

Tryon Presbyterian Church

430 Harmon Field Road ~ Tryon, North Carolina

September 4, 2022 - 10:00 am

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Our Mission Statement:

To be and make disciples of Jesus Christ, who love God and their neighbor.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD OF GOD

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

PRELUDE

Sacred Jazz

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

Linda Lee Reynolds, Mike Carruth, Lesley Bush

arranged by Larry Shackley

WELCOME

Dr. Allan Purtill

†CALL TO WORSHIP

With endless creativity, God forms and shapes our lives.

Each of us bears the image of our maker.

Each of us is made in love.

Let us worship God.

†OPENING HYMN

“Arise, Your Light Is Come”

Hymnal Number 744

Tune: FESTAL SONG

CALL TO CONFESSION

Dr. Purtill

Jesus calls us to follow him, knowing that the path is difficult and that sin lurks at every turn.

Trusting in God's mercy, let us seek forgiveness, that we may follow more nearly in the way of Jesus.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, you have given us a firm foundation in Jesus Christ, yet we have chosen to build on sinking sand. The works of our hands crumble around us, and our best efforts are not good enough; sin is real, and we are powerless before it.

Forgive us for thinking we know best. Mend our broken values and create in us hearts that seek your purposes, so that what we build with our lives may give you glory. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear and believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

†GLORIA PATRI

“Glory Be to the Father”

Hymnal Number 581

Tune: GLORIA PATRI

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Dr. Purtil

CANTICLE

“O God, You Are My God”

Hymnal Number 743

Tune: STEP BY STEP

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dr. Purtil

Holy Spirit, pour out upon us wisdom and understanding, that, being taught by you in Holy Scripture, our hearts and minds may be opened to receive all that leads to life and holiness.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-20 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, Old Testament page 186

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SOLO WITH CONGREGATION

Summer Hymnal Supplement page 24

“Creation Sings the Father’s Song” by Keith & Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Dr. Drawdy

Psalms 1 (NRSV)

Pew Bible, Old Testament page 489

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Ethics - Lifestyle - Decisions”

Dr. Charles Drawdy

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

- *The Apostles' Creed -Traditional Version*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Dr. Purtill

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Drawdy

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right for us to give thanks and praise.

With joy we praise you, gracious God... We pray in the name of Jesus, who taught us to pray:

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, forever. Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Dr. Putill

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF RESPONSE

†CLOSING HYMN

“O for a Closer Walk with God”

Hymnal Number 739

Tune: CAITHNESS

SENDING OF THE CHURCH

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Dr. Drawdy

†CARRYING CHRIST’S LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

†POSTLUDE

Sacred Jazz

“Do Lord”

Linda Lee Reynolds, Mike Carruth, Lesley Bush

arranged by Chuck Marohnic

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†*The congregation is invited to stand. Those who wish to remain seated are welcome to do so.*

Welcome!

We extend a sincere welcome to everyone who is visiting with us this morning. If you haven't done so, please be sure to pick up a welcome packet from one of the ushers this morning. If you are interested in learning more about Tryon Presbyterian or church membership, contact Rev. Dr. Allan Purtill at RevAllanPurtill@gmail.com or call the church office at (828) 859-6683. We hope that you will find the warmth and love of God in worship today.

Labor Day Holiday

The office will be closed
Monday, September 5th

Have a safe and happy holiday!

Christian Growth Announcements

The Christian Growth Committee needs your opinion. You will be receiving a survey by way of computer internet. A printed copy of the survey will be available in the narthex this Sunday. Complete the survey and return it to the church by August 28. A basket will be available for completed surveys on the table in the narthex. Please help us plan for strengthening our faith together. Thank you!

The Christian Growth Committee will offer two opportunities for adult Bible study and discussion beginning Sunday, September 11. Betsy Zeek will lead a study of 2 Peter before worship at 9 a.m. Following the worship, Mike Carruth will facilitate a forum or discussion group addressing the question, "How can the Bible guide us in our lives?"

- Cherrie Brooks

Tryon Presbyterian Women Fall Luncheon

Date: September 21, 2022

Time: 12 Noon

Place: Fellowship Hall - Tryon Presbyterian Church

The speakers will be Rev. Ellen Dozier, retired Guatemala Mission Co-Worker and Mary Louise Forsythe, Moderator of the Guatemala Microloan Taskforce. They will provide an update on their projects. Lunch will be provided, and everyone is invited to attend.

Please indicate your interest by signing the sheet located on the narthex table or calling Lee Lindsay at 828-894-0773.

Home Repair Ministry

Home repair is a critical need in Polk County. A new team is being formed to partner with Outreach and other churches to begin to address the needs in our area. Already, volunteers have built handicap ramps and repaired decks for neighbors in need. If you'd like to be part of this home repair team, please contact Dr. Allan Purtill.

STEPHEN / FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY TRYON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

One to One – FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY

Renewed Focus on FRIENDSHIPS

CARING FRIENDSHIPS for Each Other

LISTENING FRIENDSHIPS

No one should be LONELY...FRIENDSHIPS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Please contact for more information...

