

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 #457 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art Toulon

* CALL TO WORSHIP

We are people who have been called to follow where God leads us.

By faith we can obey, even when asked to walk into an unknown future.

We are people who have been challenged to tell God’s story to others.

By faith we have the ability to share the good news.

We are God’s children who are invited to feast at the Table of grace.

By faith we will embrace our sisters and brothers in Christ.

WE PRAISE GOD

* HYMN OF PRAISE #483 Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above MIT FREUDEN ZART

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

We would like to keep our sins hidden and our failures a secret. But God would not have us keep silent, but speak our confessions out loud, so we may be blessed with God’s mercy and grace. I invite you to pray with me, saying,

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

You have a vision of all people as your beloved children, imaginative God, but we see folks whose language, dress, and skin make them different. You have a vision of a universe filled with goodness and beauty, and we damage it with litter, with violence, with poor choices. You have a vision of a Table where we can feast on your grace and hope, but we line up at the fast food counters of sin and greed.

Forgive us, Envisioner of Mercy, as we confess that we are not “insiders” but immigrants searching for our true home. You love us enough to want us to be with you forever, so may we take the hand of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who leads us into your kingdom.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

There is nothing to fear. God’s hope is more tenacious than our despair; God’s joy is more resilient than our grief; God’s love is more compelling than our hate.

By grace, we are gathered to God. By faith, we rest in God’s promises of forgiveness and restoration. Thanks be to God! Amen.

RESPONSE #306 *Fairest Lord Jesus*
Verse 1 Only CRUSADERS’ HYMN

WE PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

A MESSAGE FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION #319 *Spirit*
Chorus and Verse 3 (You sang in a stable....) JAMES K. MANLEY

THE WORD SPOKEN

In the beginning was the Word

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

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON PSALM 44 PEW BIBLE, NT, PAGES 515-516

GOSPEL LESSON JOHN 14:18-24 PEW BIBLE, NT, PAGE 109

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Lord Jesus Christ.

THE WORD PROCLAIMED: **“The Ambiguous Present”** JIM RISSMILLER

*HYMN #170 *The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want* CRIMOND CM

WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

We believe that at the Lord’s Supper the community of believers is renewed

by the memory of Christ’s life and death,

by his real presence in the power of the Holy Spirit,

and by the promise of his coming again.

Christ makes himself known to us in the breaking of bread.

He offers us his body broken for our sake

and his blood shed for the forgiveness of our sins.

We accept his promises and gifts and depend on his life to sustain ours.

In turn we offer ourselves in thanksgiving to the risen Lord

who has conquered death.

So we celebrate his victory here and now

and anticipate the joyous feast of his coming kingdom.

Reunited around one loaf and cup, we receive strength and

courage to continue our pilgrimage with God in the world.

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS, TITHES, AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY (WITH ALLELUIAS) LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

May God be with you.

May God also be with you.

People of God, open up your hearts.

We open them to God and one another.

People of God, give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks to the One who offers us lives filled with grace.

When we were children

running footloose through grace...

Holy, holy, holy, God of steadfast love.

All creation thanks you for your wonderful works.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One who comes to lead us by a straight way.

Hosanna in the highest!

Holy are you, God of infinite tenderness,

and blessed is Jesus Christ...

Christ died, his life hidden in God.

Christ is risen, seated by God's side.

Christ will come again, that we might be revealed with him in glory.

Compassionate God,

pour out your gracious Spirit on us...

God in Community, Holy in One,

as you satisfy the thirsty with your grace,

and fill the hungry with your love. And now as the bold

children of that love, we pray, 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.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

WE GO IN GOD’S NAME

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE

** You are invited to stand if you are able*

WELCOME TO FAITH PRESBYTERIAN

WELCOME to Faith Presbyterian Church. Whether you are a member or a visitor we are so glad that you are worshipping with us this morning and pray that this time of worship will be both renewing and rewarding for you. If you have an interest in joining Faith Presbyterian, please speak to the pastor or call the church at 336.292.5704. Please visit our website at www.faithpresgso.org or Facebook at www.facebook.com/faithpresgso.

Elders of the Month for August are Rollie Garcia and Rebecca Elliott.

On the calendar for this week:

- **Theology on Tap** will not be meeting until they have a new book. It will be announced.
- **Adult Sunday School.** Join us each Sunday morning at one of our two adult classes. The Discussion Class meets at 9:30 in the parlor for engaging conversation and discussion as we begin our new study of the **Gospel of Luke from Scratch, a basic study of Luke’s Gospel.** Also, you may want to attend our newest class, The Present Word, which meets in the library. Using our denomination’s curriculum, this class considers scripture and its interpretation for today.
- **There are Sign-Up Sheets** in the Narthex for Ushers, Flowers and Snacks for each Sunday. Please take a turn and sign up.

INFORMATION AND PRAYER LIST

(PLEASE SIGN THE FRIENDSHIP REGISTER)

Aug. 11-18, 2013

Attendance 39

Today:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee And Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship and Communion
	12:15 P.M.	Session
Tuesday:	9:00 A.M.	Staff Meeting
	9:30 A.M.	Parish Nurse
Sunday:	9:30 A.M.	Sunday School
	10:30 A.M.	Coffee And Conversation
	11:00 A.M.	Worship

Prayer Lists

Mebane First Presbyterian Church, Mebane
Second Presbyterian Church, Salisbury
Concord Church, Statesville

Faith Presbyterian Church Prayer List:

Peggy Pope	Cile Gorman	Bob and Ann Huffine
Dot Patat		Maxine Heath
Fran Cuthbertson		Larry Murren
Pat Magnuson	Virginia Cornet	Erich Bordne
Bonnie Evans		Melissa Burris’ Father
Priscilla Christiansen		Dellaine Risley
Georgia Renfrow		Family Of Pamela Klutz
Mary Jane & Bob Phillips		Sue Joyce
Kelly Bottoms (Friend/Lindsey Brown)		PNC
Andy Moye		Rebecca Elliott’s Grandmother
Betsy Rule	Doris Claybrook (Betsy Rule’s Mother)	

Pastoral Team

Bill Hamilton, Interim Pastor
Jim Rissmiller, Pastoral Visitor
Libby Inman, Young Adult Ministries
Jeremy Corn, Music Director
Lois Bazhaw, RN, Congregational Nurse
Lynn Wright, Office Administrator

***We are a loving faith family,
worshipping and serving God,
and testifying in word and deed
as disciples of Jesus Christ.***

August 11, 2013
11:00 A.M.

Service for the Lord’s Day
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time