

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 “Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”

Lord I lift your name on high, Lord I love to sing your praises
I'm so glad you are in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us.
You came from heaven to earth, to show the way
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky
Lord I lift your name on high.

*Call to Worship

One: We like to think that our faith is our individual pursuit.

All: But, O Lord, you call us into community.

One: We like to think that what is ours is ours.

All: But, O Lord, you teach us sharing.

One: We like to think that our faith is contained in this room.

All: O Lord, open us up again to what life in you really looks like.

*Hymn of Praise #187 “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us” *Bradburry*

Call to Reconciliation

We get it wrong all the time. We pass down the wrong from generation to generation. Let us come today before a gracious God, and confess our sins.

Unison Prayer of Confession

O Lord, we have it so wrong. As Amos convicts us, we can’t wait to make the next buck, compound the next dollar, buy the poor for a “good deal,” or the needy for a pair of used shoes. While our balance sheets in life are deceitful, our balance sheets with you are condemning and shameful. We have done mischief against the godly with razor-sharp tongues and works of treachery. And we have built a system so full of deceit that we don’t even see the problems. We have lost your way so thoroughly. Lord, teach us to take refuge in you, instead of riches. Help us trust in your steadfast love instead of abundant wealth. Help us not be distracted by many things but instead sit at your feet and listen. Forgive us this day, please. Amen.

Silence is kept for private confession

Assurance of Pardon

One: Dear ones, God’s love is from everlasting. God loves those who have not a penny to their name, and God loves you. We know where we stand, and now let us discover how we are to be forever changed.

Let us hear and believe the good news of the gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Prayer Response #469 “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying” *Children Praying*

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

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.

Reading from the Prophets: Amos 8:1-12 **Pew Bible OT, p. 856**

The Word and Wonder with All Ages “Seeking the Word of the Lord”

Anthem “Living in the Moment” by Jason Mraz

Reading from the Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 **Pew Bible NT, p. 72**

The Word Declared Rev. Karen Ware Jackson

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*Hymn of Response #324 “For All the Faithful Women” *Nyland*

Affirmation of Faith Adapted from Articles 1 and 2 of the Confession of Belhar.
We believe in God--the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects and cares for the church. We believe the church is one worldwide communion of saints, called from the entire human family. We believe the church is the single community of believers, reconciled with God and with one another. We believe that through the working of God’s Spirit, unity is a binding force and also that we must seek this unity, which must become visible to the world. We believe that the sin of division, separation and hatred between people and groups has been conquered by Christ. We commit ourselves to protecting the unity of the church universal. We pledge to make this unity active in all of our words, thoughts and deeds.

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 Piano Solo by Haidee Dollak

*Doxology #606 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” *Old Hundredth*

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

*Closing Hymn #707 “Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord” *Hall*

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude

** Please rise in body or spirit*

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LISTS

July Elders of the Month: Bonnie Maready and Lois Bazhaw Calendar for July 17 - 24

Today:	10:00 A.M.	Worship
	3:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service
Monday:	11:15 A.M.	Staff Meeting
Thursday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Friday:	8:00 P.M.	Narcotics Anonymous
Saturday:	10:00 A.M.	Swahili Choir Practice and Prayer
Sunday:	9:00 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:00 A.M.	Worship
	3:00 P.M.	Swahili-English Service

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sunday School** meets every other week at 9 a.m. The next meeting will be Sunday, July 24th.
- Our regular **Fellowship Brunch will be replaced by Church in the Park** on July 31st at Bur-Mil Park.
- Join us at 3 p.m. each Sunday for the **Swahili-English service!**

SALEM PRESBYTERY CHURCH PRAYER LIST

Oakland, Statesville – Cross Roads, Mebane – Shiloh, Statesville

FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRAYER LIST:

Please be in touch with the office regarding any additions or corrections to the Prayer List. You may call (336.292.5150) or e-mail (faithpresgsonc@gmail.com).

Rick Barreau	Jo Anne Jennings
Jim Bodkin	Sara Kearns
Priscilla Christiansen	Tommy Knight (Betsy Rule's cousin)
Bertha Collins (Ralph Bazhaw's sister)	Steve Ladds (Laura Maher's colleague)
Davidson Family (Friends of Karen Ware Jackson)	Marge Mack
Vicki Duncan	Andy Moye
Bonnie Evans	Garth and Inky Payne
The Family of Clyde Fraley	Georgia Renfrow
Kem Gomo	Karen Thomas (Helen Hall's daughter)
'Cile Gorman	Stephen Ware (Karen Ware Jackson's father)
Pat Greeson	The Family of Ken Wheat
Helen Hall	
Harold and Sandy Henderson	
Judy Herron and Family	

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Pastoral Team

Rev. Karen Ware Jackson, Pastor
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Prince Mundeke Mushunju, Swahili Service Pastor
Stephanie Lindley, Music Director
Beverly Lucas, Office Administrator
Michelle Watkins, Childcare Provider

WELCOME TO FAITH PRESBYTERIAN



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!

July 17, 2016
10:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord's Day
16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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