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Autumn Leaves for Your Gifts of 100

Back in January and February, the Centennial Commission presented the idea of how you can commemorate our 100th anniversary in a personal way – by committing to a gift of 100. You were asked to hang a green leaf with your promise on our Giving Tree in the narthex.

Now that our anniversary is fast approaching, it's time for you to acknowledge your completed promise by writing your completed gift on a yellow or orange leaf.

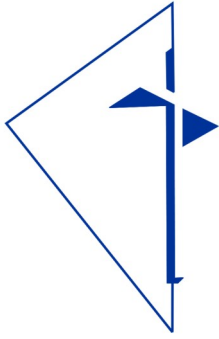
For example, if your commitment was to pray 10 extra minutes each month, you will write on your autumn leaf: "I prayed 10 extra minutes each month." If your pledge was to call 10 people each month, you will write on your autumn leaf: "I called 10 people each month."

The leaves and some pens are in a basket near the tree. Each Sunday, a member of the commission will be in the narthex to help you with any questions or to hang your leaf on the tree.

Think how pretty our tree will look when you've added your yellow and orange leaves to the green leaves already there.

(Please remember to leave your name off as these gifts are anonymous.)

Submitted by Gloria Underwood, Chair of Centennial Commission



Tryon Presbyterian Church

Beginning Our Next 100 Years of Discipleship

Ten Decades of History: 2000s

Terrorists in hijacked airlines strike the World Trade Center and Pentagon, while passengers force United Flight 93 to crash in Pennsylvania on Sept. 11, 2001. U.S. and allied armed forces invade Afghanistan in October to root out the al-Qaida terrorist group. The space shuttle Columbia explodes upon re-entry to earth orbit killing all seven aboard, Feb. 1, 2003. The U.S. launches a military effort to oust Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq in March 2003. Hurricane Katrina slams New Orleans, Aug. 29-30, 2005. The stock market plummets, and the economy plunges into recession in 2008.

Tryon reaches its peak population of 1,765 in 2000. Norfolk Southern suspends freight rail traffic through Tryon in December 2001. Passenger rail service ended in 1968. Tryon native Nina Simone dies April 21, 2003, in France at age 70. A memorial service is held at St. Luke's C.M.E. Church in Tryon June 21, 2003. The Lucianne Evans Jazz Quintet performs for the inaugural event of the Nina Simone Memorial Project Sept. 28, 2006, at Tryon Fine Arts Center. Polk County Middle School opens in 2005. Tryon Crafts purchases and moves into the former Tryon Middle School on Harmon Field Road in 2006.

TPC is recognized by the Presbytery of Western North Carolina Committee on Hunger in April 2001 for having contributed more than \$10,000 to the Two Cents a Meal program since it began in 1989. A five-year organ repair and enhancement project concludes successfully in 2001. Internationally acclaimed organ prodigy Felix Hell, 17, performs at TPC Sept. 21, 2002. Pastor David Hosick launches men's Bible and Breakfast monthly meetings in 2003. TPC celebrates the music ministry of retired organist/choir director Betty Brewer in May 2004. Lesley Bush is the new music director.

A group from TPC visits sister church El Mesias in Flores Costa Cuca, Guatemala in April 2006. Later that year, TPC agrees to provide scholarships for needy students at the El Mesias school. Beaver dams in the creek next to the church parking lot threaten to cause flooding in fall 2006. State wildlife officers remove the industrious rodents. The memorial garden is relocated from the front of the church to the bell tower area during 2007. By 2008, TPC is providing financial support for 59 students at El Mesias. Mike Carruth leads a TPC youth mission trip to Guatemala in June 2009.

August 2022 Session Recap

Ed Harrelson opened the meeting with a prayer from Isaiah the prophet.

The Property Committee reported on their research to repaint the bell tower in the Memorial Garden. They will be looking for a contractor to do the work to specifications outlined in the research.

The Session approved the next stage of work with the firm REI to draw up specifications and line up contractors for work on the replacement of the flat roof (choir, education, fellowship hall, and office buildings), repair of the concrete cross on the sanctuary, and exterior repairs to siding.

Denny Hill, from Personnel Committee, communicated the resignation of Susan Woodcock in her role as Director of Digital Communications. The elders expressed their appreciation for her work in both creating the Digital Ministry and expanding the church's digital footprint. It was the lifeline during the pandemic and continues to minister to the needs of many people. Personnel will work to update the job description and interview candidates. Susan will continue to remain involved as a volunteer.

Hill also encouraged the Elders to give feedback for staff performance evaluations which will be held in September.

Worship Chair, Jane Grinde, had an excused absence but submitted the committee's report. The committee is glad to have Charlie Speight take the lead on ensuring the church bell is rung prior to the start of service (9:55 a.m.). The bell will resume when Speight is sufficiently recovered from recent surgery. The worship leaders will process at 10 a.m. with the beginning of the prelude.

