

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us today. 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.

A Word About Our Worship Service: Hymn of Reflection

When the Word of God reveals to us the greatness of God, the sinfulness of man and the grace of God in Christ, we must think on these matters and sing of them! Sometimes we sing joyfully. At times we may sing mournfully. Often we sing prayerfully, asking God to be at work in our hearts and minds.

A note of thanks : "Dear Congregation, I can't thank you enough for remembering me in your prayers and cards of inspiration. Each one is very much appreciated. Yours in Christ's Love, Ferald Mann"

Choir practice is at 5 P.M today.

Fifth Sunday Hymn Sing & Social is tonight at 6 P.M!

Ham, macaroni & cheese, salad, tea, lemonade provided! Please bring desserts to share.

Reformation Event: Ligonier will host a special evening celebrating the Reformation on October 30, 2017, and will stream the event live. Speakers include Sinclair Ferguson, Steve Nichols, Burk Parsons, Derek Thomas, R.C. Sproul. <http://www.ligonier.org/events/2017-reformation-event/>

Ladies' Bible Study is Wednesday, November 1 at 11 A.M. at the church building. We will be studying chapter 5 of *Living in the Gap Between Promise & Reality The Gospel According to Abraham*, by Iain Duguid.

Handbell Choir practice is Wednesday, November 1 at 6:30 P.M.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will next be served on Sunday, November 5 during Worship. Please prepare your hearts and minds for this important way in which the Lord graciously feeds his saints

Men's Lunch & Evening Gathering will be Monday, November 6 at 12 noon at Southbound Sandwich Works and at 7 P.M. at Panera Bread. We will discuss chapter 9 of J.I. Packers' *18 Words*.

Town Hall Meeting: The Session of First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church will host a Town Hall Meeting during the Sunday School Hour on Sunday, November 12, 2017, at 9:45 A.M. The purpose will be to discuss with the congregation our opportunities for ministry in the coming years!

Operation Christmas Child boxes are due Sunday, November 19. The goal is 120 boxes. It's not too late to donate and have a box created for you. Also, if you would like to volunteer at the Charlotte Processing Center on Saturday, November 25 from 12 noon-6 P.M., speak with Joyce Payne, (336) 222-1133. (You can work in 3 hour increments.)

The Raleigh Ringers Christmas Concert will be Dec. 9 at 3 pm at the Duke Energy Performing Arts Center in Raleigh. They are an amazing group of handbell players who have performed nationally with up to 28 ringers playing at a time. Tickets are \$15 for groups of 10 or more (\$17 individually). R.S.V.P. to Lynn Limon. A headcount is needed now to place a group order. Payment is due by December 9.

SAVE THE DATES:

Sunday, November 12 Town Hall Meeting - 9:45 A.M.

Saturday, November 25, Hanging of the Greens - 9 A.M.

(Breakfast provided)

Saturday, November 25, Operation Christmas Child - 2-6 P.M.

Wednesday, November 29, *Lessons & Carols Rehearsal* - 6 P.M. (Supper provided)

Sunday, December 3, *Lessons & Carols* - 6 P.M. (Reception to follow)

Saturday, December 9, Raleigh Ringers Christmas Concert - 3 P.M.

Sunday, December 17, Christmas Caroling & Treat Bag Delivery - 6 P.M.

(cookies & hot chocolate to follow)

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<https://www.facebook.com/FirstARPBurlington>

	Ministry Information		
	NURSERY	COUNTER	DEACON ON DUTY
Today	Joyce Payne & Kathy Isley	Larry Isley	Glenn Owens
Next Week	Macon Baird & Carol Erb	Ferald Mann	Glenn Owens

THE PRAYER NEEDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Lift up our Deacons as they serve the body of Christ in stewardship of our facility, material needs and support for all ministry events.

Connie Bennett (Parkinson's, hip pain)

Theo Baulding (relief from hip pain)

Foy Evans (vertigo)

Anne Garner's grandson, Tyler Philipps (chemotherapy for cancer)

Fran & Bill Haynes' neighbor (cancer, faith in Christ)

Lola Knox (regaining strength after cancer treatments, scan results)

Jim Knox (stroke recovery, improved care, night sitters, strength for family)

Steve Kyaw (recovery from second surgery to remove cancer)

Ferald Mann (continual progress from surgery)

Grady Pack (oxygen levels return to normal & stabilize)

Mary Renegar (COPD, breathing difficulties)

Justine Robare, Foy Evans' daughter, (to find suitable employment locally)

Christina Roberts (Ed Limon's sister, adjustment to assisted living home & alzheimers)

Jill Roy (recovery from foot surgery)

Jondeen Terry (knee replacement surgery recovery)

Cynthia Ward's son Mike

Cindy Wright (recovery from fall, strength with & healing from R.A.)

