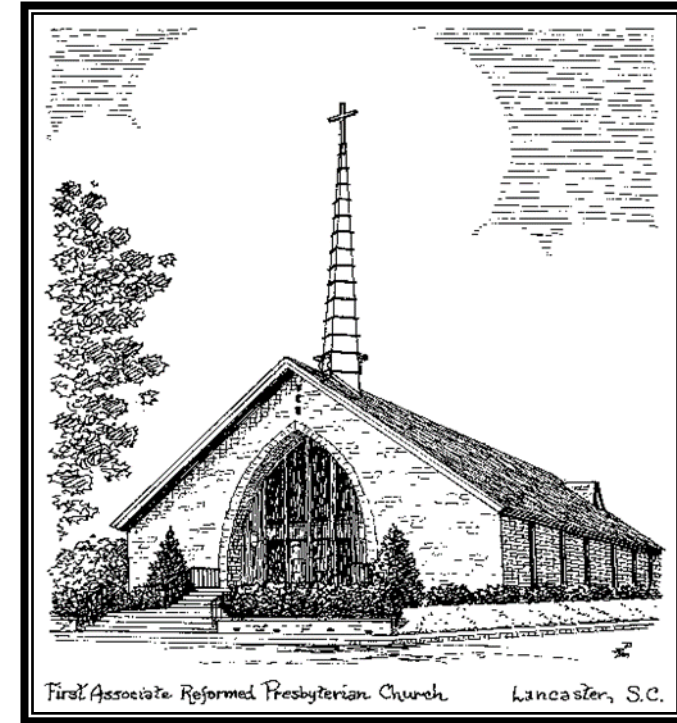


# Volunteers

	<b>February 18</b>	<b>February 25</b>
<b>Nursery</b>	Susan Cauthen	Shannon Mohr
<b>Toddlers</b>	Holly Rivers	Kelly Sims
<b>Greeters (F)</b>	Wayne & Debbie Dickson	Sarah Baer/ Buddy Lever
<b>(S)</b>	Mike & Pat Scruggs	Tom & Martha Morgan
	<b>February</b>	<b>March</b>
<b>Elders</b>	Richard Gardner Sam Prete	Richard Crawford Ed Ogburn
<b>Captain</b>	Debby Hegler	Keith Jaillette
<b>Ushers</b>	Joe Hegler Sonja Coale Chuck Coale	Ben Rivers Richard Crawford Andrew Johnson



# Staff and Officers

<b>STAFF</b>		<b>ELDERS</b>	<b>DEACONS</b>
Pastor- Dr. Kyle E. Sims	2018	Ed Ogburn	Debbie Dickson
Pastoral Intern- Mr. Ethan McConnell		Richard Crawford	Keith Jaillette
Choir Director- Dr. Kristen Wunderlich	2019	Frank Brackett	Debby Hegler
Organist- Mrs. Amy Jones		Buddy Lever	Dave Mohr
Secretary- Mrs. Stacy Pokopac	2020	Richard Gardner	Daniel Bohler
		Sam Prete	Richard Shields

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February 18, 2018

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# Worship

## GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

### **Prelude**

Mrs. Amy Jones

### **Welcome and Announcements**

Mr. Ethan McConnell

## ENTERING WORSHIP

### **Call to Worship**

Psalm 150:1-2

Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

### **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.

### **\*Hymn**

Red Trinity Hymnal #476

*"The Light Of the world Is Jesus"*

### **Confession of Sin**

O most Great, most Just and Gracious God; Thou art of purer eyes than to behold iniquity; but Thou has promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all that repent and believe in him. We confess that we have all sinned and come short of the glory of God. We have neglected and abused Thy holy worship. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have not sought first Thy kingdom. Thou has revealed Thy wonderful love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and salvation in Him; but we have turned away. We have run into temptation; and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed. Have mercy on us, most Merciful Father! In Thy Son is our salvation, in Thy promises our hope. Take us for Thy children and give us the Spirit of Thy Son, and in the end receive us into Thy glory, through Jesus Christ our only Savior. Amen.

