THE ORDER OF WORSHIP 23rd Sunday after Pentecost

November 13, 2022 11:00 AM

THE PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O God, who has so greatly loved us, and mercifully redeemed us; give us grace that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual thankoffering unto thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Prayer written for the Directory of Worship of 1647)

OUR APPROACH TO GOD

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

David Thompson

Prelude "Simple Gifts" (Limbaugh)

Call to Worship

Buck Jolley

One: In the beginning, God created all things, Many: and God saw that they were good. One: At our beginning, God created us

Many: unique and irreplaceable, loved and wanted by God, known and treasured by God even before God created us.

One: God continues to make beginnings, inviting us to take part in the new thing God is doing, Many: so we will seek God in the freshness of this morning, in the colors of creation, in the goodness of God's love, in the joy of community.

One: When we open our eyes, we see God's presence,

Many: When we open our hearts, we know God's love. Let us worship God.

*Hymn of Praise # 612

"We Praise You. O God"

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession (Unison)

We confess to each other and to you, God our Creator, that we fall short of being what we have been created to be. We fall short of what we have committed ourselves to be disciples of your kingdom. We often seek out the easiest paths - paths of least involvement in places where we might be uncomfortable, or paths of self-centeredness. Hear us and forgive us, we pray. Forgive us for getting so caught up in the world's trappings and its false messages of hope that we lose sight of the hope of your kingdom, which brings healing and peace to a world in turmoil. Hear us and forgive us, we pray. As we worship may we commit ourselves to becoming more kingdom-minded and to be your peacemakers here and now. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

One: The promise is that our whole being—spirit, soul and body—will be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Rejoice, give thanks, and believe the good news.

Many: 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 Carrie Wyatt

Morning Prayer concluding with Lord's Prayer

Chancel Choir Anthem (see insert) "I Will Joyfully Sing" (McDonald)

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

First Reading Isaiah 65:17-25 (Pew Bible, OT p.696) II Thessalonians 3:6-13 (Pew Bible, NT p.207) Second Reading

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Prayer for Illumination

"Pilgrim Sermon 2022" Sermon Rev. Dr. Lynn Miller

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

Service of Giving

Offertory "Praise for the Morning" (Lani Smith) Rita Harmon

*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

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn # 738 "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"

*Benediction

"Recessional on Love den Herren" (Edwards) *Postlude Rita Harmon



MEMBERS OF THE SESSION

Class of 2022

Barbara Cope Michelle Jolly Robin Morris

Class of 2023

Larry Sossamon Bill Wheeler Renee Wiseman (Clerk)

Class of 2024

Teresa Spires Dean Wyatt Buck Jolley

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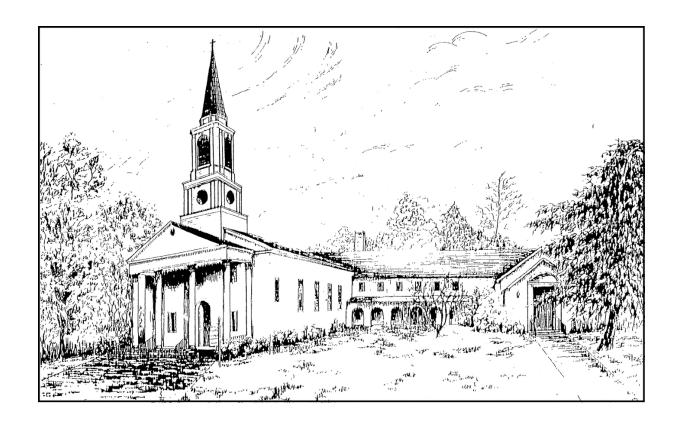
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LIMESTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



The Life of the Church November 13-20, 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 and in loving memory of Deanna Blanton, mother to Jason Blanton and grandmother to Karsyn, Gavin, Gia, Layla and Harper by Jason and Whitny Blanton; also in honor of Ashton and Jenni Lail's baby shower by Robin Morris and Sharon Thompson.

Birthdays: November 13 – Dean Wiseman November 15 – Sherry Sossamon

November 19 – Rita Harmon November 20 – Peggy Wyatt

Sunday	9:45 AM	Confirmation Class – Parlor
-	9:45 AM	Children's Sunday School
	10:15 AM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room
	11:00 AM	Worship - Sanctuary & via Facebook Live
	12:15 PM	Lail Baby Shower - Parlor
Monday	5:30 PM	Girl Scouts – Girl Scouts Room
	5:45 PM	Handbell Rehearsal – Handbell Room
	6:30 PM	Bible Study "Redeemed" – FLC
Tuesday	10:30 AM	Circle 1 - Parlor
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Wednesday Night Supper – FLC

<u>The Sunday School Offering</u> for the 4th quarter will be donated to the Free Medical Clinic. This will allow them to purchase supplies they need to help others.

Please remember in prayer:

Joy Sprague; Peggy Wyatt; Steve Beheler; Craig Bennett; Carol Berry; Jo Jo Ritchie; Limestone Students; Confirmation class: Layla Lemmonds, Leah Miller, Taylor Miller; confirmand sponsors; Bobby Beattie; Justina Eddy; Roberta Byers; Trish Tong; a confidential request for a lymphoma diagnosis.

Baby Shower - Today

Please join us as we shower Jenni, Ashton and their baby girl immediately after worship today in the parlor.

Congregational Meeting - November 20

Session has approved a Called Congregational Meeting for Sunday, November 20 following worship to hear a report from the Church Nominating Committee.

Limestone University Chorus Concert

Next Sunday, November 20, LPC will host the Limestone University and Community Chorus concert, "Harvest Time." The musical program nods not only to harvest but other events of Autumn including Thanksgiving and the Jewish festival of Sukkot. Please be present to welcome the Chorus, which includes several members of the LPC family. The concert begins at 3:00 in the sanctuary.

(OVER PLEASE FOR MORE IMPORTANT INFORMATION)

<u>We rejoice</u> with Afia and Vincent Anokye at the birth of Hazel Sefah Anokye, born November 9 at 10:40 a.m., weighing 6 lbs., 10 oz. Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these that the kingdom of heaven belongs." (Matthew 19:14)

Let's Ring the Bells

Limestone will be ringing the bell for the Salvation Army on Saturday, December 3, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. at Belk. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office or in the FLC. Shifts are marked for one hour, but you may sign up for more than one shift if you choose. The Salvation Army has said that it is fine to bring a chair and sit during your shift. We need at least two people per shift, but three would be better.

Hanging of the Greens - November 20 & 21

Please save the dates for the Hanging of the Greens. We will begin at 5:00pm on Sunday, and continue at 6:00pm on Monday.

Advent Wreaths

On November 30 our Wednesday night program will include an Advent Wreath-Making event. If you are interested in making an Advent wreath, please sign up with the church office. We are ordering candles, purchasing frames, and gathering greenery, and we want to have enough for everyone.

Women's Christmas Dinner

Make plans now to attend the Women's Christmas Dinner Thursday, December 8 at 6:00pm. The tickets are \$21, and the meal will be catered by J. Michaels' Catering

Next week's lectionary readings are:

Jeremiah 23:1-6; Luke 1:68-79; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43.

"I Will Joyfully Sing" (anthem)

I will joyfully sing in the morning. I will joyfully sing all the day.

I'll sing praises to Thee in the morning, For the Lord is the strength of my day.

I will lift up my eyes in the morning, for the Lord will not turn me away.

I'll sing praises to Thee in the morning, For the Lord is the strength of my day.

I will sing! I will sing! I will sing of praises His goodness to me, I will sing!

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