



Worship for the Lord's Day

Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 11, 2025

Our Calling

What is our charge?

Our charge is to create the church Jesus expects.

How do we live?

*We live to become more like Jesus,
bringing faith and life together.*

Who are we?

*We are a community where all people
can take root in love and grow in service.*

Rooted in Love. Growing in Service.

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GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please find the Friendship Pad and pass it down the pew so all may sign.

Please note Nursery is available in the Faith Ministries Building.

PRELUDE

On Eagles Wings

Hayes

*CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 23

One: The Lord is our shepherd;

All: we lack nothing.

One: Though we may walk through the darkest valley,

All: we fear no evil; for God is with us.

One: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow us all the days of our lives,

All: and we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

One: Let us worship God! Alleluia!

All: Alleluia! Let us worship God!

*HYMN 233

The Day of Resurrection!

LANCASHIRE

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Following the Call to Confession please observe a moment of silent confession.

Eternal God, in the presence of our enemies, we divide and demonize.

When you face our enemies, you choose neither contempt nor punishment, but set a table and make provision for us all. Our ways are not your ways, O Creator, and they are an affront to the work of your hands.

Have mercy on us, O God, and heal us. Send our risen Lord among us again to repair relationships and restore humanity. Set us free to share the love of Christ Jesus just as he does at his table. Amen.

***DECLARATION OF GOOD NEWS**

One: Friends, in the name of Jesus Christ,
we are loved and accepted, forgiven and freed.

All: Thanks be to God!

***THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you!

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE HYMN 589**

Alleluia

HONDURAS ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia. Now the Lord is risen indeed.

PROCLAIMING

FIRST LESSON

Acts 9:36-43

ANTHEM

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

arr. Joel Raney

GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:22-30

SHARING THE FAITH WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

Children may participate in Children's Church or remain in the sanctuary during the sermon.

SERMON

***HYMN 274**

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

PICARDY

RESPONDING

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

adapted from Philippians 2:6-11

Though Jesus was in the form of God, he did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited; rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Offertory

He Leadeth Me

Berry

***DOXOLOGY HYMN 609** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

SENDING

***HYMN 187** *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us* BRADBURY

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Let There Be Glory and Honor and Praises* Hayes

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

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Liturgy is adapted from Call to Worship.

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Leading and supporting worship today:

Preacher: Lisa Hebacker

Liturgist: Maggie Barlow

Chancel Guild: Erin Robbins

Counters: Rick Bell, Don Brown

Nursery: Debi Collins, Fran Lawrence

Children's Church: Karen Fink

Director of Music: Terri Nicotera

Accompanist: John Tyson

Acolyte: Jacob Robbins

EIC: Don Brown

SRT: Cary Martin

WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS!

We are glad that you are worshipping with us. A few things to know:

- God's children of all ages are welcome in worship. If your child would be more comfortable in the nursery, childcare is available in the Faith Ministries Building, located behind the Sanctuary.
- Hymn numbers refer to our hymnal, *Glory to God*, the purple book located in the pew rack. Blue pew Bibles are also available for your use.
- **Bold type** in this bulletin indicates all are invited to speak the corresponding words.
- An asterisk * indicates that you are invited to stand if you are able.
- Hearing assistance devices and large-print hymnals are at the rear of the Sanctuary.
- If you would like to have an NRPC nametag, email office@nrleighpc.org.
- The next new member joining date is **Sunday, June 8**.

NRPC NEWS AND EVENTS

Anniversaries: Will and Debi Collins 5/12, Larry and Pat Bidwell 5/14, Meredith and Mike Goodin 5/15

Birthdays: Dave Chamberlin 5/12, Benjamin Drum 5/12, James Drum 5/12, Janet Craig 5/13, Sandra Holt 5/14, Ellen Yamrick 5/15

Parents Night Out is Friday, May 16, from 6-8 PM. Children enjoy fun and games while parents enjoy peace and quiet. Contact Amanda Heater to sign up at heater.amanda@gmail.com.

Music Ministry Recognition Reception: Let's thank our gifted musicians for sharing their talents so graciously with all of us! Join us at a reception immediately following worship on **Sunday, May 18**. Light refreshments will be served.

Outstanding Older Adult Recognition Ceremony: George and Sandra Dail will be recognized at the New Hope Presbytery Outstanding Older Adult Recognition Ceremony on **May 18 from 3-5 PM**. The ceremony will be at First Presbyterian Church, 153 N Church St. in Rocky Mount.

Fellowship with Books: All ladies of the church are welcome to attend the next meeting on **Monday, May 19 at 6:30 PM** at the home of Debbi Freer, 8309 North Creek Run Raleigh. The book for discussion is *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. See the Friday News for more information.

Hold the Date!

1. NRPC High School and College graduates will be recognized on **Sunday, June 1**. If you have a graduate, please email their full name and the school they are graduating from to Meredith Goodin at meredithbgoodin@yahoo.com by **Tuesday, May 27**.
2. **June 1** is also the date for our All Church Annual Picnic to be held immediately after worship with food, fun and fellowship.

THIS WEEK AT NRPC

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| Sunday 5/11 | 9:00 AM | Cornerstone Class (F) |
| | 10:30 AM | Worship Service (S, Y) |
| | 11:30 AM | Youth Group (F) |
| | 12:00 PM | Outreach Committee (F3) |
| Monday 5/12 | 11:30 AM | Conference Room in Use (F3) |
| | 6:00 PM | Deacon's Meeting (F) |
| Tuesday 5/13 | 6:30 PM | Nominating Committee (F3) |
| | 6:30 PM | Adult Bells (S) |
| Wednesday 5/14 | 10:00 AM | Staff Meeting (F) |
| | 5:45 PM | The Gathering (F) |
| | 7:00 PM | Adult Choir (S) |
| Thursday 5/15 | 9:15 AM | Thursday Morning Bible Study (F) |
| | 10:30 AM | Joyful Ringers (S) |
| | 11:30 AM | Nifty Sixties + (OFF) |
| | 6:30 PM | Session Meeting (F) |
| Friday 5/16 | 7:00 AM | Men's Bible Study (Z) |
| Saturday 5/17 | 9:30 AM | Ladies Morning Coffee Talk (OFF) |
| Sunday 5/18 | 9:00 AM | Christianity's Surprise Book Study (F3) |
| | 9:00 AM | Cornerstone Class (F) |
| | 10:30 AM | Worship Service (S, Y) |
| | 11:30 AM | Music Ministry Recognition Reception (F) |
| | 11:30 AM | Youth Group (F) |
| | 3:00 PM | Outstanding Older Adult Recognition (OFF) |
| | 3:30 PM | Pioneer Class (F) |

Legend: A=Admin F= Faith Ministries Building
 Y= You Tube S=Sanctuary N=Narthex Z=Zoom O=Outdoors OFF=Offsite

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