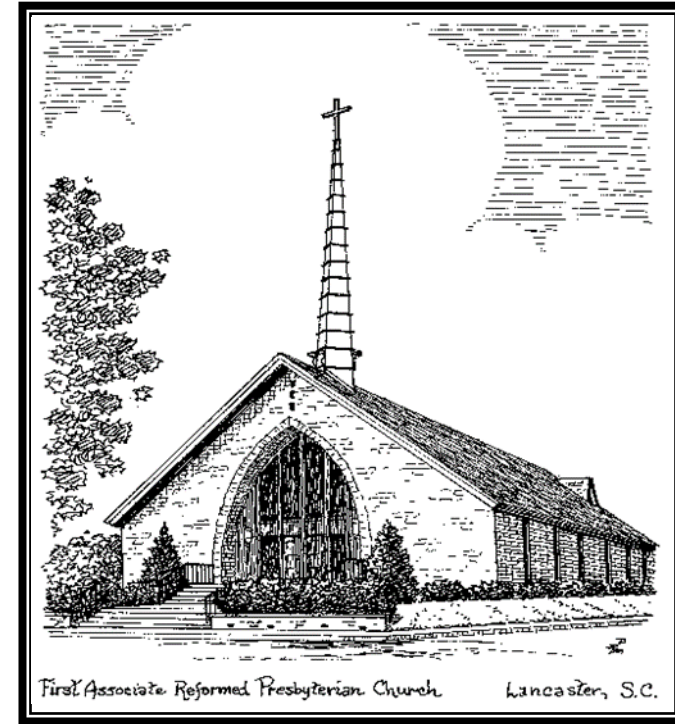


Volunteers

	June 24	July 1
Nursery	Kelly Sims	Natalie Carmichael
Toddlers	Stacey Pegram	Erin Tindal
Greeters (F)	Joe & Debby Hegler	Mike & Susan Cauthen
(S)	Philip & Stacey Pegram	Steve Willis/ Ed Ogburn
	June	July
Elders	Richard Crawford Ed Ogburn	Frank Brackett Buddy Lever
Captain	Debby Hegler	Debbie Dickson
Ushers	Buddy Lever Philip Pegram David Pokopac	JB Powell Sam Prete Lathan Rivers

Staff and Officers

STAFF		ELDERS	DEACONS
Pastor- Dr. Kyle E. Sims	2018	Ed Ogburn	Debbie Dickson
Pastoral Intern- Mr. Ethan McConnell		Richard Crawford	Keith Jaillette
Choir Director- Dr. Kristen Wunderlich	2019	Frank Brackett	Debby Hegler
Organist- Mrs. Amy Jones		Buddy Lever	Dave Mohr
Secretary- Mrs. Stacy Pokopac	2020	Richard Gardner	Daniel Bohler
		Sam Prete	Richard Shields



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June 24, 2018

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Worship

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Call to Silent Prayer

Prelude

Mrs. Amy Jones

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Kyle Sims

Choral Introit

Chancel Choir

“Even Now, Lord”

ENTERING WORSHIP

***Call to Worship**

Psalm 86:12-13

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify your name forever.

For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

***Invocation and 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;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Hymn

Red Trinity Hymnal #55

“To God Be the Glory”

*stand as you are able

Financials

June 10, 2018	
Attendance	70
General Fund	\$3,258
Total GF contributions this month	\$9,837
Average Monthly Budget requirement	\$19,214
Missions Fund	\$15
Congregational Care Fund	\$10
Appalachia Missions	\$956

June 17, 2018	
Attendance	68
General Fund	\$2,420
Total GF contributions this month	\$12,257
Average Monthly Budget requirement	\$19,214
Missions Fund	\$20
Congregational Care Fund	\$20

AUTOMATIC DRAFT Are you ready to take a step of faith? Sign up for a monthly draft of your giving. It is a serious commitment to set up your tithe to come out every month, but we are called to give from our first fruits. This is a tool to help you be faithful and regular in your giving to Christ and His church. For more information see Sam Huey.

Prayer Requests

First ARP

Ann Pokopac
Betty Allen
Carlyle & Mott Henley
Carol Nims- Presbyterian Home- Florence
Chic Whitlock- Springs Memorial Hospital
Clara Nell Robinson
Erin Tindal
George Mason- Heath Springs Residential Care
I. W. Caskey
Katey Powell
Marilyn Duve
Mary Ella Jordan
Nancy Ogburn
Pat Carmichael
Pat Willis
Sally Lloyd
Tom Strickland

Church Planters

Ben Carver- Shem Creek ARP- Mt. Pleasant
Ian Wise-Pageland RPCNA
Matt Awtrey-Kings' Church- Irmo
Rob Turner- Arsenal Hill- Columbia

