in the basket. In May we will be collecting mashed potatoes, jelly and stuffing mix.

*Card Ministry meets on Mondays at NOON. Would you like more info or help, contact Deb Bradford at 980.621.3892.

*Charlotte Presbytery Mtg-Tuesday, May 20th 9:30-2:00pm at Paw Creek PC in Charlotte.

*Senior Sunday to honor our senior graduate on May 25 at Worship.

*Are you interested in the Discipleship Study to be led by Rev. Steve Mitchell? For more information, please speak with Rev. Ardy. This study will be set to start in the fall.

*We are looking for two volunteers twice each month to lead children's church. All materials will be available and ready. In May we would like to cover May 11th and 25th. Please speak to Rev. Ardy – we also have a sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Session & Committee Chairs with Mtg Dates

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Musical Prelude

Drucie Eudy

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Skidmore

***Call to Worship:**

Rev. Skidmore

ONE: We rejoice in the risen Lord

ALL: We praise our Savior, Jesus

ONE: We praise our God with our voices

ALL: We praise our God with our hearts

Let us worship the Lord

***Hymn of Praise: Monitors – “Way Maker”**

Morning Prayer

Rev. Skidmore

Children’s Message

Call to Confession

Rev. Skidmore

Prayer of Confession: Holy God of creation and salvation, hear our prayer. We gather knowing we need You, our Savior, we need forgiveness and mercy. Lord, as we continue to celebrate your resurrection, we also call on you to remember us as you did the thief on the cross. We fall short of who You called us to be. We don’t freely forgive, but hold grudges. We don’t see Your Easter light, but suffer in our own darkness. Release us from the burdens we carry. Free our minds from the sins we hold on to. Hear the silent cries of our heart.

Assurance of Pardon

Rev. Skidmore

***Hymn: #111 “Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!”**

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Acts 5:27-32

John 20:19-31

Sermon: “Having courage to be bold”

Rev. Skidmore

Musical Response

Drucie Eudy

***Affirmation of Faith – 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: #106 "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"**

Prayers of the People including the Lord’s Prayer*

*** 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 and Benediction**

Rev. Skidmore

***See monitors for sending song**



Prayer Concerns:

Our Pastor Ardy Skidmore, Our Nation, Our Police, Our Military, Bill Freeman, Nancy Bartlett, Gay Troutman, Glenda Love, Janice Hills, Deborah & Ray Bradford, Patsy & Lamar Smith, Kay Baucom, Bill Hollowell, Ardy’s sister-Roberta Nahas, Helen Farrell-leg pain, Nancy Funderburke, Craig Blackman’s parents, Ted and Cindy Yow, Pam Hyatt - Chemo, CA Hyatt – Chemo, Kathy Shaver.



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