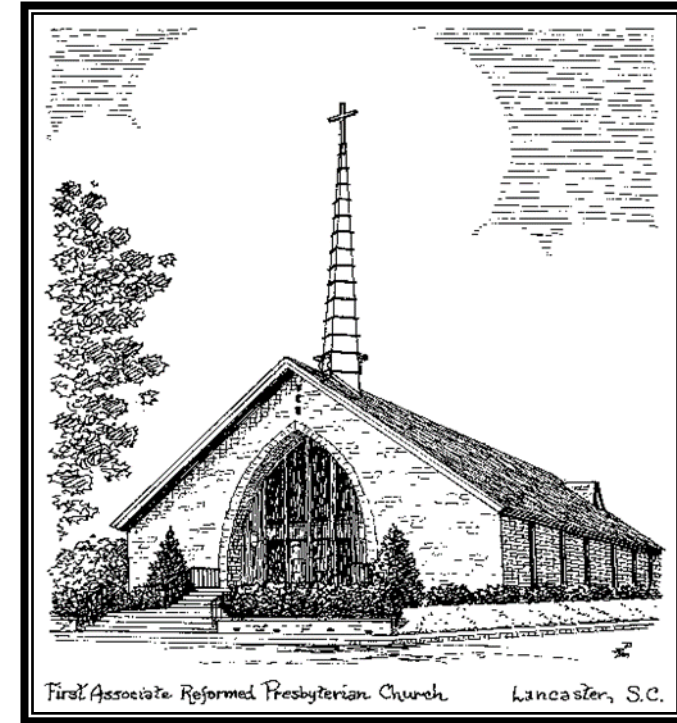


Volunteers

	July 9	July 16
Nursery	Natalie Carmichael	Dell Ghent
Toddlers	Erin Tindal	Susan Prete
Greeters (F)	Richard Shields/ Marilyn Duve	Benny & Geri Brazell
(S)	Phil & Sarah Baer	Wayne & Debbie Dickson
	July	August
Elders	Frank Brackett Buddy Lever	Butch Ghent David Pokopac
Captain	David Mohr	Debby Hegler
Co Captain	Debby Hegler	Debbie Dickson
Ushers	Joe Hegler Matthew Rivers	Richard Shields Ben Rivers



Staff and Officers

Staff	Elders	Deacons
Pastor- Dr. Kyle E. Sims	Butch Ghent (2017)	Sam Prete (2017)
Intern/Youth- Mr. Jordan Bernard	David Pokopac (2017)	Lathan Rivers (2017)
Choir Director- Dr. Kristen Wunderlich	Ed Ogburn (2018)	Debbie Dickson (2018)
Organist- Mrs. Amy Jones	Richard Crawford (2018)	Keith Jaillette (2018)
Secretary- Mrs. Stacy Pokopac	Frank Brackett (2019)	Debby Hegler (2019)
	Buddy Lever (2019)	Dave Mohr (2019)

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Worship

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Mrs. Amy Jones

Welcome and Announcements

ENTERING WORSHIP

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 96:1-2

Oh sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth! Sing to the LORD, bless His name; tell of His salvation from day to day.

***Hymn**

Song Supplement #30

“How Deep the Father’s Love for Us”

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***Invocation and Lord’s Prayer**

Our Father Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

**congregation stands*

Financials

July 2, 2017	
Attendance	60
General Fund	\$3,998
Total GF contributions This Month	\$3,998
Average Monthly Budget requirement	\$18,996
Missions Fund	\$30

AUTOMATIC DRAFT Are you ready to take a step of faith? Sign up for a monthly draft of your giving. It is a serious commitment to set up your tithe to come out every month, but we are called to give from our first fruits. This is a tool to help you be faithful and regular in your giving to Christ and His church. For more information see Sam Huey.