Missionaries

Phil & Sarah Baer- Wycliffe
Rebekah Carson-Germany
Mark & Natalie Witte-Spain

Military

Alex Coale- Japan
Dillon Coale- NAS Pensacola

Friends & Family

Andrew Brunson- Prison in Turkey
Charles and Annie Montgomery- Susan Prete's
Parents
Darrell Wayne Bristow- Pat McEachern's
Brother
Delphine Spinks- Geri Brazell's Sister
Donna Bohler- Daniel Bohler's Mom
Doris Hudson- Lorri Crawford's Mother
Dorothy Reese- Natalie Carmichael's Mother-
In-Law
JoAnn Byrd-Patricia Gardner's Mother
Joan Pardue- Benny Brazell's Sister
John Christian Rozycki- Kristen Wunderlich's
Nephew
Judy Morrison- Aaron Morrison's Step-Mom
Louise Carpenter- Debbie Dickson's Mom
Mary Ginty-Katey Powell's Mother
Mary Musselwhite- Pat McEachern's Friend
Robert and Janice McClelland- Andrea
Henley's Parents
Sandra Ginty- Katey Powell's Sister-In-Law
Shirley Parker- Brazell's Sister-In-Law

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved You with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with You! Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let Your word abide with us until it has wrought in us Your holy will. *Amen.*

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5:6-9

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God.

***Gloria Patri**

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.

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

VBS Kids

"There's Power In the Blood"

***Doxology**

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

***Confession of Faith**

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic** and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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MEANS OF GRACE

***Psalm**

“The Church’s Doxology”

Blue ARP Psalter #179

New Testament Scripture Reading

1 John 3

Pew Bible page 1022

Prayer of Intercession

Children’s Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Scripture Reading

Psalm 16

Pew Bible page 453

Sermon

“The Lord Will Not Abandon You”

Prayer of Application



SAVE THE DATE Our annual congregational retreat to Bonclarken will be October 5-7, 2018. Registration forms will be available August 19 at the Fall Kick Off. Forms and payments will be due Sunday, September 9.

HOPE IN LANCASTER HOPE is currently seeking donations of healthy, non-perishable foods such as the following: Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Potatoes, Grits, Cereal, Instant Potatoes, Canned Tomatoes, Juice, & Jiffy Mix.

HOPE also has a Fresh and Healthy food initiative to provide healthier food options for their clients. Additional pantry needs include: Peanut Butter, Canned Salmon, Jelly, Canned Fruit, Canned Beef Stew, & Dry Pasta



COMMUNICATION DEADLINES In an effort to make the most of our communication tools, the church has been utilizing a website and Facebook presence as well as sharing our weekly bulletin and other news online and through email. As a result, there are many tools to update and track on a regular basis. We are now looking at updating the process for sharing relevant news with the congregation and visitors. We currently request that any information you would like to post in the bulletin be emailed to the church office by 9AM Thursday morning. There are now a few more deadlines: Tuesday and Friday new items are due by 12PM that day. Prayer list items are due by 12PM Wednesday. Email and Facebook announcements are due 24 hours in advance. If you have an upcoming event you would like to promote on our website or in the Church News section of the Lancaster News, you will need to turn in that information 7 days before publication. All announcements will be subject to approval before they are posted. Our goal is to make sure the events and activities of our church are shared in as many ways possible to reach the most people possible to do the most good possible. If you have any questions regarding these deadlines, please contact the church office.

Stacy Pokopac- Secretary

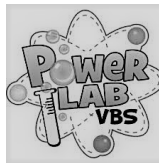
Announcements



VISITORS Welcome to Lancaster First ARP. If you are a first time visitor, our ushers have a welcome packet for you. Envelopes for tithes and special offerings are available at the front and rear entrances.



APPALACHIA TEAM MEETING There will be a final team meeting for those going on the mission trip to Appalachia **today**. The team will meet in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the Worship service. Contact Ethan McConnell with questions.



THANK YOU Thank you to everyone who helped with VBS this past week! We had between 20-30 kids and raised over \$100 in support of The Voice of the Martyrs (<https://www.persecution.com>). It was a great week, but we couldn't have done it without all of our volunteers- from those that cooked the meals to those who ran classes to those who did stations, everyone made the week possible. Thanks!



UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Jun 24 | MISSIONS FUND SUNDAY |
| Jun 24 | Appalachia team meeting |
| Jun 30 - Jul 6 | Appalachia Missions Trip |
| Jul 22 | Dinner and Hymn Sing with Ice Cream Competition 6PM |
| Aug 5 | COMMUNION SUNDAY |
| Aug 19 | Fall Ministry Kick Off |
| Aug 22 | Wednesday Night Kick Off |

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

*Hymn

Red Trinity Hymnal # 691

"It Is Well"

*Free Offer of the Gospel

*Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

LEAVING WORSHIP

*Congregational Response

Song Supplement #1

May the peace of God our heav'nly Father,
And the grace of Christ the risen Son,
And the fellowship of God the Spirit
Keep our hearts and minds within His love,
And to Him be praise for His glorious reign.
From the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain,
Christ Eternal, the King of Kings.

