



 **TOPSAIL**
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Topsail Presbyterian Church
HAMPSTEAD, NORTH CAROLINA

Joyful Noise Children's Choir Sing
NOVEMBER 16, 2025 | 23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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:
SYMBOL OF THE
GOSPEL OF LUKE

Stained Glass,
Corning, Ohio

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

The children's 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

The middle and high school Sunday school class is held every Sunday during the 10:30 am worship service in the Youth Building. Participants will be excused from worship service following the Children's Sermon and will reconnect with their parents at the conclusion of the service. Our current Bible Study is God, Heroes, and Everyday Dragons: Finding Your Story in God's Story. In addition to studying the Bible, we also enjoy snacks & refreshments, fellowship, and games during Youth Sunday School. **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.

The Present Word (Adult) Sunday School

This Adult Sunday School class regularly meets on Sunday mornings at 9:30am in the Parlor (across from the pastor's office).

The first Fall quarter will focus on the Kingdom of Judah- its' kings and the prophet- Isaiah. We look for relevance in the Word to our current lives and how it shapes our relationship with God.

Join us, bring your ideas and insights and become a part of the conversation.

Today's Worship Participants

Rev. Steuart Link, Interim Pastor
Patricia Barnes, 8:15 Liturgist
Erica Talbert, 10:30 Liturgist
Shelly Aebi, Organist
Dr. Rebecka Rose, Music Director

David Howard,
Elder of the Month

Flowers for the Chancel

Today's flowers for the chancel are
given in loving memory of a
wonderful Husband and Father,
Roger Demchock, by Nicole &
Isabella Demchock.

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 "Nun Danket Alle Gott"

arr. J. Honore

("Now Thank We All Our God")

Call to Worship (Call & *Response*)

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating.

***O sing to the Lord a new song,
for God has done marvelous things.***

***God has remembered his steadfast love
and faithfulness.***

I will rejoice and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard.

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No more shall there be an infant
that lives but a few days
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime.

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They shall not labor in vain
or bear children for calamity;
for they and their descendants shall be
offspring blessed by the Lord.

Before they call I will answer;
while they are yet speaking I will hear.

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†Gathering Hymn #757 "Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples"

vs. 1 & 4

Call to Confession

†Please stand if able.

Response Hymn #582

“Glory to God”

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

*World without end, without end. Amen.
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Doxology #609

**Praise God From Whom
All Blessings Flow**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
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Prayer of Confession (*Unison*)

*Majestic Creator,
we fail to believe we carry your image
and we fail to behave as those who belong to you.
Mighty Savior,
we turn from your path of sacrificial love
and we turn toward
our personal preferences.
Merciful Spirit,
we forget your call to righteousness
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In our sinfulness, triune God,
we seek now your forgiveness,
praying that you will relieve
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by the power of your patient love.*

Silent Confession

Promise of Forgiveness

†Response Hymn #582 “Glory to God”

†Passing the Peace

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings OT: Isaiah 65:17–25 **NT:** Luke 21:5–19

Sermon I Rev. Steuart Link

“No Stone Left Standing”

†Affirmation of Faith - The Apostles’ Creed (*Unison*)

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call for Offering

Offertory Music “All Who Love and Serve Your City”

†Doxology #609 “Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow”

Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

†Closing Hymn #295 “Go to the World!” vs. 1 & 4

†Benediction

Postlude

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“Rejoice in the Lord Always”

Words: Philippians 4:4 (KJV) | Music:
American Folk Melody, Public Domain

“What A Friend We Have in Jesus”

Words: Charles Crozat Converse, Public
Domain | Music: Joseph Medlicott Scriven,
Public Domain

“I’ve Got the Joy, Joy, Joy”

Words & Music: George W. Cooke,
Public Domain

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Children’s Sermon

Anthem “Shalom”

D. Forest

Rachel Carroll, Soloist; Dr. Rebecka Rose, Oboe

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STAY WITH US after 10:30am service on November 23rd and help us put up the Christmas tree and decorate the sanctuary for the coming holidays.

TPC Choir & Handbells

Rehearsals for choir and handbells are held every Monday evening. Handbells at 6:00pm and choir at 7:00pm. If you would like to participate, please contact Dr. Rebecka Rose & Shelly Aebi at music@topsailpres.org.

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!

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

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.

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.

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.



Prayer Requests

Bobbie Ruegner, 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, Tom & Sue Feller, Linda Blount, Marjorie Gulliksen, Wiley Lewis, Carol Campbell, Vicki Hufham, Ronnie Edens, June Crosby, Jeanne Rick, Jeffrey Smith, Mary Gist, Brian Padgett, Martin Padgett, John Flowers, Adrianna Neely, Kaki Wall, Graycin Goesswein, Joey Scavone, Alexander Marechal, Taylor Barnes, Pete Brunsvold, Walt Caison & family, the family of Mark Fisher, Bonnie Carpenter, Carol Wilson, the family of Cindy McKnight, the family of Bruce Filer, Gayle Lathom, Gary Gulliksen.

