

THE SESSION

Class of 2018
Betsey Adams
Mary Kate Beard
Sandra Jimerson

Class of 2019
Donna Hopkins
Susan Knowles
Lee Matthews

Class of 2020
Lonnie Feller
Greg Ledford
Perry Leaming

Rev. Mark Knowles, Moderator

Lee Matthews, Clerk of Session

TRUSTEES

Stephen Henderson

Gary Gore

Franklin Bevel

Karen Selvage, Secretary

Sherry Feller, Treasurer

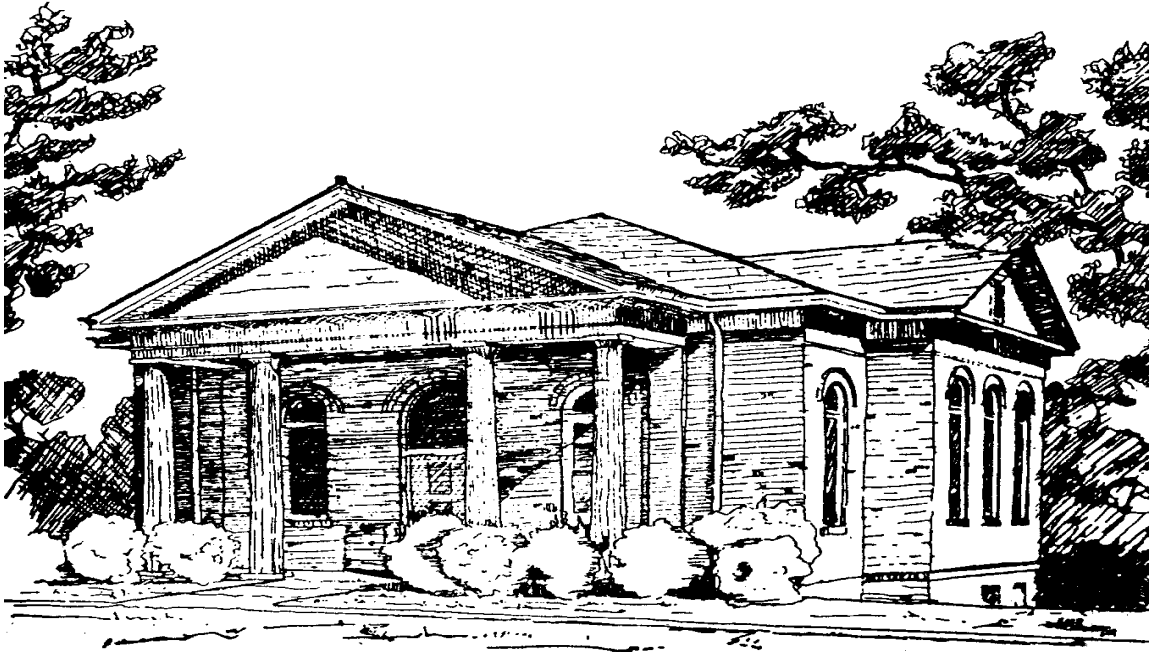
HOW WE ARE DOING

*General Contributions (4/29/2018): \$ 3,872.00
Total April Giving: \$ 15,402.00
Year to Date Giving: \$ 48,863.50

Church Attendance: 39
Sunday School: 17

PRAYER CONCERNS:

Lena Aust, Paul Brown, Sam Chandler Jr., Roger and Faye Heath, David and Patsy Hughes, David Jimerson, Glen Jimerson – recovering from colon surgery, Sandra Jimerson – recovering from knee surgery, Ginger Matthews, Randall Rush recovering from knee surgery, Gene Turner.



*"Our Mission is to Glorify God, Make Disciples of Jesus Christ,
and Meet Human Need"*



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Pastor, Rev. Mark Knowles

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MAY 6, 2018

COMMUNION

10:30 A.M.

* PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES

GATHERING

PRELUDE "Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior" Sam Chandler, Jr., Organist

SPECIAL MUSIC "Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty" Choir
Accompanist, Bonita Hubble

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign friendship pad and pass it to your neighbor.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: We worship our Savior, Jesus Christ, who loves us even as God loved him.

People: **Jesus was obedient to his Father and remained in his love.**

Pastor: Jesus challenges us to remain in his love by obeying his teachings.

People: **Jesus has taught us to love one another as he has loved us. May God help us bear that kind of fruit in our lives.**

PRAYER OF ADORATION

***HYMN** "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" No. 284

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We come in confession of our disobedience to our Lord's command to love one another, Father. We choose friends; but these are few, because we are not able to love as we are loved by our Savior. Forgive us for hindering the growth of your church and the joy of our friendship by restricting our love. Recreate us to be self-giving persons who are able to love; that we may become true friends of Christ, and true friends of all your children. In our Savior's name we pray. Amen.

(Let all continue in silent prayer, followed by singing)

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"Though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool" (Isaiah 1:18)

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***GLORIA PATRI** No. 623

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

***CHORUS** "The Family of God" No. 282

THE WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Take Root in My Heart”

Choir
Accompanist, Bonita Hubble

SCRIPTURE READING

John 15:9-17

pg. 1677

SERMON

“LOVE – OUR TRUE WORSHIP”

Rev. Mark Knowles

RESPONSE

*HYMN

“Living for Jesus”

No. 372

OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC

“O Jesus, I Have Promised”

Sam Chandler, Jr., Organist
Bonita Hubble, Pianist

*DOXOLOGY

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Communion of the People

(Please hold the bread and the cup so we may all commune together)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors)

*HYMN

“Pass It On”

No. 309

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

You go nowhere by accident. Wherever you go, God is sending you.

Wherever you are, God has put you there. He has a purpose in your being there.

Christ who dwells within you has something He wants to do through you where you are.

Believe this and go in His love to “glorify God, make disciples of Jesus Christ, and meet human need”.

*POSTLUDE

“Pass It On”

Sam Chandler, Jr., Organist
Bonita Hubble, Pianist

***Those who are able may stand**