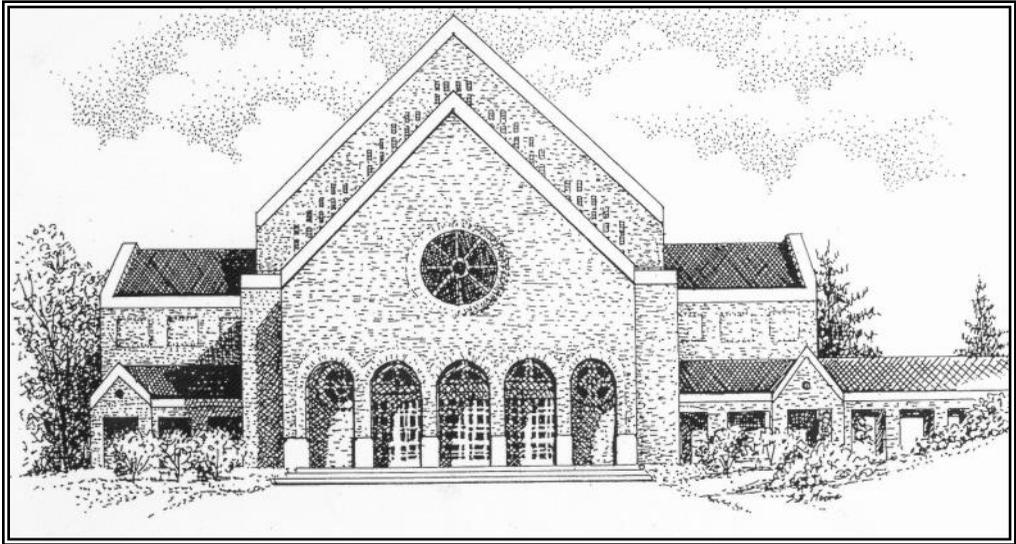


The Lord's Day
July 1, 2018



“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, July 1

9:30 AM Kids Sunday School in Multipurpose Room

9:30 AM Adult Sunday School Classes

10:45AM Sunday Worship Services

Monday, July 2

6:15 PM Assimilation Committee Meeting, 5th Grade Classroom

Wednesday, July 4

Independence Day – Church Office Closed

Thursday, July 5

6:30 AM Gathering of Men for prayer and study, Sanctuary Room 9

Sunday, July 8

9:30 AM Kids Sunday School in Multipurpose Room

9:30 AM Adult Sunday School Classes

10:45AM Sunday Worship Services

Prelude

Gathering Song

Oh, How Good It Is

Oh, how good it is when the family of God
Dwells together in spirit, in faith, and unity;
Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance, and love
Are the fruit of his presence here among us.

(Chorus)

So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord;
And with one heart we'll live out his Word
Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come;
For he dwells in the presence of his people.

Oh, how good it is on this journey we share,
To rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace,
When we offer the blessing of belonging.

(Chorus)

Oh, how good it is to embrace his command
To prefer one another, forgive as he forgives.
When we live as one, we all share in the love
Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit.

(Chorus)

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Welcome

Rev. Nathan Francis

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

Greeting of One Another

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

Call to Worship

Rev. Craig Sheppard

Minister: Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying his voice!

ALL: Bless the Lord, all his hosts, who do his will!

Minister: Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion.

ALL: Bless the Lord my soul!

Psalm 103:20-22

Hymn of Adoration

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

No. 76

(Verses 1, 2, 4, 5)

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

This Is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder?
And leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

(Chorus)

This is amazing grace, this is unfailing love;
That You would take my place, that You would bear my cross.

You would lay down Your life that I would be set free.
Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me.

Who brings our chaos back into order?
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.
Who rules the nations with truth and justice;
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?
The King of Glory, the King above all kings.

(Chorus)

(Bridge)

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain.
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave.
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain;
Worthy, worthy, worthy!

