



ORDER OF WORSHIP
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Shelby Presbyterian Church
September 1, 2024
10:00 a.m.

*Please rise as you are able.

PRELUDE: *"How Happy Are the Saints of God"* (Martin) Emily Monroe

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Drew Mangione, Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP (Adapted from Psalm 1) Susan Grose

Blessed are you who do not walk by the advice of the wicked, nor take a stand along the path sinners, nor sit in the seat of those who mock.

May the direction of the Lord be our delight. May we think about the Lord's direction day and night.

If you do, you will be like a tree planted by a river, bringing fruit in season.

May our leaves not wither and may we be made to prosper.

The wicked are like chaff that blows in the wind. This is why the wicked shall not stand in judgement, nor the sinful in a congregation of the just.

The Lord knows the way of the just. Wicked ways shall perish.

*HYMN OF PRAISE: #457 *"How Happy Are the Saints of God"*

CALL TO CONFESSION Susan Grose

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION: **Loving God, we face many trials in an ever-changing world. We are afraid. We become impatient. The world advises that we dial up our rage, and even mock or belittle those with whom we disagree. When we are this way, we are not rooted in you and your direction. We get blown about and tossed aside. Forgive us Lord. Help us to be rooted in you and your truth, so that we might love others as you love us. Amen. (silent confession)**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Sisters and brothers, 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

The Peace of the Lord be with you! **And also, with you!**

MOMENTS WITH CHILDREN

Anne Langley

FIVE CENTS A MEAL

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Susan Grose

FIRST SCRIPTURE: James 1:2-15

SECOND SCRIPTURE: James 1:16-27

Drew Mangione

SERMON: "Wisdom for a Divided World"

*HYMN OF RESPONSE: #307 "God of Grace and God of Glory"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (from the Belhar Confession) **We believe in the triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who gathers, protects, and cares for the Church through Word and Spirit. God has done this since the beginning of the world and will do it to the end. We believe in one, holy, universal Christian Church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. Amen.**

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.

CALL TO PRESENT TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory: "For the Beauty of the Earth" (arr. Callahan) Emily Monroe

*DOXOLOGY (sung): ***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

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation to the Table and Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also, with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is truly right to...Therefore, with all creation we sing your praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Acclamation of Faith

Dying you destroyed our death. Rising you restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Words of Institution and Communion by Intinction

Communion Anthem: "Draw Near" (Willcocks)

Draw near and share the body of the Lord.

*Draw near and drink the blood of the Lord,
that we may share his eternal love.*

Draw near and be blessed by Jesus from above.

*Draw near and eat of the body of the Lord,
that we may share his eternal love.*

Draw near to his glory,

and then we shall be blessed by Jesus from above.

Prayer after Communion

*CLOSING HYMN: #39 "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Drew Mangione

*CHORAL BENEDICTION "James 1:27" (Moser)

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE: "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Emily Monroe

Music Licenses: 1575277 (CCLI)/ A-739540 (One License)

Sound Board: Patrick Glenn & David Grose

Scriptures read in service are original translations, unless otherwise noted.

Feel free to read a familiar translation and listen for different word choices.

CHILDCARE is available each week for infants through preschool in the Nursery (Rm 102), staffed by Lilly Hamilton, Holly Conner, Maggie Hohne, and Heather Johnson. In order to protect your children, please be sure they are accompanied to the nursery by a parent or responsible adult caregiver.

WE WELCOME all who worship with us this morning. Please take a moment to fill out the friendship pad in the pews. 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, 9:00-4:00, Friday 9:00-12:00. **After the service, all first-time visitors are invited to the back of the church where a church member will welcome you with a special gift.**

THE FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by Grace Teddy and family in memory of Jim Teddy, Sr. on his birthday September 1st and their wedding anniversary and Jim Teddy, Jr. on his birthday September 3rd.

KIRKIN O' THE TARTAN SEPTEMBER 29TH: It does not seem like it is that time again, but it is. Shelby Presbyterian Church's Kirkin O' The Tartan service/Heritage Sunday is scheduled for September 29. If you have an interest in participating, please let the church office or Mary Conner (704-300-1109) know so that we can make sure to include you in the planning. If you are interested in investigating your own heritage to purchase your own flag, please contact Mary Conner as well.

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH are invited to A CIRCLE OF FRIENDS. Join us for coffee and fellowship at Joyce Boyette's home (224 Vauxhall Dr.) to help reinvigorate our women's circles. Save the date for Tuesday, September 10 at 9:30am. Please RSVP Joyce (704-472-1083).



BUDDIES ON THE BENCH: We are excited to introduce a brand-new program designed to ignite a love for music and provide a unique learning opportunity for our children: *Buddies on the Bench*. Starting in October, children in 1st-5th grades are invited to sign up and join our organist, Emily Monroe, on the organ bench during part of our church service.

Buddies on the Bench is a special chance for our youngest members to get a behind-the-scenes look at the majestic instrument that fills our sanctuary with beautiful music. Each Sunday, children who sign up will have the opportunity to sit with Ms. Emily at the organ until the Children's Moment.

