

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

*The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Please turn to your neighbor and exchange the greeting of peace.

*Gathering Music #388 "Come All You People"

Uyai Mose

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker;

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker;

Come all you people, come and praise your Maker;

Come now and worship the Lord. (2x)

*Call to Worship

One: Is there anyone here who has ever felt scared or worried on a Sunday morning? Were you wondering-will I fit in? Will I be welcome?

Does God still love me? The answer is yes! Come in your suits, your shorts, your flip flops, and your dresses.

All: We are welcome here.

One: Come from your jobs, your shelters, your schools, and your retirement homes.

All: We are welcome here.

One: Come wearing smiles, shedding tears, looking nervous or frightened, and with your anger.

All: We are welcome here.

One: Come with your questions and answers. Come with your prayer requests and answered prayers. Come to sing songs you love and songs others love. Come to hear God's Word as part of this faith community.

All: We are God's beloved. Let us worship our God who loves us just as we are.

*Hymn of Praise #12 "Immortal, Invisible God only wise"

St. Denio

Call to Reconciliation

Let us willingly embrace that which we believe is true - we can come to the seat of grace, bringing our prayers of confession to the One who is filled to overflowing with mercy and hope. Join me as we pray together,

Prayer of Confession

We stand before you, Saving God, stripped of our pretensions and pride, for nothing we do or say can be hidden from you. You hear the angry words we preach to ourselves; you sift through the rubble of hurts we have caused; you see how we stumble, weighed down by everything which keeps us from following Jesus.

We stand before you, Holy Grace. As you empty our hands of that wealth of unneeded things we cling so tightly to, fill them with your grace and hope. As we let go of all which might hold us back, give us the trust to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, into that life with which he offers to each of us. *(silence is kept for private confession)*

Declaration of Pardon

One: Hear the good news! Because God loves us, we lack for nothing; because God forgives us, we have everything we need; because God surrounds us with sisters and brothers, we do not journey alone...

All: Committing everything to God, trusting in the One who redeems us, we decide to live as God's faithful and forgiven people. Amen.

Prayer Response #471 "O Lord, Hear My Prayer" *Hear My Prayer*

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

The Word Spoken

In the beginning was the Word

And the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

Job 23:1-9, 16-17

Pew Bible, OT, Page 471

The Word with the Children - What questions do you have for God?

Psalm 22:1-15

Pew Bible, OT, Page 500

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Word Declared: "Big Questions" Rev. Karen Ware Jackson

Anthem "Dear God" By Andy Partridge and XTC

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

*Affirmation of Faith *Psalm 139:1-12*

O Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from far away. You search out my path and my lying down, and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot attain it.

Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If I take the wings of the morning and settle at the farthest limits of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me fast.

If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light around me become night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is as bright as the day for darkness is as light to you.

*Hymn of Response #30 "O God, in a Mysterious Way" *Dundee*

Prayers of the People 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Presentation of Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings

Offertory "The Struggle" By Tenth Avenue North

***Doxology #591** "Halle, Halle Hallelujah!" *Halle, halle*

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

*Prayer of Dedication

***Closing Hymn #765** "May the God of Hope Go with Us" (2x) *Argentina*

WE GO IN GOD'S NAME

*Charge

*Benediction

*Postlude

** Please rise in body or spirit*

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

October 11 – 18

Today:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship
Tuesday:	9:30 A.M.	Staff Meeting
	10:00 A.M.	Chair Exercise
	11:00 A.M.	Women's Circle
	6:30 P.M.	Choir Practice
Thursday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Friday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Sunday:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee and Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship

Bulletin Acknowledgements

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FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST:

Lois Bazhaw and Family	Sara Kearns
Priscilla Christiansen	Tommy Knight (Betsy Rule's cousin)
Family of Fran Cuthbertson	Marge Mack
Davidson Family (Friends of Karen Ware Jackson)	Gladys Maready (Bonnie Maready's mother-in-law)
Bonnie Evans	Family of Keith McNeal
Kem Gomo	Lisa Moran's Family
'Cile Gorman	Andy Moye
Pat Greeson	Garth Payne
Helen Hall	Georgia Renfrow
Harold Henderson	Betty and Jim Rissmiller
Judy Herron and Family	Karen Thomas (Helen Hall's daughter)

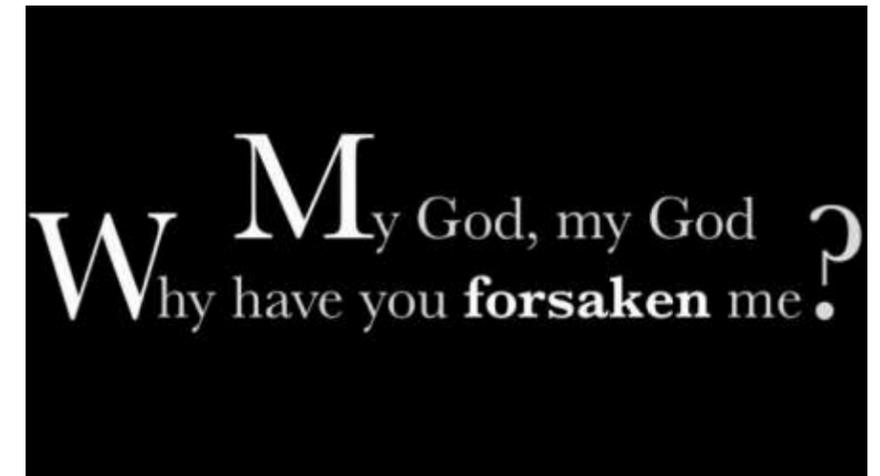
Salem Presbytery Church Prayer List

First Presbyterian Church, Reidsville
Fairmont Church, Lexington
Hills Church, Pilot Mountain

Announcements

- **Women's Circle** will meet Tuesday, October 13th at 11:00 a.m. to begin the "Come to the Waters" study.
- **Bread and Wine with Jesus** is next meeting at 7 – 8:30 p.m. on Monday, October 19th, location TBA. The reading is Ch. 3 of "Permission Granted."
- **Mission Project Meeting** - Wednesday, Oct. 21st at 2 p.m. - A small group is gathering discern mission projects for our church. If you have ideas or are interested in being a part of the conversation, please join us! This comes in response to a small group on memory led by Lois Bazhaw. If you are interested in learning about how volunteering can help your memory, ask us!
- **Kem Gomo's** 100th birthday reception will be held Thursday, October 22nd at Friends Home West in the Living Room from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m.
- We are **collecting warm clothing** to donate in the narthex. All donations are welcomed and we appreciate your ongoing support of the church's mission!
- **Beautiful Star** - Sunday, Dec. 6, 2pm - Triad Stage
Faith has reserved a block of tickets for this performance about a little church and a Christmas play. Tickets will be \$15 each and additional information about reservations will be coming soon.

WELCOME TO FAITH PRESBYTERIAN



“Big Questions”

We embrace inter-generational worship and welcome the giggles, questions, tears, and even shouts that enliven our oh-so-orderly service. We do have a **professionally staffed nursery** available for babies and toddlers, but we encourage our youngest members to learn with and from us throughout the worship service.

There is a **“PrayGround”** available for children and adults at the front of the sanctuary. Feel free to join our young people in their interactive worship activities! **These experiences are great for active learners of all ages, and our children and their parents appreciate your engagement and support.**

We want to be a true family of faith and that means celebrating the gifts, questions, and talents of each of our members from young in age to young at heart!

October 11th, 2015
11:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord's Day
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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