

Prelude "On Christ the Solid Rock" arr. Adam Mason  
[Same as *Trinity Hymnal*, 521]

Welcome and Announcements Mr. Rob Dodson, Deacon

Call to Worship Rev. Brandon Newell and Congregation

Christ is calling you as disciples  
**Lord Jesus, let us follow you faithfully.**  
You will be led into fields of mission and service.  
**Lord Jesus, where you lead us, we will go.**  
Listen for Christ's call to you.  
**We are ready to worship and serve the Lord. AMEN.**

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\**Trinity Hymnal* 165 "Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim" LYONS

\*Invocation Rev. Newell

The Lord's Prayer Mr. Newell and Congregation

*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.*

*Trinity Hymnal* 486 "God, Be Merciful to Me" (v. 1, 2, 5, 6) REDHEAD 76

Psalter Reading Psalm 119:33-56 (*Trinity Hymnal*, page 829-830) Rev. Newell and Congregation

Apostles' Creed Rev. Newell and Congregation

*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; and 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.*  
\*universal or world-wide

Gloria Patri "Glory Be to the Father" [TH 734] MEINEKE

Children's Sermon Rev. Newell and Children

Silent Prayer "The King of Love, My Shepherd Is" arr. Robert Cundick

Prayer Rev. Newell

Offertory "Face to Face" arr. Buryl Red  
Melissa Chaney and Scott Rishebarger, duet

\*Doxology "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" [TH 731] OLD HUNDREDTH

\*Prayer Rev. Newell

Scripture "Matthew 25:14-30" Rev. Newell

<sup>14</sup> "Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. <sup>15</sup> To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. <sup>16</sup> The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. <sup>17</sup> So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. <sup>18</sup> But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. <sup>19</sup> "After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. <sup>20</sup> The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.' <sup>21</sup> "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' <sup>22</sup> "The man with two bags of gold also came. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.' <sup>23</sup> "His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' <sup>24</sup> "Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. <sup>25</sup> So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.' <sup>26</sup> "His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So, you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? <sup>27</sup> Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned, I would have received it back with interest. <sup>28</sup> "So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. <sup>29</sup> For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. <sup>30</sup> And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

Sermon "Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant" Rev. Newell

Prayer Rev. Newell

\**Trinity Hymnal* 505 "I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord" PISGAH  
[Note: This hymn will be sung to the tune AZMON, not the tune printed in the hymnal.]

\*Prayer Rev. Newell

\*Benediction Rev. Newell

\*Postlude "Fughetta on DUKE STREET" arr. Richard Weinschorst

### Announcements for July 16, 2023

The flowers in the sanctuary are given in celebration of Steven Martin, Melissa Chaney's late father: May his memory continue to be a blessing.

We welcome Rev. Brandon Newell as he fills the pulpit today while Rev. Neely Gaston is away.

The Session meets today following worship in the Conference Room.

Please consider volunteering to teach the Children's Class. There are open dates in August.

Plan to join us on Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 p.m. for a picnic. Hot dogs and drinks will be provided by the church. Church members are asked to bring a favorite side dish, dessert, or lawn game to share. Please plan to bring lawn chairs and blankets. We are inviting new folks from the community. Be sure to save the date and invite family and friends for fun, food, and fellowship. Sign-up sheets are located in the vestibule and on the desk in the hallway.

Bethany ARP Church welcomes Catawba Presbytery and our neighbors to the north in 1st Presbytery to join us at 5pm on July 30, 2023 for the 5th Sunday Catawba Presbytery Psalm Sing. We welcome all of the presbytery and friends and family for singing, fellowship, food, and fun! All are invited to bring a dish to share. Beverages will be provided. If you have any questions, please get in touch with Rev. Benjamin Glaser at [pastor.glaser@bethanyarp.org](mailto:pastor.glaser@bethanyarp.org)

Erskine College will host its Second Annual Garnet & Gold Forum, an evening focused on Christian thinking in a secular society, on Friday, Sept. 29, 2023. Dr. Stephen C. Meyer, director of the Discovery Institute's Center for Science and Culture will serve as keynote speaker. The event, which includes a dinner and keynote address, will be held in the Bowie Arts Center on the Erskine College campus. For more information, please contact Beth Boyd at [beth.boyd@erskine.edu](mailto:beth.boyd@erskine.edu) or by calling 864-379-6502.

### *Upcoming Events*

#### **Wednesday, July 19, 2023**

6:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

#### **Sunday, July 23, 2023**

10:00 a.m. – Child/Adult Bible Study

11:00 a.m.- Worship

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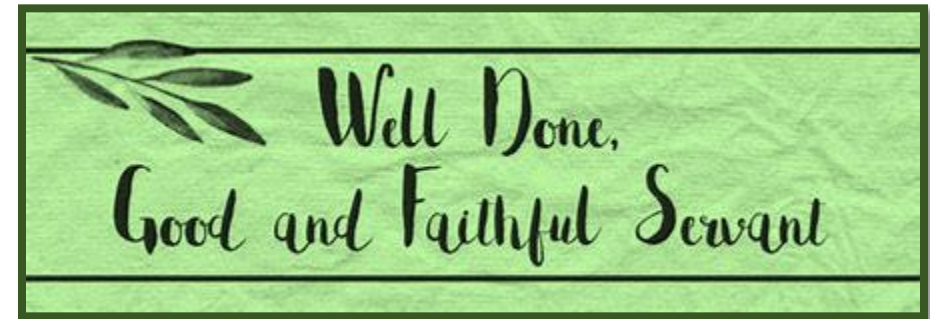
#### **July Birthdays & Anniversaries**

July 23 – Gary & Tammy Shepherd	July 23 – Will O'Donnell July 25 – Paul Broome
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# UNION ASSOCIATE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Order of Worship  
Sunday, July 16, 2023



Welcome in the name of Christ to all who gather for worship at Union Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church. As you join us for worship, we hope that you will sense God's presence, be caught up in joyful praise, be challenged by God's Word, and leave strengthened to live for Christ in the world. If you do not have a church home in this community, we encourage you to consider uniting with us in our work and worship.