

\*Sermon Notes We've added a spot just for you! Use the Sermon Notes section to write down your favorite points, verses, or thoughts from today's message. It's a great way to stay connected and remember what inspired you throughout the week!

\*Mission Meal Come Have Lunch THIS Wednesday, November 19. 11:30am. At this meal we will take donations for the mission work of LPC or you may bring canned vegetables for West Stanly Christian Ministry food pantry. Invite a friend to join you for comfort food themed meal.

\*Bible Study will resume on Sunday November 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 with an adult study led by Jane Blackman. At the same time the children will begin an Advent lesson(Journey to Bethlehem) -if anyone would like to assist Rev. Ardy with the children speak to her today. On December 7<sup>th</sup> all ages will join to celebrate with the annual Christmas Breakfast at 9:30am.

\*In November West Stanly Christian Ministry, is seeking donations of ramen noodles, rice side dishes and all condiments. You may place in basket, and we will take each week to the pantry.

\*Following worship NEXT Sunday, November 23 we will decorate the church for the Christmas season. We hope all will plan to stay to help decorate and enjoy lunch.

### Prayer Concerns

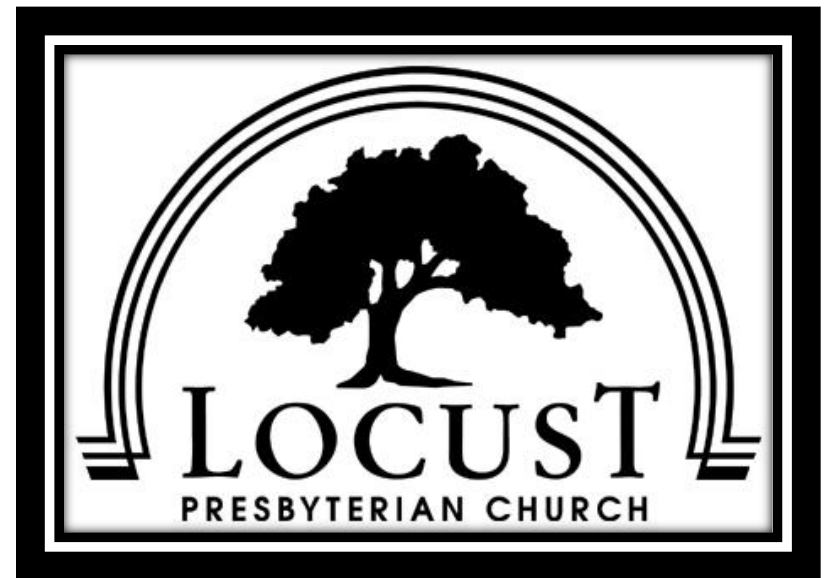
Our Pastor Ardy Skidmore, Our Nation, Our Police, Our Military,  
Glenda Love, Bill Freeman, Gay Troutman, Janice Hils, Helen Farrell  
Deborah & Ray Bradford, Patsy & Lamar Smith, Kay Baucom,  
Prayers for the people of Jamacia, Dennis Kiker-knee recovery,  
Ed Higgins-knee replacement recovery,  
Joe Tate-Father of Jodi Geshickter's is having health issues,  
Pam Hyatt-new cancer treatments.

### Session & Committee Chairs

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

*November 16, 2025*

**O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.” (Psalm 107:1)**



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

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## **Musical Prelude**

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

**Call to Worship:**                                      **Rev. Skidmore**

ONE: Know that the LORD is God.

**ALL: It is He that made us, and we are His;**

ONE: We are His people, and the sheep of His pasture.

**ALL: God's steadfast love endures forever**

ONE: Enter His gates with thanksgiving,  
and His courts with praise.

**ALL: Give thanks to him, bless his name.**

ONE: Let us worship the Lord

**\*Hymn of Praise: Monitor: -"God Of Wonders"**

**Morning Prayer**                                      **Rev. Skidmore**

**Children's Message**

**Call to Confession**                                      **Rev. Skidmore**

**Prayer of Confession:** God of justice and love, we confess to  
You and to each other that we fall short of the beloved beings  
You created us to be. We turn our backs on the hungry with  
judgment, we look the other way at the homeless and point  
fingers to the cause, we look at ourselves as too self-righteous,  
forgetting that we are all sinners in need of You, our Savior.  
Forgive us God, let us embrace what Your Word has taught us.  
Let our hearts always come to you with thanksgiving and  
praise. Hear the silent cries of our hearts.

**Assurance of Pardon**                                      **Rev. Skidmore**

**Prayer of Illumination**                                      **Rev. Skidmore**

**Scripture: Isaiah 65:17-25**  
**Luke 21:5-19**

**Sermon: "What will be"**                                      **Rev. Skidmore**

**\*Hymn: "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"**

**\*Affirmation of Faith: From A Brief Statement of Faith PCUSA**  
In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our  
Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the  
Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of  
Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus  
Christ, fully human, fully God whom God raised from the dead;  
breaking the power of sin and evil and delivering us from death  
to life eternal. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Father. In  
sovereign love, God created the world good and made everyone  
equally in God's image. God acts with justice and mercy to  
redeem creation in everlasting love. We trust in the Holy Spirit;  
giver and renewer of life, rules our faith and life in Christ  
through Scripture and engages us through the Word  
proclaimed. We rejoice that in life and death that nothing can  
separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Amen.

**Offering Collection**

**Prayers of the People and offering *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: #559 We Gather Together**

**\*Charge and Benediction**                                      **Rev. Skidmore**

**\*Hymn: Monitors "Cornerstone" Hillsong UNITED**

***SERMON NOTES***

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**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US AT  
LOCUST PRESBYTERIAN**

**Every Sunday: Sunday School at 9:45am & Worship at 11:00am**

*Below are some special events that you may also consider:*

**Come Have Lunch – Wednesday, November 19, 11:30am – this is our Mission Meal and you can bring canned food items or a donation.**

**Decorate the church for Christmas with lunch. Following worship on Sunday, November 23.**

**Journey to Bethlehem – for our children – An Advent Study 9:45am beginning on Sunday, November 30.**

**Christmas Breakfast and fellowship – Sunday, December 7 at 9:30am**

**Let's Go Caroling – Wednesday, December 10 6:00pm followed by Christmas party.**

**Come Have Lunch – Christmas Feast – Wednesday, Dec. 17, 11:30am**

**Longest Night Service – Sunday, December 21 at 6:00pm**

**Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion – Wednesday, Dec. 24 at 6:00pm**

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