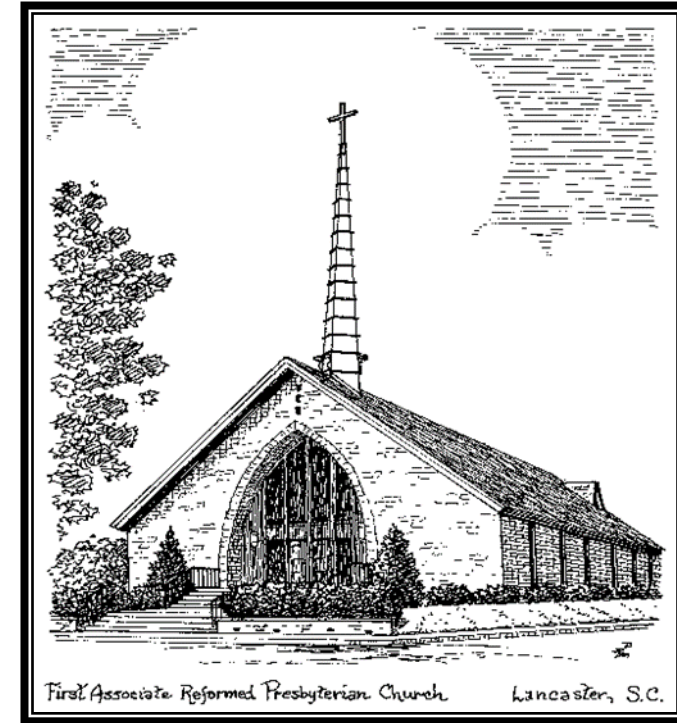


Volunteers

	March 4	March 11
Nursery	Stacey Pegram	Erin Tindal
Toddlers	Natalie Carmichael	Dell Ghent
Greeters (F)	Butch & Dell Ghent	Richard & Patricia Gardner
(S)	Chuck Coale/ Delaney Cox	Richard & Lorri Crawford
	March	April
Elders	Richard Crawford Ed Ogburn	Frank Brackett Buddy Lever
Captain	Keith Jaillette	Dave Mohr
Ushers	Ben Rivers Richard Crawford Andrew Johnson	Matthew Rivers Richard Gardner Tom Holland



Staff and Officers

STAFF		ELDERS	DEACONS
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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Worship

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Mrs. Amy Jones

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Kyle Sims

ENTERING WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 5:11-12

But let all who take refuge in you rejoice; let them ever sing for joy, and spread your protection over them, that those who love your name may exult in you. For you bless the righteous, LORD; you cover him with favor as with a shield.

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 #347

"The Church's One Foundation"

Confession of Sin

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Therefore, let everyone who is godly offer prayer to You at a time when You may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him. You are a hiding place for me; You preserve me from trouble; You surround me with shouts of deliverance. *Amen.*

Financials

February 25, 2018	
Attendance	104
General Fund	\$7,233
Total GF contributions this month	\$15,772
Average Monthly Budget requirement	\$19,214
Missions Fund	\$340
Congregational Care Fund	\$10

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.

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

Pastor's Corner

March 4, 2018

The Rev. Leon Brown will be here next Sunday morning to start our Special services. Rev. Brown is the mission developer/pastor of Crown and Joy Presbyterian Church (PCA) in Richmond, Virginia. This church is a multi-ethnic congregation that seeks to break down racial, economic, and other barriers through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Leon has a heart for the gospel. I fully expect him to jump up and down on our toes. He is going to challenge us in our love for our neighbor and in our desire to share the gospel. He is a gifted young man in preaching and teaching. He is working on a Ph. D in Hebrew and is also active in Martial Arts.

I invited Leon to do our special services because I thought that he would be helpful as we work through our own ministry and outreach to those outside our normal socio-economic circle. He has been a great resource and encouragement over the last few years. Another reason I wanted him to come is that he is looking at planting a church for the ARPC in Los Angeles, California. I wanted him to come and visit with an ARP church before coming on board. I could think of none better than First ARP Church Lancaster.

Please make time to be here for these special services. These are a special time for our church to be fed and challenged. We have brought Leon in to bless us, but you cannot be blessed if you are not here. Invite your friends to come as well. We hope that we will also have other churches join us for this time of teaching. The best way to get folks here is by word of mouth.

Finally, pray for our special services. Pray that folks will come and be blessed by the hearing and preaching of God's Word. Pray that some will come and believe in Christ. Pray that many will be challenged and encouraged to share their faith. Pray that we will receive the blessing we need. Pray for Rev. Brown as he prepares and then brings the messages.

Dr. Kyle E. Sims
Pastor

Assurance of Pardon

Micah 7:18-20

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of His inheritance? He does not retain His anger forever, because He delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; He will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as You have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.

***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

Chancel Choir

“The Church's One Foundation”

**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**

“The Church’s Doxology”

Blue ARP Psalter #179

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem

“Who Is This Man?”

