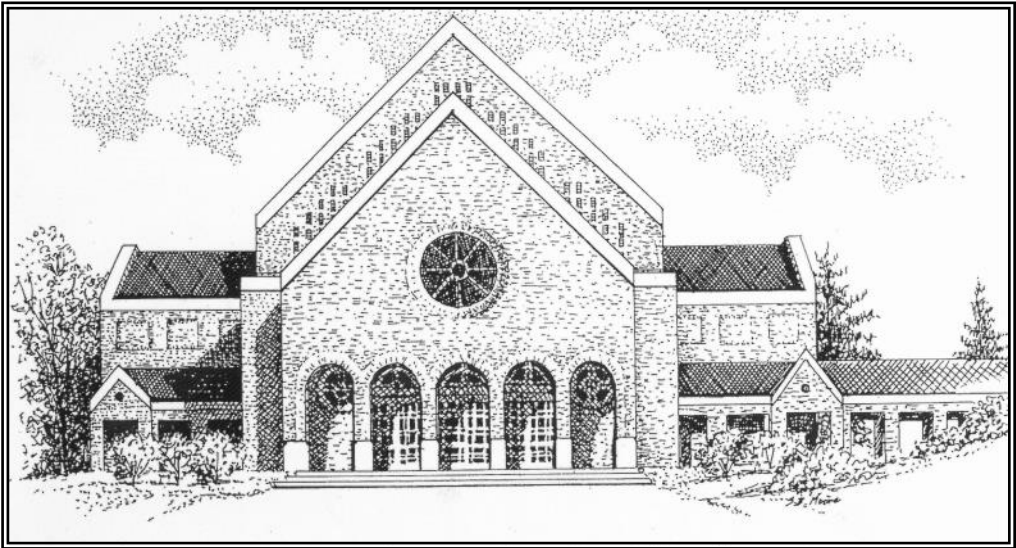


The Lord's Day
March 17, 2019



Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11:28-29

Welcome to Arden Presbyterian Church. We hope your time in worship with us is a blessing and help to you. Please fill out the **Friendship Register form** so that we have a record of your attendance. For all **first-time visitors**, there is a gift at the **Welcome Center in the Narthex**. Please drop by and see us!

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, March 17

- 9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship Service
12:00 PM Prayer for International Students, Parlor
12:30 PM Informational Meeting—Relief Team to New Bern, Youth Room

Tuesday, March 19

- 9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study: Salt and Light Day, Fellowship Room

Wednesday, March 20

- 5:45 PM Children's Choir, Fellowship Room
6:15 PM Midweek Prayer Meeting, Parlor
 Children's Catechism and Youth Programs, Lower Level Sanctuary
 Ladies Bible Study, Fellowship Room
 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room
 Men's Bible Study, Conference Room

Thursday, March 21

- 5:30 PM Diaconate Meeting, 5th Grade Classroom
6:30 PM Stated Session Meeting, Fellowship Room

Sunday, March 24

- 9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Worship Service

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Gathering Song

Blessed Be Your Name

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful,
Where your streams of abundance flow, blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place,
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be your name

(Pre-Chorus)

Ev'ry blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise.
When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say,

(Chorus)

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your name.
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be your glorious name!

Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me,
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be your name.

Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering,
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be your name

(Pre-Chorus and Chorus)

(Bridge)

You give and take away, you give and take away;
My heart will choose to say, Lord, blessed be your name.

(Chorus)

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Welcome

Rev. Gabe Malloy

(Please sign the Friendship Register form and pass it to your neighbor)

Arden Focus

Nathan Francis, Missions Auction

Greeting of One Another

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

Call to Worship

Dr. Craig Sheppard

Minister: From you comes our praise in the great assembly! Those who seek you will praise you. May our hearts live forever!

ALL: All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations will worship before you. For the kingdom is yours and you rule over the nations!

Based on Psalm 22:25-31

Hymn of Adoration

Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

No. 165

Prayer of Invocation (concluding with 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Songs of Praise

By Faith

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design,
In the lives of those who prove his faithfulness,
Who walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow'r of his promise in their hearts,
Of a holy city built by God's own hand,
A place where peace and justice reign.

(Chorus)

We will stand as children of the promise;
We will fix our eyes on him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.

By faith the prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave.

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost,
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In every corner of the earth.

