

**Morning Worship—May 21, 2017**

**Sixth Sunday in Easter**

*Please sign the Fellowship Pad and pass it to your neighbor. \*Please stand if able. It is our custom to sing, "Amen," after hymns.*

**PRELUDE**

"Trumpet Tune"

arr. S. Drummond Wolff

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: On this new morning and in every moment of our lives, gracious God,

**People: From generation to generation, we praise Your holy name.**

Leader: Like our ancestors before us, we proclaim your greatness to our children,

**People: For we have seen Your deeds of power and witnessed Your goodness in our lives.**

Leader: As You have opened Your hand to all, satisfying the desire of every living thing

**People: Open our hearts so that we might share the gifts we have received from You.**

**Let us worship God in gratitude and joy!**

**\*HYMN OF WORSHIP 379**

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Eternal God, we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed. We know that Your grace, as shown in the gift of Jesus Christ, can make us whole, so we ask You to forgive us through Him once more that we may glorify You in all we do. Hear our prayer as we continue in silence.**

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ Jesus died for us sinners.

**People: He bore our sins upon the cross that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good.**

Leader: He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities. From the cross, for us, flows mercy and grace. Believe in the good news!

**People: In Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

**Gloria Patri (579)**

GREATOREX, 1851

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS**

Offering in Music

Trevor Brown

"Arabesque"

Burgmueller

"Sonatina"

Clementi

Doxology 591

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

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Rev. Allen Thompson

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM for Mallie Elizabeth Walden and Lawrence Wilson Walden, Jr.**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PASTORAL PRAYER & 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.**

**ANTHEM**

"Simple Gifts"

arr. Joseph Martin

**UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**God of mercy, You promised never to break Your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, may we hear Your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to Your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**LESSONS**

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1 Thessalonians 2:13-14a, 17-20

**SERMON**

"Separation Anxiety"

Rev. Thompson

**SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Hymnal Pg. 14)**

The 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**

**\*HYMN OF WORSHIP 527**

"Near to the Heart of God"

**BENEDICTION 535**

"Go With Us, Lord"

**POSTLUDE**

"I Am With You Always"

arr. James Southbridge

*The flowers today are given in loving memory of  
Homer (Bus) B. Lowther by his family.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We provide **nursery care** from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM and **Sunday School** for grades K-5 after Time for Young Disciples.

**PASTORAL CONCERNS**— Martha Bell, Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller's grandmother), Chuck Bolt, Lisa Bolt, Alice & Randy Bradshaw, Beth Brown, Bill Brown, Claire Campbell, Nelson R. Clark, Judy Cox (Kristen Cox's sister-in-law), Maude Dalton, Rev. Cecil Eanes, Clarence Edmunds, Bill Erwin, Pauline Fitts, Betty Fitzgerald, Fred Gunn, Lois Hayes, Christina Hermetz (Kelsey Thompson's sister), Tim Hooker, Kathy Huggins, Kay Huggins (son-in-law of Thomas and Alice Saunders), Conner Jones, Doug Jones, Jana Keen and family, Angela Langford, Ruth Lawton, Larry Mann, Ruth Meadors, Thelma Meadors, Carolyn Miles, Larry Miller, A. B. Motley, Debbie Perrin Neal, Rhoda Neal, Judy Poythress (Mike Reynolds' sister), Carson Roberds and parents Ashleigh and Alex Roberds, Ella Ryan, Alice Saunders, Lynn Saunders, Alan Sweeney, Linda Terriberly, Emily Weller, Tom West

**ON THE MEND**--(Praise & Gratitude for improved condition) Kevin Bailey, Martha Bell, Kelvin Gunn, Grace Litzenberg, Thomas Peyton Mahaffey, Erica Mann, Lee Norman, Russell Vandiver

