

Volunteers

	October 22	October 29
Nursery	Dell Ghent	Kimberly Hefner
Toddlers	Susan Prete	_____
Greeters (F)	Richard Shields/ Marilyn Duve	Benny & Geri Brazell
(S)	Wayne & Debbie Dickson	Phil & Sarah Baer
	October	November
Elders	Frank Brackett	Butch Ghent
	Buddy Lever	David Pokopac
Captain	Keith Jaillette	Debbie Dickson
Co Captain	David Mohr	Debby Hegler
Ushers	Benny Brazell	Richard Gardner
	Sal Estrada	Steve Willis

Staff and Officers

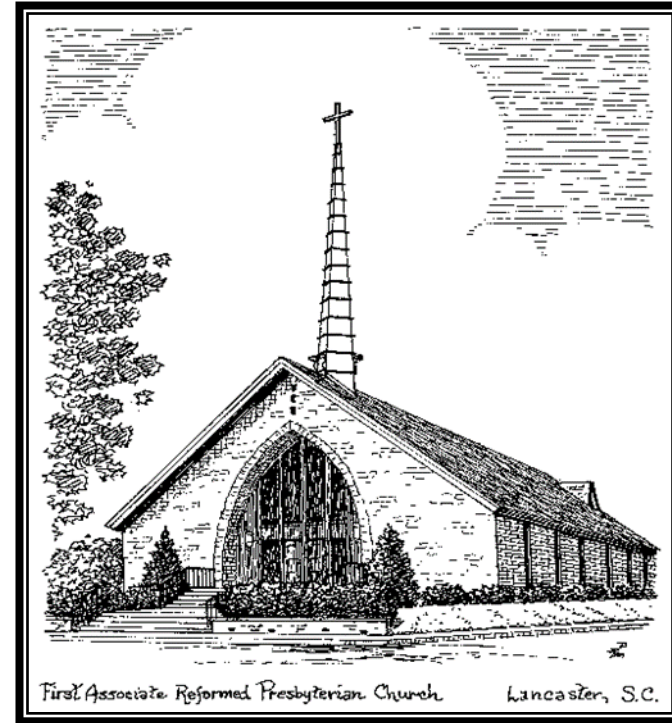
STAFF		ELDERS	DEACONS
Pastor- Dr. Kyle E. Sims	2017	Butch Ghent	Sam Prete
Choir Director- Dr. Kristen Wunderlich		David Pokopac	Lathan Rivers
Organist- Mrs. Amy Jones	2018	Ed Ogburn	Debbie Dickson
Secretary- Mrs. Stacy Pokopac	2019	Richard Crawford	Keith Jaillette
		Frank Brackett	Debby Hegler
		Buddy Lever	Dave Mohr

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First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

October 22, 2017

Worship

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Mrs. Amy Jones

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Kyle Sims

ENTERING WORSHIP

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 107:1-3

Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever! Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom He has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

***Hymn**

Red Trinity Hymnal #630

“Eternal Father, Strong To Save”

***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

October 15, 2017	
Attendance	81
General Fund	\$3,452
Total GF contributions This Month	\$10,759
Average Monthly Budget requirement	\$18,996
Missions Fund	\$50

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.

FUND OFFERINGS Next Sunday, October 29 we will collect an offering for our Congregational care Fund. Envelopes will be included in your bulletin or at the front and rear entrances of the sanctuary.

Pastor's Corner

October 22, 2017

On behalf of my family and myself, I want to thank them many folks in the congregation who have sent notes to us over the last couple of weeks. These are such an encouragement to us as we serve you all at First ARP Church. It is truly hard to believe that it has been 12 years since we came to Lancaster. Elizabeth was just starting school and Peter was just learning to walk. Now Elizabeth is a Freshman at Erskine and Peter is running Cross Country.

It is one of my great privileges to minister at First ARP church. We have seen the Lord bless us in so many ways over the years. What a wonderful group of believers he has brought together in our church. We are blessed by a talented staff. The intern program has been an excellent way to invest in young men and the ministry of our church at the same time. The choir continues to grow and be a place of fellowship and connection for our members both young and old.

Please continue to pray for our church and for me as your pastor. Pray for my family as we continue to live, worship, and serve our church and community. Pray for our future. We want to be faithful to God as we move forward. There will be many changes in the coming years, just as we have seen changes in the last 12 years. However, we are thankful that our God never changes. Our hope is secure in Christ. Moving forward as a congregation, more is going to be asked of our 40 and 50 year olds. There will have to be a continued passing of the baton. If we are going to continue the work we are doing, there has to be a commitment and sharing of the load by everyone.

