



Sixth Sunday of Easter

Let all the
earth cry out
to God with joy!

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

May 10, 2026 11 o'clock

Sixth Sunday of Easter ~ Mothers' Day

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Mothers

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

~Bringing in the Light of Christ~

†Call to Worship

based on Psalm 66:8-20

Leader: Bless our God, all people; let praise be heard.

People: God has kept us and not let our feet slip.

Leader: You tested us and refined us, yet brought us into abundance.

People: You heard our cries and received our offerings of thanks.

Leader: Come and hear what God has done.

People: Blessed be God, who listens to our prayers and holds us in steadfast love.

†Hymn #366

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

†Call to Confession

†Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy, forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

†Assurance of Pardon

†Sharing of the Peace

† Congregational Response #582

GLORY TO GOD

*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. (2x)*

Moment with Young Disciples

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 112

Pg 563 in the front of your pew Bible

Anthem

Gospel Reading

Luke 14:1-14

Pg 77 in the back of your pew Bible

Sermon “*One's Life Does Not Consist in the Abundance of Possessions*”

Rev. Bob Whitehouse

† Hymn #246 v1-2

Christ Is Alive!

† Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's 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.

(*Sheol or place of the dead; see Psalm 16:10)

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

Prayers of the People

Offering & Offertory

† Offering Response Hymn #606

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessing flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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 #246 v3-4

† Charge and Benediction

† Benediction Response Hymn #246 v5

Postlude

† Please stand as you are able.

Thank you to Rev. Bob Whitehouse for leading us in worship. Rev. Dr. Robert B. (Bob) Whitehouse is an honorably retired (6/30/21) PCUSA pastor. Bob received a BA in Psychology from Westminster College (PA) in 1978. After five years in the business world, God called Bob to ordained ministry. He graduated from Union Theological Seminary in Virginia in 1987. He has spent 37 years in active ministry, with 10 of those years being at nearby McDonalds Chapel (2011-21). His wife Joanna is a recently retired, now part-time, speech therapist at Harnett County schools. Joanna & Bob have lived in Woodlake for over 20 years. They have two sons. Ross lives in Greensboro. Peter lives in Jacksonville, FL with his wife Anna Catherine. Bob and Joanna often worship with us at Bethesda, and we are grateful for their presence.

Announcements

Flowers today are given to the glory of God in honor of Cathy and Terry Carpenter's 50th Wedding Anniversary!

Prayers and sympathy for the family of Jackson Smith. Jack was a longtime member of Bethesda who passed away on Sunday, April 26. Funeral services will be held at Bethesda at 2 pm on May 31. There will be a visitation from 1-2 pm prior to the service in the sanctuary.

The Flower Chart is in the narthex. Sign up to provide flowers for an upcoming Sunday.

The Priddy Family is on vacation for the next couple of weeks. Contact Julie at the office or May Elder of the Month Janet Peele, with any issues or concerns.

VBS is July 6-10.

REGISTER NOW: 
<https://bethesdapres.church>

Last Week's Numbers

Worship Attendance: 111 Sunday School: 54

End of March Financial Report

	March	YTD
Revenues	\$40,294	\$95,312
Expenses	(\$42,459)	(\$112,687)
Deficit	(\$2,165)	(\$17,375)

May Birthdays

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| 1 | Dell Crumpton | 14 | Tom Blue |
| | Dean McNeill | 15 | Amelia Driggers |
| 2 | Kitty Kuzminski | 17 | Mary Wilkinson |
| | Ian Blue | 19 | Jakob Gorba |
| | Mary Lawrie | 21 | Lisa McDonald |
| 7 | Michael Bean | 23 | Jimmy Gorba |
| 8 | Paula Cadell | 24 | Jean Snively |
| 10 | Logan Cunningham | 26 | Trinity Andersen |
| 11 | Georgia Proctor | 28 | David Keith |
| | Ron Schuch | 29 | Sam Smithson |
| 12 | Tammy Clarke | 30 | Mike Pace |

Celebrations and Concerns Prayer List

Members

Tom and Harriet Mueller Earlene and Larry McLamb Sarah O'Brien
 Mary Lawrie Peggy Jones Jim Thomas Lisa McDonald

