

Welcome to Celebration Presbyterian Church

As we open our hearts to God, may we extend our hands in friendship to one another. May all who have come to worship know that they're sincerely welcomed in this house of God. Be of good cheer!

*Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of Friendship Pad. *Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer requests on a card and the ushers will collect them.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

God in heaven, you know our coming in and going out. Give us a greater understanding of your watchfulness over us and of our accountability to you. Open and expand our hearts and minds and spirits that we may receive your word and truth for us this day. Lead us deeper in communion with you, precious Lord. Amen.

Celebrating our eighteenth year of faithful living and giving!

Sunday, September 22, 2019

15th Sunday after Pentecost

(* If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude Paul Carotti

Chiming the Hour and Lighting the Christ Candle

*Hymn No. 701 *Lord, Prepare Me* SANCTUARY

Greeting

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements and Opening Prayer

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**

(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with your brothers and sisters in Christ near you.)

TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

*Responsive Call to Worship

Liturgist: Sara Bamrick

God calls us to give an account of our lives.

We will all stand in the presence of God.

God asks us to declare our allegiance.

We are followers of God through Jesus Christ.

God requires that we not be followers in name only but in deeds.

Although sometimes we fail, we are committed to our God.

We cannot be both disciples of Jesus and worshippers of wealth.

We offer the simplicity of our lives as signs of our devotion to God and not to wealth.

*Hymn No. 361 *O Christ, the Great Foundation* AURELIA

Call to Confession

Liturgist: Sara Bamrick

Friends, we all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. The good news is that with God, grace abounds, and forgiveness is real to all who confess. Let us confess our sins collectively and then personally.

Unison Prayer of Confession

Liturgist: Sara Bamrick

We confess to you, O God, and before our sisters and brothers, that we have not completely abandoned our love of money. We want to be your disciples, but the lure of goods has tempted us. Although by the world's standards we are wealthy beyond belief, we think we do not have enough of the material things of life. We want nicer cars, bigger homes and more clothes. We want the best cuts of meat, the freshest vegetables and fruits and the purest water. While others are without safe drinking water, we shun our ordinary tap water and buy bottled water. While others walk everywhere, we have more cars than drivers. While families live in one room we complain if we have to share. Forgive us our fascination with things and call us once more to the simple life of being satisfied with our life in you and in the joy of sharing.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Liturgist: Sara Bamrick

God offers us once again the opportunity to let go of material things and take hold of the true treasures of life. God offers us life, peace and joy that is not dependent on what we own.

Friends, hear the good news and believe it:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **THANKS BE TO GOD!**

Affirmation of Faith (From Iona Scotland Community Worship Book)

We believe in God whose love is the source of all life and the desires of our lives, whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth, whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all and whose love, defeating even death, is our glorious promise of freedom. Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt, in God we trust; and in the name of Jesus Christ, we commit ourselves, in the service of others, to seek justice and to live in peace, to care for the earth and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness, to live in the freedom of forgiveness, and the power of the spirit of love, and in the company of the faithful so to be the church for the Glory of God. Amen.

*Hymn No. 581 *Gloria Patri* GLORIA PATRI

Time With Young Disciples

Children's Church follows in Room 5

The children are invited to come to the steps for the Time With Young Disciples

TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns
Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.

Prayer of Intercession and 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings as Faithful Stewards

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God. Let us offer our lives to the Lord!
Romans 12:1

Offertory

Living Hope
Paul Carotti, soloist

by Phil Wickham

*Doxology No. 606

Doxology

OLD HUNDRETH

*Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

Bless now these gifts. They are not ours that we give you, but yours that we give back. We are trustees of all these resources, and more. Teach us integrity as faithful stewards of your wealth. Amen.

TO WORSHIP THROUGH WORD AND WITNESS

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Luke 16:1-15

NRSV

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

A Tough Teaching of Jesus on Shrewd Values

Pastor Tom

AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

*Charge and Benediction

*Hymn No. 353 *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* SOLID ROCK

*Postlude

Paul Carotti

TICKETS ARE AVAILABLE NOW
ONLINE AND IN PERSON TODAY



CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS

Sun Sep 22	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
Tue Sep 24	QUILTERS meet at the church	10:00 am
	Daisy Scouts meet here	5:00 pm
	Movie Night, <i>Indivisible</i>	6:00 pm
Wed Sep 25	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Sat Sep 28	La Belle Amie Vineyard meet at the church	10:30 am
	To carpool to the Music and Wine tasting	
Sun Sep 29	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
	5 th Sunday Offering Received	

UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

Thu Oct 3 – LadyBug Luncheon, The Old Bull and Bush Pub, 12noon
 Thu Oct 10 – Team A cooks at The Shepherd's Table, 1pm
 Thu Oct 17 – Team D cooks at The Shepherd's Table, 1pm
 Fri Oct 18 – Breakfast Buddies, TBA, 9am
 Sat Oct 19 - **FALL ON BROADWAY II – 7pm**
 Sun Oct 20 – Stated Session Meeting 12:15pm

SERVICE/SERMON NOTES AND REMINDERS: _____

Serving September 22

Visitor Table: Linda Miller **Nursery:** Nanette Kelly
Children's Church: Trudy Miller
Media Shout: Bernadine Lamar **Sound Board:** Carol Butler
Liturgist: Sara Bamrick **Preacher:** Tom Dendy
Elder of the Week: Ken Krenzer – 704-929-0749
Ushers: Kerry and Nanette Kelly, Donna Woodard, Anthony Tiani
Chimes: Janet Rouseff, Cindy Smith

Serving September 29

Visitor Table: Nanette Kelly **Nursery:** Leslie Eckert
Children's Church: Trudy Miller
Media Shout: Donna Woodard **Sound Board:** Katrena White
Liturgist: Anne Brallier **Preacher:** Tom Dendy
Elder of the Week: Kathy Wechter – 843-903-7052
Ushers: Kerry and Nanette Kelly, Anthony Tiani
Chimes: Sharon Mook

Our Purpose

To Celebrate God's Glory by Reaching, Teaching, and Sending People to Love and Serve the Lord.

JOIN US AT CELEBRATION

We are Christ followers who are open, accepting, loving and welcoming to all!



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*September 22, 2019
 11:00 a.m. Worship*

*Celebrating our 18th year of
 Faithful Mission and Ministry!*



OUR MISSION is to Proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior, Praise and Worship God, Prepare our hearts to share God's Word, and Provide Love and Service to ALL!