This Week’s Schedule

Sunday, July 9

9:15 Officer Meeting
9:30 Coffee Fellowship
10:00 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
5:30 Alison- Erskine Circle
5:30 Youth Group
7:00 Diaconate

Monday, July 10

4:00 Jean - Love Circle

Tuesday, July 11

11:30 Lunch Bunch

Pastor's Corner

July 9, 2017

Last week, I was the delegate to the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America Synod in Marion, Indiana. This is our denominational cousin going back to the old Reformed Presbyterians in Scotland from 1700s. This denomination worships God only with the human voice and only by singing Psalms. The singing in their worship is beautiful. They often break down into four part harmony and sing it loudly.

Our own ARP Psalter is made up of many selections from the new RP Psalter and our old Bible Songs book. Having been with the RP brothers, I am reminded of the importance of Psalm singing in the worship of God. It is commanded by God that we sing Psalms. Paul writes that we are to sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. It is sad that in many protestant churches it is rare that a psalm is sung.

The Psalms deal with a full orbed God. It is very easy for us to deal with God on our terms. We can take the parts of the Bible that present God in a certain way and emphasize them over and above some of His other characteristics. It is easy to focus on the love and mercy of God and ignore His holy wrath and judgement. The Psalms brings us to worship God as He is in His fullness.

When we sing the Psalms, please pay attention to the words and themes. See if you do not find that your knowledge and understanding grows as we learn about God and see His actions in the Psalms. Also, remember that Jesus is present in the Psalms. There are some that are clearly Messianic in their content. However, all of these are from God and about God. They are for us to sing and learn. They bring us to know God and worship Him in His fullness. Learn to appreciate our heritage that has been given to us in response to Biblical command. Sing the Psalms!!!

Dr. Kyle E. Sims
Pastor

***Confession of Faith**

The 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.

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen, amen.

Hymn

Red Trinity Hymnal #529

“Love Divine, All Love’s Excelling”

Tithes and Offerings

Choral Offertory

Dr. Kristen Wunderlich

“Jesus Is the Living Stone”

**universal

***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.

MEANS OF GRACE

***Psalm**

Blue ARP Psalter #76

"God Is Truly Known In Judah"

Pastoral Prayer

Children's Sermon

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Pew Bible Page 878

Luke 19:1-10

Sermon

Rev. John Rogers

"Divine Mission"

Prayer of Application

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

***Hymn**

Red Trinity Hymnal #165

"Ye Servants Of God, Your Master Proclaim"

***Free Offer of the Gospel**

***Benediction**

Thursday, July 13, 2017 - Exodus 20:16

Do not lie. Some how we have a sliding scale for lying. There is an "innocent" white lie and then there is a "bold faced" lie. However, God's word does not teach this sliding scale. Christians are called to speak truth, because they are the sons and daughters of a God who only speaks truth. We need to seek to be truth tellers. It is easy to keep compromising once you start. It is easy to start reasoning away what it is ok to tell, sharing half-lies, or not telling all the information so that technically you did not say anything false, but you lead to a false conclusion. This is still lying and is wrong in the eyes of a holy God.

Friday, July 14, 2017 - Exodus 20:17

The idea of coveting is a particularly bad sin because it is a sin of the heart and mind. It is a sin first and foremost against God Himself. If we believe that God is in control and blesses us in His providence, then to sinfully covet is to be unhappy with God. It also leads to other sins like stealing or even murder. King David coveted another man's wife and it caused him to commit adultery, steal another man's wife, lie, and murder. How wicked are our hearts and how careful we must watch and rule over them.

Saturday, July 15, 2017 - Matthew 22:38-39

Jesus is asked, "What is the greatest commandment?" He responds with two. The greatest is to love God with all your heart, soul, and mind. The second is to love your neighbor as yourself. All the law and prophets depend on these two commands. The Ten Commandments are an exposition of these two greatest commandments of Jesus. The First table, or four commandments, teaches us how to love God. The Second table, or last six commandments, teaches us how to love man. The Ten Commandments are not arbitrary rules to be obeyed. They are how we love God and man.

