Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sunday, May 21, 2017
10:00 am

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

This is God’s House! All are Welcome!
The Order of Service for the Lord’s Day

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: “The Majesty and Glory of Your Name” ............. Fettke / arr. J. Jones

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please pass the guest pads) ......................... Jeanne Martie

✝✝ THE GATHERING SONG: “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” ......................... WESTMINSTER ABBY

The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

✝ THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively) .................................................. Jeanne Martie, Liturgist

ONE: Worship the God who made the entire world, God of heaven and earth.

ALL: Bless our God O people. Let the sound of God’s praise be heard. God holds us securely and keeps our feet from slipping.

ONE: God has brought us to this holy place.

ALL: God hears our prayers and surrounds us with holy love.

ONE: Let us worship almighty God!

✝ THE OPENING PRAYER ................................................................. Jeanne Martie, Liturgist

✝✝ THE HYMN NO. 667: “When Morning Gilds the Skies” .......................... LAUDES DOMINI

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Spoken in Unison)

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we pause to confess those times when we have worshiped other gods, gods of money, of time, of things, of worldly distractions. We do not have clear consciences. And yet we are quick to find fault with our neighbor. You ask us to love you and keep your commandments. But we do not do it. We are suspicious and jealous and easily angered. With gentleness, forgive us. You promised us you will not abandon us or leave us as orphans. Hear our prayers of forgiveness and send your Holy Spirit among us. In the name of the risen Christ, Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION
THE ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

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.

oupper 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 ILLUMINATION ................................................................. Jeanne Martie, Liturgist

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: I Peter 3: 13-22 ..................................... Jeanne Martie, Liturgist

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an account of the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God’s will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight people, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM: “Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face” .......arr. Elmo Mercer
The Sanctuary Choir

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 14: 15-21 ................................................................. The Rev. Walt Hunting

‘If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. ‘I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them.’

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

THE SERMON: “Going Away – Promising to Stay Close” .........................The Rev. Walt Hunting

~ We Respond to the Word ~

♦ THE HYMN NO. 408: “There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit” .................................. SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT
THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Spoken Responsively)..... (from A Brief Statement of Faith, PCUSA)

LEADER: We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church.

PEOPLE: The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER & 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 ................................................. Mollie Bass, Greeting Elder

THE VIOLIN/PIANO OFFERTORY: “You Raise Me Up”.................................arr. R. Lovland
Sue Waters, Violin & Jason Evans, Piano

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 ...................................................... Mollie Bass, Greeting Elder

~ We Go Forth in Jesus’ Name ~

THE HYMN OF SENDING NO. 269: “Lead On, O King Eternal!”.................................LANCASHIRE

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: “The Heavens are Telling”....................... Franz J. Hydan (1732-1809)

We now go forth in peace to love and serve God and God's people in Christ's name!
News Around Outer Banks Presbyterian

Calling All Graduates!

Each year in June we set aside a special time in our service to recognize our high school and college graduates! This year's Graduate Recognition Ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, June 11.

If you know a graduating senior who would like to be included in this ceremony, please contact the church office at (252) 441-5897 or send us an email at office@outerbankspresbyterian.org no later than Monday, May 15.

Coffee Hour to Welcome The Rev. & Mrs. Walt Hunting Following Worship

The Fellowship and Worship Committee will host a special coffee hour immediately following the May 21st morning worship service to give everyone an opportunity to meet and greet Elizabeth and Walt Hunting. We are glad to have The Rev. Walt Hunting and his wife are here with us during The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore's sabbatical time. Please plan to stay for this time of fellowship.

ECCS Concert This Afternoon!

The Eastern Carolina Concert Society will present a concert this afternoon at 4:00 pm featuring the local gospel group, “Captain’s Crew”. The concert will be held at the Dare County Arts Council (Old Courthouse) located at 300 Queen Elizabeth Avenue, Manteo. You may learn more about “Captain’s Crew” on their website at www.thecaptainsmusic.com.

Pentecost Sunday: June 4

Don't forget to wear your red to the morning worship service on Sunday, June 4, 2017 as we celebrate Pentecost Sunday. There will also be a cake served during coffee hour to celebrate the birthday of the church universal!

In addition, a special offering will be taken that day for the benefit of programs for children, youth, and young adults. Sixty percent of funds collected will go to the larger church for programs to help young people develop tools to be Christian leaders, such as the Young Adult Volunteer Program.

Forty percent of the offering will stay in our local community, and Session has designated the Friends of Youth program sponsored by Dare County to be this year’s recipient. The mission of this mentoring program is to place at-risk youth between the ages of 6-17 with caring adult volunteers who serve as role models and friends. These youth face everyday challenges just like any other adolescent or pre-teen, but they often do not have the resources necessary to deal with their problems.

The program also provides opportunities to participate in group activities such as cookouts, beach clean-ups, ball games, etc. In addition, funds are needed for scholarships for camps and various recreation programs, such as swimming lessons at the YMCA. Receiving this offering allows Presbyterians to invest in the church’s greatest resource, our youth.

