THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

Prelude Mrs. Sylvia Campbell

Welcome & Announcements Rev. Dayton Wilson

Call to Worship

Every time we gather in God's name, we learn something new.

What will be God's gift of revelation to us today?

We enter this time of worship joyfully, assured of God's new mercies. Celebrating these blessings to come, we bring our love to God.

*Hymn 450

"Be Thou My Vision"

Evans

*Call to Confession Rev. Dayton Wilson

*Prayer of Confession

Unison

Merciful God, we confess that we have not been sincere Christians. We claim to follow Jesus but have not taken his path of sacrificial love. We profess to be disciples, but we are not willing to bear the cost of discipleship. We affirm the virtue of self-denial, but we indulge our selfish desires and seek earthly gain. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for sincere repentance through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Rev. Dayton Wilson

* 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 grăde go to children's church)

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Maker

Prayer of Illumination

* Hymn 216

Rev. Dayton Wilson

Holy Spirit, open our hearts to receive your Word, reveal to us the good news, and enable us to trust in the promise of salvation in lesus Christ. **Amen.**

Scripture Readings

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16 Mark 8:31-38 Response

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Dayton Wilson

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

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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

What will it profit us to gain the whole world and forfeit our life? With all humility let us make our offering to God, trusting not in worldly gain, but in God's sustaining grace.

Offertory

* Doxology

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* Prayer of Dedication

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 39

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

Runyan

* Charge & Benediction

Rev. Dayton Wilson

*Congregational Response

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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

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The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God in memory of Reba Keel Roberson. Given By: Hank Roberson

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

Birthdays this week 3/1: Cathy DeVane

Nursery Volunteers
2/25: Claire DeVane
2/25: Lisa DeVane
2/25: Lisa DeVane
2/25: Lauren Campbell
3/3: Savannah Ivey
2/25: Emily Campbell
3/3: Parker Hunt

ANNOUNCEMENTS MISSION OPPORTUNITIES AND MORE

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

2/28: Community Lenten Service at noon at Elizabethtown Presbyterian, Rev. Brenda Flowers **2/28:**Wednesday Night Together: Adult Bible Study at 5:00 p.m.; Children's Bible Study/Choir Practice at 5:15 p.m. - Ages 3-6th grade; Meal at 5:45 p.m. and Family Prayer Jars at 6:30 p.m. and Adult Choir Practice at 7 p.m. **3/3:** 2-Cents-A-Meal Offering

Prayer Concerns

MEMBERS
Nell Barnhill
Bobby Guyton Ronnie & Gail Hutchinson
Ava Duncan
Merle Graham
Ritchie Priest
Karen Campbell
Rose Murray
Denise Cross
Casey DeVane

Allen Barnhill **NON-MEMBERS** Wendy Bowen Iov Grady Phillip Greene Murray Bordeaux Shirley Hough June Marie Jessup Smith Margret Young lozee Strickland lacob Boyd Baylee Harmon John Shaw Hubert Robbins Rodney Hester Barbara Moore Turner Iohnny Prevette Carolyn Sanderford (Trey Duncan's grandmother)
David Lennon (Kaye Dennis' nephew)
Terry Lee (Jennifer Campbell's father)
Matthew Krause (son of Jan Krause)
Kris Johnson (Michelle Wilson's brother)

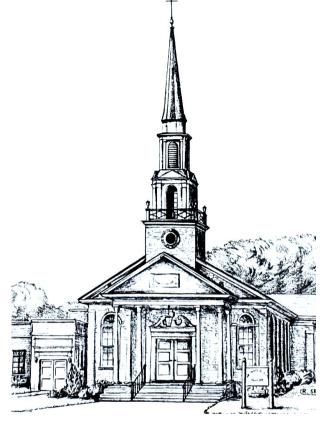
Johnny Roberson (Hank Roberson's father)

ELIZABETHTOWN PRESBYTERIAN SESSION

Class of 2024		Class of 2025		Class of 2026	
Joy Brice	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 - February 25, 2024 Second Sunday in Lent

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 910.862.3736

Rev. Dayton Wilson Pastor