

Announcements

Welcome. We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. If you are a visitor, please feel free to pick up a blue informational folder outside the entrances to the sanctuary to learn more about our church. Also, please fill out a visitor card in the pew racks and place in the offering plate so we can have a record of your visit. Thank you.

A Word About Our Worship Service. Call to Worship. The God of the universe summons his people to worship Him. Worship is a response to the grace of our great God. He is worthy of all worship and desires it from those who have been redeemed in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Ladies Mystery Dinner. Please join us for fun and fellowship on Friday, July 10, 2015 from 6 to 8pm in the Church Fellowship Hall. All ages invited & please invite friends! Please RSVP to Jessica Richardson 336-437-4388 or richardson.jessica83@gmail.com for important information. **SAVE THIS DATE!** Saturday, August 15, 2015 at 2:00pm! More information to come soon.

New Members Class - Summer 2015. Anyone interested in church membership at First ARP Church may attend our new members class taught by Pastor Crotts. The class will meet in the Hospitality Room during the 9:45 Sunday School hour. This class will continue through the summer months.

Missions Conference. Please mark your calendar for NEXT Sunday, June 28. We will hear from Nathan Olson during the Sunday School hour and during the potluck lunch following the worship service. The Olson's are raising support to go to Scotland to church plant. The main course and drinks for the potluck will be provided, and we ask the congregation to bring a side dish. We will also celebrate the Jubilee birthday. Please come and support our missionaries.

Alamance County Meals On Wheels. *Volunteers Needed.* The mission of Alamance County Meals on Wheels, Inc. is to provide in-home nutritional services in Alamance County which improve and enhance quality of life; nourish the body, mind, and spirit; and promote independent living for seniors and their families. *We are in need of friendly and motivated volunteers. Please call Ruth at 336-228-8815.*

Ministry Information

Nursery: Today: Karen Jones and Fran Haynes
Next Week: Stephen Robinson and Macon Baird
Counter: Today: Macon Baird
Next Week: Bennett Richardson
Deacon on Duty: Today: Doug Glass
Next Week: Stephen Robinson

Tithes and Offerings for June 14:
General Fund: \$ 2,712.94
Memorial: Peggy Mitchell 25.00

Financial Report:
May Contributions: \$16,430.08
May Expenses \$27,015.06
YTD (May 31) Contributions \$67,419.96
YTD (May 31) Expenses \$76,400.09

The Session

Moderator: Bryan Crotts
Vice Moderator: Gene Parks
Clerk: Jim Knox

2015: Jim Knox, Gene Parks
2017: Bill Haynes
2018: Bennett Richardson, John Robinson, Jay Snow

The Diaconate

Chairman: Doug Glass
V-Chairman/Secretary: David Newton

2015: Doug Glass
2016: David Newton
2017 : Macon Baird, Stephen Robinson

Congregational Officers

Trustees: Gene Parks (2015), Ferald Mann (2016),
Steve Kyaw (2017), Jim Knox (2018)
Congregational Chairperson: Dot Hutelmyer
Congregational Treasurer: Laurene Howington
Congregational Secretary: Jim Knox

Women's Ministries

Women's Ministries Coordinator: Jessica Richardson

Church Staff

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First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church



Blessed is everyone who fears the Lord,
who walks in his ways!
Psalm 128:1

**The Lord's Day
June 21, 2015**

Order of Worship

11:00 AM

Greeting of the Saints *The Congregation & Visitors*

Prelude Think On These Things *Ed Limon*

Welcome and Announcements

Voluntary for Silent Prayer

Votim Psalm 124:8

Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

Salutation Revelation 1:4-5

Call to Worship* Psalm 93

- ¹ The Lord reigns; he is robed in majesty;
the Lord is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.
- ² Your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.
- ³ The floods have lifted up, O Lord,
the floods have lifted up their voice;
the floods lift up their roaring.
- ⁴ Mightier than the thunders of many waters,
mightier than the waves of the sea,
the Lord on high is mighty!
- ⁵ Your decrees are very trustworthy;
holiness befits your house,
O Lord, forevermore.

Hymn of Adoration*
#6 Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith *Westminster Creed*

Minister: Congregation of our Lord Jesus Christ, what do you believe?

People: I believe man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever; I believe God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth; I believe there is but one true and living God; that there are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and that these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory; I believe God has foreordained whatever comes to pass; that God made all things of nothing, by the word of his power, in the space of six days, and all

very good; and that God preserves and governs all his creatures and all their actions. I believe that God chose and ordained the Lord Jesus, his only begotten Son, to be the Mediator between God and man, the Prophet, Priest and King, the Head and Savior of his Church. I believe that from all eternity God gave his Son a people, who will be redeemed, called, justified, sanctified and glorified.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

Song of Praise*
#623 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.

Corporate Confession of Sin

We, O Lord, have been a stiff-necked people who love unfaithfulness. We have loved other gods before you and become their servants. We have not worshipped you in spirit and in truth and so we have mocked your glory in heaven. We have used your name in vain and profaned your reputation on earth. We have desecrated your Sabbath because we have not trusted you to give us rest. We have not honored our fathers and mothers and so we have proved ourselves rebels. We have hated our neighbors and murdered them in our hearts. We have made adulterers of ourselves in the lust of our eyes or in the deeds of our flesh. We have stolen honor and wealth and privileges that are not ours. We have lied and falsely accused for we love gossip more than truth. We have coveted blessings you wisely and righteously gave to others. O Lord, have mercy on us through Jesus Christ our Savior for we have not kept your law. Forgive us we pray. Be gracious to us though unworthy. Enable us by your Holy Spirit so to live our lives, not as our own, but as those who have been purchased by the precious blood of Jesus Christ – offering our bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to you. In Jesus Name. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

Scriptural Assurance of Pardon I John 2:1-2

“My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.”

Hymn of Redemption*
#203 And Can It Be?

Reading of the Old Testament 2 Samuel 7:18-29
Pew Bible p. 300

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

Pastoral Prayer 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.

The Lord's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory *Choir*
“The Rock” Medley

Hymn of Praise*
#625 Doxology

*Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen*

Reading of the Holy Scriptures Judges 2:6-15
Pew Bible p. 233

Minister The grass withers and the flower fades
People **But the word of our God will stand forever.**

Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Rev. Bryan Crotts
Growing Up Christian and Keeping the Faith

Prayer to Seal God's Word

Hymn of Commitment* Psalm 128
Bulletin Insert

Benediction*

Postlude *Ed Limon*