Hank Sibley, from the Chancel Task Force, reported on the committee's recommendation for choir risers and extension of the chancel floor over part of the stair case. The project was approved after discussion regarding attempts at trying to make the chancel handicap accessible. The ideas of lowering the floor and adding a ramp and the installation of a lift were explored without success. Half of the funding for the project already exists. Part of the funding includes the moving of the organ and piano from the chancel and the protection of the organ pipes during construction. Worship will continue in the sanctuary during construction that may happen in the 1st quarter of 2023.

Church Development Chair, Ed Harrelson, requested a meeting with the elders to preview the work of the Strategic Planning Team. Meeting will be held Sept, 6 at 5:30 p.m. Pete Bellamy offered to serve a light supper.

Fellowship Committee Chair, Pete Bellamy, requested input regarding a September meal for the church. Plans are underway, weather and COVID permitting.

Under New Business, Catherine Lynch, made a motion from the Centennial Commission that our Centennial Gift be made to Outreach for their affordable housing initiative. Motion passed unanimously. The congregation will receive information early in October about this special offering. The Executive Director of Outreach, Margot Carter, will give a Minute for Mission in worship. Gifts will be made in October and presented the day of the Centennial Celebration, October 23rd.

Susan Speight reported that the Membership Committee are planning a Trunk or Treat event for Sunday, October 29th.

The meeting adjourned with prayer. The next Session will be Monday, September 19th at 5:30 p.m.

Connect Online with Tryon Presbyterian Church

Our website is www.TryonPresbyterian.org, where you will find recordings of our worship services, Midweek Moments, church news, photos and history. The website is set up to receive your offerings with a credit card.

Tryon Presbyterian Church is on social media. Let's join together! You can help to spread the good news and create a positive online community by sharing and commenting on our posts.

www.Facebook.com/TryonPresbyterianChurch

www.Instagram.com/TryonPresbyterian

Worship services are live streamed to www.Vimeo.com/TryonPresbyterianChurch.

Would you like to be part of the A/V team? Email TryonPresbyterian@gmail.com to learn more.

- Susan Woodcock

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, September 4

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am Worship - S

4:00 pm Bible Study - FH

Monday, September 5

Office Closed - Labor Day

Tuesday, September 6

10:00 am Nominating Committee - JCR

Wednesday, September 7

10:00 am Prayer Group - S

11:00 am Stephen/Friendship Ministry - JCR

6:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal - CR

Thursday, September 8

11:30 am Tryon Rotary Club - FH

Friday, September 9

Saturday, September 10

Sunday, September 11

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am Worship - S

4:00 pm Bible Study - FH

6:00 pm Glory Girls - FH

S=Sanctuary; **FH**=Fellowship Hall; **EB**=Educational Building;
JCR=Jones Conference Room; **CR**=Choir Room; **PS**=Pastor's
 Study; **TE**=Tryon Estates; **WO**=White Oak

We Remember in Prayer...

MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

Delores Brinson
Fran Creasy
Kay Davis
Merle Greene
Susan Kelley
Amy Leidheiser
Joan Post
Charlie Speight

TRYON ESTATES MEDICAL - COLUMBUS

Betty Chamberlain
Mimi Child
David Cornelius
Max Coy
Dan Schutter

LAUREL WOODS - COLUMBUS

Gerri Cegielski
Penny Kuether
Ruth Rose

WHITE OAK - TRYON

Ruby Ferverda
(Terri Hendrix's Mother)

FRIENDS OF THE CHURCH

Debbie Potter
(Mary Potter's daughter-in-law)

...our church family and staff

... our Pastor and Family

Allan, Jenny, Syler and James Purtill

...our partner church, El Mesias
in Flores Costa Cuca, Guatemala
Maria Luisa Lopez Basilio

Daily Bible Readings For This Week

S	09-04	Deut. 30:15-20; Psalm 1; Phlm. 1:1-21; Luke 14:25-33
M	09-05	Psalm 2; Jeremiah 18:12-23; 1 Timothy 3:14-4:5
T	09-06	Psalm 2; Jeremiah 19:1-15; 1 Timothy 4:6-16
W	09-07	Psalm 2; Jeremiah 20:1-18; Luke 18:18-30
T	09-08	Psalm 14; Jer. 13:20-27; 1 Timothy 1:1-11
F	09-09	Psalm 14; Jer. 4:1-10; 2 Peter 2:1-10a
S	09-10	Psalm 14; Jer. 4:13-21, 29-31; John 10:11-21

Kay Davis - New Address

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Weekly Giving

August

Weekly Offerings

	<u>Given</u>	<u>Need</u>
08-07	\$ 8,411	\$ 8,064
08-14	\$ 5,300	\$ 8,064
08-21	\$ 6,617	\$ 8,064
08-28	\$ 7,713	\$ 8,064

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

8 am - 11:30 am, 12:30 pm - 4 pm
(11:30-12:30 lunch hour)

Friday

8 am - 12 pm

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