

*Morning Worship—June 3, 2018*

*2nd Sunday after Pentecost*

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

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRELUDE**

“Praeludium”

by Bach/Whitfield

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We gather on the day,

**People: to praise our God, who is our strength.**

Leader: We gather on this holy day,

**People: to join with Jesus in relieving the burdens of others.**

Leader: We gather in this sacred space,

**People: to be fed by the Spirit with grace and hope.**

**\*HYMN OF WORSHIP 371**

“Lift High the Cross”

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**God of mercy, on ordinary days we crush others under the weight of our unrealistic expectations. We knock down friends and neighbors in our rush to get more for ourselves. We forget how you have set us free, when we turn our backs on the strangers around us.**

**So on this holy day, Gracious God, we pray for your forgiveness. When we could promote ourselves, let us honor those who care for us in ways we do not notice. Instead of pushing people into the shadows, may we walk with them in your light. May we open our hands to serve others with the grace, hope, and peace poured into us through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

**SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: No longer are we held captive by our foolish choices or our damaging words. On this holy day, as well as all the ordinary days, our God blesses us with hope and mercy.

**People: With every instrument possible, but especially with our hearts and lives, may we praise the One who fills us with forgiveness and grace. Thanks be to God. We are forgiven. Amen.**

**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.**

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

Whitney Clarke

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**Holy God, open all of our hearts and minds to receive your Word this morning. Send your Spirit to illuminate your word, so that your message for each of us would be clear. Speak to us so that we may see where we are still held captive. Guide us to be free, and encourage us to be captivated by your love and truth, so that we may help others see the freedom we have in you. In the holy name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

**ANTHEM**

Anthem on the tune “Fairest Lord Jesus”

by Healey William

**O.T. LESSON**

(342/356)

Nehemiah 1:1-4

**SERMON**

“Rebuilding the Walls”

Dr. Ralph Hawkins

**PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER (See pew insert)**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (See Apostles’ Creed in Aids to Worship pew insert)**

**DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS**

Offering in Music

“Draw Me Close”

arr. M. Hayes

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

**\*HYMN OF WORSHIP 443**

“O Christ, the Great Foundation”

**BENEDICTION**

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE 538, verse 1**

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

**POSTLUDE**

“Fughetta”

by Andrew Gant

## 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**— Chlodine Bittner (Jackson Weller’s grandmother), Nelson Clark, Lib Cuttle, Dianne East, Ed Fisher (Sally Clark’s father), Betty Fitzgerald, Kaiden Sheldon, Maile Temple, Tom West, Debbie Whittle’s great niece

**ON THE MEND**— William Copeland, Mrs. Helen Harris (Kathleen Harris’ mother), Tim Kernodle, Mack Williams, Nultie Wiseman

Make plans to join us for “Shipwrecked Rescued by Jesus” our VBS June 11-14 5:30 -8:00 p.m. (Dinner included) classes for children 4 year olds – 5th grade. Adults are invited to attend the adult VBS class that Jackson will lead. Registration forms for children are in the window sills.

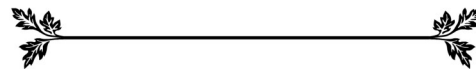
### Preaching Schedule

June 10 Youth Sunday  
June 17 Rachel Jenkins  
June 24 Dr. Bob Ramey

Dr. Ralph Hawkins is department chair of Religious Studies at Averett University. Please give him a warm welcome as he brings the message this morning.

### *SERVING TODAY*

Nursery/Sunday School	L. Blount/M. Meadors
Children’s Sunday School	K. Johnson/G. Baucom
	The Jones Family
Elders at Front Door	B. Hayes
Security & Side Door	B. Wilson
Visitation	H. Beale
Deacon to Receive Offering	K. Dolianitis
Officers to Count Offering	Beale/Meadema
Church School Superintendent	Gail Davis
Liturgist	M. Meadors
Time for Young Disciples	Whitney Clarke
Sound System	Ray Beale
Ushers	Team 1
Flower Ministry	Seekers Class
Asst. Custodian	Ron Tanner
Childcare Specialists	Lea Smith, Kelley Fochler
Saturday Lunch Ministry June 9th	J. Reynolds/Westover
Saturday Lunch Attendance 5/26	61

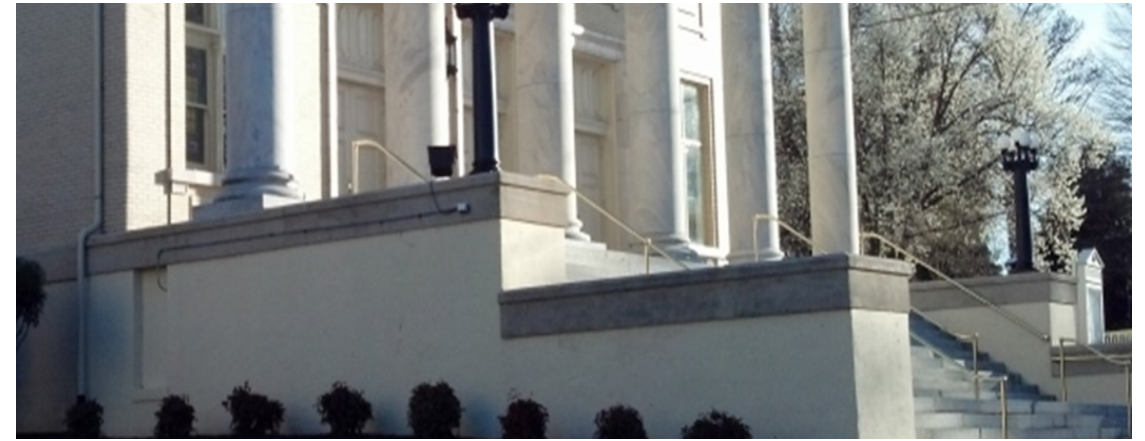


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### THIS WEEK AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

June 3, 2018

#### MONDAY, June 4

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
10:00 a.m. PW Coordinating Council  
5:30 p.m. Finance Committee

#### TUESDAY, June 5

5:15 p.m. Handbells  
6:00 p.m. Deacons  
7:00 p.m. Property

#### WEDNESDAY, June 6

6:00 p.m. Youth

#### THURSDAY, June 7

5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

#### FRIDAY, June 8

All Day Church Office Closed

#### SATURDAY, June 9

10:45 a.m. Lunch Min. Bible Study  
11:30 a.m. Lunch Ministry

#### SUNDAY, June 10

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
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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