

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: Confession of Faith
All things necessary for living life and understanding God, reality, salvation and Christian duty are given to us in Scriptures. It is right and good for the people of God to profess with their lips what we believe is true.

Sunday Nights @ First Join us tonight at 6 PM. We will sing, pray and hear from God’s Word as we study Psalm 53.

Choir practice is at 5 P.M today.

No Ladies’ Bible Study Wednesday, October 11.

Handbell Choir practice is Wednesday, October 11 at 6:30 P.M.

First ARP’s **FALL FESTIVAL** is Saturday, October 14 at 4 P.M. Join us for bbq and fixins, games and bluegrass music with special guest, Dewey Brown & Friends of First ARP. Invite a friend by using the invitation at the Sanctuary doors!

Stated Session Meeting is Monday, October 16 at 7 P.M.

Ladies Evening Book Study is Tuesday, October 17 at 7 P.M. We will discuss chapter 1 & 2 of *Idols of the Heart* by Elyse Fitzpatrick.

Ladies’ Bible Study is Wednesday, October 18 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.

Cat Kids meet again on Wednesday, October 18 & 25 at 6:30 P.M.

Piedmont Rescue Mission Fundraiser Banquet is October 19 at the Nations Agents Alliance Building, 1214 Turrentine St., Burlington, at 6 P.M. *R.S.V.P.* to Glenn Owens.

Young at Heart meets on Tuesday, October 24 at 11:45 A.M. Hear *The Reformation* by Pastor Crotts. Ham provided. Please bring sides and desserts.

Table Talk meets again on Tuesday, October 24 at 7 P.M.

Fifth Sunday Hymn Sing & Social is Sunday, October 29 at 6 P.M! Pizza supper provided!

SAVE THE DATES;
Saturday, November 25, Hanging of the Greens - 9 A.M.
(Breakfast provided)

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

Sunday, December 3, *Lessons & Carols* - 6 P.M. (Reception to follow)
Sunday, December 17, Christmas Caroling & Treat Bag Delivery - 6 P.M.
(cookies & hot chocolate to follow)

Visit First ARP’s Facebook page for updates and photos of events and information.
<https://www.facebook.com/FirstARPBurlington>

	NURSERY	Ministry Information COUNTER	DEACON ON DUTY
Today	Carol Erb & John Robinson	Jay Snow	Larry Isley
Next Week	Jondeen Terry & Vicki McPherson	Ferald Mann	Glenn Owens

Tithes and Offerings on October 1, 2017

General Fund \$8,174.25

THE PRAYER NEEDS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Ask God to help each of us to live holy lives before the watching world as a witness to Christ Jesus.

Hurricanes & Mexico Earthquake recovery; BCA teacher’s parents in Puerto Rico

Connie Bennett (Parkinson’s, hip pain)

Theo Baulding (relief from hip pain)

Bryan Crotts’ brother, David & wife, Katie (praise for birth of son, Thomas Cook Crotts)

Mandy Crotts’ cousin, Wendy Miller (recovery from shoulder replacement due to R.A.)

Foy Evans’ daughter, Justine Robare, to find suitable employment locally

Anne Garner’s grandson, Philipp (cancer spread to lymph nodes)

Sarah Gilmore (Jack Snow’s finance’s mother major surgery recovery)

Haynes’ daughter Kelly & husband, Justin (praise for birth of son, Whit Samuel Boggs)

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

Lola Knox (regaining strength after cancer treatments)

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

Steve Kyaw (second surgery to remove cancer)

Ferald Mann (good check up w/ surgeon, recovering from bronchitis)

Jean McKinnon’s aunt, Melvina (upcoming second cataract surgery)

Grady Pack (oxygen levels return to normal & stabilize)

Mary Renegar (COPD, breathing difficulties)

Christine Roberts (Ed Limon’s sister, adjustment to assisted living home & alzheimers)

Jill Roy (recovery from foot surgery)

Becky Sneed (broken arm)

Audrey Turner (strength)

Donna Wolffe (broken wrist)

Cindy Wright (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

FAMILY OF THE WEEK: Betty & Ferald Mann

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;

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

LOCAL CHURCH: Westminster Presbyterian Church, Pastor Powell Sykes.

