

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

**Monday, August 9**  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts Pack 3(Library Conference Room)

**Tuesday, August 10**  
2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting (Fellowship House)  
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts (Davis Hall)  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts (Davis Hall)  
7:00 p.m. Session (Library Conference Room)  
7:00 p.m. Al-Anon (Commons)

**Saturday, August 14**  
1:00 p.m. Memorial Service (Sanctuary /Davis Hall)

**Sunday, August 15**  
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*)  
11:00 a.m. Journey Sunday School (*Ed Bldg*)



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

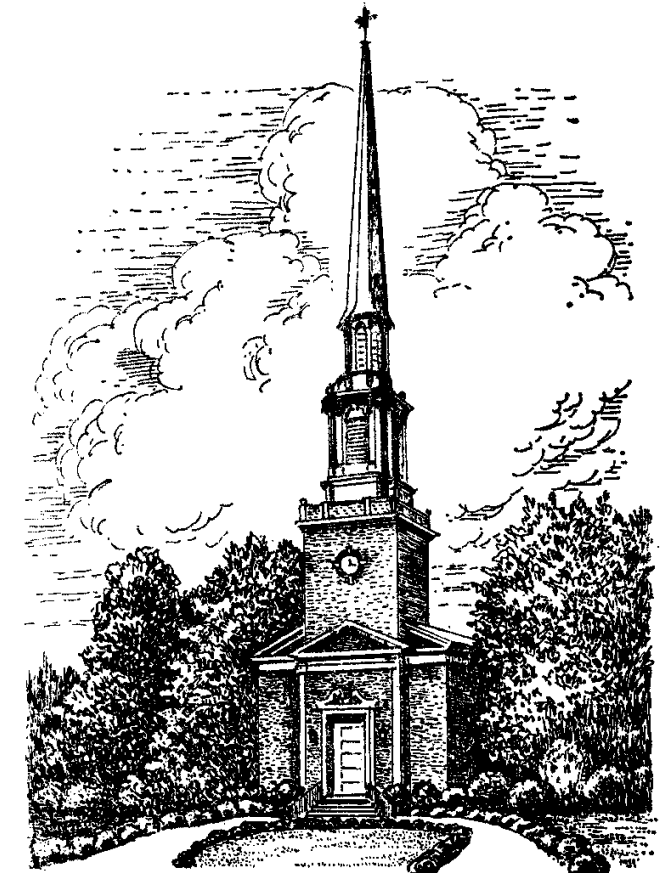
Class of 2023

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

Class of 2024

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

# Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

**Sunday, August 8, 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** *Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus* Paul W. Hofreiter

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### BLESSING FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,  
**People: let us praise God's name together.**  
Leader: The Lord longs to fill us with good things  
**People: and quench our deepest thirst.**  
Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good,  
**People: the Bread of Life for us and for all.**

**\*HYMN 610** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* AZMON

### CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Holy God, forgive us. We grumble with our neighbors. We grow hungry dining on empty promises. We forget the gracious banquet you freely give us in Jesus Christ. Turn us back to you in grace, and turn us back to our neighbors in love as we enjoy the abundant life you give us in your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. 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** *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

**FIRST LESSON** Ephesians 4:25 - 5:2 Dakeita Vanderburg, lay reader

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

**SECOND LESSON** John 6: 14-21

## SERMON

Rev. Ellen Crawford True

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

**\*HYMN 240** *Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks* ALLELUIA NO.1

**\*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** *Eternal Life* Olive Dungan, arr. William Stickles (Sanctuary Choir)

*Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace;  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; Where there is sadness, joy.*

*Oh Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console,  
To be understood as to understand, To be loved as to love;  
For it is in giving that we receive; It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;  
It is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life.*

**\*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)

**As we offer our gifts and lives in this moment, may we become imitators of you, Gracious God, who holds nothing back from us, but is generous and gracious with all that is yours. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.**

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

**\*HYMN 462** *I Love to Tell the Story* HANKEY

### \*BENEDICTION

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

**POSTLUDE** *Toccata in G major* William Hieronymous Pachelbel

*This morning's Prayer of Dedication was written by the Rev. Thom Schuman.*

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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 EQUITY 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 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