

Announcements

Congratulations! Ed and Lynn Limon are the delighted grandparents!

Capt. Seth and Laura (Limon) Nicholson are pleased to announce the birth of a daughter, Eleanor ("Nora") Adams Nicholson on Aug 3, 2013 in Yucca Valley, CA. AND Spec. Kevin and Amy Limon are happy to announce the birth of a daughter, Ada Maria Limon, on Aug 15, 2013 in Ft. Bragg, NC.

Next Missional Lunch

Please join us for the next missional living lunch on September 8 immediately after the worship service. Between now and then, begin thinking about the following questions: What makes someone a good listener? What does it mean for a church family to be a community of grace? What kinds of things would tell a newcomer that a church is a community of grace? Hope to see you there!

Service for the Day of Prayer

September 11 has been designated as a national day of prayer and repentance. We will have a prayer service that evening from 7:00-8:00 that will be a time of singing, fellowship, and prayer.

Attention Ladies!

Our church will host a Beth Moore Simulcast on Saturday, September 14th from 8:30-4:30. All-day attendance is not necessary. We welcome those that want to stay for any part of the day. A BBQ lunch will be provided. \$5 per ticket. Contact Britt Causey: 336-266-1685 or bcausey4@triad.rr.com Please join us for a day of encouragement and Bible study!

Young at Heart

Young at Heart will resume meeting Tuesday September 24 at 11:45 in the church fellowship hall. Margaret and Myrleann will prepare the lunch consisting of baked chicken, rice pilaf, green salad, rolls and dessert. If you want to bring your own special dish, we will welcome it. Program will be announced later.

Attention Secret Sisters!

On Saturday, September 28 from 2-4 in the fellowship hall, there will be a dessert fellowship where we will reveal who we had for a SS. We will also draw for our new Secret Sisters. If you cannot attend you should still make sure that your gift for your sister is there. Also, there will be Secret Sister forms in the vestibule that you can fill out ahead of time. Be sure to give the form to Margaret Owens or Christy Gregory if you are unable to attend but want to be a SS for the coming year. If you are willing to make a dessert please contact Margaret Owens at mtowens62@yahoo.com or telephone 336-263-7666.

New Bulletin Boards

If you would like to have something posted on a bulletin board, please email Gloria. There are two Current Events boards, a Missions board, and a Women's Ministries board.

Ministry Information

Nursery

Next Week: Jessica Richardson and Christy Gregory

Children's Church:

Today: Kristen Carter and Jan Burwell

Next Week: Stephen Robinson and Katherine Baird

Deacon on Duty

Today: Mark Vestal

Next Week: Doug Glass

Elder Greeter

Next Week: Doug Cobb

Tithes and Offerings for August 18:

General Fund \$4,432.40

The Session

Moderator: Rev. Bryan Gregory
Vice Moderator: Gene Parks
Clerk: Matt Causey

2013: Doug Cobb, Matt Causey
2015: Dick Fuller, Gene Parks

The Diaconate

Chairman: Glenn Owens
Vice Chairman: Mark Vestal
Secretary: Doug Glass

2013: Randall Cobb
2014: Glenn Owens, Mark Vestal
2015: Doug Glass, WD Yarbrough

Congregational Officers

Trustees: Jim Knox, Steve Kyaw, Gene Parks
Congregational Treasurer: Laurene Howington
Congregational Secretary: Daren Melson

Women's Ministries

Women's Ministries Coordinator: Christy Gregory
Morning Bible Study Leader: Lillian Fuller
Evening Bible Study Leader: Dot Hutelmyer

Church Staff

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First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2013

Preparation

Silent Meditation

Desire as such is not the problem; it is not "bad." Indeed we are created as creatures with desires; to be human is to be desiring. All of our desires, however, are created to come to a rest in their one ultimate good, communion with God. ... If other created things are elevated to the position of the ultimate good in ceaseless exchange, coveting is the unavoidable result, since none of these created things will ultimately bring our desiring to a rest. Without desire we would cease to be human; without God as desire's ultimate end, we become inhumane.

Reinhard Hütter

If we covet heaven more, we shall covet earth less.

Thomas Watson (†1686 A.D.)

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements, and Greeting

Call to Worship—Psalm 100

Minister Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.
Know that the Lord is God.

People **It is he who made us and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Minister Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.

People **For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

Hymn of Preparation
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Tell Out, My Soul

Woodlands

Adoration

Invocation

Hymn of Adoration
25

Immortal, Invisible

St. Denio

Confession

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Our gracious God, we confess that we have not been satisfied in you. We have looked to other things to give us meaning, significance, and satisfaction. We have craved what we do not need and desired what we do not have. We have been discontent with the life you have given us and have failed to trust in your wise and mysterious providence. Forgive us for our lack of trust and contentment. Change us to people who rest in you and delight fully in you, for your glory, Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Assurance of Pardon — Acts 13:38; Ephesians 1:7

*Through Jesus Christ forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you.
In Christ we have redemption through his blood,
the forgiveness of our trespasses,
according to the riches of his grace.*

Gloria Patri

*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. Amen.*

Proclamation

New Testament Reading

James 3:13-4:10

¹³ Who is wise and understanding among you? By his good conduct let him show his works in the meekness of wisdom. ¹⁴ But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not boast and be false to the truth. ¹⁵ This is not the wisdom that comes down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, demonic. ¹⁶ For where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there will be disorder and every vile practice. ¹⁷ But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, impartial and sincere. ¹⁸ And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace. ^{4:1} What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ² You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴ You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵ Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? ⁶ But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble.” ⁷ Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹ Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰ Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

Minister The Word of the Lord
People ***Thanks be to God.***

Anthem

David Newton

(Dismissal to Children’s Church)

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 20:1-17

¹ And God spoke all these words, saying, ² “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ³ You shall have no other gods before me. ⁴ You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁵ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶ but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. ⁷ You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. ⁸ Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. ⁹ Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, ¹⁰ but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. ¹¹ For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. ¹² Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you. ¹³ You shall not murder. ¹⁴ You shall not commit adultery. ¹⁵ You shall not steal. ¹⁶ You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. ¹⁷ You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor’s.”

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon

Rev. Bryan Gregory

The Tenth Commandment: You Shall Not Covet

Dedication

Hymn of Response

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The King of Love My Shepherd Is

Dominus Regit Me

Affirmation of Faith — 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 Spirit, 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 sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.***

Prayer of Intercession and 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,
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.***

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

David Newton