(Chorus)

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon his name.

(Chorus)

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Psalm 62 (My Soul Finds Rest)

My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my salvation;
A fortress strong against the foes, and I will not be shaken.
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse, and lies like arrows pierce me
I'll fix my heart on righteousness, I'll look to him who hears me.

(Chorus)

O praise him, hallelujah,
My delight and my reward;
Everlasting, never failing,
My Redeemer, my God.

Find rest, my soul, in God alone amid the world's temptation;
When evil seeks to take a hold I'll cling to my salvation.
Though riches come and riches go, don't set your heart upon them;
The fields of hope in which I sow are harvested in heaven.

(Chorus)

I'll set my gaze on God alone and trust in him completely;
With every day pour out my soul and he will prove his mercy.
Though life is but a fleeting breath, a sigh too brief to measure,
My King has crushed the curse of death and I am his forever.

(Chorus 2x)

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Corporate Confession of Faith

Rev. Malloy

Minister: What is the only way that we can receive justification and the forgiveness of God?

ALL: Faith (receiving and resting on Christ and his righteousness), is the only means of justification.

Adapted from Westminster Confession of Faith, 11.2

GOD GRACIOUSLY RENEWS OUR HEARTS

Corporate Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, we confess that we continually trust in false gods and idols for our forgiveness and salvation. We trust in good works, personal success, external graces, and worldly views of sin and righteousness. Forgive us. Thank you for the simplicity and power of the gospel, that by faith in Christ and Christ alone, we can be fully and eternally justified in your presence.

Silent Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon and Pastoral Prayer

“But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life.”

Romans 6:22

(Following the prayer, children 4 years old-kindergarten are dismissed for Children’s Church meeting downstairs in Room 3)

The Presentation of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

The Gift To Be Simple

Mr. Jim Holland, Organ

Arr. Dale Wood

Based on the tune Simple Gifts

American Shaker melody

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GOD RENEWS OUR MINDS

Sermon

Dr. Sheppard

Divine Knowledge and the Human Heart

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

(Pew Bible Page 956)

Divine Knowledge and the Human Heart
1 Corinthians 8:1-13
Sunday, March 17, 2019

I. The Context of the Problem

II. The Content of the Problem

III. The Problem of Knowledge in the (Redeemed) Human Heart

A. Issue #1

B. Issue #2

C. Issue #3

D. Issue #4

IV. Application

Hymn of Response

Be Thou My Vision

No. 642
(Verses 1, 2, 4, and 5)

GOD BLESSES US AND SENDS US

The Lord's Benediction

The Church's Response

Doxology

No. 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551, alt.
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Postlude

*Elders will be available after the service at the front of the Sanctuary
for prayer and encouragement.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Friends of the **International Student Ministry** invite you to join us today in the parlor immediately following the worship service to pray for the ministry and the students involved.

Be part of a **relief team to New Bern, NC, April 11-18, 2019**, serving Village Chapel PCA. You are welcome to come for part of the time if you are unable to serve the whole week. Work will include restoration of hurricane-affected homes as well as community outreach for Village Chapel. We will have an **informational meeting today at 12:30 PM in the youth room**. For more information, contact Jim Sherar (828-777-4244/ jrs4trees@gmail.com). To join the team, register through the Mission to North America website: <http://stat.pcanet.org/mna/disasterresponse/signin.cfm>.

Missions Auction: Looking for a fun way to help the Arden missions ministry, particularly the summer mission teams? Make plans now to attend our annual **Missions Dinner and Auction at 6:00 PM on Friday, April 5**. We will be accepting donations of new and gently used items, artwork, baked goods, furnishings, services, use of vacation homes, etc. Donated items may be brought to the church office. For larger items, please arrange drop-off to POD storage container in North (lower) parking lot—contact David Livernois (828-684-7221, ext. 311/ livernois.david@gmail.com) or Pastor Nathan.

Science and Faith—do they contradict? Plan now to attend our **Creation Seminar with astrophysicist Dr. Jason Lisle, PhD, on Sunday, April 7**.

- Combined Sunday School (Chapel): *Worlds of Creation*
- 6:00 PM (Chapel): *Astronomy Reveals Creation* and *Ultimate Proof of Creation*, followed by a time of question and answer.

Be sure to invite your believing and non-believing friends and join us as we look to the heavens through the lens of astrophysicist!