Devotions

Monday, July 10, 2017 - Exodus 20:13

The command for us to not murder is an important one for all men and women to consider. It is easy to look at this as something we will never do. However, all of these have deeper meanings and further application than the literal words convey. This is clearly seen in Jesus' expanding the commandment in Matthew 5:21-22. Here Jesus says that anyone who is angry with his brother has broken the commandment. This is not just a command against actual murder, but also those things that lead to murder and show no love for our fellow man. Consider your speech, your actions, your attitudes; do they lead to peace or strife?

Tuesday, July 11, 2017 - Exodus 20:14

Sexual sin is rampant in our world today. Premarital sex is the norm. Pornography is an epidemic with both men and women. The idea of sexual purity that is taught by the Seventh Commandment and the Bible as a whole is lost on our generation. This is an area where we cannot surrender to the world's understanding. Sexual sin is causing hurt and damage to people of all ages and degrees. God would have His people be pure in actions, thoughts, and words. Take a serious look at your life. Is it a life that is sexually pure?

Wednesday, July 12, 2017 - Exodus 20:15

The Bible teaches about private property. We are to respect other people's things. We are to be free and generous with our money and possessions. We are to use them to our good, but also the good of others. The command against stealing is not about just robbery, but also extends to other areas. One area that is often abused is in regard to time. If you are paid to do a job, you are to work hard at that job. This is another commandment where we see the World's thinking starting to influence the Christian mindset. Are you being faithful with your possessions, time, and money?

LEAVING WORSHIP

***Congregational Response**

Song supplement #1

May the peace of God our heav'nly Father
And the grace of Christ the risen Son
And the fellowship of God the spirit
Keep our hearts and minds within His love

And to Him be praise for His glorious reign
From the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain
Christ eternal the King of Kings

"Benediction"

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***The Greeting of the Congregation**

Taking the Gospel To the World

Hebrews 7:25

Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

Sermon Notes

Text: Luke 19:1-10

Title: "Divine Mission"

Prayer Emphasis

Appalachia Mission Team

Lasting Gospel impact on town of Ewing, VA

Lasting Gospel impact on our team

Wednesday Family Night

Preparations for starting back in August

Catechism Class for Children

Youth Classes

Adult Classes

More Volunteers

Youth Ministry

Friday Morning

Sunday Night

Outreach to community

New Intern

Revival and Holiness

That our congregation would turn from World to God

We would be serious in our commitment for Christ

That we would be committed to the work of church

Protection

God would protect his church

Grow his church

Pray for

Civil Government

The Lost

Church ministries

The Afflicted in our church and community

Sister Churches

Union ARP- Richburg, SC- Rev. Watson Gunderson

Unity ARP- Lancaster, SC- Rev. Charles Hammond

Prayer Requests

First ARP

Benny Brazell- Back
 Carol Nims- Presbyterian Home- Florence
 Carlyle & Mott Henley
 Chic Whitlock
 Clara Nell Robinson
 Erin Tindal
 Gene Hunter
 George Mason
 Harold Allen- Lungs and Heart
 I. W. Caskey
 Mary Brown Parks-Morningside
 Mary Ella Jordan
 Nancy Ogburn- Back Issues
 Pat McEachern
 Sally Lloyd
 Sheryl Huey
 Tom Strickland

Church Planters

Ben Carver- Shem Creek
 Ian Wise-Pageland
 Matt Awtrey-Exploratory Work in Irmo
 Rob Turner- Arsenal Hill