Mary Ann Ward Doreen Wicker Frankie Holt
Andy White The Moon Family Ashtyn Adams Kay Mack
Betty Lou Stewart Shaw Ray Pat McLaughlin Family of Jackson Smith

Members in Facilities

Hugh Joyce, Ellen Heckman- Penick Village

Members to Keep in Prayer

Kitty Kuzminski Nancy Clark

Sara Swartout Karen Robertson

Friends and Family (new additions in bold)

Andrea (friend of Rebecca Dunn)

Jenny Abbot

David Bailey and family (friends of Bethesda)

June Bosley (cousin of Sue Wiener)

Robert Burns (friend of Bethesda)

The Byerly family (niece of Ann Woodfield)

Sally Conlon (friend of Connie Atwell and Ron Schuch)

Sarah Corcoran (Marjorie Downey's granddaughter)

Tommy Crane (Vance Crane's son)

Family of Nellie Dean (Granny of Brittney James and Addison Painter)

Kyle Donohue (Kitty Kuzminski's niece)

Stephanie Dutton (friend of Laura Hill)

Lisa Eaton (Ann Woodfield's daughter)

Keith Gaines (relative of Pastor and Mrs. Mueller)

Samantha Garrison (former member of Bethesda)

April Graf (friend of Ann Woodfield)

Melissa Griffith (friend of Amy Hand)

Cliff Hammond (friend of Bethesda)

June Hampton (Joyce Robinson's sister)

Morgan Hill (friend of Nancy Dearborn)

Harold and Mary Ann Hogan (Henry's Parents)

Isiah Huffman (friend of Bethesda)

Jesse Joyce (friend of Bill and Linda Parke)

Kelsi (friend of Carolyn Burns)

Christina King and Family (friends of Bethesda)

JoAnne Ladd (friend of Paula Caddell)

Timothy Liles (friend of Leigh Baggs)

Michelle Marley (friend of Richard and Jane McInnis)

David McLenden (friend of Judy Heffner)

Glenn Miller (friend of Rick and Jane McInnis)

Carol and Alan Monroe (friends of Bethesda)
Kacey McDonald (cousin of Al McDonald)
Neil McKenzie (friend of Jane and Rick McInnis)
LJ McNeill (friend of Rebecca Dunn)
Patrick McLaughlin (son of Pat and Sandy McLaughlin)
David and Peter McLenden (friends of Judy Heffner)
Judy Melendez (friend of Nancy Dearborn)
Matt Morgan (friend of Sue and Dan Wiener)
Jeanne Muse (friend of Mary Ann Ward)
Mike Norton (friend of Francisco)
Carrie Peterson (friend of the Noyes family)
John and Sue Pfisterer (friend of Dan and Sue Wiener)
Jan Phillips (Julie Formanski's mother)
Jennifer Pinkston (Gloria Crane's daughter)
Tom Pinkston (Gloria Crane's son)
Brittany Ransdell and family (daughter-in-law of Jim and Kristy)
Alexander Deaton Riley (Great-grandson of Kitty Kuzminski)
Mark Simmons (friend of Rick and Lisa Noyes)
Ed and Linda Stallings (friends of Jane McInnis)
Chad Stambaugh (Carolyn Moore's Nephew)
Floyd Strupe (Mary Katherine's father)
Buddy Vandiver (Rick Noyes' Uncle)
Kathy Walker (friend of Kitty Kuzminski)
Kathy and Dale Weston (Nancy Dearborn's cousin)
Avalene Wright (daughter of Becky and Brian Wright)

Bethesda Officers

Elder of the Month for May is Janet Peele

Elders:

Class of 2026: Davis Clark, Craig Fogleman, Laura Hill

Class of 2027: Leslie Champion, Marsha Southers, Ron Schuch, Jamie Clarke

Class of 2028: Kristy Ransdell, Nancy High, Janet Peele

Deacons

Class of 2026: Jane McInnis, Terry Hardison, Carolyn Moore, Pat McLaughlin

Class of 2027: Curt Proctor, Kelly Clark, Jane Long, Susan McNeill

Class of 2028: David Keith, Grant Martin, Christi Conley, Sherry Wright,
Jesse Andersen - Youth

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Friday, 9:00 am–12 noon

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