Campus Outreach serving Elon students, Isaac Sasser & Peter Perkins; expansion to FL

FOR OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: Elizabeth Barber, Theo Baulding, Jean Cathey, Foy

Evans, Doris Haywood, June Little, George McKinney, Catherine Mangum,

Pat Montgomery, Gene Parks, Mae Wilburn, Al Wright

Young adults & singles (good relationships, contentment)

FAMILY OF THE WEEK: Kaity Moore

EMERGENCY WORKERS, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, ARMED FORCES:

Ask for God to grant wisdom for those who serve in seats of authority: parents, earthly masters, governors, judges and officers of the law.

Josh Limon, stateside, job search;

Seth Nicholson, Marine (Limon's daughter Laura's husband; deployment)

Steven Mendiola, Middle East (wife, Maggie, Baby Aleighana, born on 8/16)

ARP Military Chaplains

LOCAL CHURCH: Ambassador Presbyterian, Apex, NC Pastors Warren Harvey & Dan Layman

MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT: (local) Siloam Missionary Homes

MISSIONARIES: Rebecca Carson, Germany

Andrew & Norene Brunson in Turkey; pray for his release from prison

A.R.P. CHURCH MINISTRIES: *The ARP Magazine*

SESSION

Moderator: Rev. Bryan Crotts

Vice Moderator: Jay Snow

Clerk: John Robinson

2017: Bill Haynes

2018: John Robinson & Jay Snow

2019: Ferald Mann

Elders Emeritus: Jim Knox & Gene Parks

DIACONATE

Chairman: Glenn Owens, 2018

Vice Chairman: Larry Isley, 2019

Secretary: Stephen Robinson, 2017

CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS

Trustees: Steve Kyaw, Jim Knox, Ferald Mann, Gene Parks

Treasurer: Laurene Howington

Secretary: John Robinson

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”It is only this proclamation of the Word of Christ that keeps the church from perishing at any moment—and, in fact, this proclamation keeps the church advancing in the power of the Spirit.” ~Martin Luther

THE LORD'S DAY

Sunday, October 29, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP
11 o'clock

*The prelude is a sacred curtain dropped between the world and the sanctuary.
The music is a signal for the congregation to observe silence.
During this time, be prayerful and reverent in preparation
for the worship of our holy God in His sanctuary.
(Please silence all phones and electronic devices.)*

Greeting of the Saints The Congregation & Visitors

Prelude Ed Limon

Welcome and Announcements

Voluntary for Silent Prayer

“Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.” Hebrews 12:28-29, *ESV*

Salutation Revelation 1:4-5, *ESV*

Call to Worship* Hebrews 1, *ESV*

Hymn of Adoration*
№ 26 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN' FEST BURG

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

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

People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will 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.

Song of Praise*
№ 30 *How Majestic is Your Name* MAJESTIC

Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty and everlasting God, who orders all things in heaven and on earth, and who made all ages a preparation for the coming of your Son, we confess before you that we have sinned. We have not loved you as we ought. We have exercised false priorities; maintained false concepts of God; taken vows we have not kept; failed to honor your Lord's Day. Furthermore, we have not loved one another as we ought. We have failed to give honor to whom it is due; failed in maintaining purity of heart; taken what is not ours; borne false witness to make ourselves look better; and we have entertained covetous thoughts. O God forgive our sins! We are sorry for them. We look to the merit and mediation of our Savior, Jesus Christ, to wash our sins away. Grant that we may grow in true faith and obedience to the honor of your great name. Amen.

EVENING WORSHIP
6 o'clock

”It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night.” Psalm 92:1-2

Join us this evening for our

Fifth Sunday Hymn Sing and Social!

We will sing hymns to celebrate the Reformation!

Following our singing we will have a ham supper.

Ham, macaroni & cheese, salad,

lemonade, tea and water will be provided.

Please bring a dessert to share.

Sermon Notes

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Exodus 34:6 & 7, *ESV*

“The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.”

Hymn of Redemption*
Insert *Forever Settled in the Heavens* DUKE STREET

The Psalter, 1961, John Hatton, 1793
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Reading of the Old Testament Joshua 24:1-33, *ESV*

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 *O Worship the King* Handbell Choir

Hymn of Praise*
№ 625 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

Offertory Prayer

Reading of the New Testament 2 Timothy 3:10-4:5, *ESV*

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God's Holy Word Rev. Bryan Crotts

Sola Scriptura: A Breath of Divine Air

Prayer to Seal God's Word

Hymn of Commitment*
Insert *Holy Bible, Book Divine* ALETTA

John Burton (1803), William B. Bradbury (1860)
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Benediction*

Postlude

*Congregation Standing