



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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May 8, 2016 — 7th Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day and Communion

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather this morning as the people of God.

Response: *We gather together with praise and thanksgiving.*

Leader: As God breathed life into creation,

Response: *let the Holy Spirit breathe new life into us.*

Leader: Open our ears to hear your Word;

Response: *Open our hearts that we would be shaped by your Word.*

Leader: Let us worship the Lord our God!

*HYMN

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

No. 263

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, so much of life is spent saying, "I can't." We are presented with opportunities to work for justice in our community, and we say, "I can't; I don't know enough about it." We have a chance to deepen our faith through spiritual disciplines, and we say, "I can't; I don't have enough time." We have chances to move out of our routines and our comfort zones, and we say, "I can't; I am afraid." We snap at loved ones and isolate ourselves from neighbors, saying, "I can't; I am too stressed." Lord, forgive us our shortcomings, and awaken a sense of hope in us. Redeem us from our limitations, and help us to know that all things are possible in you.

(The prayer continues in a time of silent, personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Minister: Instead of judgment, God chooses to offer us justice; instead of punishment, God fills us with peace; instead of remaining angry with us, God embraces us with unconditional love.

Response: *Thanks be to God, we are redeemed and restored to new life. Let us go to bear witness to what God has done for us and offers to others. Amen.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Rev. Kevin Conley

ANTHEM

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

THE WORD

GOSPEL READING

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Acts 1:1-11

SERMON

"The Sequel to the Gospel"

Rev. Kevin Conley

SENDING

*HYMN

"A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!"

No. 258

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles' Creed"

Hymnal p. 35

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Words of Institution

Sharing the Gifts of God

The Lord's Prayer

*HYMN

"Lead On, O King Eternal!"

No. 269

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Serving Today (May 8—Communion)

Greeters: Nick & Jean Nitkin

Ushers: Bernie Krecklow, Lynda Self

Lay Reader: Rusty Sudderth

Acolyte: Isaac Downing

Element Preparation: Priscilla Henderson, Bernie Krecklow

Assisting Elders: Rocky Newton, Kerry Kerr, Faye Hodges,
Greg Downing, Shari Downing

Serving Next Sunday (May 15)

Greeters: Skip Smith, Rusty Sudderth

Ushers: Drew Tincher, Rich Tincher

Lay Reader: Marge Birmingham

Acolyte: Linus Downing

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GOOD MORNING! We welcome each of you to this service of worship and we are glad you are here. We invite you to fill out the Welcome card found in the pew rack and place the card in the offering plate, so we can welcome you further and start to get to know you better.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES		
Today (5/8)	9:00a	Mother's Day Café Faith
	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service— <i>Communion</i>
Mon (5/9)	9:00a	Bulletin Information Due
	10:30a	PWOC Meeting
	6:30p	Sweet Adelines
	7:00p	Stated Session
Tue (5/10)	1:00p	Paint Ministry
	5:00p	Weight Watchers
Wed (5/11)	9:00a	Wt. Watchers
	5:30p	Youth Gathering
	6:00p	The Gathering
	7:30p	Adult Choir Rehearsal
Thu (5/12)		No Scheduled Church Activities
Fri (5/13)		No Scheduled Church Activities
Sat (5/14)	8:30a	Women's Bible Study
Sun (5/15)	9:00a	Café Faith
	9:30a	Sunday School
	10:30a	Worship Service

The Gathering: Join us Wednesday, May 11, and get rejuvenated! The Gathering begins at 6:00p followed by a cookout. Come enjoy an inspiring message, great music and fellowship with your friends. To provide enough food, we need to know how many will be attending. So please register today on the sign-up sheet located on the bulletin board.

Cookout: Father's Day is June 19. To celebrate, we will hold our annual Father's Day cookout, at the church, at 5:30p on June 19. For further information, please contact Amy Evans.


Vacation Bible School: This year's theme is "Surf Shack." VBS will begin on Monday, June 20 and end on Thursday, June 23. Check-in and dinner will begin at 5:30p and the program will end each day at 8:00p. To register, please see Amy Evans.

Rent-A-Youth: Don't Forget! If you need any yard work done, household repairs, odds & ends work, please contact Amy Evans and **rent our youth to do the work!**

Men's Bible Study: Men's Bible Study meets every Wednesday morning, at 9:30a. The group is studying the Gospel according to Luke. **Please join us!**

Volunteers Needed at KES: Kernersville Elementary School is in need of volunteers to help during the End of Grade (EOGs) testing. For more information, please refer to the flyer on the bulletin board.

Annual Golf Tournament: The Shepherd's Center of Kernersville will hold their 26th Annual Golf Tournament on May 13, 2016 at Pine Knolls Golf Club. For more information see the flyer posted on the bulletin board.



Chocolate (6 lb. bags) \$8.00/bag
Butter (1 lb. package) \$2.00/lb.

If you are interested in purchasing some chocolate and/or butter, please see Faye Hodges.

Financial Update:	Jan 1 -	Budget	% of Budget
	May 2, 2016		
Income/Expense			
Income	50,683.38	41,810.64	121.22%
Expense	53,083.05	49,788.76	106.62%
Net Income	-2,399.67	-7,978.12	30.08%

Please fill out prayer request cards.

This will ensure that your request is added to the prayer list and that names are spelled correctly.

Thank you for your assistance!



First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Kevin Conley, Interim

Amy Evans, Christian Education Director
Jane Johnson, Secretary

Nancy Bolen, Choir Director
Kay Sudderth, Organist