MINISTRIES WE SUPPORT: (local) Gideons Alamance West Camp, Al Whitlow

(regional): David Springer (Campus Outreach at Elon University)

MISSIONARIES: Nathan & Ashley Olson (Layman Serving the Church in Scotland)

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

A.R.P. CHURCH MINISTRIES: Bonclarken—the denomination’s conference center, located in the Blue Ridge Mountains of western NC—would be used for God’s glory.

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

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Secretary: John Robinson

Chairman: James Constable

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“Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.” Philippians 4:8, *ESV*

THE LORD’S DAY
Sunday, October 8, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP
11 o'clock

Greeting of the Saints The Congregation & Visitors

Prelude Julie Snow

Welcome and Announcements

Voluntary for Silent Prayer

Votum Psalm 124:8, *ESV*
“Our help is in the name of the LORD, who made heaven and earth.”

Salutation Revelation 1:4-5, *ESV*

Call to Worship* Psalm 134, *ESV*

Hymn of Adoration*
№ 1 *Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee* ODE TO JOY

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation*

Affirmation of Faith *The Nicene Creed*

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

People: *We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.*

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Song of Praise*
№ 73 *Thou Art Worthy* WORTHY

Corporate Confession of Sin

O Lord, no day of our life has passed that has not proved us guilty in your sight. Prayers have been uttered from a prayerless heart; praise has been often praiseless sound; our best services are filthy rags. Blessed Jesus, let us find a refuge in your appeasing wounds. Though our sins rise to heaven your merits soar above them; though unrighteousness weighs us down to hell, your righteousness exalts us to your throne. All things in us call for our rejection, all things in you plead our acceptance. We appeal from the throne of perfect justice to your throne of boundless grace, grant us to hear your assuring voice; that by your stripes we are healed, that you were bruised for our iniquities, that you have been made sin for us that we might be righteous in you, that our grievous sins, our manifold sins, are all forgiven, buried in the ocean of your concealing blood. Keep us always clinging to your cross, flood us every moment with descending grace. In your merciful name we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Personal Confession

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Proverbs 28:13

“Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper, but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain compassion.”

Hymn of Redemption*
№ 518 *Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground* HENDON

Reading of the Old Testament Psalm 119:1-16, *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 *All Christ Is, He Is Within Us* Choir

Hymn of Praise*
№ 625 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDTH

Reading of the New Testament Philippians 4:8-9, *ESV*

Prayer for Illumination

Preaching of God’s Holy Word Rev. Bryan Crotts

How the New Creation Person Thinks & Acts

Prayer to Seal God’s Word

Hymn of Commitment*
Insert *God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory* ODE TO JOY

David Clowney
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Benediction*

Postlude

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

Prelude Julie Snow

Reading from God’s Holy Word 1 Samuel 25:1-44, *ESV* Rev. Bryan Crotts

Opening Hymn*
№ 404 *The Solid Rock* SOLID ROCK

The Belgic Confession (1561) Article 12
Of the Creation

We believe that the Father, by the Word, that is, by his Son, has created of nothing, the heaven, the earth, and all creatures, as it seemed good unto him, giving unto every creature its being, shape, form, and several offices to serve its Creator. That he does also still uphold and govern them by his eternal providence, and infinite power, for the service of mankind, to the end that man may serve his God. He also created the angels good, to be his messengers and to serve his elect; some of whom are fallen from that excellency, in which God created them, into everlasting perdition; and the others have, by the grace of God, remained steadfast and continued in their primitive state. The devils and evil spirits are so depraved, that they are enemies of God and every good thing, to the utmost of their power; as murderers, watching to ruin the Church and every member thereof, and by their wicked stratagems to destroy all; and are, therefore, by their own wickedness, adjudged to eternal damnation, daily expecting their horrible torments. Therefore we reject and abhor the error of the Sadducees, who deny the existence of spirits and angels: and also that of the Manichees, who assert that the devils have their origin of themselves, and that they are wicked of their own nature, without having been corrupted.

Prayers of the Congregation
Adoration ~ Confession ~ Thanksgiving ~ Supplication

The Psalms Psalm 53 Rev. Bryan Crotts

Prayer

Closing Hymn*
Insert *God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory* ODE TO JOY

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Sermon Notes

* Congregation Standing