

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 17	LATER TODAY
12:00 p.m.	Congregational Meeting
3:15 p.m.	Children's Choir Rehearsal (Small choir room)
5:00 p.m.	Middle School (Youth Room)
6:00 p.m.	High School (Youth Room)
Monday, October 18	
9:00 a.m.	First Kids Preschool
Tuesday, October 19	
9:00 a.m.	First Kids Preschool
9:00 a.m.	Circle 3 (Courtyard or Davis Hall)
2:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting (Fellowship House)
6:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts (Davis Hall)
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts (Davis Hall)
6:00 p.m.	Dunford Fund Committee TBD
7:00 p.m.	Al-Anon (Commons)
7:00 p.m.	PW CT Mtg TBD
Wednesday, October 20	
9:00 a.m.	First Kids Preschool
10:30 a.m.	Bible Study
7:30 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, October 21	
9:00 a.m.	First Kids Preschool
6:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts (2nd Fl Ed Bldg)
7:00 p.m.	Mothers of Murdered Offspring (Commons)
Friday, October 22	
9:00 a.m.	First Kids Preschool
Sunday, October 24	
9:45 a.m.	Journey Sunday School (Ed Bldg)
9:45 a.m.	S & D Sunday School (Fellowship House)
9:45 a.m.	Todd Hobbie Sunday School (Davis Hall)
10:30 a.m.	Sanctuary Choir (Choir Room)
11:00 a.m.	Worship (in-person and live-streamed)
4:00 p.m.	Ellen's Installation followed by a reception
5:00 p.m.	Middle School (Youth Room)
6:00 p.m.	High School (Youth Room)



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

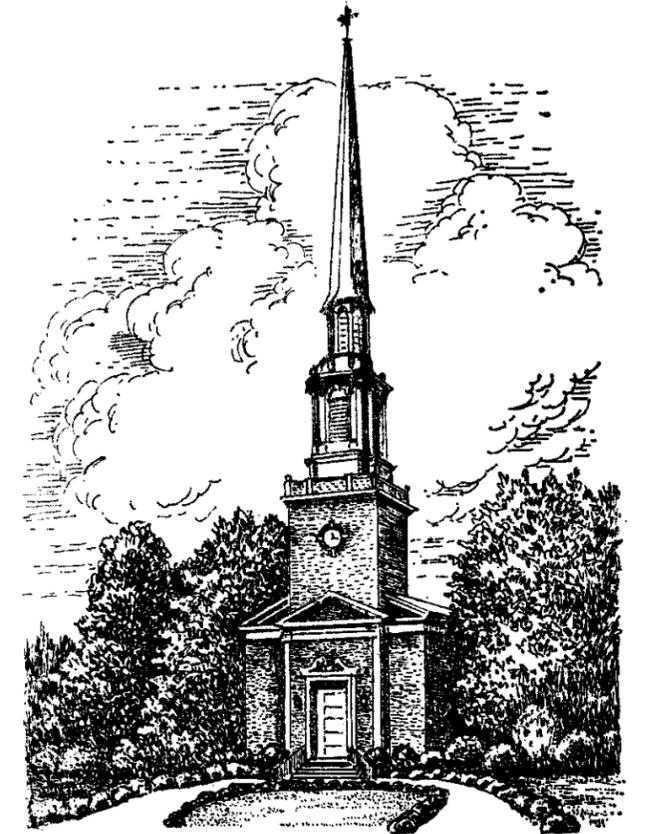
Class of 2023

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

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Presbyterian Church
70 Union Street North
Concord, North Carolina

Sunday, October 17, 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 *Andante Sostenuto* Mourlan

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT *Give Praise to the Lord* Jacqueline Yost
(Sanctuary Choir)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul!
People: God has stretched out the heavens like a tent above our heads,
Leader: and laid a firm foundation beneath our feet.
People: Bless the Lord, O my soul!
All: Let us worship God and sing God's praises!

***HYMN 26** *Earth and All Stars* EARTH AND ALL STARS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. 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!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON Psalm 104:1-9,24,33 lay reader, Dakeita Vanderburg
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Vows of the Parents and Congregation
Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing
Baptism and Welcome
Congregational Response

ST. CLEMENT

*Accept, O Lord, our dedication
To fill with love the growing mind,
That in this church and congregation
The young a faith for life may find.*

SECOND LESSON Mark 10:35-45

SERMON Rev. Ellen Crawford True

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN 370** *This is My Father's World* TERRA BEATA

***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 Majesty and Glory of Your Name* Tom Fettke
(Sanctuary Choir)

When I gaze into the night sky and see the work of Your fingers: the moon and stars suspended in space. Oh, what is man that you are mindful of him? You have given man a crown of glory and honor, and have made him a little lower than the angels. You have put him in charge of all creation: the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea. But what is man, that You are mindful of him?

O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of Your name transcends the earth and fills the heavens. O Lord, our God, little children praise You perfectly, and so would we. Alleluia!

***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)

Almighty and merciful God, from whom comes all that is good, we praise you for your mercies, for your goodness that has created us, your grace that has sustained us, your discipline that has corrected us, your patience that has borne with us, and your love that has redeemed us. Help us to love you, and to be thankful for all your gifts by serving you and delighting to do your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 733** *We All Are One in Mission*
ES FLOG EIN KLEINS WALDVÖGELEIN

*BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE *Immortal Invisible* Wilbur Held

**Those who are able, please stand.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM will be offered this morning to Wells Edwin Mitzel, son of Mollie Clark and Ryan Mitzel. We welcome Wells into our fellowship and pray for God's blessings on this family.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING - immediately following worship today, for the purpose of dissolving the call between Lynne Keel and FPC effective October 31, 2021