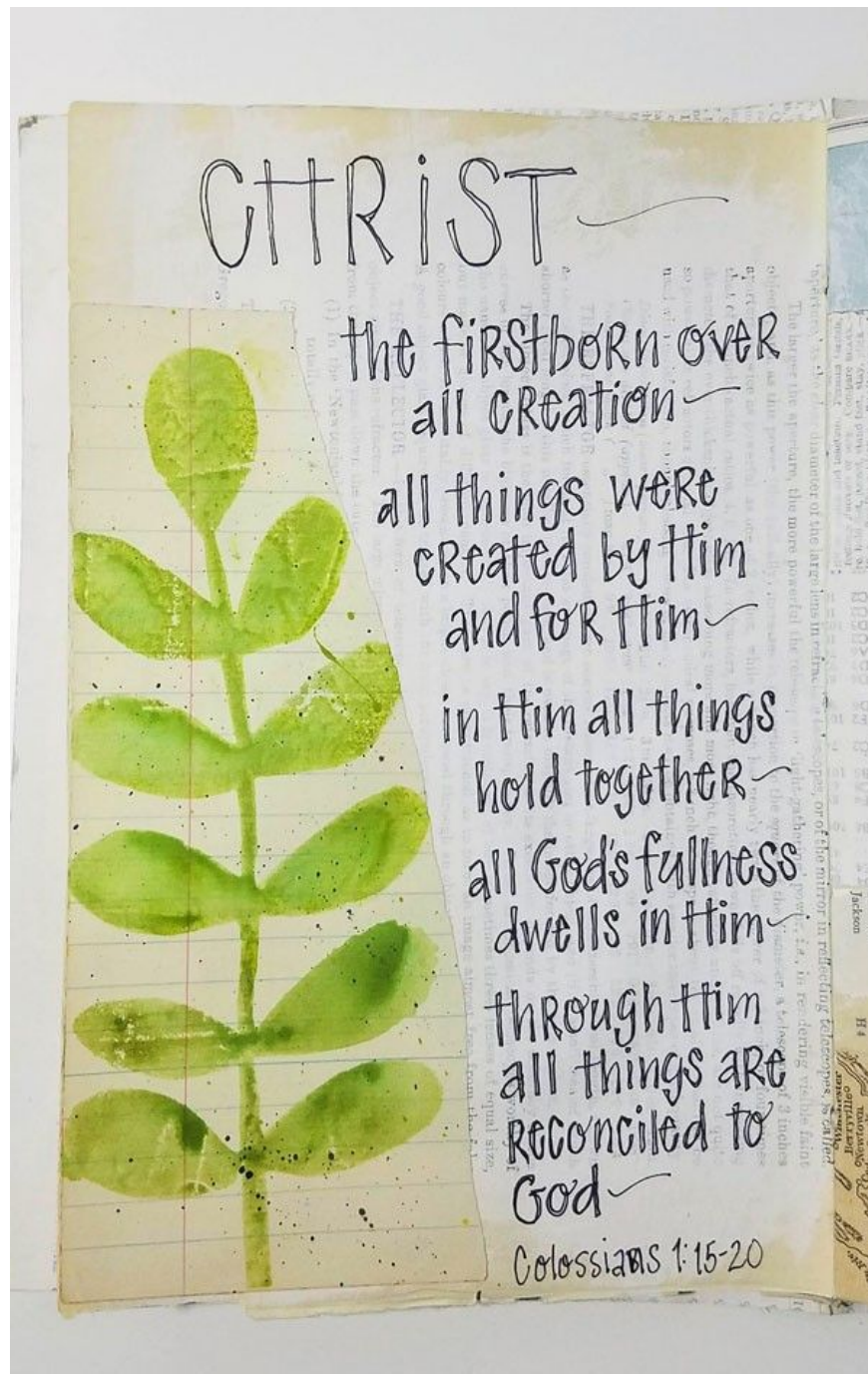




Bethesda Presbyterian Church
Aberdeen, North Carolina
Founded 1788

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

Service for the Lord's Day

October 11, 2026, 11 o'clock

Stewardship Month

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Welcoming New Member Betty Thomas

Minute for Stewardship

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness

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~Bringing in the Light of Christ~

†Call to Worship

Based on Psalm 119

Leader: Blessed are those who walk in the way of the Lord, who seek God with their whole heart.

People: We come to delight in God's word, to meditate on His truth day and night.

Leader: Your word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

All: Come, let us worship the Lord, whose steadfast love endures forever.

†Hymn #175

Seek Ye First

†Call to Confession

†Prayer of Confession

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

Reading

Colossians 1:15-21

Pg 200 in the back of your pew Bible

Sermon

“The Knowledge of God”

Anthem

We Are Yours, Lord

Besig

†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.