If you have not done so, please complete a **Faith Promise pledge card** and place in the Faith Promise box located in the Narthex or in the offering plate. We will be collecting Faith Promise pledge cards through **Sunday, March 31**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study invites the ladies of Arden to join us **this Tuesday, March 19**, for our **Spring Salt and Light Day**. We will meet from 9:30 AM until 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Room (below the sanctuary). In place of our regular Bible study, we will participate in a number of service projects at the church and in the community. Then we will enjoy lunch together in the fellowship room. You may choose from a number of service opportunities including visiting homebound church members, taking lunch to the staff at New City Christian School, stuffing eggs for next month's egg hunt, and joining the residents of The Oaks skilled nursing center for a craft project and hymn sing-along. For more information or to sign up for a project, contact Diana Brinkley or just show up! (dianasbrinkley@yahoo.com/828-335-3234)

Join us on **Thursday, March 28, at 12:30 PM** in the Multipurpose room for our monthly **SUPER Saints luncheon**. Guest speaker is our own award-winning author **Pepper Basham**, wife of Rev. Dwight Basham. The menu is fried chicken, new potatoes, rolls and brownies ala mode. Cost is \$5 per person. Please RSVP by visiting the Welcome Center today or by contacting Linda Sease (828-684-7221 x357/linda.apc,asst@gmail.com) by Monday, March 25.

The Youth Ministry is sponsoring a **mission trip to Puerto Rico, August 3-10!** To sign up or to get more information, see Pastor Gabe. **Deadline to apply is April 1.**

The Youth Ministry is accepting applications for **summer interns**. Interested college students can email Gabe for more information or to apply: gabrielfmalloy@gmail.com.

The Arden Presbyterian Preschool is now enrolling for next school year. Currently we have openings in all classes. Those who register during the month of March receive a \$10 discount on the registration/application fee. Tours are available with no appointment needed from 9:00 AM-Noon on school days.

Small Groups Welcome New Members! Are you looking for a way to build great friendships with others from our church? Consider being a part of our small group ministry! We invite you to visit a few small groups to find one that is a good fit for you. For more info, stop by the Welcome Center to see the Small Group handout for times and locations.

FINANACIAL UPDATE

March Financial Update as of 03/13/2019

3/10/2019 General Fund Offering: \$14,338

	March Giving	YTD Giving	YTD Expense	YTD Difference
General Fund	\$38,398	\$217,642	\$241,754	(\$24,112)
Mercy Fund	\$5,615	\$10,071	\$2,440	\$7,632
Faith Promise	\$10,355	\$27,705	\$36,675	(\$8,970)
Building	\$310	\$1,240	--	\$1,240

Please warmly welcome **Charlene Dalton** as our new pastoral secretary. Charlene is a former teacher at Arden Presbyterian Preschool and has continued to work with the preschool in accounting, student records, and social media and website administration. She has been an office manager, bookkeeper, and website designer. Charlene is mother to Kayla (age 14) and Ivan (age 12).

Contact Charlene at ardensecretary@gmail.com, 828-684-7221, ext. 312.



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Aaron Kraft

The flowers today are given to the glory of God with praise and thanksgiving from the Fox family for all the prayers and support during Gay Lynn's treatment and recovery.

Save these dates for All Church events:

April 5: Missions Dinner and Auction

April 7: Creation Seminar, Dr. Jason Lisle, Ph.D.
Creationist Astrophysicist, Institute for Creation Research

April 11-18: Disaster Response Team to New Bern, NC

April 18: Maundy Thursday Service

April 20: Easter Egg Hunt Outreach

April 21: Easter Sunday Brunch and Worship Service

OUR VISION

The vision of Arden Presbyterian Church is to be a vibrant, Christ-centered body of Reformed believers, who are **in the Word, in the church, and in the world**. We seek to grow in our knowledge and love of the Word, to corporately worship our Triune God reverently and joyfully, and to lovingly communicate the gospel to a lost, yet watchful world. We strive to live out our faith through the active application of our time, talents, and resources in ministry and service to our church, our local community, and across the globe.

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Children's Sunday School Classes
9:30AM-10:15AM
Youth & Adult Sunday School Classes
9:30AM-10:15AM
Worship Service
10:45AM-12:00 PM

If you are unable to attend our weekly worship service, watch our live stream at www.ardenpres.org