



A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

January 28, 2024
11:00 AM

PEACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Grow in Grace, Live in Peace, Serve the Lord

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYER FOR PREPARATION

Great God, we know that you are our God and that we are mere mortals, but self-righteousness still consumes us, arrogance still guides our decisions, and we become isolated and alone. Bring us back to rest in your sovereign love, encourage us in relationship, and guide us to live in the community of faith, that we might experience your love building us up, enabling us to do the work to which you call us. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Sydne

PRELUDE

Fugue No 5 in D from Well-Tempered Clavier Bk 1, BWV 850

J.S. Bach

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Tom Lee

One: With our whole hearts, we give God thanks.

All: Great are the works of the Lord!

One: We ascribe honor and majesty to God.

All: God's righteousness endures forever.

One: The heart of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom.

All: Let us worship God together!

*Hymn #385

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and all-powerful God, who commands all spirits, comforts those in distress, and casts out destructive forces, we confess that we are unable to do your will. We protect what is familiar and reject what is unknown. We admire those with courage but excuse ourselves when we falter from the truth. We forget that you are always with us, and that with you all things are possible. Forgive us, lead us, make us new. Remove our desire to heed false prophets and show us your way; in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, creator of us all. Amen. ...*Silent Prayer*...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: The God who made us and knows our every thought hears us now and gives us all our sin.

All: We have been redeemed through Jesus Christ, God's Son, our Savior, who is Alpha and Omega, all in All. Amen.

***Song of Forgiveness #582** “Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”

WE SHARE GOD’S WORD



PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Pastor Sydne

CHILDREN’S SERMON

SPECIAL MUSIC

Blessed Are the Pure of Heart

Wolemar Voullaire

SCRIPTURE

Mark 1:21-28

Pastor Sydne

SERMON

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD



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.



PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & 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.**

CALL TO OFFERING

Pastor Sydne

OFFERTORY

Popular Melody Op 38 No 2

Edvard Greig

***Hymn of Response #605**

“Praise to God the Father”

UNISON PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

For Earth, which you have molded, for creatures and animals, plants, water, air, and fire, for Jesus who died and rose again, for the breath of life, we give you thanks, O God. Let these gifts be used for good wherever there is need, in the name of all that you have first given us, especially Christ Jesus, your Son, our Savior. Amen.

***Hymn #697**

“Take My Life”

WE GO FORTH AS GOD'S PEOPLE

BLESSING & BENEDICTION

Pastor Sydne

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #547** "Go, My Children, with My Blessing"
verse 1

POSTLUDE

Villageoises 2. Staccato

Francis Poulenc

The congregation is invited to sit in quiet reflection until after the postlude.

***You are invited to stand.**

Worship Leadership Today

Rev. Sydne Allen, Pastor

Tom Lee, Liturgist

John Holter, Piano & Organ

Barbara Smith & Rebecca Franks, Ushers

Ron Skinner & Steve Bridgman, Audio/Visual Team

What I Heard Today

THE SESSION

Jesse Riggs, Clerk of Session

Class of 2024

Christina Brizendine

John Daugherty

Kevin Skinner

Mackenzie Smith

Class of 2025

Lucy Freeman

Bill Grobe

Amy Hearon

Class of 2026

Tom Doumaux

Paul Gares

Diane Minshew



Prayer Requests for Members

Sandy Daugherty Arleta Wood Edith and Gene Pratt Faye Harris Anna Bridgman



Prayer Requests for our neighbors, families, and friends:

Margaret McCaskill (Friend of Molly Ortiz)	Donna Brown (Friend of Rebecca Franks)
Susan Linsmier (Sister-in-law of Lisa Jones)	Jerry Jo Creech (Friend of Kelly McLean)
Caroline Luvender (Friend of Logan Johnson)	Family of Steve Stutts
John Sword (Peter Sword's Father)	Hayden Lenz (Neighbor of Molly Ortiz)
Jeff Check (Father of Pastor Sydne)	Bryan, Emily, and Tad Delgado (Pastor Sydne's Family)

