

"We are fools for the sake of Christ." – I Corinthians 4:10

# Service for the Lord's Day

January 28, 2024 - Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

(\*Indicates where it is appropriate, but not necessary to stand. All speak words in **boldface**.)

# Called by God, We Gather

PRELUDE "Ave Verum Corpus" W.A. Mozart

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

MINUTE FOR MISSION – Erskine Blount, Scholarship Committee

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

[Please take a brief moment to greet those around you.]

CALLED TO WORSHIP IN RINGING THE TRINITY

INTROIT

OPENING WORDS & PRAYER (adapted from Psalm 111)

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart.

Great are the works of the LORD; his righteousness endures forever.

The LORD is gracious and merciful.

He provides food for those who fear him;

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

He sent redemption to his people; holy and awesome is his name.

The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;

all who practice it have a good understanding.

HYMN #169 "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind" REST

CALL TO CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful Lord, you invite all people to your table, yet we confess how we resist. We refuse to create a welcome place for others. We take more than we need and give less than we are able. We indulge in things that are sweet to the taste, but cannot offer any satisfaction. Have mercy, Lord. Give us a craving for good things. Nourish us by the bread of your abundant grace, so that the Body of Christ may be strengthened in fellowship, unity, and love.

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Gloria Patri (#581)

## To Hear God's Word of Grace

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 1:21-28

TIME WITH THE YOUNG PEOPLE [11:00]

ANTHEM "All Things to All" Craig Courtney

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: I Corinthians 8:1-13

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Food for Thought"

Rev. George W. Chapman III

# To Respond in Faith and Gratitude

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: adapted from The Confession of 1967 [9.08]

What do we believe?

In Jesus of Nazareth true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared their needs, temptations, joys, and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to sinners. But his obedience to God led him into conflict with his people, who rejected him and demanded his death. In giving himself freely, he took upon himself the judgment under which all stand convicted. God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all people. Amen.

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

# INSTALLATION OF NEW CHURCH OFFICERS [11:00]

#### **OFFERING**

\*Response: Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow (#606)

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*HYMN #12 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

**ABERYSTWYTH** 

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

# Then Depart Blessed to Serve

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

**CHORAL RESPONSE** 

**POSTLUDE** 

Acolyte: Mary Grace Carter Liturgist: Myra Chapman

Greeters: Ann McPhaul and Kitty Green Ushers: Scott Taylor and Rusty Russ

### **Announcements**

#### Monday, January 29

6:00pm Cub Scouts7:00pm Boy Scouts

#### Tuesday, January 30

9:00am Quilters, FH5:00pm AA, BSMT6:00pm Bible Study, FH

#### Thursday, February 1

12:30pm Bridge Group
5:00pm AA, BSMT
6:00pm Hand Bells
7:00pm Choir Practice

A Congregational Meeting has been called for today, Sunday January 28, at the conclusion of the 11:00am service, for the purposes of receiving annual reports, updating pastor's terms of call, electing a member-at-large to the Nominating Committee, and the annual meeting of the Shallotte Presbyterian Church Corporation. Please pick up one annual report per family, thank you.

After the conclusion of today's service, Steve Wingfield will be taking pictures of new members and church officers for the Shallotte Presbyterian online directory. This is an opportunity for anyone who would like their portrait included, which greatly assists parishioners and pastors to put names to faces. Steve can be found just outside the entrance to the Narthex. Thank you and don't forget to say "Cheese"

## Scholarship Reminder ~Application deadline is February 13, 2024

Any deserving member of Shallotte Presbyterian Church who is trying to further his/her education, whether currently enrolled in a 4-year college, a community college, trade school, or a graduating high School Senior is eligible to apply. Applications are available in the church office or by email request to Christina. Students with existing scholarships must reapply

If you would like more information about Shallotte Presbyterian Church, the Presbyterian Church (USA), or how to become a member of our congregation, please don't hesitate to call or email the church office. Our contact information may be found below. We would be delighted to share with you how you can help support the ministry and mission of this church!



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Welcoming others as God has welcomed us.

