Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

A Celebration of
the Lord's Day

March 4, 2018
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: “I Call to you, Lord Jesus Christ” (BWV 639) J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please pass the guest pads and hunger baskets)

♦ THE GATHERING SONG: “Lord, Prepare Me” (Sung twice)

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true.
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you. (repeat once)

♦ THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively)

ONE: The law of the Lord is perfect,
ALL: reviving the soul;
ONE: the decrees of the Lord are sure,
ALL: making wise the simple;
ONE: the precepts of the Lord are right,
ALL: rejoicing the heart;
ONE: the commandment of the Lord is clear,
ALL: enlightening the eyes;
ONE: the fear of the Lord is pure,
ALL: enduring forever;
ONE: the ordinances of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.
ALL: They are more desirable than gold, and sweeter than honey.
In keeping them is great reward.

♦ THE OPENING PRAYER

THE CALL TO CONFESION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Spoken in Unison)

Merciful God, how fickle we are; we sin against you without even knowing it. Clear us, we pray, of any unknown sin, and save us from willfully ignoring your way. Let your commandments rule and guide us. Forgive us for worshipping anyone or anything except you; keep us faithful. Forgive us for failing to honor all our relationships—with those closest to us and those who are distant neighbors. Help us to speak words of blessing and kindness, rather than words that belittle or destroy. Turn us away from violence, falsehood, and selfishness. Forgive us for thinking everything depends on our efforts and power, for you are the God who made us, led us out of slavery, and has brought us into the community of faith. Help us to depend on you alone and to rest in your peace. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Concluding with the Kyrie)
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.

✦ 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 OFFERING OF GIFTS .............................................................................. Tommy Smith, Greeting Elder

THE ORGAN OFFERTORY: “Whiter than Snow”..............................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 .............................................................. Tommy Smith, Greeting Elder

~ The Word of the Lord ~

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION .................................................................. Ike McRee, Liturgist

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Exodus 20: 1-7 ..............................Ike McRee, Liturgist

Then God spoke all these words: I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; you shall have no other gods before me. You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments. You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.


The Sanctuary Choir

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Exodus 20: 8-17 ......................The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it. Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. You shall not murder. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor’s house; you shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

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

THE SERMON: “The Benefit of Expectations”.................................The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore
God has established a covenant to bind the faithful with their Lord. Freed slaves became the people of God when they accepted the Lord's covenant. God charged them to respond to God's rescuing love by obeying the Lord's commandments. Their life together was to express the justice and compassion of their holy God. Since we, too, are the Lord's covenant people, we know we must be holy as the Lord is holy. We must keep God's commandments, not in order to earn or compel the Lord's favor, but to reflect the character of God and to be God's grateful and loving people.

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**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

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**THE HYMN OF COMMUNION NO. 32:** “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” ............... ELLACOMBE

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**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.

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**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.

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**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.

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**THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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**THE HYMN OF SENDING NO. 20:** “All Things Bright and Beautiful” .................. ROYAL OAK

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**THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

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**THE CLOSING RESPONSE:** "Shalom to You” ......................................................... Eslinger

The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friend.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friend.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

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**THE ORGAN POSTLUDE:** “Postlude on ‘Ellacombe’” ........................................... arr. Jason Payne

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Lenten Sermon Series on Covenant
February 18 – March 25, 2018

Many of us are familiar with signing contracts whether we are borrowing money, buying a car, or agreeing to a new job. Contracts are legally binding agreements based on the idea that we have to have something in writing so that both sides will keep up their end of the bargain. Unlike a contract, healthy relationships are built on trust and a willingness to be honest and vulnerable. In the Bible, however, God uses covenant, not contract, as a way to establish genuine relationships with us. We will explore the covenants that God has made with us throughout this Lenten series and the meaning of those covenants for our identity and our lives.

