

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Monday, July 12**  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout District Roundtable (*Davis Hall*)

**Tuesday, July 13**  
2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting  
7:00 p.m. Session (*Library Conference Room*)

**Thursday, July 15**  
6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Advancement Boards f Review (*Ed Bldg*)

**Sunday, July 18**  
9:00 a.m. Choir Practice (*Choir Room*)  
10:00 a.m. Worship (*in-person and live-streamed*)  
11:00 a.m. S & D class (*Fellowship House*)



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
CONCORD

**ELDERS**

**Class of 2022**

Peter Chikes  
Kevin Garrison  
Jim Holloway  
Donna Knorr  
Margaret Moore  
Hunter Morrison  
Kathy Pilkington

**Class of 2023**

Dale Carpenter  
Merl Hamilton  
Jim Monroe  
Harris Morrison  
Amy Murphy  
Susan Otteni  
Susan Smith

**Class of 2024**

Anita Brown  
Buddy Delizza  
Kara King  
Harriett Phillips  
Aaron Rotan  
Valerie Thomas  
Amy Woolwine

Gina Goff — Clerk of Session

**DEACONS**

**Class of 2022**

Donna Cline  
Jessica Garmon  
Edy Johnston  
Kate Morrison  
Dean Phillips  
Don Seitz  
Scott Verner

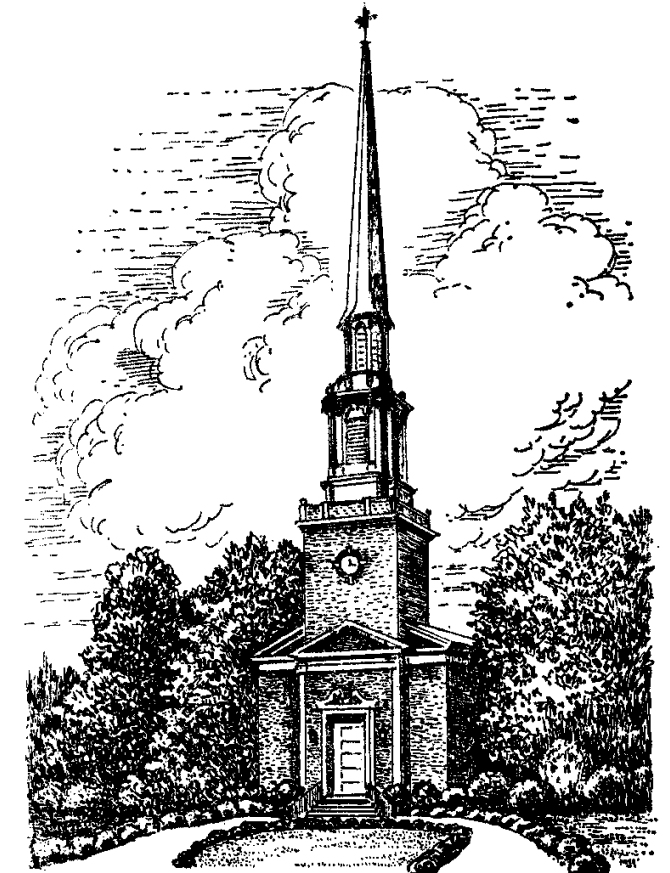
**Class of 2023**

Linda Barnett  
Tripp Carpenter  
Kimberly Leatherman  
Jeff Nelson  
Ellie Sherrill  
Dakeita Vanderburg  
Amanda Williamson

**Class of 2024**

Fritze Leigh Batts  
Jenny Chikes  
Joy Cook  
Chris Hahn  
Susan Hannah  
Debbie Harris  
Rindy Moore

# Seventh Sunday After Pentecost



**First Presbyterian Church  
70 Union Street North  
Concord, North Carolina**

**Sunday, July 11, 2021**

**Rev. Ellen Crawford True, Senior Pastor**  
**Rev. Lynne Keel, Associate Pastor for Care and Mission**  
**René Prager, Interim Youth Projects Coordinator**  
**Dr. Jacqueline Yost, Director of Music and Organist**  
**Dr. Jeffrey W. Price, Choirmaster**

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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

*When the organ begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.  
Following the service, greet one another with joy!*

PRELUDE *Lift Up the Gates Eternal* Wayne Wold

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it!

**People: From the east to the west, from the north to the south,  
God's Spirit moves across the face of the earth.**

Leader: From the east to the west, from the north to the south,  
we gather together, united by God's Spirit,

**People: to celebrate God's glory and proclaim His praise!**

**All: Let's worship God together!**

\*HYMN 37 *Let All Things Now Living* ASH GROVE

#### CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Forgive us, O God—cleanse our hearts and minds of all that prevents us from loving you and loving our neighbor. May our lives be Marked by faith active in love as we watch and wait for your Breaking into our world once more. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen. (Time for silent confession follows.)**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

RESPONSE OF PRAISE *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE  
**Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.**

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON Psalm 24 Cheryl Kelling, lay reader  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

SECOND LESSON Mark 6:14-29

SERMON Rev. Ellen Crawford True

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\*HYMN 630 *Fairest Lord Jesus* CRUSADERS' HYMN

\*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.**

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

##### THE 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, forever. Amen.**

#### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING **TEXT TO GIVE: 704-228-7459**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *The Lily of the Valley* Lloyd Larson  
(Sanctuary Choir)

*I have found a friend in Jesus, He's everything to me. He's the Lily of the Valley in Him alone I see. In sorrow He's my comfort, in trouble He's my stay; He's the fairest of ten thousand, my joy upon my way. He all my grief has taken, He all my sorrows borne. I've all for Him forsaken, from my heart all idols torn. Though all the world forsake me and Satan tempt me sore, He will never, no, never leave me till my life on earth is o'er. When my life on earth is over, when I have run this race, then, sweeping up to heaven, I'll see His blessed face! The Lily of the Valley, He keeps me by His pow'r! I've found a friend in Jesus, He's the bright and Morning Star!*

\*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH  
**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.**

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (Unison)

**With gratitude we offer ourselves to you, O God. Use us and use what we offer to proclaim your love, mercy, grace, and justice with the world. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.**

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN 366 *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* HYFRYDOL

#### \*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE *Amen in G* Jacqueline Yost  
(Sanctuary Choir)

POSTLUDE *Tell Out My Soul* J. Wayne Kerr

*This morning's Call to Worship is adapted from one written by Dr. Christine Longhurst.  
The Prayer of Confession is adapted from one written by the Rev. Dr. Moira Laidlaw.*

*\*Those who are able, please stand.*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TODAY'S FLOWERS** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Guy M. Beaver, Sr., Miss Louise Brown Beaver, and Elder Robert Ross Brown by Mr. and Mrs. Guy M. Beaver, Jr.

**FIRST KIDS HIRING** - If you love children, storybooks and art, can sing "Itsy Bitsy Spider", and enjoy building sandcastle, you may be a candidate to join our First Kids' family. Please contact our director, Maureen O'Bryan at 704-788-2812 or Frstkids@yahoo.com. for more details.

**RED CROSS CABARRUS VIP BLOOD DRIVE** - Monday, July 19th, in Davis Hall from 2:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment [click here](#) and enter 28025 or visit redcrossblood.org and enter: Cabarrus VIP Blood Drive