

The Order of Worship

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.

✠ = Congregation Standing as Able

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

~ We Gather Together as God's People ~

THE ORGAN PRELUDE: "A Medley of Carols"arr. J. Evans

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS..... Nonie Booth

(Please pass the guest pads & The Pennies for Hunger Baskets)

✠THE CHORAL INTROIT: "The God of All Creation" D. Harrison
The Sanctuary Choir

✠THE CALL TO WORSHIP *(Spoken Responsively)* Mollie Bass, Liturgist

LEADER: Praise God all creation, sun, moon and stars.

PEOPLE: Let all the heavens praise God.

LEADER: Praise God all creatures of the land and sea.

PEOPLE: Praise God for fire and hail, for snow and frost.

LEADER: Praise God for the variety of landscapes on earth, the Mountains and hills, the trees and deserts.

PEOPLE: Let us worship this God of all creation.

✠THE OPENING PRAYER.....Mollie Bass, Liturgist

◆✠THE HYMN NO. 119: "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" MENDELSSOHN

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Creator God, forgive us for our failure to care for your wondrous creation as good stewards. We have been wasteful and carefree. Your wondrous creation has suffered. Forgive us. Forgive us our fear of doing wrong things, our fear of being unpopular for speaking out for what we know is right. Forgive us our enslavement by silence and not speaking up when we should. Forgive us for not following Christ in the way of compassion and kindness to all God's children. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE DECLARATION OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

✠THE GLORIA: "Angels from the Realms of Glory" *(Verse 4)*REGENT SQUARE

All creation, join in praising God the Father, Spirit, Son,
Evermore your voices raising to the eternal Three in One:
Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King.

✠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 Mrs. Hollie & Mr. Jody)

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS Jeanne Martie, Greeting Elder

THE ORGAN OFFERTORY: Infant Holy, Infant Lowly" arr. A. Whitworth

✠THE DOXOLOGY: "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" ^{VENI EMMANUEL}
(Sung to the tune of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel")

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.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

✠THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION Jeanne Martie, Greeting Elder

~ The Word of the Lord ~

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Mollie Bass, Liturgist

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 61: 1-6 Mollie Bass, Liturgist

(The Scriptures lesson for this morning may be found on the reverse side of the announcement insert or in the pew Bible located under the seat in front of you.)

THE CHORAL ANTHEM: "A Song in the Air" arr. D. Allen
The Sanctuary Choir

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 2: 1-12 The Rev. Walt Hunting

(The Scriptures lesson for this morning may be found on the reverse side of the announcement insert or in the pew Bible located under the seat in front of you.)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON: "Travelers to Bethlehem" The Rev. Walt Hunting

✠THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(Spoken in Unison)*..... "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; 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 *(Universal)* church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

~ The Sacrament of Holy Communion ~

✠THE HYMN NO. 121: "O Little Town of Bethlehem" ST. LOUIS

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE & THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

LEADER: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

LEADER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: We lift them up to the Lord.

LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

LEADER: As we join with all the angels singing:

**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, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest.



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 COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

We offer communion by intinction.

Dip the bread in the chalice as it is passed to you.

When taking the bread say: This is the body of Christ given for you.

When taking the cup say: This is the blood of Christ shed for you.

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

~ We Go Forth in Jesus' Name ~

✠THE HYMN NO. 134: "Joy to the World" ANTIOCH

✠THE CHARGE & BLESSING

✠THE CLOSING RESPONSE: "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Jackson
The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;

Let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.

With God as our Father, brothers all are we.

Let me walk with my brother in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.

With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow.