# Financials

<b>February 11, 2018</b>	
Attendance	66
General Fund	\$2,046
Total GF contributions this month	\$5,275
Average Monthly Budget requirement	\$19,214
Missions Fund	\$2
Memorial 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.

# Pastor's Corner

February 18, 2018

Members of First ARP,

Ethan here. I wanted to give you all a short update on the Youth in the church and the retreats we will be going in the next few weeks.

Both of our spring retreats are coming up in March. The high school students will be heading out to Bonclarken on March 2nd and we will return on March 4th. The middle school students will be heading out March 23rd and will return on March 25th. Please pray for us as we travel, listen to speakers, and enjoy the weekend!

As we restart Sunday night youth group, we would love for some of you to be involved! We need volunteers to hang out with us from 6-7PM on the Second Sunday of each month and after church until about 3PM on the fourth Sunday of each month.

One last thing, please pray for us. Many times you probably won't be able to be the person to go on the retreat, or be a leader on Sunday or Wednesday nights. But, you can still be involved and we still need you to be involved through prayer! Pray for the leadership, the lessons, the outreach, the fellowship, and many other things. We need each one of you.

God Bless,  
Ethan McConnell  
Pastoral Intern

## Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 43:25

I, I am He who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins.

## \*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.

## Tithes and Offerings

## Offertory

*"We Will Rejoice"*

Children's Choir

\*congregation stands \*\*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 #183

*“Under His Wings”*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Anthem**

Chancel Choir

*“The Lord Is My Shepherd”*

**Children’s Sermon**

**Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture Reading**

Pew Bible Page 777

Micah 3

**Sermon**

*“Sin Makes You Stupid”*

**Prayer of Application**

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

**\*Hymn**

Red Trinity Hymnal #705

*“I Know Whom I Have Believed”*

**\*Free Offer of the Gospel**

**\*Closing Prayer**

**UPCOMING PRESBYTERY EVENTS**



- Mar. 2-4 Senior High Super Retreat - Bonclarken
- Mar. 13 Presbytery at Oak Ridge Church - 10:00 a.m.
- Mar. 23-25 Presbytery Middle School Retreat - Bonclarken
- Apr. 15-20 Bonclarken Work Week
- Apr. 21 Women’s Ministries Meet and Greet- 1st Lancaster

**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

**YOUTH GROUP NEWS** Youth group will now meet on the second Sunday of the month from 6-7PM and on the 4th Sunday of the month at 12PM for lunch. Parents are asked to take turns providing the meal. A signup sheet is available on the youth bulletin board near the Fellowship Hall.



All youth and their families are also invited to “Board Game Night” Friday, February 23 from 6-8PM. Bring your favorite game to play and share. Pizza and drinks will be provided. A sign up sheet is on the Youth bulletin board. Contact Ethan McConnell for all youth group activities.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS**

Sheryl Huey email- sherylhuey@yahoo.com

Randy Titus home phone- 803.285.8784

# 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.

**BONCLARKEN WORK WEEK** This year's work week at Bonclarken will be April 16-20. A project work list and registration forms are available in the church office. This is also a good time to support Women's Ministries and Bonclarken by sending items to the Gift Shop.



**WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHT** Join us for Wednesday night supper and classes. Supper is served at 5:45 followed by classes for all ages at 6:30. The cost is \$3 each or \$10 per family. Checks to BUTCH GHENT are accepted. Please sign up on the bulletin board in front of the church office by Tuesday each week.

## PRAYER LIST THIS WEEK:

John Willis- Heart surgery                      Mayor John Howard- Lung cancer  
Mary Ella Jordan- Broken hip                      Pastor Kyle Sims- Recovery from pneumonia  
Phil Baer is home from his trip to Mexico but is suffering from headaches and stomach issues. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

Are you praying for  
your Ten List?

## 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**

Proverbs 1:7

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction.

# Sermon Notes

Text: Micah 3

Title: “Sin Makes You Stupid ”

# Prayer Emphasis

**Andrew Brunson-** Although we have prayed a lot for him in the past few weeks, we need to continue to pray for him in earnest. Pray for strength as he suffers for the Gospel of Christ. Pray for his safety amidst deep, political unrest in Turkey. Pray for his family. Pray for his peace.