Announcements

NEXT WEEK'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP (February 4, 2024) Lucy Freeman, Liturgist, Paul & Pam Gares, Ushers, Ron Skinner & Steve Bridgman, Audio/Video

CONSECRATION SUNDAY is today. Thank you for prayerfully considering your pledge to the 2024 budget! Please offer your commitment during worship and place in basket during offering. Let us joyfully continue Jesus Christ faithfully in our mission and ministries in 2024!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL will begin at 10:00 AM and focus on the Being Reformed curriculum. It will be offered until Lent. Bill Grobe will be leading a discussion beginning on February 18 on the book Forgiveness: A Lenten Study by Thompson, Marjorie J. The book can be ordered using ISBN 10: 0664259723 ISBN 13: 9780664259723

COFFEE HOUR is 9:45-10:45 every Sunday. There is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen if you would like to help.

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH MINISTRY gathers every 2nd Sunday this semester after worship. The dates are February 11, March 10, April 14, and May 12. Please sign up to provide lunch or to help the CE team lead our time together; the sign up sheet is in the Narthex.

PRAYER BREAKFAST is the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month. Join us at 7:30 am in the fellowship hall. All are welcome! The next date is February 1.

SHELTER MEAL please consider signing up to provide meals during 2024 at Community Crossroads. Peace serves the 3rd Friday of each month. Funds are available to help cover the cost.

ANNUAL SUPER BOWL PARTY all are invited to a Super Bowl Party at Carol Poston's house Feb 11th starting at 5:30 pm. Please bring an appetizer to share and your beverage of choice. All are welcome for some football and fellowship!

TWO WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT OUR YOUNG THESPIANS

Alice in Wonderland, Starring Samuel Hearon-Isler on 2/16 at 7 pm; 2/17 at 7pm; and 2/18 at 2 pm
At Kinston Lenoir Performing Arts Center, 2601 N Queen St, Kinston. Tickets can be purchased for \$20online or can be purchased at the door (cash only).

The Secret Garden, Starring Laura and Caroline Ortiz on 3/22 at 7 pm; 3/23 at 2 pm at Ayden Arts & Recreation Center, 4354 Lee St. Ayden. Ticket information is not available yet, but will be available closer to show time. Historically tickets are \$5 when purchased ahead of time \$7 at the door.

JOY GROUP is planning a visit to Magnolia Arts Center for "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum." The dates are February 22-25 and February 29- March 2. Evening performance are 7:30 PM and Matinees are 2:00 PM. The matinees are February 24, 25 and March 2. Some members are planning to attend the matinee on February 24. Tickets can be purchased online at www.magnoliaartscenter.com Senior price is \$15. (plus \$1. processing fee). All are welcome to attend.

OFFERING Thank you for joining us for worship today! During the offertory, please pass prayer requests or notes along with your offering to the usher holding the offering plate. Ushers will start collecting the offering at the front center of the sanctuary, then move to the outer aisles, rather than passing the plates down the pews. If you prefer to place your offerings before worship begins, you are welcome to do so. Thank you!

ARE YOU CONNECTED? Would you like to be? For questions about your Peace Connections group, or to be added to a group, please contact Lucy Freeman or Diane Minshew, email candc@peacepresbyterian.org, or call Deb in the church office (252-355-2273).

NEED A RIDE OR MEAL? Peace has committees for transportation and meals, headed by Diane Minshew and Margaret Cox. If you need transportation, to the doctor, grocery store, church, physical therapy, etc., give Diane a call. If you would be willing to provide transportation, let her know and she will add you to the volunteer list. Call Diane at 252-714-6707. If you need a meal during illness, surgery, life event, etc. or would be willing to help provide meals please give Margaret Cox a call at 252-531-6913(cell) or 252-756-8451(home).

FOOD BANK SUPPORT

Quick meals, soups and canned meats are always helpful to families in need of support. Thank you for always supporting the Food Bank through your church family at Peace.

UPCOMING CALENDAR

Week of 1/28/2024

Monday-Thursday

Office open 9-2

Friday- Saturday

Office Closed

Sunday

Choir begins at 9:00 AM, Adult Sunday School Starts at 10:00 AM,
Worship at 11:00 AM

