

**THE SESSION**

**Class of 2019**

Betsey Adams  
Donna Hopkins  
Lee Matthews

**Class of 2020**

Mary Kate Beard  
Lonnie Feller  
Perry Leaming

**Class of 2021**

Sandra Jimerson  
Sarah Martin

Lee Matthews, Clerk of Session

**TRUSTEES**

Gary Gore

Franklin Bevel

Ray Metzler

Karen Selvage, Secretary

Sherry Feller, Treasurer

**HOW WE ARE DOING**

General Contributions (9/8/2019): \$ 2,602.00

Month to Date Giving: \$ 5,192.00

Year to Date Giving: \$ 86,436.45

Monthly Budget: \$ 11,792.00

Yearly Budget: \$ 141,500.00

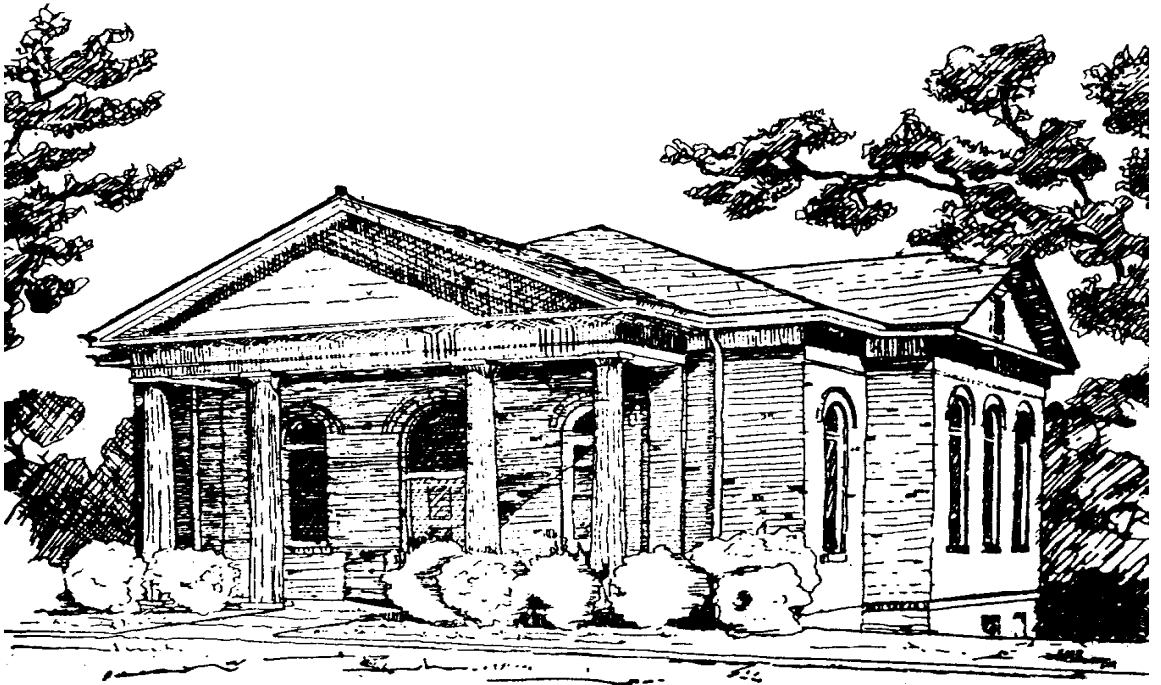
Church Attendance: 34

Sunday School: 7

**PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Trey Adams, W. S. Adams, Louise Chandler, Sam Chandler Jr., Judy Metzler, Cassie Rollings, family of Jane Rutland.

Also, please keep your Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) in your prayers. They need prayers for guidance, wisdom, and patience while searching for your new pastor.



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



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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2019

10:30 A.M.

PLEASE TURN OFF ALL CELL PHONES

## GATHERING

**PRELUDE** "Pass Me Not" Sam Chandler, Jr., Organist

**SPECIAL MUSIC** "This Is the Day" Choir  
Accompanist, Bonita Hubble

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

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**Leader:** Your Throne, O God, is forever and ever. The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness

**People:** **I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations; therefore, nations will praise you forever and ever.**

**\*OPENING HYMN** "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" No. 276

**SCRIPTURE** Genesis 3:17-19 Pg. 6  
Jeremiah 4:1-4 Pg. 1175

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy Lord, I come before you in the name of Christ and confess that I have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, of neglect to seek you in my daily life. My transgressions and shortcomings present me with a list of accusation; but I bless you that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ. Go on to subdue my corruptions and grant me grace to live above them. Deliver me from every evil habit, everything that dims the brightness of your grace in me, everything that prevents me taking delight in you. Then shall I bless you, God of Israel, for helping me to be upright. 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

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to purify us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

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

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

“Day by Day”

Choir  
Accompanist, Bonita Hubble

**SCRIPTURE**

Mark 4:1-20, 26-29

Pg. 1557

**SERMON**

“The Mystery of Automatic Growth and Fruition”

*Rev. Mark Linker*

## RESPONSE

**HYMN**

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee”

No. 410

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

“The Apostles’ Creed”

**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; 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.**

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY MUSIC**

“The Church in the Wildwood”

Sam Chandler, Jr., Organist

**\*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.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (followed by Prayer Requests)**

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

**\*CLOSING HYMN**

“More Love to Thee”

No. 363

**\*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**

“I Am Thine, O Lord”

Sam Chandler, Jr., Organist  
Bonita Hubble, Pianist

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**\*Those who are able may stand**