



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Shelby Presbyterian Church
September 8, 2019
11:00 a.m.

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Luke Harkey

ORGAN VOLUNTARY: *"For the Beauty of the Earth"* Kocher/Hamlin

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP: from Psalm 67 Marlene Lovelace

May God be gracious to us and bless us

and make his face to shine upon us,

**That your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

For you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

**Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.**

The earth has yielded its increase;

God, our God, has blessed us.

May God continue to bless us;

let all the ends of the earth revere him.

*SONG OF PRAISE #22: *"God of the Sparrow"*

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, we have refused to hear the cry of the needy, we have not worked for peace. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord. (silent confession)**

RESPONSE IN SONG #624: *"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art"*
***I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art,
my only trust and Savior of my heart,
who pain didst undergo for my poor sake;
I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.***

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS
Friends, believe the Good News!
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*GLORIA PATRI (sung): ***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.***

*THE PEACE OF CHRIST
May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!
And also with you! (*Greet one another with the Peace of Christ.*)

*SONG #627: *"I Love You, Lord"* sing twice
***I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you;
O my soul, rejoice. Take joy, my King, in what you hear;
may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.***

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER BY AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
Kyle Persing; Sponsor: Heidi Steeves

FIVE CENTS A MEAL

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN Luke Harkey

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES Linda Ware, Christian Educator
Kindergarten: Kate McIntyre, Savannah Raudez
Third Grade: Anna Greer, Alex McIntyre

NEWS FOR THE CHURCH FAMILY

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
Offertory: *"Cortege"* Gordon Young

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

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN #686: *"God of Our Life"*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Marlene Lovelace

RESPONSIVE OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up;

you discern my thoughts from far away.

You search out my path and my lying down,

and are acquainted with all my ways.

Even before a word is on my tongue, O Lord, you know it completely.

You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is so high that I cannot
attain it.

For it was you who formed my inward parts;

you knit me together in my mother's womb.

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works; that I know very well.

My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret,

intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my unformed substance.

**In your book were written all the days that were formed for me,
when none of them as yet existed.**

How weighty to me are your thoughts, O God!

How vast is the sum of them!

I try to count them-they are more than the sand;

I come to the end - I am still with you.

ANTHEM: *"Who Is the One We Love the Most?"* (Schalk) Chancel Choir

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Philemon 1-21

MEDITATION: "A Brother in Christ" Luke Harkey

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

*Communion Hymn #510: *"We Gather Here in Jesus' Name"*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sharing the Bread and Cup

(We will partake together once all have been served.)

Prayer after Communion

*CLOSING HYMN #526: "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Luke Harkey

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #306: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"
*Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE: "Rigaudon" Campra/Bish

*Those who are able may stand.
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Sound Board: Joe Petrilli

Deacon Ushers: Heidi Steeves, Warren Julian,
Ted LeGrand, Greg Melton

Childcare is available for preschool aged children in Room 102
and is staffed today by Tricia Butler and Erica Vargas.

In order to protect your children, please be sure they are
accompanied at all times by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.

WE WELCOME all who worship with us this morning. If you are
interested in more information or in becoming a member of our
family of faith, please call the church office, 704-487-8503. If you
have questions about our hearing loop system, please call the church
office Monday-Thursday, 8:30-4:30, Friday 8:30-12:00.

URGENT NURSERY NEED - If you are interested in working or
volunteering for the Sunday morning or Wednesday evening
vacancies, please contact the Church Office.

SUNDAY SCHOOL MUSIC MAKERS began this morning. Children ages
4 to 5th grade gathered to sing, play percussion instruments and
explore new ways to make music to praise God. Each Sunday, the
SSMM will meet from 10:30-10:45 as a closing for Sunday School.
Anne Langley is the leader. "Make a joyful noise to the Lord!"

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND AT NOON – Congregational Meeting to
hear a report from the Congregational Nominating Committee about
nominations for the Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC).