Chancel Choir

Children’s Sermon

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

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Micah 4:1-5

Sermon

“The Kingdom Is Coming”

Prayer of Application

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

***Hymn**

“Christ Is Coming”

Red Trinity Hymnal #324

***Free Offer of the Gospel**

***Closing Prayer**

UPCOMING EVENTS



- Mar. 11-14 Special Services
- Mar. 13 Presbytery at Oak Ridge Church - 10:00 a.m.
- Mar. 23-25 Presbytery Middle School Retreat - Bonclarken
- Mar. 25 Easter Music and Reception
- Mar. 29 Maundy Thursday Service
- Mar. 31 Easter Egg Hunt- 1:00- 2:30PM
- Apr. 15-20 Bonclarken Work Week
- Apr. 21 Women’s Ministries Meet and Greet- 1st Lancaster

SPECIAL SERVICES Rev. Leon Brown, church planter and pastor at Crown and Joy Presbyterian church in Richmond, VA will be the speaker for this year’s Special Services March 11-14. He has a fascinating testimony of his youth and conversion, has preached the Girardeau Lectures at First Presbyterian in Columbia, and is a graduate of Westminster Seminary in California. He is currently working on a Doctorate in Hebrew. Please make time to attend this great worship opportunity.

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. See Ethan McConnell with questions.



WEBSITE FEEDBACK We are updating the church website and are looking for your feedback. Please visit our current site at www.firstarplancaster.org and let us know what works or doesn’t work, and what you would like us to add or take away. Contact the church office at onahill@comporium.net to share your ideas .

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.



PRAYER LIST THIS WEEK:

John Willis- Rehab

Mayor John Howard- Lung cancer

Mary Ella Jordan- Rehab

Are you praying for your Ten List?

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.



WOMEN'S WORK WEEK Calling all ladies!!! What better incentive do we need to put some polish and shine on our church home than to host special events? Before we open our doors to welcome our guests, we have some sprucing up to do. The "to-do" list is posted on the refrigerator in the parlor. Cleaning supplies are also there. Because we women are either working or playing, it's just too difficult to find one day that everybody can meet to tackle the work list, so we have set aside 3 dates...March 1, March 29, and April 7...to meet at 10:30 and polish, clean out, straighten up, etc. If none of these dates work for you, we would appreciate your time when it is most convenient for you. Just check the list in the parlor to see what needs to be done. Questions? See Debby Hegler.

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"

Words and Music by Stuart Townsend and Keith Getty

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***The Greeting of the Congregation**

Taking the Gospel To the World

Isaiah 52:7

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

Sermon Notes

Text: Micah 4:1-5

Title: "The Kingdom Is Coming"

Prayer Emphasis

Special Services

Rev. Leon Brown

Good Crowds

All will be blessed by God who attend

Andrew Brunson

Pray for his encouragement

Pray for his ministry in jail

Pray for his release

Violence in Lancaster

Family of man killed last Sunday

God to hold back evil

Peace in our town and county

Meeting of Catawba Presbytery

Pray for Jordan Bernard who is being licensed

Pray for work of presbytery

Pray for God to bring spirit of harmony and peace

Peace, Prosperity, and Unity of the church

Pray that we will continue to grow in our discipleship programs

Pray that we will continue to grow closer to each other

Pray that we will use our gifts together for God's glory and good of the lost

Sister Churches

Effingham Presbyterian- Effingham, SC- Searching for Pastor

Faith ARP- Sumter, SC- Supply Pastor

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
 Family of 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 Harms and Family
 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>

March

2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
				1 10:30 Women's Work Day
4 MS Retreat deadline Sr. Hi Retreat	5 1:30 JRP Circle 4:00 JL Circle	6	7 5:45 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir	8
11 5:00 AE Circle 6:30 Special Ser- vices	12 6:30 Special Ser- vices	13 Presbytery at Oak Ridge ARP 6:30 Special Ser- vices	14 6:30 Special Ser- vices	15
18 7:00 Session	19 6:30 Trail Life (Navigators)	20 11:30 Lunch Bunch	21 5:45 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir	22
25 MISSIONS 12:00 Youth Lunch 6:00 Easter Music Celebration	26 6:30 Trail Life	27	28 No Wednesday Night events	29 10:30 Women's Work Day Maundy Thurs- day service

Fri	Sat
2 Sr. Hi Retreat	3 Sr. Hi Retreat
9 7:00 Youth breakfast	10
16 7:00 Youth breakfast	17
23 7:00 Youth breakfast M S Retreat	24 Church Work Day M S Retreat
30 	31 1:00 Easter Egg Hunt

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6- Don & Betsy Rushing
- 10- Carlyle & Mott Henley
- 31- Chuck & Sonja Coale
- 31- Mark & Kimberly Hefner

BIRTHDAYS

- 1- Sam Huey
- 6- Phil Baer
- 8- Frank Brackett
- 10- Kyle Sims
- 18- Barton Henley
- 19- Lorri Crawford
- 21- Dell Ghent
- 24- Kimberly Hefner
- 26- Johnny Jones
- 27- Amanda Banholzer
- 29- Buddy Lever

NORMAL SUNDAY

SCHEDULE

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