

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Prelude Mrs. Sylvia Campbell

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Dayton Wilson

Call to Worship

Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.

Great are your works, O Lord, pondered by all who delight in them.

Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.

*Hymn 15 "All Creatures of Our God and King" Williams

*Call to Confession Rev. Dayton Wilson

Jesus calls us to enter the joy of discipleship, the joy of following in his way. But sin clings closely, and we struggle to respond fully to Christ's invitation. Let us seek God's forgiveness so that we may know more deeply the joy God intends.

*Prayer of Confession Unison

Merciful God, in Jesus, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would us be. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness Rev. Dayton Wilson

Relentlessly God seeks us out with abundant grace and boundless mercy. This is good news! In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

* The Gloria Patri Unison

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.

* Sharing the Peace of Christ Rev. Dayton Wilson

The Peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you

LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Time with Young Disciples EPC Young Disciples
(Preschool - 2nd grade go to children's church)

Prayer of Illumination Rev. Dayton Wilson

Gracious God, illumine these words by your Spirit that we might hear what you would have us hear and be who you would us be, for the sake of Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

Scripture Readings Mark 1:21-28
Psalm 111

**Stand if you are able*

Response Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Dayton Wilson

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 634 "To God Be the Glory" Doane

* Affirmation of Faith The Apostles Creed Unison

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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering Rev. Dayton Wilson

With gratitude for God's faithfulness and with thanksgiving for all that we have received, let us bring our gifts to God.

Offertory

* Doxology Unison

* Prayer of Dedication Rev. Dayton Wilson

Prayers of the People Rev. Dayton Wilson

The Lord's Prayer Unison

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; and 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.

DEPART TO SERVE

* Hymn 625 "How Great Thou Art" Hine

* Charge & Benediction Rev. Dayton Wilson

*Congregational Response Unison

May the Lord Mighty God bless and keep you forever. Grant you peace, perfect peace, and joy in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and see His face and His grace forever. May the Lord Mighty God bless and keep you forever.

* Postlude Mrs. Sylvia Campbell

**Stand if you are able*

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God
in honor of Holt and Emily for their 12th birthday.
Love, Mom, Dad, and Ella*

The flower calendar is now available outside the Ladies' Parlor.

Birthdays this week

1/28: Michael Aycock **1/29:** Lacy Suggs **1/30:** David Cross **1/31:** Karen Campbell
2/1: Stephen Lewis **2/2:** Abbie Cross; Jake Futrell **2/3:** Claire DeVane; Jim Hill

Nursery Volunteers

1/28: Claire DeVane
2/4: Lisa DeVane

Children's Church

1/28: Savannah Ivey
2/4: Toni DeVane

Acolyte Schedule

1/28: Ivey Brown
2/4: Ryne Priest

ANNOUNCEMENTS MISSION OPPORTUNITIES AND MORE

Clark-McClure Scholarship Applications are available on the table outside the church office.

1/31: Wednesday Night Together: Adult Bible Study at 5:00 p.m.; Children's Choir Practice at 5:15 p.m. - Ages 3-6th grade; Giorgio's Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, bread, and desserts at 5:45 p.m. and Fellowship at 6:30 p.m.

2/11: Annual Congregational Meeting and soup and sandwich lunch in the PAC at 12:00 pm

2/24: Youth outing to watch ECU vs Carolina baseball at Segra Stadium in Fayetteville.

Prayer Concerns

MEMBERS

Nell Barnhill
Bobby Guyton
Ronnie & Gail Hutchinson
Ava Duncan
Merle Graham
Diane Fisher
Ritchie Priest
Karen Campbell
Bruce Barbour (Hospice)
Rose Murray
Denise Cross
Susan Fisher (Hospice)

NON-MEMBERS

Wendy Bowen
Murray Bordeaux
June Marie Jessup Smith
Margret Young
Jacob Boyd
Hubert Robbins
Barbara Moore Turner
Johnny Prevette
Carolyn Sanderford (Trey Duncan's grandmother)
David Lennon (Kaye Dennis' nephew)
Terry Lee (Jennifer Campbell's father)
Stephanie Holland (Susie Holland's daughter-in-law)
Matthew Krause (son of Jan Krause)
Kris Johnson (Michelle Wilson's brother)
Johnny Roberson (Hank Roberson's father)

Allen Barnhill
Joy Grady
Phillip Greene
Wanda Butler
Betty Davis
Shirley Hough
Jozee Strickland
Baylee Harmon
John Shaw

ELIZABETHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN SESSION

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ELIZABETHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School 10:00 am Worship 11:00 am

*“We are a community of faith, seeking to know Christ
and make Him known in all we say and do.”*

SERVICE OF THE LORD'S DAY - January 28, 2024

4th Sunday after Epiphany Sunday

Gathering Around the Word

United in ministry by the power of God's Holy Spirit, we welcome you to worship! May the Spirit of God be felt in our shared experience and by being together as people of God united by His eternal love for us.

Office Hours Monday - Thursday 8:30 am- 3:00 pm & Friday 8:30 am-12:00 pm
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