Missionaries

Mark & Natalie Witte-Spain
 Phil & Sarah Baer-Wycliffe
 Rebekah Carson-Germany

Pregnancy

Shannon & Jeff Schrage
 Shay & William Belk

Military

Alex Coale- Japan
 Dillon Coale- ROTC

Friends & Family

Andrew Brunson- Prison in Turkey
 Anne Nims
 Butch Bernard- Jordan Bernard's Grandfather
 Charles and Annie Montgomery- Susan Prete's
 Parents
 Chasity Aycoth- Sheryl Huey's Niece
 Darryl Wayne Bristow- Pat McEachern's Brother
 Delphine Spinks- Geri Brazell's Sister
 Donna Bohler- Daniel Bohler's Mom
 Doris Hudson-Lorri Crawford's Mother
 Family of Margie Parish- Jordan Bernard's Friend
 Gentry McColm- Hope Church, TX
 George Busch- Scots Kirk Presbyterian Church
 Jane Aiken- Complications of MS
 JoAn and Ernest Pardue- Benny Brazell's Sister
 and Brother-In-Law
 JoAnn Byrd-Patricia Gardner's Mother
 John Boykin- Scruggs' Friend
 John Christian Rozycki- Kristen Wunderlich's
 Nephew
 Judy Morrison- Aaron Morrison's Step Mom
 Louise Carpenter- Debbie Dickson's Mom
 Lynn Whitesell- Virginia Fleming's Sister-In-Law
 Mark Caskey- Dell Ghent's Brother
 Mary Ginty-Katey Powell's Mother
 Mary Musselwhite- Pat McEachern's Friend
 Nancy Ladd - Esther Shields' Sister
 Sandra Ginty- Katey Powell's Sister-In-Law
 Shirley Parker- Brazell's Sister-In-Law

Young Worshipers

During the worship service your youngest children should draw pictures of what they hear and see in the appropriate boxes, while older children ought to take written notes.

<p><u>Hymns and Music</u></p>	<p><u>Scripture and Sermon</u></p>
<p><u>Prayers</u></p>	<p><u>How Will I Obey God's Word?</u></p>

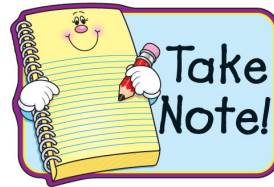
Announcements



VISITORS Welcome to Lancaster First ARP. If you are a first time visitor, our ushers have a welcome packet for you. If you are a returning visitor, please fill out an attendance card from the pew in front of you so we may have a record of your visit. Offering envelopes are also available for your convenience.

MEETINGS CHANGED Due to the July 4 holiday, the July meetings of these women's circles will be as follows:

- Alison-Erskine Circle -July 9 at 5:30 PM
- Jean-Love Circle- July 10 at 4:00 PM



MEETING REMINDER

- Diaconate will meet tonight at 7PM
- Safety and Security Team will meet next Sunday at 6PM
- Session will meet next Sunday at 7PM.

SUMMER READING Summer is here and it's a great time to pick up a good book. Pastor Kyle has chosen some great new titles in the last couple weeks, so check out our book table (cart) at the side entrance of the church. Most selections are under \$3 and some are even written by ARP authors. Be sure to check out the selection before your favorite titles are gone.



Are you praying for your Ten List?

Packets are available in the church office.



YOUTH EVENTS There is a calendar of the upcoming summer events for our youth on the bulletin board near the Fellowship Hall. See Jordan Bernard for details or questions.

PRAYER LIST UPDATES Please contact the church office if you, family, or friends are on the prayer list. We love to announce improvements and answered prayer.



2017 CATAWBA PRESBYTERY EVENTS

- September 22-24, 2017 Senior High Retreat - Bonclarken
- October 7, 2017 Catawba Children's Retreat- Neely's Creek Church, Rock Hill, SC, 9:00 a.m.
- October 10, 2017 Catawba Presbytery- Neely's Creek Church, Rock Hill, SC, 10:00 a.m.
- October 24, 2017 Catawba Elders' Association- Centennial Church, Columbia, SC, 7:00 p.m.
- November 3-5, 2017 Catawba Middle School Retreat- Bonclarken

HOPE IN LANCASTER HOPE is currently seeking donations of healthy, non-perishable foods such as the following:

- *Spaghetti Sauce
- *Canned Potatoes
- *Grits
- *Cereal
- *Instant Potatoes
- *Canned Tomatoes
- *Juice
- *Jiffy Mix



LUNCH BUNCH Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to join the Lunch Bunch Tuesday, July 11 for a meal at Wagon Wheel. Mealtime begins at 11:30.

SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP Please join us in the Fellowship Hall Sundays at 9:30AM for coffee and fellowship. Sunday School starts at 10:00AM.

