

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, August 2 7:00 p.m.	Worship Meeting (Library Conference Room)
Tuesday, August 3 1:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Market for Mission drop-off (Will Young Bldg) Staff Meeting (FH sunroom) Cub Scouts (Davis Hall) Boy Scouts Pack 3(Davis Hall) Board of Deacons (Library Conference Room) Al Anon Meeting (Commons)
Sunday, August 5 4:30 p.m.	Personnel & Finance Committee (Library Conference Room)
Sunday, August 1 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Choir Practice (Choir Room) Worship S & D class (Fellowship House) Journey Sunday School (Ed Bldg)

Made for Whiteness” by Austin Channing Brown. Whether you have engaged in this work for a long time or are just curious about this journey, we welcome everyone to join us for open and gracious conversation. We will begin our six week video and discussion series on Thursday, August 19th at 4 p.m. in Davis Hall. As always, we encourage you to purchase your book through black-owned booksellers, if possible. For more information or to sign up to join the discussion, please contact Lynne Keel at lynne.keel@firstpresconcord.org, that she may send you the reading schedule as well as notify you of any changes to meeting times/places



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

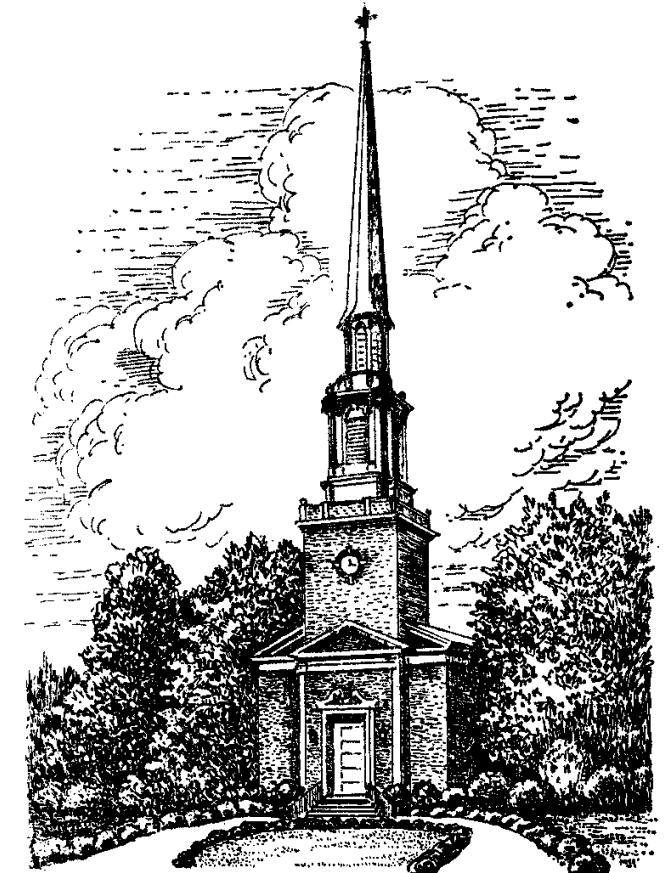
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Linda Barnett
Tripp Carpenter
Kimberly Leatherman
Jeff Nelson
Ellie Sherrill
Dakeita Vanderburg
Amanda Williamson

Class of 2024

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

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Presbyterian Church
70 Union Street North
Concord, North Carolina

Sunday, August 1, 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

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Draw near to God, who has heard your complaining. Come in the name of Jesus, who understands your need.

People: We have received manna in the wilderness. We have been offered the bread of life.

Leader: The Holy Spirit has come to restore your joy. God's presence is real to those who accept God's gift.

People: Whoever comes to Jesus will not be hungry. Whoever trusts in Christ will never be thirsty.

All: Let us worship God together!

***HYMN 634** *To God Be the Glory* TO GOD BE THE GLORY

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God, you have called us to live lives worthy of the calling to which we have been called. But we confess to you and each other that we have not always spoken the truth in love; we have not always made every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Forgive us and, by your grace, help us to grow in every way into him who is our head, Jesus Christ. Receive these silent confessions of our hearts as we lift them up to you...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

RESPONSE OF PRAISE *Break Thou the Bread of Life* BREAD OF LIFE
Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea. Beyond the sacred page I seek thee, Lord. My spirit pants for thee, O living Word!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 6: 24-35

SERMON "You are what you eat" Rev. Lynne Keel

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN 517** *Here, O Our Lord, We See You* MORECAMBRE

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from a Brief Statement of Faith 11.4

We trust in God the Holy Spirit

everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,
sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,
and binds us together with all believers
in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

The same Spirit

**who inspired the prophets and apostles
rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture,
engages us through the Word proclaimed
claims us in the waters of baptism,
feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation,
and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.**

In a broken and fearful world

**the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,

**we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks
and to live holy and joyful lives,
even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,
praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *The Fruit of the Spirit* Dan Forrest
(Sanctuary Choir)

*He that abideth in me, and I in Him, the same bringeth forth much fruit:
Love, joy, peace, patience, tenderness, goodness, faith, meekness and self-control.*

***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)**

Loving God, as you fed your people in the wilderness, use our gifts, time, and talents as the manna to meet the hungers of the world in which we live. For Jesus' sake, Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER †

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion and 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.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 65** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* CWM RHONDDA

*BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE

**Those who are able, please stand.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE WELCOME Erin Palmer who will provide our music today. She is the Professor of Collaborative Piano at UNC-Charlotte

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in memory of Maria V. Chikes on her birthday by Peter Chikes and family .

MARKET FOR MISSION drop-offs this Tuesday from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SCHOOL TOOLS PROJECT – We are collecting for the WSOC 9 School Tools project to benefit students and teachers in Cabarrus County Schools and Kannapolis City Schools. Drop off your donations in the barrel in the Fellowship House until August 16.

Teacher requests include: pencils, inexpensive headphones, composition books, notebook filler paper, copy paper, glue sticks, black Expo markers, index cards, tissues and Lysol/Clorox wipes. All donations are sincerely appreciated! The Cabarrus County sponsor is the Concord-Afton Sunset Rotary Club.

RACIAL READS - As part of our ongoing commitment to anti-racism work, our next Racial Equity Reads book will be "I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World