*Today we will baptize*

**Mallie Elizabeth Walden**, Born July 28, 2015 and  
**Lawrence (Law) Wilson Walden Jr.**, Born February 23, 2017

*We also welcome into membership*  
**Leigh Ellen Gibson Walden**



**Join us TODAY for the**  
*Presbyterian Women's Tea and*  
*Birthday Offering Celebration*  
**2 to 4 p.m.**



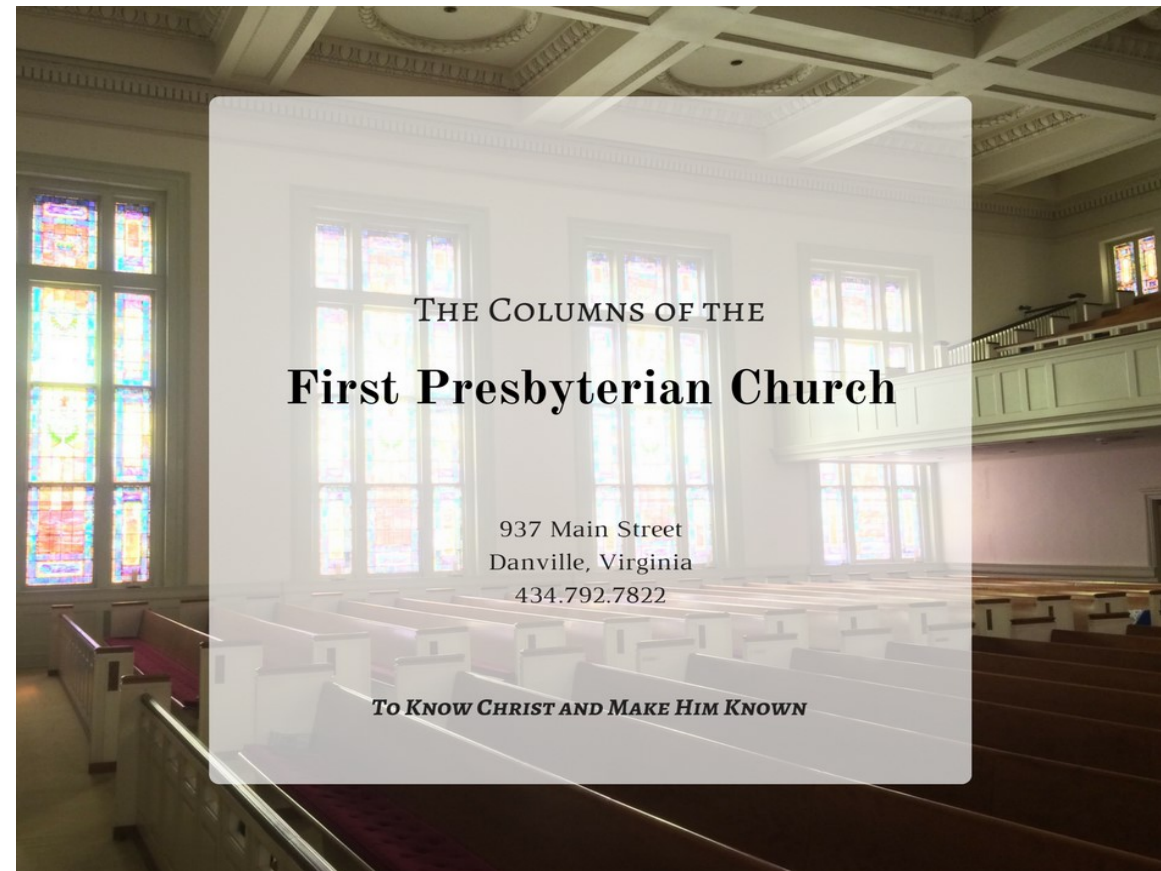
Please plan to join us for this year's **Low Country Boil** held on Thursday, May 25th at 6:30. The cost will be \$7/person or \$21/ family. Chicken can also be ordered. A representative will be selling tickets in the Juice room starting on May 7th. This year we'll also be having a **Pie Baking Contest** so there'll be great desserts available.

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### SERVING TODAY

Nursery/Sunday School	Diane Shelton & Kim Clifton
Children's Sunday School	Whitney and Catie Clarke Lisa and Lia Argyrakis
Elders at Front Door	Bunny Hayes
Friendship Period	Bob Newnam, Susan Mathena
Deacon to Receive Offering	Becky Meadema
Officers to Count Offering	Kile/Barrett
Church School Superintendent	Gail Davis
Liturgist	Gail Gunn
Time for Young Disciples	Allen Thompson
Sound System	Sam Meadema
Ushers	Team 3
Flower Ministry	Bible Fellowship Class
Weekend Custodian	Ron Tanner
Childcare Specialists	Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler
Saturday Lunch Ministry May 27	Jeanne Nostrandt & Gene Hayes



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**TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN**

### THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

#### MONDAY, May 22

9 a.m.	Day School
9:30 a.m.	Prayer Group
10 a.m.	Staff Meeting
4:30 p.m.	Christian Education
6:30 p.m.	Membership Committee

#### TUESDAY, May 23

9 a.m.	Day School
11 a.m.	Day School Picnic

#### WEDNESDAY, May 24

9 a.m.	Day School
6 p.m.	Youth Day School Graduation

#### THURSDAY, May 25

9 a.m.	Day School
12:15 p.m.	Ascension Day Chapel Service
5:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir
6:30 p.m.	Low Country Boil

#### FRIDAY, May 26

All Day Church Office Closed

#### SATURDAY, May 27

10:45 a.m.	Lunch Min. Bible Study
11:15 a.m.	Lunch Ministry

#### SUNDAY, May 28

9:45 a.m.	Sunday School: Mid & High School, Rm 112 Outlook Class, Rm 322 Bible Fellowship, Library Seekers, Rm 109
11 a.m.	Worship, Sanctuary Mid-worship K-2/3-5 SS