(Chorus)

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Praise the Father, Praise the Son

O sov'reign God, O matchless King the saints adore, the angels sing
And fall before the throne of grace; to you belongs the highest praise.

These sufferings, this passing tide under your wings, I will abide,
And ev'ry enemy shall flee; you are my hope and victory.

(Chorus) Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, Three in One;
Clothed in power and in grace, the name above all other names.

To the valley for my soul; thy great descent has made me whole!
Your word my heart has welcomed home;
Now peace like water ever flows.

(Chorus 2x)

The name above all other names.

*Chris Tomlin and Ed Cash
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Commissioning of Bulgaria Team

John Fox

Samuel Rennard

Abby Sheppard

Craig Sheppard

Lisa Sheppard

Ben Vanderkwaak

Corporate Confession of Faith

Rev. Nathan Francis

Minister: How does God accomplish his plan of redemption?

ALL: God has foreordained all the means by which his children will come to salvation. Though they were spiritually fallen in Adam, they are redeemed by Christ. They are called to faith in Christ by his Spirit working in them at the right time, and are justified, adopted, sanctified, and kept by his power through faith to salvation.

Adapted from Westminster Confession of Faith, Chapter 3.6

GOD GRACIOUSLY RENEWS OUR HEARTS

Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, have mercy on us, and forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ. We know our sin, and yet by your grace we also know our Redeemer, and we are justified in Him. Strengthen us by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

[Adapted from *Book of Common Prayer*]

Silent Confession of Sin

Pastoral Prayer & Assurance of Pardon

“For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.”

Romans 8:2

*(Children's Church will resume August 12.
Pew bags for children are available at the entrance to the sanctuary.)*

The Presentation of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

Mrs. Pepper Basham
Mr. Jeff Sweet

Come to the Table

We all start on the outside, the outside looking in. This is where grace begins.

We were hungry, we were thirsty, with nothing left to give.

Oh, the shape that we were in. And just when all hope seemed lost,

Love opened the door for us. He said,

"Come to the table. Come join the sinners who have been redeemed.

Take your place beside the Savior. Sit down and be set free. Come to the table."

*Come meet this motley crew of misfits, these liars and these thieves
There's no one unwelcome here. And that sin and shame that you brought with you,
You can leave it at the door and let mercy draw you near. Come to the table...*

To the thief and to the doubter, to the hero and the coward,

To the pris'ner and the soldier, to the young and the older:

All who hunger or who thirst, all the last and all the first,

All the paupers and the princes, all who failed, you've been forgiven.

All who dream and all who suffer, all who loved and lost another,

All the chained and all the free, all who follow, all who lead;

Anyone who's been let down, all the lost you have been found.

All who've been labeled right or wrong, to ev'ryone who hears this song:

Come to the table....

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GOD RENEWS OUR MINDS

Sermon

Dr. Sheppard

Spiritual Affections and the Loves of Life

The Love of Self

Matthew 12:28-34

2 Timothy 3:1-5

(Pew Bible Pages 817; 996)

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I. The Creation of Self

II. The Corruption of Self

III. The Redemption of Self

Romans 6:6-8, Ephesians 4:24, Colossians 3:10

IV. Application

A. Why do we love Self:

i. I am:

ii. I am:

iii. I am:

iv. I am:

v. I am:

B. How do we love Self:

i. I:

ii. I:

iii. I:

Hymn of Preparation

My Jesus, I Love Thee

No. 648
(Verses 1, 2)

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Arden Presbyterian Church welcomes to the Lord's Table all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation, who are seeking to forsake their sin, and who are members in good standing of congregations that proclaim this gospel.

Hymn of Response

My Jesus, I Love Thee

No. 648
(Verses 3,4)

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.

*Text: Thomas Ken
Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551, alt.
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Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to a Call to Prayer. The purpose of the call to prayer is to pray for revival/ awakening and for our church. We will meet in the **Youth Room** below the sanctuary immediately following the July 1 worship time and dismiss no later than 1:00 p.m. A prayer leader will facilitate the prayer time guiding us through seasons of prayer. Prayer prompts will be available to aid us in this focused time of prayer. We will continue to meet the second Sunday of every month and hope you will join us as we seek God in prayer for the nations, our country, city and church.