"Benediction"

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*The Greeting of the Congregation

Taking the Gospel To the World

Psalm 143:8

Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love, for in you I trust. Make me know the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.

Sermon Notes

Text: Psalm 16

Title: “The Lord Will Not Abandon You”

Prayer Emphasis

Andrew Brunson

Continue to pray that he will be set free and that it will be soon.

Pray that he will be safe and will glorify God even in this difficult time.

Pray for his family in the U.S. and his church in Turkey

Vacation Bible School

Pray for the children who heard the gospel this week.

Pray for the parents of those children that came.

Pray for the children who do not have a church home.

Pray that we might build relationships with these families.

Spiritual Growth

Pray that our membership would grow in love and knowledge of Christ.

Pray that our membership would be turning from sin in all areas of life.

Pray that our membership would make Lord’s Day worship a priority.

Elections

Pray for the Primary runoffs.

Pray for the Mayoral Special Election July 12.

Pray for the General Election in November.

The Afflicted

Those with Cancer

Those with Injuries

Those with diseases

Those in Grief

Those with mental illness

The different needs within our church family and community

Sister Churches

Sharon ARP- Sharon, SC

Shem Creek Presbyterian Mission- Mt. Pleasant, SC

Pastor's Corner

June 24, 2018

How are you growing as a disciple of Jesus Christ? We are called to be moving forward in our Christian life. We are not to settle. We are not to be come complacent. We are not to be satisfied with where we are at the moment. There should be a desire to grow. Is this desire in you? Read what the Confession says:

WCF 13.I. They, who are once effectually called, and regenerated, having a new heart, and a new spirit created in them, are further sanctified, really and personally, through the virtue of Christ's death and resurrection, by His Word and Spirit dwelling in them: the dominion of the whole body of sin is destroyed, and the several lusts thereof are more and more weakened and mortified; and they more and more quickened and strengthened in all saving graces, to the practice of true holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.

WCF 13.II. This sanctification is throughout, in the whole man; yet imperfect in this life, there abiding still some remnants of corruption in every part; whence arises a continual and irreconcilable war, the flesh lusting against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh.

WCF 13.III. In which war, although the remaining corruption, for a time, may much prevail; yet, through the continual supply of strength from the sanctifying Spirit of Christ, the regenerate part does overcome; and so, the saints grow in grace, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

We are taught by The Confession that we are at war against our sin and this is a battle that never ends in the Christian life. It is a war that we fight through the power of Jesus Christ. He died to save us for eternity, and we can know that salvation even now. Are you growing? Are you fighting sin? Are you cultivating righteousness?

Dr. Kyle E. Sims
Pastor


Young Worshipers

During the worship service your youngest children should draw pictures of what they hear and see in the appropriate boxes, while older children ought to take written notes.

<u>Scripture Text and Title</u>	<u>My Favorite Hymn From Today's Service</u>
<u>Sermon Points</u>	<u>What I Learned Today?</u>
<u>Things To Pray For</u>	<u>How Will I Obey God's Word?</u>

July 2018

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

1 Appalachia	2 Appalachia 1:30 JRP Circle 4:00 JL Circle	3 Appalachia	4 Appalachia 	5 Appalachia	6 Appalachia	7
8 5:30 AE Circle 6:00 Youth Group 7:00 Diaconate	9	10 11:30 Lunch Bunch	11	12	13 3:00 Youth Hangout	14
15 6:00 Youth Group 7:00 Session	16	17	18	19	20 3:00 Youth Hangout	21
22 MISSIONS 6:00 Dinner and Hymn Sing	23	24	25	26	27 3:00 Youth Hangout	28
29 CONGREGATIONAL CARE 6:00 Youth Group	30	31				

ANNIVERSARIES

- 10- Don & Marilyn Duve
- 12- Stephen & Rebecca Kuo
- 26- Jon & Katherine Dix

BIRTHDAYS

- 3- Eliana Pokopac
- 4- Summer Bohler
- 5- Esther Shields
- 6- Mike Cauthen
- 7- Erin Tindal
- 11- Amy Jones
- 11- Katie Rivers
- 13- Hazel Cauthen
- 13- Suzanne Lever
- 14- Melissa Roach
- 15- Mary Ella Jordan
- 17- Miranda Bohler
- 18- Anna Willis
- 21- Boyd Williams
- 22- Matt Hall
- 23- Shannon Mohr
- 24- I.W. Caskey
- 25- Carter Adams
- 25- Daniel Bohler
- 30- Betsy Rushing

NORMAL SUNDAY SCHEDULE

- 9:15 Officer Meeting
- 9:30 Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship
- 6:00 Youth Group