Keep an eye out for an email that gives more information. **Use this QR Code to sign up!**



CALLING ALL KIDS! Here's your chance to be a part of our church service in a special way. We're excited to offer children the opportunity to ring the chime at the end of our worship services.

✚ Why Sign Up?

- **Be a Part of Worship:** Contribute to the closing of our service with a beautiful chime.
- **Have Fun:** Enjoy a special moment of involvement and make new memories.
- **Feel Proud:** Experience the joy of participating in a cherished church tradition.

Sign up with this QR Code: If you have any questions about these opportunities, contact Emily Monroe (emily@shelbypres.org)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER IS BACK! This Wednesday, September 4th we kick off our Wednesday Night Supper program. Children eat at 5:40 before going to Growing in Grace. Dinner starts at 6:00 with a program from Dr. Ware about Turning Point Academy. We will have baked spaghetti, salad, bread, and dessert. There is no set price, monetary donations are appreciated.

THIS WEEK (SEPTEMBER 1 - 7, 2024):

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| Monday | Labor Day - | Church Office Closed |
| | 7:00 pm | Boy Scouts in Scout House |
| | 8:00 pm | AA in Ellis Hall |
| Tuesday | 10:30 am | Staff Meeting in Ellis Hall |
| | 7:00 pm | Worship & Music in Back Parlor |
| Wednesday | 11:00 am | Member Life in Back Parlor |
| | 6:00 pm | Wednesday Night Supper in Ellis Hall |
| | | *Children eat at 5:40 |
| | 6:00 pm | Growing in Grace |
| | 7:00 pm | Choir Rehearsal in Choir Room |
| Thursday | 7:00 am | Men's Breakfast at Ken and Mary's |
| | 8:00 pm | AA in Ellis Hall & Al-Anon in Back Parlor |
| Friday | 4:00 pm | AA Annual Meeting in Ellis Hall |
| Saturday | 4:00 pm | AA Annual Meeting in Ellis Hall |

The Cleveland County Arts Council Presents
A RETROSPECTIVE JOURNEY THROUGH THE ART OF HAL BRYANT




**OPENING RECEPTION:
 SEPT. 5, 5-7 PM**

**EXHIBIT DATES:
 SEPT. 5 - OCT. 24**

LUNCH & LEARN

SEPTEMBER 25 - NOON • COST IS \$7

Phishers of Men...and Women:
 A helpful guide to avoid phishing and
 scamming tactics on email and social media.



RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 18

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

John Auten, Janice Blake, Sid Bridges, Allen Callahan, JoAnn Callahan, Hannah Carpenter, Karen Carpenter, Myra Carpenter, Sandy Carpenter, Conway Carter, Betty Clark, Randy Derwin Clark, Kay Clark-James, Debbie Ferrell, Ina Harrington, Tim Hamrick, August Hohne, Scot Horton, Andi Houser, Chuck Laughlin, Cheryl Lutz, Brooke McCurry, Nancy Minor, Lisa Perkins-Dodrill, Pauline Persing, Tommy Price, Clay Pruett, Susan Reed, Dot Roark, Larry Stern, Bill & Patty Thorne, Linda Ware, Jackie Weathers, Jack Weller, Stephanie Williams, Teresa Wingo, and our homeless neighbors; the victims of natural disaster and war, including in Ukraine and Israel-Gaza; all in military service and their families; Food Ministry; Turning Point Academy, Rainbow Connection, our brothers & sisters of Monte los Olivos; Tenwek Hospital; John McCall in Taiwan; Christians around the globe who are persecuted for their faith.



"God's word is a lamp unto our feet, and a light unto our path." - Psalm 119:105

SPC SUNDAY SCHOOL MENU

All classes are offered
 from 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. before the 10 a.m. service

BIBLE STUDIES

Serendipity - Room 201

A guided walk through Scripture through a book
 by book study.

Kerygma: A Proclamation - Library

Learning about God through the proclamation of
 God's people.

GENERAL STUDIES

Christian Issues - Back Parlor

Engaging the tough issues facing Christianity
 today.

F3: Finding Faith Through Fellowship

Room 205

Developing as Christ-followers in common life
 together through study.

Women in Progress - Conference Room

Women supporting women through fellowship,
 study and prayer.

CHILDREN & YOUTH STUDIES

**Toddler - Pre-K & K - 1st & 2nd Grade -
 3rd to 5th Grade - Rooms 102, 204, 202, 203**

Spark Activate Faith

Middle and High School - Youth Room

Feasting on the Word

SEASONAL STUDIES

The Bible through the Artist's Eyes

Join Susan Bell for a journey
 through master artists'
 works and the Scriptures
 they depict, leading to a
 deeper understanding of
 God's word.

New Member Class

(Oct. 6-Oct. 27)

A 4-week course with Pastor
 Drew to study our Christian
 Faith, what it means to be
 Presbyterian, and what it
 means to be a member of
 Shelby Presbyterian Church.