Church Directory Photos Starting 7/8! We will be taking photos for the new church photo directory beginning July 8th and running through July 22nd. We will have two photo stations set up in the Narthex immediately after the service.

There will be a **presentation on the MTW Medical Mission Trip to Haiti** for the youth during Sunday School on **July 8th**. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Friendship partners for UNCA's exciting international students are gearing up for a fun fall semester. We will be extending a Jesus welcome to at least 15 students from 3 continents. If you would like more information, contact **Carol Jensen** at Jensen@dnet.net or **Jessie Callaway** at Jessie.callaway@icloud.com.

Children, **registration is now open for our 5-Day Clubs! July 30th-August 3rd**, we will have clubs in **Arden, S. Asheville, and Canton!** Sign up for the club of your choice in the Narthex or online at www.ardenpres.org/5-Day-Clubs. **Youth and adults**, we'd love to have you come hang out with us as a friendly face and a buddy for the little ones. You can sign up to volunteer at a club on our website as well, or email Children's Ministry. We hope to see you there!

Tithing Envelopes are in the Narthex. Please pick yours up as they are listed alphabetically. If you would like tithing envelopes, please contact **Dan Berger** in the church office at 684-7221 ext. 313.

Online giving is available! APC can now receive financial gifts through our website (ardenpres.org). You can find the “Give Online” link both at the top of our homepage and under the “Live Webcast” tab.

Summer Sunday School: Though in the past, our church has held combined adult Sunday school classes through the summer months, this year, by request of the classes, we continue to meet weekly as individual classes. The **Christian Education committee** is working on **fall offerings** and aims to improve communication about the variety of classes and topics. For a current list of our Sunday school classes, please see the information sheet at the welcome center in the Narthex.

Our children need us! Our kids are as uniquely and diversely made as the adults and youth in our Arden church family. That is why we believe that there is not just one type of person equipped to minister to our kids. Our kids need a mix of men and women, young and old who are willing to walk with them in these formidable, faith-building years. We want our children to sense that we consider growing with them a great delight. **We currently have many needs for Sunday School, Children’s Church, Catechism and Nursery. Will you please prayerfully consider joining us in raising up our children? Please contact Kathy or Michele in Children’s Ministry if you can. Thank you!**

FINANCIAL UPDATE: As of 6/28/18 Month End

6/24/18 General Fund Offering: \$31,442.60

	June Giving	YTD Giving	YTD Expense	YTD Difference
General Fund	\$79,408	\$568,177	\$571,849	(\$3,671.58)
Mercy Fund	\$1,141	\$11,504	\$13,811	(\$2,307)
Faith Promise	\$9,610	\$73,660	\$75,172	(\$1,552.31)
Building	\$1,425	\$6,037	\$276	\$5,760.33

Through our **New Commandment** ministry, men of the church meet monthly to visit and provide assistance to members. Their focus is on single mothers, widows and widowers, and seniors. Through our **Mercy Ministry**, our deacons work with the Church Business Administrator to help with unmet financial and physical needs.

If you, or someone you know, could be helped by either New Commandment or Mercy Ministry support, please contact **Mark Gould** at **mbgould2@ gmail.com** or **(828) 275-8842**. Details on these ministries are available in the Narthex or on the ardenpres.org web page.

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*The flowers today are given to the glory of God,
by John and Nicki Kennedy in honor of their 45th Wedding Anniversary.*

Save these dates for All Church events:

July 4: Independence Day

July 6-15: APC Bulgaria Mission Trip

July 10: Terrific Tuesday's begin

July 19-22: High School Beach Trip

July 23-27: Southeastern Presbyterian Middle School Retreat

July 29: Church Picnic

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