*Welcome to Summer Worship! Join us each Sunday at 9:30 for a special time of worship during the summer months. Please note that this earlier time will continue through August 31. There will be no Sunday School for the summer - just a relaxed and meaningful time together in worship. Come as you are and bring a friend! We'd love to welcome them too.

*Come Have Lunch – We had a great time last week at lunch with over 50 folks joining us! Save the date of August 20th for a picnic themed lunch.

*In July we will be collecting individual size snack items (for example snacks for kids home from school) for West Stanly Christian Ministry, please place in basket.

*With many folks traveling in the summer months if you would like to mail in your tithes you may do so to: LPC, PO Box 277, Locust, NC 28097.

*Save the date of Sunday, August 17 from noon to 5pm. The Community One Big Red Buses will be here for the 11th annual blood and platelet drive in memory of Archie Love. Go to www.oneblood.org and schedule your appointment.

*There will be a sign up (coming soon) in the Narthex for the Disciple Bible Study, we do need a firm commitment if you are interested.

Materials will need to be ordered soon.

*We are looking for 2 volunteers twice each month (2nd and 4th)to lead children's church. All materials will be available. Speak to Rev. Ardy.

*Charlotte Presbytery meeting on Saturday, August 16, 9:30 am at Harrisburg PC (co-hosted by Bellefonte).

*Save the Date-August 24th Sunday afternoon hymn sing and ice cream social. All are invited.

*We host AA morning meetings here on Tuesday and Friday mornings at 7:00am in the fellowship hall.

Session & Committee Chairs

Clerk of Session – Chris Fish Administration & Finance: Trevor Bates Congregational Life & Mission: Melissa Peck Building & Grounds: Matt Salver

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Musical Prelude Drucie Eudy

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Skidmore

Call to Worship: Rev. Skidmore

ONE: This is the day the Lord has made **ALL:** Let us rejoice and be glad in it

*Hymn of Praise: Monitor "One Thing Remains"

*Hymn: - #339 "Be Thou My Vision"

Morning Prayer Rev. Skidmore

Children's Message 10 Cent Per Meal Hunger Offering

Call to Confession Rev. Skidmore

Prayer of Confession: Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy. We all fall short of Your glory, we all sin and we all need you Lord, our God and Savior. Hear our hearts as we want to do what is right, but follow the ways of the world instead of you. Hear our minds as we want to trust in you, but turn away. Hear our spirit as we know what you have called us to do, but follow our flesh instead. Hear the cries of our hearts as we in silence come before you and our neighbor with our confessions.

Assurance of Pardon Rev. Skidmore

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Colossians 1:15-28 Luke 10:38-42

Sermon: "One Good Thing" Rev. Skidmore

*Affirmation of Faith From the Belhar Confession We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end. We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another; that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ; that this unity must become visible so that the world may believe that separation, enmity and hatred between people and groups is sin which Christ has already conquered, and accordingly that anything which threatens this unity may have no place in the church and must be resisted. We believe that true faith in Jesus Christ is the only condition for membership of this church.

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

*Hymn: #333 "Seek Ye First"

*Charge and Benediction Rev. Skidmore

*Hymn: Monitors "My Deliver"

Prayer Concerns:

Our Pastor Ardy Skidmore, Our Nation, Our Police, Our Military, Glenda Love, Bill Freeman, Nancy Bartlett, Gay Troutman, Janice Hils, Deborah & Ray Bradford, Patsy & Lamar Smith, Kay Baucom, Helen Farrell-leg pain, Nancy Funderburke, CA Hyatt, Gerald Efird, family and friends travelling, Ardy's sister-Roberta Nahas,

