

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

** Those who are able, please stand.*

Preparation for Worship

Prelude *Be Thou My Vision* Broughton

As you open your mind and your heart to God's presence in our midst, we invite you to prepare for today's service as you listen to the prelude, which marks the beginning of worship.

Lighting of the Candles

*Congregational Introit *Arise, Shine Your Light Is Come* #411

Call to Worship Congregation (**Bold**)

Praise the Lord!

**Sing God's praise in the assembly of the faithful,
for the Lord takes pleasure in the people.**

Let the faithful sing for joy.

Greetings & Announcements

Visitors: please fill out a visitor's card and place in the offering plate at offering

Passing of the Peace

* Hymn of Praise *The Day of Resurrection* # 118

Prayer of Confession Congregation

Lord God, while we were still slaves to sin, you died for our salvation. Yet we still worship the false gods of the world, forgetting that you are Lord. Loving worldly wealth, we have not loved you with our whole heart nor loved our neighbors as ourselves. Trusting worldly strength, we have not trusted your word nor followed the Word-made-flesh. Forgiving by worldly norms, we have not shown mercy to others as you have shown mercy to us. Forgive us yet again, we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

(Silent Reflection)

Assurance of New Beginnings

Sharing Faith with the Children

(Children ages 3-9 may go to Children's Church)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

*Hymn of Preparation *How Firm a Foundation* #361

Prayer for Illumination

First Scripture Reading Matthew 18:15-20 Congregation

'If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax-collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.'

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Choral Anthem *On Eagles Wings* Joncas/Hayes

Second Scripture Reading Exodus 12:1-14 # 58

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Sermon Pastor David Fuentes

*Hymn God Is Our Refuge and Our Strength (v. 1 & 4) #191

*Affirmation of Faith Congregation
From the PC(USA) Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*Gloria Patri Congregation # 579

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.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Prayers of God's People
(“Notes” section can be found in the bulletin before the “Prayer Concerns” section)

The Lord's Prayer 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.

Offerings of the People

Offertory *Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive*

*Doxology # 592

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

Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Closing Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* # 376

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction *The Spirit Sends Us Forth To Serve* STF# 2241

Postlude *Christ the Cornerstone* Wilson

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Question for Reflection

How do you reconcile a God who would “strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals” (Exod. 12:12) with a God who would die for the sins of the entire world?

Morning Prayer:

O God of this and every morning, as I begin this day, call my name; as I step into this day, guide my feet; as I live this day, care for those I love; as I learn this day, teach me your ways. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Evening Prayer:

God of stars and planets, the setting sun ends this day for us as it rises on a new day for others. For us and for them, be light in every darkness. In Jesus' name. Amen.

NOTES: _____

SERVICE SCHEDULE
Week of September 3

Elder of the Week	Lynn Lamont
Liturgist	Beth Doran
Ushers	Peggy Cuddington Beth Doran
	Lynn Lamont
	Whit Morgan
Acolyte	Samuel Ku

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday	9:15 am	Sunday School
Sunday	10:30 am	Worship
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Karate
Thursday	9:30 am	Nifty Knitters
Thursday	7:00 pm	Choir Practice

UPCOMING CALENDAR

Rally Day	September, 10
Children/Youth Sunday School	September, 10
Session Fall Retreat	September, 16

NOAH'S ARK: Noah's Ark would like to thank everyone for scholarship donations and school supply donations. They are also in need of church volunteers. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Ms. Kelly at 252-638-1934 or drop a letter in the Noah's Ark Box.

SOCIAL TIME: Please take a few minutes to gather in the Narthex after service to enjoy some refreshments and each other.

CHOIR: Come join the lovely voices of our choir!


IT'S SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME! Enrich your faith journey by planning now to attend Sunday School. Sunday School began today, but you are welcome to join at any time!

LUNCH GROUP: The Lunch Group will meet on Wednesday, September 20th at The Chelsea at 12 pm. All are welcome to join us. Point of Contact: Trudy Nelson (514-8044).

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY: We welcome Al Fowler as Steward for the LFL, month of September. Al has served before in this capacity, and we thank him.

CROP WALK: The annual CROP walk will be held on Sunday, September 24th at Union Point Park to raise funds to end hunger at home and around the world. Registration begins at 2 pm and the walk starts at 3 pm. Please contact Whit Morgan (671-4002) if you are interested in contributing or walking. Further information will be announced in the bulletin as it becomes available.

BOOK CLUB: Our next Book Club meeting is Tuesday, September 26th at 7:00 pm in the multipurpose room. September's book selection is The Girls of Atomic City by Denise Kiernan. All are welcome.

 **HELPING HANDS AVAILABLE:** Do you need someone to change a light bulb? Drive you to the doctor? Give you a ride to church? There are church members that would be delighted to assist! Please contact the pastor. Helping hands will be on the way.



CHURCH DRIVERS: If you need a ride to church the following would like to be of service:

Max & Jane Armstrong (637-3868)	Ric & Sarah Evans (633-1323)
Fred & Sally Cornford (514-0515)	Trudy Nelson (633-2780)
Whit & Pat Morgan (635-5059)	Jim & Web Slaughter (637-4754)

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Service for the Lord's Day

Sunday, September 10, 2017

10:30 A.M.

"The West New Bern Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) exists to invite people to enter a relationship with Jesus Christ, grow in their faith, and go out in the world to share that faith."