UPCOMING

HOLIDAY SERVICE

SCHEDULE

DECEMBER

18 BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE 7:00PM

21 LESSONS & CAROLS ONE SERVICE ONLY 10:30 AM

24 CHRISTMAS EVE ONE SERVICE ONLY 6:00PM (with Communion)

28 ONE SERVICE ONLY 10:30 AM

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 and click on "DONATE" in the dropdown menu at the top of the page.



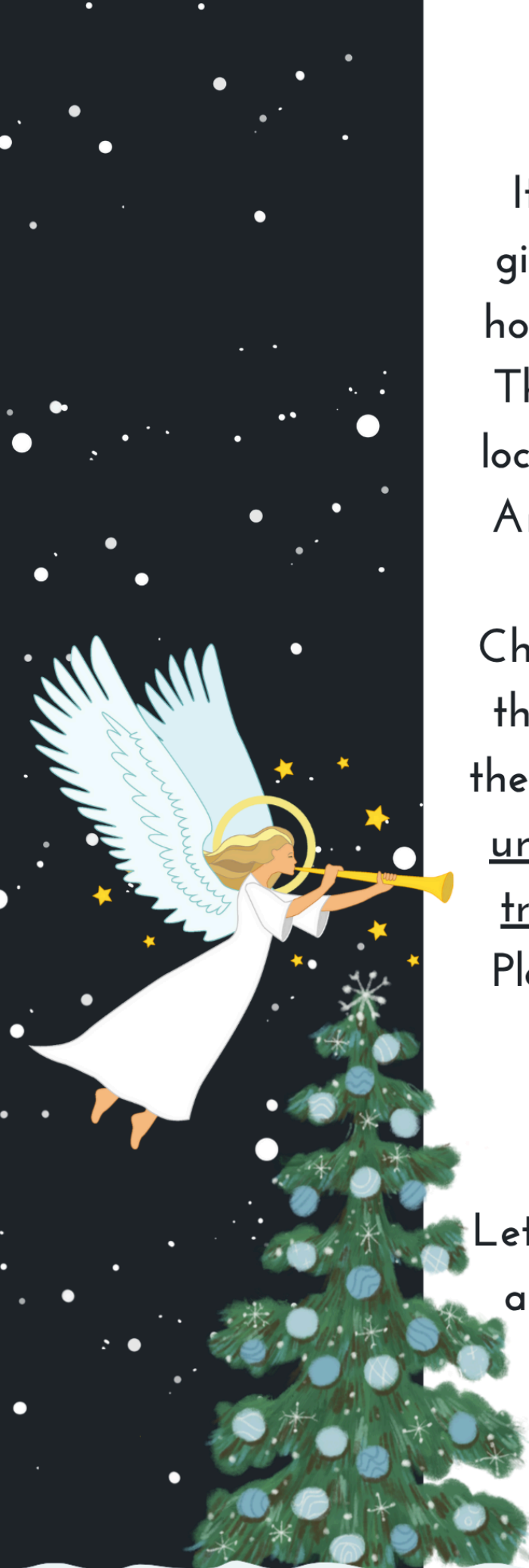
Angel Tree

It's the holiday season - a time of giving and reflection for us all. This holiday season, TPC will be assisting The Salvation Army in supporting local foster children in need with our Angel Tree, located in the Narthex.

Choose a tag from the tree, shop for the requested items and then bring them to the church. All gifts must be unwrapped. Please leave the angel tree tag with the purchased items. Please have all gifts purchased and returned to the church by December 7th.

Let's help ease the gift giving burden and bring some holiday joy to our neighbors in need.

Note: No used clothing or toys.





PLEASE JOIN US FOR A MULTIGENERATIONAL
WORSHIP SERVICE AS WE CELEBRATE THE
TRADITIONS OF THE



Hanging of the Greens



NOVEMBER 30, 2025
10:30 AM WORSHIP

CHILDREN & YOUTH WILL REMAIN IN THE
SERVICE JOINING IN THE MEANINGFUL
PROCESSION OF THE GREENS AND THE
LIGHTING OF OUR CHRISMON TREE



NO CHILDREN OR YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL ON 11/30





True North Returns!

*Join our TPC Children & Youth
on an exciting Alaskan Adventure to
welcome Christ's Birth!*

Sunday, December 14th - 5 pm

Immediately following their performance - Refreshments will be served with a very special visitor in the Fellowship Hall.

For Practice details and more information contact:

Dawn Frazier - christianed@topsailpres.org

Leslie Blair - Youth@topsailpres.org



2026 dates are now available on our flower calendar, link through our website (topsailpresbyterian.org). Choose your special date, type in your **dedication**, and make sure to tell us if you would like to use the **florist** or **bring your own** flowers. Also, please share if you'd like to **take your flowers home** or if you'd like us to **donate them** to someone who could use a pick-me-up.

Call the office if you need assistance (910)270-2312.



***Sign ups
available
now!***



The Liturgist sign-up is also ready to be filled in for 2026. Sign-up calendar can be found on our website at topsailpresbyterian.org

Click on the **Liturgist Sign-up** button to choose your date and service time. We will offer liturgy training if needed. Any questions, you can reach out to Nicole Demchok at (910)262-6992 or via email at ndemchok@outlook.com.



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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

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 or Pastor Steuart Link.