#### THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Mrs. Sylvia Campbell Prelude

Rev. Davton Wilson Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

The bread of life opens our eyes. The word of life opens our ears.

The risen one shows us God's own brokenness.

and by those wounds we are healed.

Peace be with you.

And also with you...

"Fairest Lord Jesus" \*Hvmn 630

Volkslieder

\*Call to Confession

Rev. Dayton Wilson

The One who calls us to repent, hears us. In trust that our Creator knows us through and through, let us open our hearts to the healing of God's forgiveness.

\*Prayer of Confession

Unison

Good and gracious God, we are creatures of dust, ignorant of your revelation, misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us, needing forgiveness. We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us. We beg your mercy for our fallen world. We seek your Word, that we may live with the faith of Jesus. Be our solace in this life and always. We ask this as your own children, holy and incomplete. Forgive us and lead us. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Rev. Dayton Wilson

You are already forgiven, loved and whole. In Christ, you are a fully flourishing human being; go live like it. In the Spirit, you are not an isolated spiritual being, doing Christianity alone, but you are part of a community of faith; go build that. By the grace of God, every human being is seen, loved, and made whole; go practice that. Amen.

\* 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. And also with you

\*Stand if you are able

## LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

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

Sacrament of Baptism

Praver of Illumination

Rev. Davton Wilson

Holy God, by your Spirit reveal your radical, surprising love; come to us through your

holy word, and let us hear what you are saying. Amen.

Scripture Readings Acts 3:12-19 1 lohn 3:1-7

Rev. Dayton Wilson

Response

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Rev. Dayton Wilson Sermon

### **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

\* Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

Unison

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

Offertory

\* Doxology

Rev. Dayton Wilson

\* Praver of Dedication Prayers of the People

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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 305

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

Darwall

\* 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 are given to the Glory of God in honor of Alice Graham Cross on her Baptism Day! Given By: The Cross Family

Birthdays this week...

4/14: Wesley Cross 4/16: Trent Inscoe, Donna Thigpen 4/17: Spencer Scott 4/18: Greg Martin

Nursery Volunteers
4/14: Doll Priest
4/21: Claire DeVane

Children's Church
4/14: Hawley Hunt
4/21: Mary HIII

Acolyte Schedule
4/14: Ava Duncan
4/21: Emily Campbell

## ANNOUNCEMENTS MISSION OPPORTUNITIES AND MORE

**4/15:** Stated Session Meeting at 6:00 pm in the library

**4/17:** Wednesday Nights Together: Adult Bible Study at 5:00 pm.; Children's Bible Study/Choir Practice at 5:15 pm - Ages 3-6th grade; Meal at 5:45 pm and Fun & Fellowship at 6:30 pm

# **Prayer Concerns**

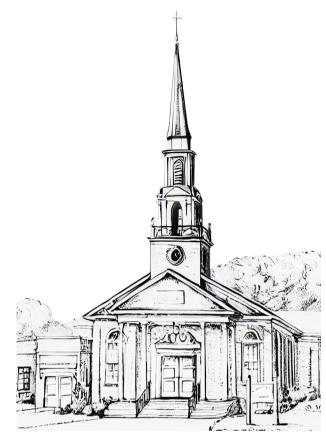
MEMBERS Nell Barnhill Bobby Guyton Ronnie & Gail Hutchinson Ava Duncan Merle Graham Ritchie Priest Karen Campbell Rose Murray Denise Cross Casey DeVane Powell Cross Charles DeVane	<i>NON-MEMBERS</i> Murray Bordeaux June Marie Jessup Smith Jacob Boyd Barbara Moore Turner	Allen Barnhill Joy Grady Phillip Greene Shirley Hough Jozee Strickland
	Johnny Prevette Carolyn Sanderford (Trey Duncan's gran David Lennon (Kaye Dennis' nephew) Terry Lee (Jennifer Campbell's father) Matthew Krause (son of Jan Krause) Kris Johnson (Michelle Wilson's brother) Johnny Roberson (Hank Roberson's father) Jason McClain (nephew of Cheryl West)	Rodney Hester Baylee Harmon Leon Martin Michael Shaw

## **ELIZABETHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN SESSION**

Class of 2024		Class of 2025		Class of 2026	
	910-874-4916	Jennifer Campbell	910-874-0501	Mac Campbell	910-874-4001
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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 - April 14, 2024 Third Sunday of Easter 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 https://www.etownpresby.org/
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