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

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

Offering & Offertory

Come Christians, Join to Sing

Hustad

†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

Congregational Meeting

†**Closing Hymn #182 v1-2** *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

†**Charge and Benediction**

†**Benediction Response Hymn #182 v.3**

Postlude *Thy Strong Word Did Cleave the Darkness*

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† Please stand as you are able.

Announcements

Flowers today are given to the glory of God by Luis and LoJuanna Pages in celebration and thanksgiving for 40 years of marriage.

Congregational Meeting There will be a Congregational Meeting at the conclusion of worship today to elect new officers.

New A/V equipment – There will be a short training session after worship for anyone interested in helping run the new equipment.

Session and Deacons will meet next Sunday, October 18 at 4 pm and 5:30 pm, respectively. Deacons, please note the time change. You will begin 30 minutes early to hear a report from Buildings and Grounds.

Family Promise: Our next opportunity to service the Family Promise mission is Oct 12-15. Please let LoJuanna know if you can make a dinner or stay overnight. Items needed at this time are Pine Sol or Mr.Clean floor cleaner, and white waterproof shower curtain liners, size 72 x 72 and 72 x 78. Shower curtain hoops for hanging. Leave in the narthex or church office. Thank you.

Faith Weaving Friends will meet Friday at 5:30 pm.

Trunk or Treat October 24 from 4:30-6 pm. Let the office know if you will provide a trunk.

Consecration Sunday is October 25. Please fill out your pledge card and time and talent sheet and place them in the boxes located at the exits. Documents are available in the narthex, or can be mailed to you upon request.

<u>Last Week's Numbers</u>		
<i>Worship Attendance:</i>	135	
<i>Sunday School:</i>	56	
	<u>September</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Revenues	\$28,194	\$299,763
Expenses	(\$39,791)	(\$312,721)
Deficit	(\$11,597)	(\$12,958)

October Birthdays

2	Andy Robertson		
4	Brandon Wilson	22	Ann Woodfield
	David Byers		Nancy High
6	Madeline McClain		Sam Formanski
9	Marge Downey		Cary Bryson
14	Eric Adams	26	Jim Ransdell
16	Kathleen White	27	Terri Combs
18	Hunter Robertson	29	Betty Lou Stewart
	Brooklyn Bean		Jane McInnis
20	Wesley Robertson	30	Bill Parke
		31	Marsha Southers

Celebrations and Concerns Prayer List

Members

Tom and Harriet Mueller	Earlene and Larry McLamb	Hester Combs
Jim and Mary Shaffer	Mary Lawrie	Peggy Jones Jim Thomas

Mary Ann Ward Frankie Holt Andy White The Moon Family
Ashtyn Adams Betty Lou Stewart Shaw Ray Robert Maloubier

Members in Facilities

Ellen Heckman- Penick Village

Members to Keep in Prayer

Kitty Kuzminski Nancy Clark

Sara Swartout Karen Robertson

Friends and Family (new additions in bold)

Ron Anderson (Earlene's nephew)

David Bailey and family (friends of Bethesda)

June Bosley (cousin of Sue Wiener)

Cathy and Robert Burns (friends of Bethesda)

Tommy Crane (Vance Crane's son)

Kyle Donohue (Kitty Kuzminski's niece)

Brian Durante

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)

Morgan Hill (friend of Nancy Dearborn)

Harold and Mary Ann Hogan (Henry's Parents)

Jesse Joyce (friend of Bill and Linda Parke)

JoAnne Ladd (friend of Paula Caddell)

Timothy Liles (friend of Leigh Baggs)

Michelle Marley (friend of Richard and Jane McInnis)

Glenn Miller (friend of Rick and Jane McInnis)

Carol and Alan Monroe (friends of Bethesda)

Kacey McDonald (cousin of Al McDonald)

Sarah McDonald (daughter of Al McDonald)

Neil McKenzie (friend of Jane and Rick McInnis)

Patrick McLaughlin (son of Pat and Sandy McLaughlin)

David and Peter McLenden (friends of Judy Heffner)

Teresa McLeod (Becky Brown's sister-in-law)

Judy Melendez (friend of Nancy Dearborn)

Matt Morgan (friend of Sue and Dan Wiener)

Sharon Murphy (friend of Bethesda and Faith)

Jeanne Muse (friend of Mary Ann Ward)

Mike Norton (friend of Francisco)
Carrie Peterson (friend of the Noyes family)
Jan Phillips (Julie Formanski's mother)
Jennifer Pinkston (Gloria Crane's daughter)
Tom Pinkston (Gloria Crane's son)
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 October is Ron Schuch

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, Brittany Driggers
Class of 2029: Davis Clark, Franke McNeill, LoJuanna Pages, Doug Williams

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
Class of 2029: Kristin Adams, Teresa Numbers, Nate Patton, Marilyn Sherwin
Evelyn Patton - Youth

Nominating Committee 2027

Laura Hill, Davis Clark, Jane McInnis, Brittany Driggers, Cy Israel,
Pat McLaughlin, Rick Noyes, Jesse Andersen

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