THIS WEEK (SEPTEMBER 8 - 14, 2019):

Today **NO KFC** this morning.
5:00 pm **Deacon Meeting** in Conference Room
6:00 pm **Youth Welcome Back Party** in Youth Room
Monday 6:30 pm **Christian Education** in Library
7:00 pm **Boy Scout Troop 100** in Scout House
Tuesday 11:30 am **Deborah/Sarah Circle** in Ellis Hall
4:00 pm **Personnel** in Conference Room
5:30 pm **Security and Safety** in Conference Room
Wednesday 9:30 am **Rainbow Committee** in Ellis Hall
5:00 pm **Member Care** in Conference Room
6:00 pm **Supper and Program** in Ellis Hall
7:10 pm **Chancel Choir Rehearsal** in Choir Room
Thursday 10:00 am **Staff Meeting** in Pastor's Study
12:00 pm **Finance Committee** in Conference Room
6:30 pm **Session Meeting** in Back Parlor
Friday 10:00 am **"Kirkin' O' the Tartans" Set Up** in Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER - SEPT. 11th
6:00 pm - Supper in Ellis Hall
Fried Chicken: *Please bring side dishes and desserts.*
\$3/adults; \$1/under 12; \$10 family max.
6:30 pm - Program
Kevin Frederick with The Story of the Waldensians
Child care is available for infants through four year olds ONLY.

LUKE'S RETIREMENT CELEBRATION is Sunday, September 15th at
4:00 pm. We would like to invite the church family to a picnic
honoring Pastor Luke Harkey at the home of Larry and Kathy Wilson.
Please join us for dinner, fellowship, and fun to celebrate and honor
Luke on his retirement and for his service and dedication to Christ,
our church, congregation, and community. Please RSVP Katie
Borders.

CLEVELAND COUNTY CHORAL SOCIETY rehearsals have begun on
Tuesdays, at 6:30 at Aldersgate Methodist Church on Dixon Blvd. No
vocal experience needed. Come try out the first rehearsal for free!
For more information, contact Sue Breen at 704-481-0460.

STEWARDSHIP SEASON Please keep our church in prayer during this
stewardship season. This year Consecration Sunday is October 13th.

THE MISSION AND MINISTRY COMMITTEE would like to share with our church family the transcript of a presentation by Art Ross (in their *Aging Well Series*) at White Memorial Presbyterian Church in Raleigh. As we examine the demographics of our congregation, we think this may be helpful for many of our family members and/or caregivers as we plan for the many aging issues that we will face. This transcript is available in the narthex. (Note: in places, Ross refers to a four-page worksheet. Our own handout entitled “Personal Preference Funeral Procedures” is also in the narthex.

NEXT SUNDAY IS HERITAGE SUNDAY . . .

Make plans now to attend Heritage Sunday at Shelby Presbyterian Church on September 15th. For the sixth time at SPC, there will be a celebration of Scottish Heritage called “The Kirkin’ O’ the Tartans” (note: “Kirk” is the Scottish word for church). Members who have attended here or at other Presbyterian churches, describe this service as “inspirational” and “very meaningful.”

At the 11 a.m. service in the sanctuary there will be a procession of members and friends carrying tartans representing our Presbyterian heritage. Grandfather Mountain Highlanders will have 2 pipers and a drummer in concert outside beginning at 10:30.

Following the service there will be a reception in Ellis Hall with traditional homemade shortbread, lemon curd and lemonade.

If you are carrying a Tartan, we will rehearse at 9:30 am next Sunday in the sanctuary.

CONTRIBUTIONS were received this week to the Backpack Fund in memory of Peggy Lattimore; to the Piano Fund in memory of Betsy Martin.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT:

2019 Operating Budget	\$ 566,171.00
2019 Monthly Budget Needs.....	\$ 47,180.91
Total Received September 1.....	\$9,684.00

REMEMBER IN PRAYER (also see ongoing prayer list in newsletter) . . .

Lynn Bartlett, Lucy and Harold Bolick, Kitty Carter, Scott Canipe, Lacey Chambless, Cushman Family, Kristi Driver, Keaton Fonvielle, Fred Hunt, Sandy and Camille McGeachy, Betty Mitchell, Ellis Monroe, Julia Persing, David Pharr, Andrea Rodgers, Janet Walker; all disaster victims; all those serving in the military; Food Ministry; Rainbow Connection; Our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos; Dr. Steve & Alene Burgert in Kenya; Jo Ella Holman in the Caribbean; John McCall in Taiwan; Dr. Martha Sommers in Malawi; Christians around the globe who are persecuted for their faith.