The cards and gifts have been great. The many words of encouragement are balm to my soul. However, I long to see the congregation step up and reach its potential for ministry in this community. Where are you going to step up? Where are you going to give more? Where are you going to use your talents? Where are you going to step out and discover new talents?

Thank you again for your continued love for my family and me. I pray that we will continue to work together with God's blessing and that the Lord might use this church to glorify his name in great ways.

Dr. Kyle E. Sims
Feeling Much Appreciated Pastor

***Confession of Faith**

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.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Honor and Praise"

***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.

The Apostles Creed

Chancel Choir

**universal

MEANS OF GRACE

***Psalm** Blue ARP Psalter #94B

“Who For Me Withstands the Wicked?”

Pastoral Prayer

Choral Anthem

Chancel Choir

“It Is Well”

Children’s Sermon

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Pew Bible Page 982

Philippians 4:2-7

Sermon

Dr. Kyle Sims

“The Life Of the Body”

Prayer of Application

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

***Hymn** Red Trinity Hymnal #599

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

***Free Offer of the Gospel**

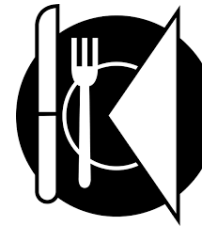
***Benediction**

FALL FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS There will be a brief meeting for all Fall Festival volunteers in the sanctuary following the worship service today to finalize coverage. If you cannot attend, contact David Pokopac.



Volunteers will also meet immediately following the worship service Sunday, October 29 for lunch and set up. This will also replace Sunday evening youth group.

WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHT Join us for our Wednesday night program. Dinner is from 5:55- 6:20PM and classes for all ages are from 6:30- 7:30PM. The cost is \$3 per person or \$10 per family. Checks are accepted, but please make them payable to **Butch Ghent**. A signup sheet is available on the bulletin board.



DINNERS FOR EIGHT The Fellowship Committee has created a way for our adult members and regular visitors to make new friends and interact outside the church. Groups of eight adults will meet once a month for dinner and fellowship for four months. You may sign up as couples, singles, or singles with friend. Once names have been collected, groups will be assigned and you will receive contact information for the members of your group as well as suggestions for each months meals. Each group will decide the day and time of their meal. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board for those who are interested in this fellowship opportunity. Please also mark the box if you are interested in hosting the first meeting.

ARP MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS Remember to turn in your subscriptions and payments for the 2018 ARP Magazine. Extra forms are available on the table at the side entrance. All forms and money are due by November 10. Checks are to be made payable to **ARP Magazine**. See Corinne Brackett with questions.



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.

PASTOR APPRECIATION October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Baskets will be available this month at the front and side entrances to the sanctuary for your cards and notes of encouragement to Pastor Kyle and family.

2017 CATAWBA PRESBYTERY EVENTS

October 24, 2017 Catawba Elders' Association- Centennial Church, Columbia, SC, 7:00 p.m.

November 3-5, 2017 Catawba Middle School Retreat- Bonclarken



FALL BACK Daylight savings ends Sunday, November 5 at 2AM. Remember to turn your clocks back one hour before you go to bed Saturday. If you forget, we invite you to join us for Coffee Fellowship at 9:30 and Sunday School at 10:00.

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

HOPE also has a Fresh and Healthy food initiative to provide healthier food options for their clients. Additional pantry needs include:

- *Peanut Butter
- *Canned Salmon
- *Jelly
- *Canned Fruit
- *Canned Beef Stew
- *Dry Pasta

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

Zephaniah 3:17

The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will quiet you by His love; He will exult over you with loud singing.

Sermon Notes

Text: Philippians 4:2-7

Title: “The Life Of the Body”

Prayer Emphasis

The Church family needs your prayers this week. We have several who are fighting cancer. We have several recovering for illness, disease, and injury. We have had several deaths in our church families. There are always many needs to be prayed for in this world. Make sure that you are praying for those in our church.

The situations in North Korea and with ISIS are still dangerous. We need to pray that the Lord will defuse these situations. Pray for our President and his administration to have wisdom to deal with these situations.

Pray against the hate that is so often spewed in our world. There is hate of races, creeds, nationalities, classes, and any other way man can make a division. We in the church are to be one body. The church should break down man made divisions. It should be for all who believe in Jesus. Pray for our world that hate would end. Pray for the church that we might be the example of God’s unifying love to the world.

