

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**September 4, 2022**

**11:00 AM**

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**THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

*The Runaway Bunny*, by Margaret Wise Brown was published in 1942 and has never been out of print. The classic children's book is about a young bunny who wants to run away. His mother tells him that "if you run away, I will run after you." In example after example, the mother tells the bunny that she will be with him: "If you become a bird and fly away from me, I will become a tree that you can come home to." The psalmist seems to say something similar about God in Psalm 139. Listen as it is read this morning.

**OUR APPROACH TO GOD**

**Welcome and Announcements**

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

**Prelude**

"Prelude and Fugato on Crusader's Hymn" (Young)

Rita Harmon

**Call to Worship**

Leader: All creation is God's handiwork;

**People: God's touch gives life to all that is.**

Leader: God shapes and forms us by the breath of the Spirit.

**People: God alone can call forth from the depths of our being the beauty of that Spirit within us.**

Leader: In our worship, may we surrender ourselves to God

**People: That we may be fashioned and shaped for the purpose God has for us.**

**\*Hymn of Praise # 839**

"Blessed Assurance"

**\*Call to Confession**

**\*Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

**Holy God, you know everything about us. Every word we speak, every thought we think. Every deed we do. You know them, Lord, even before we do. Forgive us, we pray, when we try to hide from your gaze. We know that wherever we go, you are there. You have met us here in worship today. So look at us now, O God. Look deep into each person's heart and soul and point out the things that displease you. Remind us of the thoughts and actions that we need to change. Show us how to live as you want us to live. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Beloved children of God, because of God's abundant grace and mercy, we have peace with God through Jesus Christ. Our sins are forgiven. From this moment let us live in hope. For hope does not disappoint. Friends, believe the good news:

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**\*Gloria Patri #581** *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, amen.*

**THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH**

**Children's Sermon**

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

**Morning Prayer concluding with Lord's Prayer**

**Anthem** (see insert)

"The Grace Divine" (Resignation)

Chancel Choir

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**First Reading**

Jeremiah 18:1-11

**Second Reading**

Psalm 139

Leader: The Word of God, for us, the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Sermon**

"Two Ways to Break an Egg"

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

**OUR RESPONSE TO GOD**

**Service of Giving**

**Offertory**

"O, The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus" (Phillips)

David Thompson

**\*Doxology # 606**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

***(A Declaration of Faith, 3.4)***

The Lord's care sustained the people of Israel. God gave them a land where they could celebrate God's goodness. The Lord established their kingdom and promised a ruler from the line of David to reign in justice and peace. When God's people worshiped the gods of the land, when they put their trust in military alliances, when they failed to do justice and oppressed the poor, God sent the prophets to condemn their sins and to call the people back to obedience. There were times of repentance and reform, but in the end their kingdoms fell. We declare God's goodness and justice. God has blessed us beyond our deserving. When we forget the Lord and worship our possessions, when we fail to deal justly with the poor, when we seek security no matter what it costs others, we can expect God's judgement upon us.

**\*Hymn # 65**

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

**\*Benediction**

**\*Postlude**

"Recession on Lobe den Herren" (Edwards)

Rita Harmon

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# LIMESTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## MEMBERS OF THE SESSION

### Class of 2022

Barbara Cope  
Michelle Jolly  
Robin Morris

### Class of 2023

Larry Sossamon  
Bill Wheeler  
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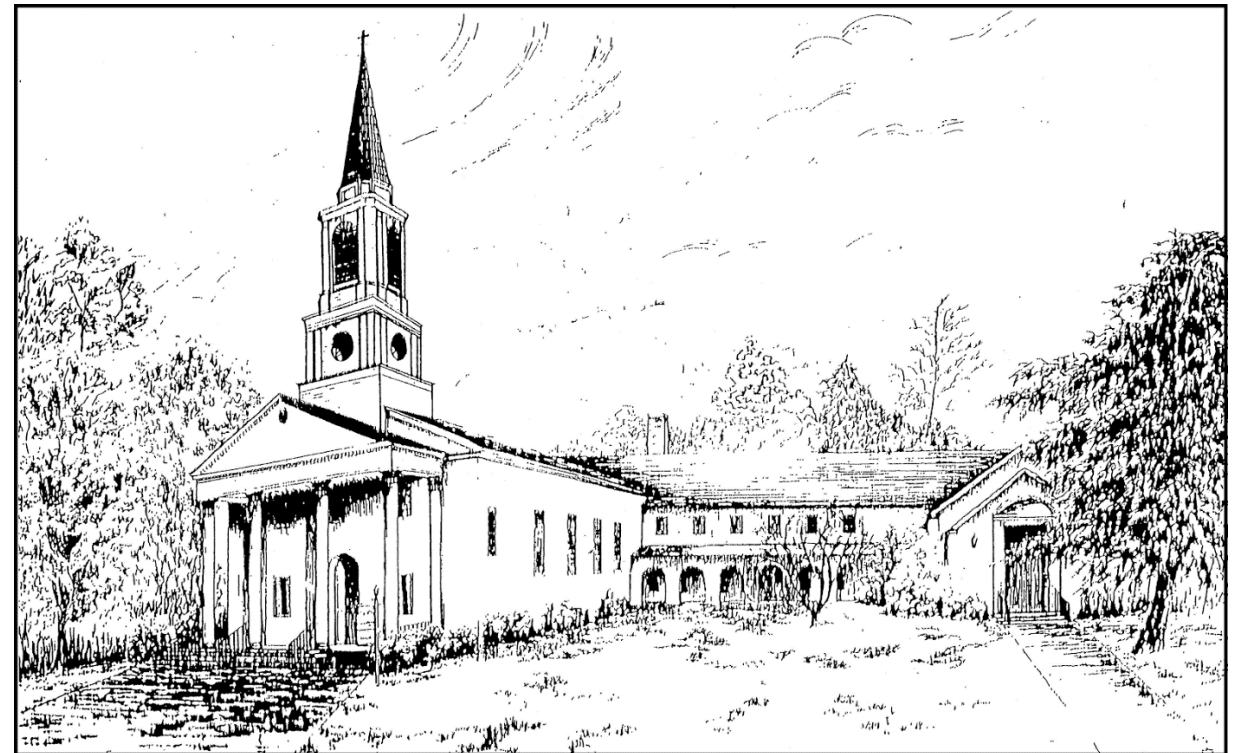


