



*Honor your  
father & mother,*

so that you may live  
long in the land the Lord  
your God is giving you."

– EXODUS 20:12

**Bethesda Presbyterian Church**  
**Aberdeen, North Carolina**  
**Founded 1788**

*"Glorifying God by proclaiming the gospel of  
Jesus Christ through love, faith, prayer, and service."*

# Service for the Lord's Day

February 11, 2024, 11 o'clock

## *Transfiguration of the Lord*

*Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly. Leave Gratefully. Serve Faithfully.*

### Gathering Music

### Welcome & Announcements

### Chiming of the Trinity

#### Prelude

*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*

Hustad

#### **Bringing in the Light of Christ**

#### †Call to Worship

Mark 9:2-9

One: *Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and John and led them up a high mountain apart, by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling bright, such as no one on earth could brighten them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, who were talking with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good for us to be here; let us set up three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He did not know what to say, for they were terrified. Then a cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud there came a voice, "This is my Son, the Beloved; listen to him!"*

**All: Let us listen to Him and be transfigured**

#### †Opening Hymn #192

*Lord, the Light of Your Love is Shining*

### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Heavenly Father, You have created us and redeemed us through Your son Jesus Christ. You watch over us and discipline us in Your wisdom. You have given us life, love, and community through the life and suffering of others. We confess that we have broken the fifth commandment. We confess a reluctance to honor our fathers and mothers and a suspicion towards tradition and authority. We confess that we have been forgetful of the sacrifices of those who came before us and unzealous to give reverence to the aged. We confess that we have idolized adolescence and preferred beauty to wisdom and youthfulness to

understanding. We confess that we have exasperated the young and been short-sighted about their future. Have mercy on us, Father, and send Your Spirit to help us give honor where honor is due. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

## **†Sharing of the Peace**

## **†Congregational Response**                      *Glory to God (sing 2x)*

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,  
whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.*

*As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

## **A Moment with Young Disciples**

## **Catechism Review**

Question 96

## **Prayer of Illumination**

## **Old Testament Reading**

Deuteronomy 5:16

## **New Testament Reading**

Ephesians 6:1-4

## **Anthem**

*The First Song of Isaiah*

*Congregation join in singing the chorus*

## **Second New Testament Reading**

1 Timothy 5:1-22

## **Sermon**

*“The Fifth Commandment”*

## **†Congregational Hymn #370**

*This is My Father’s World*

## **Welcoming of New Members**

Joe and Amanda Gradzewicz

## **Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles’ Creed

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.

(\*In this context, the word catholic is defined as the universal Christian church)

## †Prayers of the People

**Offering & Offertory**

*Praise Medley*

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†Offering Response Hymn

*Doxology*

†Prayer of Thanksgiving

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

## The 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; 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

†Closing Hymn #435 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

†Charge and Benediction

†Choral Benediction #542 *God Be with You 'Till We Meet Again*  
**Taking the light of Christ into the world**

**Postlude**

*In Thee Is Gladness*

Wood

† Please stand as you are able.

We welcome children with all the energy, enthusiasm, wisdom, and vocalization they bring to worship.

## **Announcements**

**Flowers today** are given to the glory of God, *“Oh give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples. Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; speak of his wonders.”* 1Chronicles 16:8-9

**Elder of the Month** for February is Davis Clark.

**Worship Committee Meeting** today after service.

**Shrove Tuesday** Pancake Supper, February 13, 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Ash Wednesday Service** February 14, 7 pm in the Sanctuary.

**Christian Education Committee** meets Thursday at 5pm.

**Sewing Workshop** Saturday, February 17 from 9-12. All are welcome; no experience is necessary.

**Bring a Friend to Church** next Sunday, February 18. The Evangelism Committee will provide hot chocolate outside for a time of fellowship after the service.

**Session and Deacons** will meet next Sunday, February 18, at 4 and 6 pm, respectively.

**Safety and Security Committee** will meet briefly after next Sunday's worship service in the Jesse Wimberly Room. **The Fellowship Committee** will meet next Sunday, at 4 pm in the Seekers Room.

**Parents**, please remember to have your children pick up their bags and papers before the start of worship.

**Egg Cartons** are needed for an upcoming Easter activity. Please save your cartons and bring them by the church office. We have 7 and need at least 8 more.

**Confirmation Classes** The dates for The Preparation for Baptism and Profession of Faith (Confirmation Class) will meet 5 times on Sunday at 9:30 am in the chapel, beginning on February 18 and ending on March 17. Each student should try to come to every class. There is breakfast in the fellowship hall around 9-10

am if the parents wish to stay, though you too are welcome to sit in the class if you would like. Congregation, please pray for the following individuals through this process: Profession of Faith: Avery Jessup, Hunter Jessup, Nathan Clarke, Jesse Andersen, and Baptism: Evelyn Lapointe

**Souperbowl Sunday and Food Drive** we continue to collect non-perishable foods and supplies to support our ministries to address the food insecure and those experiencing homelessness in our community. Please place your items in the narthex, the boxes in the breezeway hallway, or drop them by the church office during office hours.

