

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 24 4:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	LATER TODAY Ellen's Installation followed by a reception on the front lawn Middle & High School Combined (Youth Room)
Monday, October 25 6:30 p.m.	Worship Meeting (Zoom)
Tuesday, October 26 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	First Kids Preschool Staff Meeting (Fellowship House) Cub Scouts (Davis Hall) Boy Scouts (Davis Hall) Al-Anon (Commons)
Wednesday, October 27 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	First Kids Preschool Bible Study Memorial Service for Nancy Ferguson Choir Rehearsal
Thursday, October 28 9:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	First Kids Preschool Boy Scout Advancement Boards of Review (Ed Bldg) Mothers of Murdered Offspring (Commons)
Friday, October 29 9:00 a.m.	First Kids Preschool
Sunday, October 31 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m.	Journey Sunday School (Ed Bldg) S & D Sunday School (Fellowship House) Todd Hobbie Sunday School (Davis Hall) Sanctuary Choir (Choir Room) Worship (in-person and live-streamed) Reception for Lynne Keel (outdoors or Davis Hall) Middle and High School Combined (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

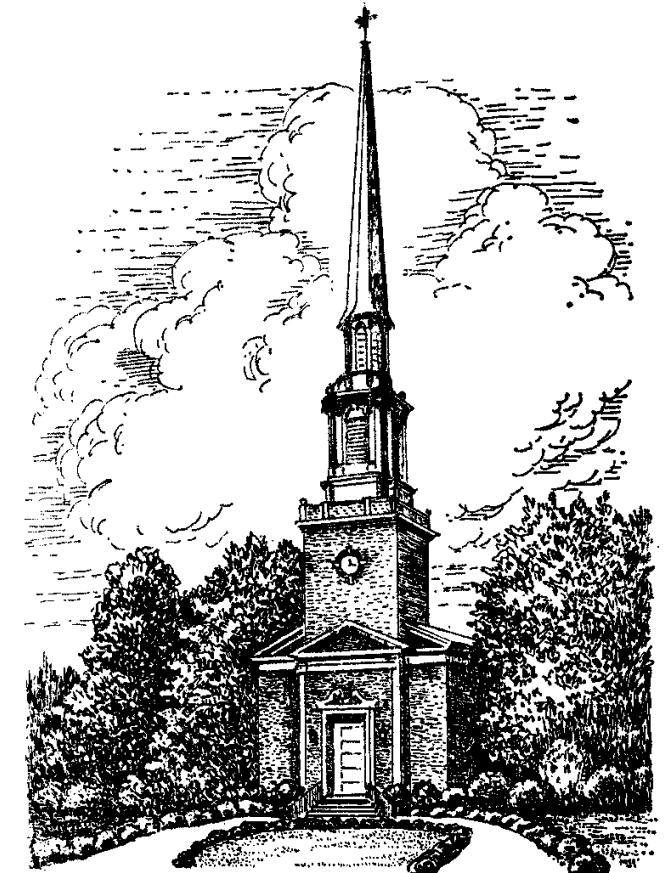
Class of 2023

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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Sunday, October 24, 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 Allegro con moto *from Sonata I* Felix Mendelssohn

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Give praise to the Lord, proclaim His name. Make known among the nations what He has done. Sing to Him, Sing to the Lord all the earth. Let the hearts of the people who seek the Lord, rejoice! Give praise to the Lord!

***CALL TO WORSHIP** inspired by Psalm 126

Leader: Come and laugh!
People: Come and sing!
Leader: The Lord has done great things for us,
People: And we are overjoyed!
All: Let us worship God

***HYMN 54** *Make a Joyful Noise to God!* DIX

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Holy God, you are ever merciful with us, yet we are often slow to offer mercy to others. You are abundantly gracious with us, yet we are not always gracious ourselves. Forgive us. Fill us again with the joy of your salvation so that we may follow Christ by loving and serving your children in his name. 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 *Go with Us, Lord* TALLIS' CANON
Go with us, Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, that in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON Psalm 126 lay reader, Betsy Liles
This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SECOND LESSON Mark 10:46-52

SERMON Rev. Ellen Crawford True

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN 450** *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

***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 *Blow Out the Trumpet* Joseph Martin
(Sanctuary Choir)
Kira Wagner, trumpet

Blow out the trumpet of God in Zion, let all the people of God shout for joy! Lift up your eyes and your voice to heaven, singing and praising the name of Him who rides upon the wind. Forever and ever, His truth endureth. Ever and ever His love for me shall live. Blow out the trumpet of God in Zion. Let all the people of God shout for joy! Alleluia. Sing alleluia to the Lord. Alleluia, amen!

***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)

O Lord, our God, we dedicate our lives and all that we have to the work of life, of love, of peace. Receive our gifts and lead us in wisdom and courage. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 838** *Standing on the Promises* PROMISES

*BENEDICTION

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

POSTLUDE "Allegro" *from Concerto for Trumpet* Giuseppe Torelli
(Kira Wagner, trumpet)

This morning's Prayer of Dedication is adapted from one written by Anton K. Jacobs in *Touch Holiness: Resources for Worship*.

**Those who are able, please stand.*

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in honor of Rev. Ellen Crawford True on the day of her installation from the Pastor Nominating Committee.

NEW MEMBERS —This morning we welcome the following new members into our church family: Christopher, Allison, Ella and Ryan Jones, who are joining by letter of transfer, Laura, John, Milo and Amos Roseman, who are joining by reaffirmation of faith, and Cindy and Mike Wise who are joining by letter of affirmation of faith.

WE GIVE A SPECIAL THANKS to Kira Wagner for offering her talents on trumpet for today's worship!