Pray for Andrew Brunson. We can never forget this man as long as he is imprisoned in Turkey. Pray for his safety and his release.

Pray for our youth. Pray that they will grow strong in the Lord. Pray that we will teach them to be disciples of Jesus Christ, how to live for Jesus, and share their faith with others.

Pray for the ARP Church, that we will continue to be faithful to Jesus Christ and his word.

Pray for our sister churches and their leadership:

Hope Church- Pearland, TX- Rev. Gentry McColm

Hope Presbyterian Church- Opelousas. LA- Rev. Dean Rydbeck

Prayer Requests

First ARP

Benny Brazell
 Carol Nims- Presbyterian Home- Florence
 Carlyle & Mott Henley
 Chic Whitlock
 Clara Nell Robinson
 Erin Tindal
 Gene Hunter
 George Mason
 Harold Allen
 I. W. Caskey
 John & Pat Willis
 Katey Powell
 Marilyn Duve
 Mary Brown Parks-Morningside
 Mary Ella Jordan
 Nancy Ogburn
 Sally Lloyd
 Sheryl Huey
 Tom Strickland

Church Planters

Ben Carver- Shem Creek ARP- Mt. Pleasant
 Ian Wise-Pageland RPCNA
 Matt Awtrey-Kings' Church- Irmo
 Rob Turner- Arsenal Hill- Columbia

Missionaries

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

Military

Alex Coale- Japan
 Dillon Coale- ROTC

Pregnancy

Shay & William Belk

Friends & Family

Andrew Brunson- Prison in Turkey
 Charles and Annie Montgomery- Susan Prete's
 Parents
 Darryl Wayne Bristow- Pat McEachern's Broth-
 er
 Delphine Spinks- Geri Brazell's Sister
 Donna Bohler- Daniel Bohler's Mom
 Doris Hudson- Lorri Crawford's Mother
 Family of Jack Dockery
 Gentry McColm- Hope Church, TX
 George Busch- Scots Kirk Presbyterian Church
 Gwen Furse- Friend of the Pokopac's
 JoAnn Byrd-Patricia Gardner's Mother
 John Boykin- Friend of the Scruggs'
 John Christian Rozycki- Kristen Wunderlich's
 Nephew
 Judy Morrison- Aaron Morrison's Step Mom
 Louise Carpenter- Debbie Dickson's Mom
 Mary Ginty-Katey Powell's Mother
 Mary Musselwhite- Pat McEachern's Friend
 Phil Ghent- Butch Ghent's Brother
 Robert and Janice McClelland- Andrea Hen-
 ley's Parents
 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>

October/ November

2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
22 MISSIONS FUND 9:30 Coffee 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 5:30 Youth 5:30 Parenting Class	23 6:30 Trail Life	24 7:00 Elder's Assoc.	25 5:55 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir
29 CONGREGATIONAL CARE 9:30 Coffee 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Youth/ Fall Festival Setup 5:30 Parenting Class	30	31 6:00 Fall Festival	1 5:55 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir
5 MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT 9:30 Coffee 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 5:30 Youth 5:30 Parenting Class 6:30 AE Circle	6 1:30 JRP Circle 4:00 JL Circle	7	8 5:55 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir
12 9:30 Coffee 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 5:30 Youth 5:30 Parenting Class 7:00 Diaconate	13 6:30 Trail Life	14	15 5:55 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir
19 9:30 Coffee 10:00 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 5:30 Youth 5:30 Parenting Class 7:00 Session	20 6:30 Trail Life	21	22

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27 7:00 Youth Breakfast	28
2	3 MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT 7:00 Youth Breakfast	4 MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREAT
9	10 7:00 Youth Breakfast	11
16	17 7:00 Youth Breakfast	18
23 OFFICE CLOSED	24 OFFICE CLOSED	25

- ANNIVERSARIES**
- 7- Stephen & Christine Willis
 - 8- David & Stacy Pokopac
 - 12- Butch & Dell Ghent
- BIRTHDAYS**
- 1- Stacy Pokopac
 - 2- George Mason
 - 2- Kelly Sims
 - 9- Susan Cauthen
 - 9- Chuck Coale
 - 10- Mavis Caskey
 - 12- Ben Rivers
 - 12- Matthew Rivers
 - 13- Mary Brown Parks
 - 17- Mark Hefner
 - 17- Sally Lloyd
 - 20- Lisa Willis
 - 22- Don Rushing
 - 28- Ira Caskey III