**Vacation Bible School** will be Monday-Friday, June 10-14, from 5-7:15 pm; please mark your calendars. We are looking for volunteers in all areas. Please reach out to Brittany or Mary Katherine if you are interested in helping. We are also in need of boxes of all sizes. Please bring any boxes you have to the church office. We are considering an adult VBS during the same timeframe; if you would be interested in attending, call the church office, and let Julie know.

**Last Week's Numbers**

*Sunday School Attendance* 66                              *Offering Collected*    \$19,221  
*Worship Attendance* 132

**Celebrations and Concerns**

**Members**

Ginger Wilson    Mona Kahl    Jim Kahl    Matt Forbis    Don and Jean McGiffin  
Earlene and Larry McLamb    Nate Forbis    Dan Goodin    Willis Clark    Sara Swartout  
Cy Israel    Karen Robertson    Bill and Linda Parke    Peggy Jones    Joyce McInnis  
Luke Jacobs

**Members in Facilities**

Hugh Joyce, Ellen Heckman - Penick Village

**Members to Keep in Prayer**

Jane Sandrock    Kitty Kuzminski    Nancy Clark  
Dot Templin    Jackson Smith    Bruce and Joyce Thomas  
Joyce McInnis    Don and Jean McGiffin    Ruth Sinclair    Gladys Harris

## **Friends and Family (new additions in bold)**

Jenny Abbot

Cindy Atwell (daughter of Connie Atwell and Ron Schuch)

Bob (a friend of Craig and Sharon Fogleman)

Evelyn Bacinski (friend of Mary Ann Ward)

June Bosley (cousin of Sue Wiener)

The Byerly family (niece of Ann Woodfield)

Sarah Corcoran (Marjorie Downey's granddaughter)

Holly Davenport (Kim Clark's sister)

Kyle Donohue (Kitty Kuzminski's niece)

Carole Douglas (Lisa Noyes' mom)

Lisa Eaton (Ann Woodfield's daughter)

Samantha Garrison (former member of Bethesda)

Pete Golden (friend of Laura Hill)

April Graf (friend of Ann Woodfield)

Barbara Greer (Andy Auman's Aunt)

Morgan Hill (friend of Chuck and Nancy Dearborn)

Justin Hanks (nephew of Chuck and Nancy Dearborn)

Henry & Vera Hutcherson (Will Jacob's grandparents)

Ricky and Kam Hurst (friends of Bethesda)

Andrew Jimenez (friend of Laura, Charlie, and Jackson Hill)

Carolyn Johnston (Jane Long's sister)

Jesse Joyce (friend of Bill and Linda Parke)

Family of Jerry Kahl (son of Jim Kahl)

Bill Kay (Debbie Pace's brother-in-law)

Kelsi (friend of Carolyn Burns)

Christina King and Family (friends of Bethesda)

David Kuzminski (son of Kitty Kuzminski)

Millie Langenfeld (Nancy Dearborn's aunt)

Ron Layne (friend of Laura Hill)

Timothy Liles (friend of Leigh Baggs)

Carol and Alan Monroe (friends of Bethesda)

Patrick McLaughlin (son of Pat and Sandy McLaughlin)

Judy and Mike Melendez (friends of Chuck and Nancy Dearborn)

Mike Palmer (Betsy Mofield's son-in-law)

Betty Parke (Bill Parke's sister)

Carrie Peterson (friend of the Noyes family)

Vickie Pinkston (friend of Gloria Crane)

Jennifer Pinkston (Gloria Crane's daughter)

Tom Pinkston (Gloria Crane's son)

Alexander Deaton Riley (Great-grandson of Kitty Kuzminski)

Betty Ann Shaw (mother of Mary Ann Ward)

Denise Schuch (daughter-in-law of Ron Schuch and Connie Atwell)

Avery Slachter (friend of Sally Noyes)  
 Savannah and Deone (friends of Amy Hand)  
 Tamera (friend of Sharon Fogleman)  
 Buddy Spong (friend of Laura Hill)  
 Ed and Linda Stallings (friends of Jane McInnis)  
 Floyd Strupe (Mary Katherine's father)  
 Betty Sutton (Mother-in-Law of Joyce Robinson's sister)  
 The Family of Evelyn Terry (friends of Mary Ann Ward)  
 Doris Tulloch & daughters Rebecca and Sarah (friends of John McInnis)  
 Pattie Waddell (sister of Lisa McDonald)  
 Kathy Walker (friend of Kitty Kuzminski)  
 Kathy and Dale Weston (Nancy Dearborn's cousins)

### February Birthdays

14	Catherine Clark		Jane Long
	Mikaela Priddy	24	Hannah Clarke
17	Carolyn Burns		Ann Frank
18	Nick Cunningham	25	Bev Cunningham
21	Bruce Thomas	26	Victor Andersen
23	Charlie Hill	28	Kim Blue
	Rebecca Hill		Jessica Wilson

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