

\*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.

\*Mission Meal Come Have Lunch on 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.

\*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 on 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.

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

### Prayer Concerns

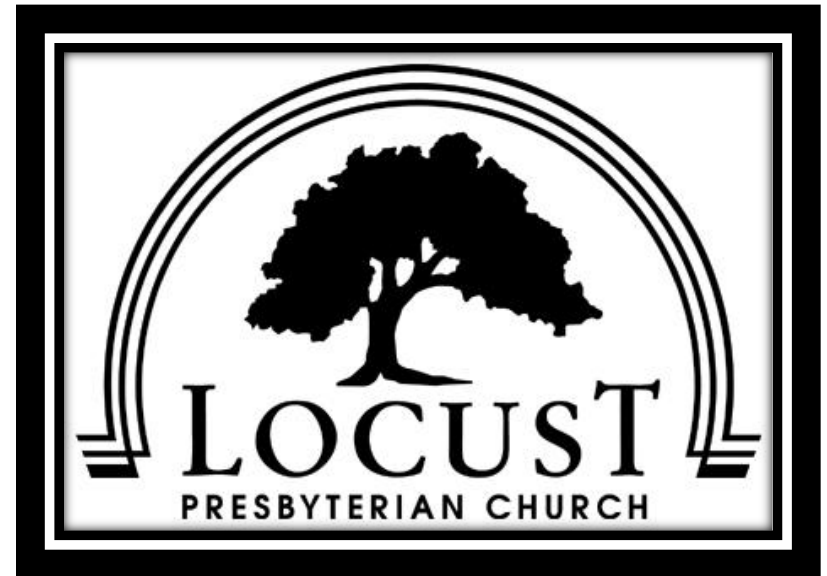
Our Pastor Ardy Skidmore, Our Nation, Our Police, Our Military, Glenda Love, Bill Freeman, Gay Troutman, Janice Hils, Helen Farrell Deborah & Ray Bradford, Patsy & Lamar Smith, Kay Baucom, Prayers for the people of Jamacia, Dennis Kiker-knee replacement recovery, Ed Higgins-knee replacement recovery,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

### Session & Committee Chairs

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

*November 9, 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: God has sent redemption to us

**ALL: God has made with us a covenant**

ONE: God has called us to serve

**ALL: God has filled us with His Spirit to equip us**

ONE: Let us serve or God with joy and praise

**\*Hymn of Praise: Monitor: "Mighty to Save"**

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

**Children's Message – 10 Cent Per Meal Hunger Offering**

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

**Prayer of Confession:** O Covenant God, You showed us mercy, grace, and forgiveness, yet we turn away when this is inconvenient for us to show. You taught us justice, yet we base our actions on our own self and our views of the world. You showed us how to live through the actions of our Savior, Jesus, yet we look to the world and what is easy and popular. You call us to serve, yet we find a million excuses centered around our whims and wishes. You alone are worthy of praise, yet we hold those in the world up to be praised. Forgive us God, have mercy on us, and hear the silent cries of our hearts.

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

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Rev. Skidmore**

**Scripture: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17**  
**Luke 20:27-38**

**Sermon: "Living God of the living"**                      **Rev. Skidmore**

**\*Hymn: #319 Spirit**

**\*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***

**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: #335 Though I May Speak**

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

**\*Hymn: Monitors "10,000 Reasons"**

**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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