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## CONTACT OFFICE WITH QUESTIONS



**The Life of the Church  
September 4 - 11, 2022**

**WELCOME!**

We invite you to come again and consider making Limestone Presbyterian your church home.

**Flowers:** The flowers today are given to the glory of God.

**Birthdays:** September 7 – Leighann Moon  
September 8 – Margaret Moeller  
September 9 – Jeff Cavendar

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | 9:00 AM  | Adult Sunday School                     |
|                  | 10:00 AM | Children's Sunday School                |
|                  | 10:15 AM | Chancel Choir Rehearsal                 |
|                  | 11:00 AM | Worship - Sanctuary & via Facebook Live |
| <b>Monday</b>    |          | Office Closed for Labor Day Holiday     |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 6:00 PM  | Wednesday Night supper - FLC            |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | 7:00 PM  | Circle 4 – home of Janet Carroll        |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 10:00 AM | Church Work Day                         |

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**The Sunday School Offering** for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter will be donated to Christmas Is For Kids. Through a fundraiser started by The Gaffney Ledger, disadvantaged children are treated each year to a shopping spree to help make their holiday season brighter. For every \$100.00 donated, a child will be taken to Walmart to select the clothes and toys they want for Christmas.

**Please remember in prayer:**

Roberta Byers; Family & friends of Jane Thompson; Mary Aiken; Heath Wiseman; Debbie Van Deventer; Trish Tong; Steve Beheler; Tim Sinnott; a confidential request for a lymphoma diagnosis.

**Baptism Photos**

We are collecting photos of baptisms to display on a bulletin board near the nursery. Please share baptism photos for you, your children or grandchildren. Please email your photos to Tonya at [limepresbyterian@bellsouth.net](mailto:limepresbyterian@bellsouth.net) or to Lynn at [limestone.presby.pastor@gmail.com](mailto:limestone.presby.pastor@gmail.com). Or if you have a hard copy, drop by the office so we can take a photo of it.

**Work Day – September 10**

Session decided to hold a church work day on Saturday, September 10 beginning at 10am. We plan to clean carpet, wash windows, organize closets, clean the kitchen, etc. Please plan to come help if even for only a couple hours.

**{OVER PLEASE FOR MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION}**

**Rally Day – September 11**

We will hold our annual rally day on September 11 to kick off a new year of faith formation. At 10:00 we will gather in the Family Life Center for breakfast and hear about offering for Sunday School, Circles, Confirmation, and Bible Study. We will also enjoy some music together. Please plan to join us for breakfast at 10:00.

**Confirmation Class – September 18**

We are planning an intergenerational confirmation class that will begin on September 18 we will meet each Sunday morning at 9:45 in the parlor. Lynn, Carrie Wyatt, and Robin Morris will co-lead the class for our youth who are ready to go through confirmation and for adults who want to join in this wonderful faith formation opportunity. The youth confirmands are usually in grades 6-8, please contact Carrie Wyatt or Pastor Lynn if you have a child/grandchild who would like to join the Confirmation Class.

**The church office** will be closed tomorrow, Sept. 5 for the Labor Day Holiday.

**The Grace Divine” (Anthem)**

Come, let us use the grace divine, and all with one accord,  
in a perpetual covenant join ourselves to Christ the Lord;  
Give up ourselves, thru Jesus' power, his name to glorify;  
and promise, in this sacred hour, for God to live and die.  
The covenant we this moment make be ever kept in mind;  
we will no more our God forsake, or cast these words behind.  
We never will throw off the fear of God who hears our vow;  
and if thou are well pleased to hear, come down and meet us now.  
Come and meet us now.  
Thee, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, let all our hearts receive,  
present with thy celestial host the peaceful answer give;  
to each covenant the blood apply which takes our sins away,  
and register our names on high and keep us to that day!

See the September newsletter for information on the Fall Bible Study: **10 Words: The Beginnings of a Dictionary of Faith.**

The Wednesday night program on September 7 will be a presentation and discussion of responses to the LPC Visioning prompts. We'll also talk about what they mean for Limestone moving forward. Please come and be part of the conversation.