

◆THE GLORIA NO. 581: “Glory Be to the Father” GLORIA PATRI

**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 PASSING OF THE PEACE *(Spoken Responsively)*

LEADER: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
PEOPLE: **And also with you.**

(Children in K-5 are dismissed to go to Children’s Church)

~ The Word of the Lord ~

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATIONMargaret Brown

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Genesis 18: 1-15.....Margaret Brown

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?” The Lord said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh, and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.” But Sarah denied, saying, “I did not laugh”; for she was afraid. He said, “Oh yes, you did laugh.”

THE CHORAL ANTHEM: “Walk Worthy” Joseph Martin
The Sanctuary Choir

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Genesis 21: 1-7.....The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, “God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.” And she said, “Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age.”

LEADER: **This is the Word of the Lord.**
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON: “A Good Laugh”The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

~ We Respond to the Word ~

◆THE HYMN NO. 49: “The God of Abraham Praise” LEONI

◆THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(Spoken in Unison)* From *A Brief Statement of Faith (Ch. 10.3)*

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God’s image, male and female of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God’s commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God’s condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all the families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER *(Spoken in Unison)*

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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS Kathryn Lamb, Greeting Elder

THE ORGAN OFFERTORY: “Alas and Did My Savior Bleed” arr. Albin Whitworth

◆THE DOXOLOGY NO. 606 OLD HUNDREDTH

**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.**

◆THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION Kathryn Lamb, Greeting Elder

~ We Go Forth in Jesus’ Name ~

◆THE HYMN OF SENDING NO 12: “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise” ST. DENIO

◆THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION

◆THE CLOSING RESPONSE: "May the Lord, Gracious Lord" Unknown
The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

**May the Lord gracious Lord, bless and keep us forever.
Let us be more like thee in our every endeavor.
Holy Spirit, Eternal God, this we pray together.
May the Lord, gracious Lord, bless and keep us forever.**

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Grand Choeur - Sortie” Alexandre Guilmant *(1837-1911)*

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***The flowers are placed in the sanctuary this morning by Judy Dempsey
in loving memory of her sister, Pauletta Brown.***

Welcome!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Outer Banks Presbyterian Church!

Visitors will find a guest card in the Bible holders in the chairs ahead. We welcome you and ask that you fill out the card and drop it in the collection plate as it is passed.

THOSE SERVING IN WORSHIP

**This Week
February 28, 2016**

Elder: Kathryn Lamb
Liturgist: Margaret Brown
Coffee Hour: Berg/Helmkamp
Children’s Church:
Jim & Jean Sias

**Next Week
March 6, 2016**

Elder: Jim Perry
Liturgist: Jeanne Martie
Coffee Hour: Communion Guild
Children’s Church:
Braymiller/Wood

**UPCOMING FLOWER
SCHEDULE**

Feb. 28..... Judy Dempsey
March 6 Jean Basnight
March 13Ann Boyd
March 20 Judy Dempsey

**UPCOMING COFFEE
HOUR SCHEDULE**

Feb. 28..... Helmkamp/Berg
March 6 Communion Guild
March 13 Faith, Hope, Love
March 20 Bus Committee

SINGING OF THE KYRIE

Lent is a time of repentance, for us to admit our sin and turn back to God. To help us focus on repentance, we will be singing the Kyrie, asking for the Lord to have mercy upon us, in response to the Prayer of Confession.

Welcome!

Welcome to the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church. Our Church exists to worship God in Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament; to join others to know the joy of God's forgiveness in Jesus Christ; to grow under the Lordship of Christ and to serve Christ's world in His name. We invite you to share with us our trust in Jesus Christ and to join us as we strive to:

- ❖ Grow and strengthen our **FAITH**,
- ❖ Love and support our **FAMILY**,
- ❖ Reach out to our **FRIENDS** in need.

We encourage you to read "Sue's Story," the inspiration behind these goals in its entirety, on our website, on a brochure in the Gathering Space or on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will be inspired as we have been.

At OBPC, we recognize all our visitors as God's children, united as brothers and sisters in Christ. We hope our service inspires you and strengthens your faith. We hope you will join us again in celebration and worship to God. If you are interested in becoming a member or would like to know more about our church and our programs, please contact us!

The Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Joseph "Jody" G. MoorePastor
 Donna L. Frye Church Secretary
 Jason K. EvansDirector of Music Ministries/Organist
 Hollie Writtenberry-Lewis..... Director of Youth, Children & Young Family Ministries
 Heather DayNursery Caregiver
 Brenda Feury.....Sexton

The Session

Beverly Jones, Clerk of Session

Class of 2016

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441-7490

Judy Whittle

255-0705

Jim Perry

202-3051

Class of 2017

Nonie Booth

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Melinda Mogowski

441-7195

Kathryn Lamb

441-6400

Class of 2018

Jeanne Martie

441-8608

Buzz Boyd

255-0496

Tom Smith

441-3572

Our church believes providing worship for visitors is a vital part of our mission. Our building was planned to accommodate the many visitors who come to this vacation community. This places an additional financial challenge on our resident membership. We need and welcome financial support from our visitors.

Receiving Treasurers'

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Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

The Third Sunday in Lent
 February 28, 2016 | 10:00 am



◆ = Congregation Standing as Able

♣ = Appropriate times to be Seated when Arriving After Service Begins

As people enter the Sanctuary they are encouraged to greet one another and share the gifts of friendship and love. When the prelude begins, all are invited to begin personal preparation for worship. As a kindness to fellow worshippers, please silence all electronic devices.

~ We Gather Together as God's People ~

THE ORGAN PRELUDE: "There is a Redeemer"arr. Mark Kellner

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *(Please pass the guest pads)*

◆THE CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT NO. 394: "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"WESTMINSTER ABBY
The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation (Verse 1 Only)

◆THE CALL TO WORSHIP *(Spoken Responsively from Psalm 63)* Margaret Brown

ONE: Oh God, you are my God, and I will ever praise your name!

ALL: **My soul thirsts for you, so I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory.**

ONE: Because of your steadfast love, my lips will praise your name.

ALL: **When I meditate on you in the darkness of the night, I recall how you have protected me in the shadow of your wings.**

ONE: My soul clings to you because your right hand upholds me.

ALL: **Let us worship almighty God!**

◆THE OPENING PRAYERMargaret Brown

◆♣THE HYMN NO. 726: "Will You Come and Follow Me"KELVINGROVE

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Spoken in Unison)*

Holy God, we confess that we have grown complacent in our response to you. You set before us a rich feast of blessing, but we are drawn to lesser things that cannot satisfy. You call us to attend to urgent needs in the world, but we indulge in our own desires. Our ways are not your ways; our thoughts do not ascend to your thoughts. Forgive us when we fall short of your claim upon our lives. Disturb our complacency and quicken our desire for a more fruitful life. Be patient, we pray, as we amend who we are, in the hope of becoming who you intend us to be. We ask this in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Concluding with Kyrie)*



Lord have mer - cy. Christ have mer - cy. Lord have mer - cy.

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

This Week at OBPC

Sunday, February 28, 2016

9:00 am Sunday School
 10:00 am Morning Worship
 4:00 pm Sanctuary Choir
 5:00 pm Youth Group

Monday, February 29, 2016

7:30 am A.A.
 10:00 am A.A.
 7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, March 1, 2016

7:30 am A.A.
 10:00 am A.A.
 6:00 pm Cub Scouts

Wednesday, March 2, 2016

7:30 am A.A.
 10:00 am A.A.
 12:00 pm Lenten Service
 4:00 pm Girl Scouts
 6:00 pm Sanctuary Choir
 6:30 pm Adult Evening Study
 7:30 pm Jubilate Ringers

Thursday, March 3, 2016

7:30 am A.A.
 10:00 am A.A.

Friday, March 4, 2016

7:30 am A.A.
 8:00 am Men's Bible Study
 10:00 am A.A.

Saturday, March 5, 2016

7:30 am A.A.
 10:00 am A. A.

Sunday, March 6, 2016

9:00 am Sunday School
 10:00 am Morning Worship
 4:00 pm Sanctuary Choir
 5:00 pm Youth Group

Vital Signs

February 21 \$3,615.00
 Total for February.....\$17,808.55
 Souper Bowl of Caring\$608.00

Attendance

February 21 (AM) 138
 February 24 (Lenten Service) 62