**Volunteers-** Pray for all of our church volunteers, both those who hold offices in the church and those who do not. Pray for God’s blessing on them. Thank him for their work and dedication. Pray for their protection as they seek to serve our congregation.

**Our Troops-** Pray for our troops. Pray that God will bless them and keep them safe. Pray that he will allow them to hear the Gospel—especially those who have not heard before.

**The Youth-** Pray for the upcoming Youth Retreats. Pray for those who will be attending. Pray for the Gospel to be shared, and God to be praised. Pray for safe travel.

## **Sister Churches -**

Crossings Community- Columbia, SC- Rev. Paul Pepin

Ebenezer Presbyterian- Rock Hill, SC- Rev. Matt Allison

# Ongoing Prayer

## Requests

### First ARP

Ann Pokopac  
 Carol Nims- Presbyterian Home- Florence  
 Carlyle & Mott Henley  
 Chic Whitlock- Morningside  
 Clara Nell Robinson  
 Erin Tindal  
 George Mason  
 Betty Allen  
 I. W. Caskey  
 John & Pat Willis  
 Katey Powell  
 Marilyn Duve  
 Mary Brown Parks-White Oak  
 Mary Ella Jordan  
 Nancy Ogburn  
 Sally Lloyd  
 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

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

### Military

Alex Coale- Japan  
 Dillon Coale- NAS Pensacola

### Friends & Family

Andrew Brunson- Prison in Turkey  
 Charles and Annie Montgomery- Susan Prete's  
     Parents  
 Darrell Wayne Bristow- Pat McEachern's  
     Brother  
 Delphine Spinks- Geri Brazell's Sister  
 Donna Bohler- Daniel Bohler's Mom  
 Doris Hudson- Lorri Crawford's Mother  
 George Busch- Scots Kirk Presbyterian Church  
 Gwen Furse- Friend of the Pokopac's  
 Jimmy Simpson- Mary Ella Jordan's Cousin  
 JoAnn Byrd-Patricia Gardner's Mother  
 Joan Pardue- Benny Brazell's Sister  
 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  
 Richard & Jimmie Harms  
 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>Scripture Text and Title</u></p>	<p><u>My Favorite Hymn From This Week</u></p>
<p><u>Sermon Points</u></p>	<p><u>What I Learned Today?</u></p>
<p><u>Things To Pray For</u></p>	<p><u>How Will I Obey God's Word?</u></p>

# February

# 2018

Sun                  Mon                  Tue                  Wed                  Thu

				<b>1</b>
<b>4 COMMUNION</b> 12:00 New Mem- bers Luncheon 1:00 Youth Meet- ing	<b>5</b> 1:30 JRP Circle 4:00 JL Circle	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 5:45 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir	<b>8</b>
<b>11</b> 5:30 AE Circle <b>6:00 Youth</b> 7:00 Diaconate	<b>12</b> 6:30 Trail Life	<b>13</b> 11:30 Lunch Bunch	<b>14 Sr. Hi Re- treat deadline</b> 5:45 Supper 6:30 <b>JUBILEE CELEBRATION</b> 7:30 Choir	<b>15</b>
<b>18</b> 7:00 Session	<b>19</b> 6:30 Trail Life (Navigators)	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 5:45 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir	<b>22</b>
<b>25 MISSIONS</b> <b>12:00 Youth Lunch</b>	<b>26</b> 6:30 Trail Life	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 5:45 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir	

Fri                  Sat

<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>9</b> 7:00 Youth breakfast	<b>10</b>
<b>16</b> 7:00 Youth breakfast	<b>17</b>
<b>23</b> 7:00 Youth breakfast	<b>24</b>

## ANNIVERSARIES

20- Tom & Betty Arant

## BIRTHDAYS

- 1- Mott Henley
- 2- Sydnee Banholzer
- 3- Tom Strickland
- 4- Ashley Willis
- 7- Catherine Mattevi
- 9- Mary Strickland
- 13- Roy Beckham
- 15- Conner Tindal
- 27- Ed Ogburn

## NORMAL SUNDAY

### SCHEDULE

- 9:15 Officer Meeting
- 9:30 Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship