



## OUR MISSION

The beautiful story of Topsail Presbyterian is comprised completely in the unique make-up of the individuals who call Topsail Presbyterian their home. Although vastly different in their journeys, there are 3 cords that bind each of us together.

### We Are...

We are real people infused with dynamic faith, committed to a common vision, joined together in the covenant love of our Creator.

### We Used to Be...

We used to be completely broken but are now grateful for undeserved redemption, astonished by amazing grace, healed by forgiveness and humbled by the divine invitation to be included in the greatest cause on earth.

### We Serve...

We serve a good and perfect God. The nations are His dwelling and our lives are His vessels. We have compassion for the poor, and our hearts are open to the rich.

## COVER ART:

**IN THE WILDERNESS**  
by Ron DiCianni

# Welcome

May you truly sense God's Spirit at work in this place and in your life.

Greetings to everyone! We extend a warm welcome to those joining us in-person or for our live stream worship service this morning. As we celebrate together, we hope you will sense God's presence as we gather.

If you are a guest this morning, please fill out one of the visitor information cards located in the pew pockets so we can get to know each other better. Simply, hand your completed card to an usher or place it in the offering plate. In addition, we invite you to take a Guest Bag from the table in the narthex as you leave today. If you need assistance at any time, please feel free to ask someone seated next to you or one of the ushers.

Children are welcome to sit with their families during worship or attend Sunday School following the Children's Sermon. We have a nursery available for infants and our parlor is available for nursing mothers & parents in need of a quiet space with their children during worship. Restrooms are located through the door to the right of the chancel.

## Sunday School Opportunities

### Children's Sunday School

This child centered Sunday school (ages 3 years to 5th grade) is held every Sunday during the 10:30am worship service down our Preschool hallway. Participants will be excused from the worship service following the Children's Sermon and will reconnect with their parents at the conclusion of the service. **First time visitors are asked to walk their child to their first session for instruction & to complete registration.**

### Youth Sunday School

This middle/high school centered Sunday school class is held every Sunday during the 10:30am worship service in the Youth Building. Participants will be excused from the worship service following the Children's Sermon and will reconnect with their parents at the conclusion of the service. **The first Sunday of every month is Youth Sunday. There is no Youth Sunday School on these days.** Youth will assist in providing liturgy, ushering, & greeting guests and will remain seated with their families for worship. **This group is currently on hold for the summer season.**

### The Present Word (Adult) Sunday School

This Adult Sunday School class regularly meets on Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the Parlor or Fellowship Hall. However, **this group will be on hiatus for the summer quarter.** For those who would like to continue their studies independantly, we have summer quarter study guides available in the Admin office.

## Today's Worship Participants

**Rev. Dr. Ann Jahnes**, Guest Pastor  
**Jay Heidel**, 8:15 Liturgist  
**Tom Sidbury**, 10:30 Liturgist  
**Shelly Aebi**, Organist  
**Dr. Rebecka Rose**, Music Director

**Marcia Kissire**,  
Elder of the Month

## 8:15am Worship

We hope you will sense our vision for Greater Faith, Deeper Relationships, and Stronger Community as you worship with us.

### Words of Welcome

### Announcements

### Opening Prayer

### Prelude "Les Pines"

H. Renié

Beth Klahr & Shelly Aebi, Harps

### Call to Worship (Call & *Response*)

O Lord, let my soul rise to meet you

***As the day rises to meet the sun.***

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

***As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.***

***Amen.***

Come, let us sing to God! Let us praise the lord with glad adoration!

### †Gathering Hymn #35 "Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty" vs. 1 & 3

### Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

***Holy and Loving God,***

***even as we sing of your wonder,***

***your wings of shelter,***

***and your gentleness,***

***we falter in our praise.***

***For we know that praise goes beyond words and song.***

***Adoration is shown by the way we live.***

***We pray that through our worship,***

***our hearts will be filled with joy***

***and we will be moved toward grace-filled acts of kindness.***

***Be near to us, Lord,***

***as in silence we seek your voice,***

***your forgiveness, help, and strength.***

### Silent Confession

### Promise of Forgiveness

### †Response Hymn #447 "We Are Forgiven"

***We are forgiven. We are forgiven.***

***Thanks be to God.***

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### †Passing the Peace

## Prayer Requests

Do you have a special prayer request that you would like the pastor to lift up during worship?

You can complete a prayer request card located in the pew pockets and give to the pastor prior to service or hand to an usher.

You can also add your prayer requests or praises to the prayer wall on our website at: [topsailpresbyterian.org](http://topsailpresbyterian.org)

†Please stand if able.





## 2025 Flower Calendar

The 2025 TPC Flowers for the Chancel is available on our website. Please sign up and donate flowers for our chancel each Sunday during worship.

Please call or email Aly with your dedications: (910)270-2312 or [aly@topsailpres.org](mailto:aly@topsailpres.org).

Sign-up calendar can also be found on our website at: [topsailpresbyterian.org](http://topsailpresbyterian.org).

Click on the Flower Donations Sign up button to choose your date & be sure to add your dedication in the comments.

**IMPORTANT! YOU MUST NOTE** if you will be bringing your own flowers or if you will be purchasing from our florist.



### Prayer for Illumination

**Scripture Readings** NT: Matthew 4:1-11 OT: 1 Kings 19:1-16

**Sermon** | Rev. Dr. Ann Jahnes

### "You Are Not Alone"

#### †Affirmation of Faith (*Unison*)

*The life, death, resurrection,  
and promised coming of Jesus Christ  
has set the pattern for the church's mission.  
His human life involves the church  
in the common life of all people.  
His service to men and women commits the church  
to work for every form of human well-being.  
His suffering makes the church sensitive  
to all human suffering so that it sees the face of Christ  
in the faces of persons in every kind of need.  
His crucifixion discloses to the church  
God's judgment on the inhumanity  
that marks human relations,  
and the awful consequences  
of the church's own complicity in injustice.  
In the power of the risen Christ  
and the hope of his coming,  
the church sees the promise  
of God's renewal of human life in society  
and of God's victory over all wrong.  
The church follows this pattern  
in the form of its life  
and in the method of its action.  
So to live and serve  
is to confess Christ as Lord.*

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32-33

#### Call for Offering

#### Offertory Music "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"

American Spiritual - Beth Klahr & Shelly Aebi, Harps

#### †Doxology #581 "Glory Be to the Father"

*Glory be to the Father,  
and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, world  
without end. Amen, amen.*

#### Prayers of the People

#### The Lord's Prayer

#### †Closing Hymn #634 "To God Be the Glory"

#### †Benediction

#### Recessional

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†**Passing the Peace**

**Children's Sermon**

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## Stay in Touch

Staying connected to faith is more important than ever. At Topsail Presbyterian Church, we strive to make sharing, and worshipping with us easy. We gather to encourage each other, connect with friends, & learn From God's Word through our website, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, email, newsletter and of course in-person. Connect with us, we're here for you!

## Can't Worship in Person?

That's okay! We live stream our 10:30am worship service every Sunday. You can find us streaming on Facebook, YouTube, Vimeo, and of course, our website. So whether you're out of town or otherwise unable to be here in person, you can be with us in spirit while watching from the comfort of wherever you are.

### Anthem "Good Shepherd Medley"

arr. R. Barnwell

Beth Klahr & Shelly Aebi, Harps

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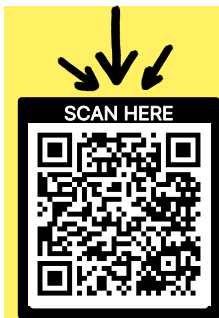
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# Announcements



## Cookies and Lemonade Sign-up

Kindly sign up in the narthex to join in the fun of providing Cookies and Lemonade. An email will be generated during the week you sign up for to provide directions and instructions for this event. If you have any questions, please contact Leah Hemphill at [hempillleah@gmail.com](mailto:hempillleah@gmail.com). Thank you.

## True North

### Trusting Jesus in a Wild World

**July 28-31, 9am - 12 pm**

Our VBS team needs you! This is our last week of VBS preparations. We will meet for our final VBS Prep Day on Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> and then begin decorating our halls and spaces starting July 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>. The more helping hands we have this week, the better! If you can lend a hand, see Dawn Frazier today or contact her at [christianed@topsailpres.org](mailto:christianed@topsailpres.org) or 910-270-2312.

## Choir & Handbells

Rehearsals for choir and handbells have come to a conclusion for the season. They will regroup in late summer. If you would like to be a part of our choir or handbells, send a message to our Music Director, Dr. Rebecka Rose, at [music@topsailpres.org](mailto:music@topsailpres.org).



## Online Giving Platform

If you would like to donate to TPC, please scan the QR code to use our online giving platform. You can also visit our website at [topsailpresbyterian.org](http://topsailpresbyterian.org) and click on

"DONATE" in the dropdown menu at the top of the page.

## 2025 Liturgists Needed

Come read the Call to Worship and scripture for us!

Any questions, you can reach out to Nicole Demchok at (910)262-6992 or via email at [ndemchok@outlook.com](mailto:ndemchok@outlook.com).

We will offer liturgy training if needed.

Sign-up calendar can be found on our website at: [topsailpresbyterian.org](http://topsailpresbyterian.org) or scan this QR code.

Click on the Liturgist Sign-up button to choose your date and service time.



**Prayer List:** Bobbie Ruegner, Bruce Filer, Bonnie Miller, Nancy Lockamy, Janice Thomas, Donna Kraynick, Ann Henry, Charlotte Kelly, Mary Anne Matherly, Sally Ferrante, Ken Rice, John Stillgebauer, Brian Jones, Mary Rogers-Ellsworth, Carolyn Rice, Sharon Egan, Theresa Allen, Deliah Sitorus, Marcia Caison, Tom & Sue Feller, Linda Blount, Fisher Pridgen, June Crosby, Steve Kulig, Dale Padgett, Wiley Lewis, Marjorie Gulliksen & family, Larry Lake, Kelly Messmer, Brian White, Betsy Primivera, the family of Charlie Hardee, Jacqueline Kirksey, the family of Luke Hanson, the family of Marie Hufham.  
Deployed: Mark Rohlfing



## TPC Directory: Photos Needed

Have you ever visited our digital directory? Tried to match a name with the face? We need a photo of everyone to make this a reality! If you are a member and your photo is not in the directory, please choose a photo of yourself or your family and email it to Tom Sidbury,

Digital Ministry Elder, at:

[admin@topsailpres.org](mailto:admin@topsailpres.org).

**Access the TPC Directory by scanning this QR code with your phone. If prompted for the password, please call the church office at 910-270-2312.**



## Interested in Joining Our Church Family?

If you are not a member and would like more information or are ready to join, please contact Cheri Haight at (203)394-8304 or [membership@topsailpres.org](mailto:membership@topsailpres.org), Amy Coleman at 910 520-0446, or Pastor Steuart Link.



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Presbytery of Coastal Carolina - [www.presbycc.org](http://www.presbycc.org)

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**Mr. Elmer Hewett**

**Custodian**

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### **Members of Session**

#### **2026**

Russ Layman - **Stewardship**

Jennifer Schwarz - **Christian Education**

Shona Talbert - **Personnel**

#### **2027**

Laurie Rucks - **Session Clerk & Preschool**

Nicole Demchock - **Worship**

#### **2028**

Stephen Polk - **Buildings & Grounds**

Cheri Haight - **Membership**

Tom Sidbury - **Digital Ministry-IT**

David Howard - **Finance**

Marcia Kissire - **Missions**

#### **Deacons**

Jay Heidel - **Chair**

Bryna Fair - **Secretary**

Jimmy Smith

Patty Bowdoin

Beth Garland

Dickie Grace

Rick Lamb

Kitty Lamb