To take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE: "We Three Kings"arr. D. Isele

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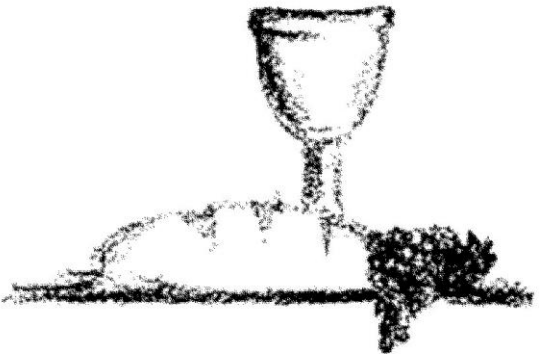
The flowers are placed in the sanctuary this morning by
Gary & Linda McGee in honor of the birthday of their son, Scott.

Outer Banks Presbyterian Church



A Celebration of the Lord's Day

January 1, 2017
10:00 am



The First Sunday after Christmas/ The Sacrament of Holy Communion

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A Member of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
and the Presbytery of New Hope.

This Is God's House. All Are Welcome!

Faith ♦ Family ♦ Friends

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to 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:

- ❖ Strengthen our **FAITH**,
- ❖ Love and support our **FAMILY**,
- ❖ Reach out to **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. Moore.....Pastor
 Jason K. Evans Director of Music Ministries/Organist
 Donna Frye..... Church Secretary
 Hollie Writtenberry-LewisDirector of Children, Youth & Young Family Ministries
 Heather Day.....Nursery Caregiver
 Brenda FeurySexton

The Session

Beverly (Bev) Jones, Clerk of Session

<u>Class of 2016</u>	<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>
Melanie Cahoon 441-7490	Nonie Booth 261-6058	Buzz Boyd 255-0496
Jim Perry 202-3051	Kathryn Lamb 441-6400	Jeanne Martie 441-8608
Judy Whittle 255-0705	Melinda Mogowski 441-7195	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' Becky Lofton-DeSanto (480-0724) Barbara Nowland (480-0423)	Disbursing Treasurer Jeanne Martie (441-8608)
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This Week at OBPC

Sunday, January 1, 2017

9:00 am..... Sunday School
10:00 am..... Morning Worship

Monday, January 2, 2017

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

Tuesday, January 3, 2017

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

Wednesday, January 4, 2017

7:30 amA.A.
10:00 am.....A.A.
6:00 pm..... Sanctuary Choir
6:30 pm..... Adult Bible Study

Thursday, January 5, 2017

7:30 amA.A.
9:30 am Dorcas Circle
10:00 am.....A.A.

Friday, January 6, 2017

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

Saturday, January 7, 20167

7:30 amA.A.
10:00 am..... A. A.
1:00 pmFuneral for Dr. Batzler

Sunday, January 8, 2017

9:00 am..... Sunday School
10:00 am..... Morning Worship
5:00 pm..... Youth Group

Vital Signs

December 24\$1,812.00
 December 25\$6,512.00
 Total for December\$30,952.00
 Pennies for Hunger.....\$66.66
 Christmas Joy Offering.....\$50.00

Attendance

December 24 (Christmas Eve).....189
 December 25 (Christmas Day).....48

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 seat ahead. We ask that you fill out the card and drop it in the offering plate.

We hope that you will join us in the Gathering Space following the service for our Coffee Hour so that we may get to know you better. We also invite you to check out our Visitor's Center, located in the Gathering Space, to learn more about our church and receive a gift as a token of our appreciation for visiting with us today!

There is a nursery available for your convenience should you need one and there is Children's Church for children following the passing of the peace.

Sanctuary Flowers

The flower schedule for 2017 has now been posted on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space. This is a great way to honor or memorialize a love one! Pick a Sunday and sign up!

Those Serving in Worship

This Week: January 1, 2017

Greeting Elder: Jeanne Martie
 Liturgist: Mollie Bass
 Coffee Hour: Buildings & Grounds
 Children's Church:
 Hollie & Jody Lewis

Next Week: January 8, 2017

Greeting Elder: Jeanne Martie
 Liturgist: Jean Basnight
 Coffee Hour: Administration
 Children's Church:
 Bev Jones