Please check out the insert next week’s bulletin. On Pentecost Sunday there will be a special offering envelope for this very worthwhile cause. Our youth are our future Christian Ambassadors. Let’s give them the opportunity to serve.
**This Week at OBPC**

**Sunday, May 21, 2017**
9:00 am..............................Sunday School
10:00 am..............................Morning Worship
5:00 pm ..............................Youth Group

**Monday, May 22, 2017**
7:30 am.................................. A.A.
10:00 am.................................. A.A.
5:30 pm.................................. Handbell Workshop
6:30 pm .................................. Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, May 23, 2017**
7:30 am.................................. A.A.
10:00 am.................................. A.A.
10:00 am.................................. Faith Knitters
6:30 pm .............................. Cub Scouts

**Wednesday, May 24, 2017**
7:30 am.................................. A.A.
10:00 am.................................. A.A.
6:00 pm .......................... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm .................................. Adult Evening Study

**Thursday, May 25, 2017**
7:30 am.................................. A.A.
10:00 am.................................. A.A.

**Friday, May 26, 2017**
7:30 am.................................. A.A.
8:00 am .............................. Men’s Bible Study
10:00 am.................................. A.A.

**Saturday, May 27, 2017**
7:30 am.................................. A.A.
10:00 am.................................. A.A.

**Sunday, May 28, 2017**
9:00 am ............................... Sunday School
10:00 am ............................... Morning Worship
4:00 pm ............................... Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
5:00 pm .............................. Youth Group

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**Those Serving Today...**

**This Week...**
May 21, 2017
Greeting Elder: Mollie Bass
Liturgist: Jeanne Martie
Coffee Hour: Worship/Fellowship
Children's Church: Hollie & Jody Lewis

**Next Week...**
May 28, 2017
Greeting Elder: Mollie Bass
Liturgist: Jean Basnight
Coffee Hour: Outreach & Witness
Children's Church: Bev Jones

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**Vacation Bible School**

Vacation Bible School will be held June 12-16 daily from 9:00 AM until noon. Children from preschool through fifth grade will become hands-on inventors as they discover they are lovingly crafted by God. You don't want to miss this exciting week!! Please invite your friends and neighbors to join us--registration is available on the church website.

Our youth work very hard to decorate the church, organize the materials, teach the music, lead the skits, and serve as guides for the children from station to station. However, we are in need of adult volunteers to make VBS possible. Do you have a heart for children? Consider how God will use you as part of our VBS outreach. We need bus drivers for the morning/afternoon route, lead teachers and assistants for Bible stories, arts and crafts, and Kid Vid Cinema, and volunteers to coordinate snack each day, assist with registration, provide food and organize our family picnic after the closing celebration on Friday. If you would be willing to volunteer during VBS in any capacity, please see Hollie or email her at holliewrittenberry@gmail.com.

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Sun., May 14.............................. $8,390.00
Total for May.............................. $15,731.00
Pennies for Hunger........................ $47.76

Attendance
Sun., May 14.............................. 144
Each day, let us remember the many in our church family who are ill, hurting, homebound, and lonely along with those who have lost loved ones this year.

**Homebound, Nursing Home & Out of Town Members**

Ruth Charlton........................................ Peak Resources, Nags Head (Rehab. for Knee Replacement Surgery)
Don & Nancy Bierwerth........................................ 410 Hastings Ln, Apt. 309, Elizabeth City, NC 27909
Jane Smith .................................................. 46565 Harry Byrd Hwy Apt. #239 Sterling, VA 20154
Al Grimm *(in hospice care at home)*........................... 115 Oak Knoll Drive, Nags Head NC 27959-9479
Etta Parrott ...................................................... 3400 Bay Drive, Kitty Hawk NC 27949
Mickey Meekins .................................................. Peak Resources, Nags Head

**Christian Sympathy**

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Caroline Taylor, 28, who passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, May 1. Caroline is the daughter of Patrice White-Taylor-Welch. Patrice and her daughter, Lauren, have sung in many of our concerts here. Funeral services were held on Friday, May 12, at Great Bridge Baptist Church, Chesapeake, VA. Burial followed in Chesapeake Memorial Gardens. Caroline was a vibrant young woman who was planning to be married on May 13. Please continue to keep Patrice, Lauren and the rest of this family in your prayers.

**Members & Friends – Other Prayer Concerns**

Helen Gauvreau .......................................................................................... Health Concerns
Richard Pfersick *(Friend of Barbara Rust in Georgia)* ............................. Serious Heart Problems
Kathy Ballard *(Daughter of Natalie & Duel Ballard)* ............................... Diagnosed with oral cancer
Lori Noble Gallagher *(Daughter of Ann & Bill Noble)* .............................. Recovering from a Stroke
June Harris .............................................................. Recovering from Brain Injuries sustained in an automobile accident
Gary Martie .............................................................................................. Health Concerns
Al *(friend of Lois Werner)*................................................................. Colon Cancer
Jan VanEe ............................................................................................... Health Concerns
Barry Stelzer *(Donna Lowcher’s brother)* ............................................. Diagnosed with Cancer
Gwen Engleright ...................................................................................... Health Concerns
Al Grimm .................................................................................................. Health Concerns
Billie S. *(Friend of Melinda Mogowski)* ................................................. Cancer
Donna K. *(Friend of Melinda Mogowski)* ............................................ Battling Cancer
Etta Parrott ............................................................................................... Health Concerns
Bud Sheets ............................................................................................. Health Concerns
Browder Family .............................................................. In the Death of Greg Browder
Martinez Family ............................................................ In the Death of Lisa Martinez *(Wife of former pastor)*
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 of 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 or any of our programs, please contact us!

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