Lenten Devotionals Now Available
The devotional, “Practicing Love: Family Devotions for Lent,” written by Leah and Robyn Perrault, is available in the Gathering Space. As Christians, we strive to live and love as Jesus did. In order to love well, we need to practice. And practicing as a family helps everyone grow in their faith together each day. This booklet is filled with reflections and activities that gently invite the whole family to practice love for Lent, even though love never goes out of season.

Bus Shopping Trip
The Transportation Committee is sponsoring a shopping trip to the new Norfolk Premium Outlet mall. The trip will be on Thursday, March 22, leaving church on the church bus at 8:30 a.m. Tentative schedule is to shop from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. Then we will stop somewhere for lunch, before returning home. We plan to be home around 4 - 4:30.

Cost is $15 per person (to cover gas and part of an oil change). There are 13 seats available on the bus. Please contact Jeanne Martie (441-8608 or jlmartie@charter.net) to reserve your seat. Payment will be due by Sunday, March 18. Each person will be responsible for paying for their own lunch and, of course, their own shopping!

Welcome New Members!
Callin Lewis and Grace Hook were baptized and joined the church on February 25th. Please welcome them as official members of the congregation.

Wednesday Lenten Worship Service Schedule
Outer Banks Presbyterian has proudly hosted community Lenten Service sponsored by the Dare County Ministerial Association for many years. The services began on Ash Wednesday, February 14 at 12:00 noon and will continue through March 28. There is a service in the sanctuary followed by a light lunch in the fellowship hall. The cost of the lunch is $5.00 and the proceeds go to the Beach Food Pantry. All are invited to these services of music and reflection. The schedule for the remainder of the 2018 Lenten season is as follows:

March 7
Chaplain Cherri Wheeler, Speaker from Kitty Hawk Baptist Church
Kitty Hawk Baptist Church, Luncheon

March 14
The Rev. Keith Dey, Speaker from Emmanuel Lutheran Church St. Andrews’ Episcopal Church, Luncheon

March 21
The Rev. Charles Daly, Speaker from Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church, Luncheon

March 28
The Rev. Spottswood Graves, Speaker from Calvary Presbyterian, Swan Quarter Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Luncheon

Easter Lily Donations
If you would like to place an Easter Lily order to remember or honor a loved one, the Easter lily order forms are now available. The cost this year is $10.00. Please pick up an order form in the Gathering Space and turn it into the church office or place in the offering plate no later than Sunday, March 18, 2017.

Scholarships Available
Graduating high school seniors who are members of OBPC are eligible to apply for a one-time gift from this fund. Requirements and application form are available on our website. Applications are due no later than April 3rd.
This Week at OBPC

**Sunday, March 4, 2018**
9:00 am ................. Sunday School
10:00 am ............... Morning Worship
4:00 pm ............... Sanctuary Choir
5:00 pm ................ Youth Group

**Monday, March 5, 2018**
7:30 am .................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.
6:30 pm ................... Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, March 6, 2018**
7:30 am .................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.
6:30 pm ................... Cub Scouts

**Wednesday, March 7, 2018**
7:30 am .................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.
12:00 pm .......... Wed. Lenten Service
6:00 pm ................... Sanctuary Choir
6:30 pm ............ Adult Evening Study

**Thursday, March 8, 2018**
7:30 am .................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.

**Friday, March 9, 2018**
7:30 am .................... A.A.
8:00 am ............ Men’s Bible Study
10:00 am ................... A.A.

**Saturday, March 10, 2018**
7:30 am .................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.

**Sunday, March 11, 2018**
9:00 am .................. Sunday School
10:00 am ............... Morning Worship
4:00 pm ............... Sanctuary Choir
5:00 pm ............... Youth Group

Those Serving Today

**This Week….
March 4, 2018**
Greeting Elder: Tommy Smith
Liturgist: Ike McRee
Coffee Hour: Communion Guild
Children's Church: Hardy/Davis

**Next Week….
March 11, 2018**
Greeting Elder: Tommy Smith
Liturgist: Nonie Booth
Coffee Hour: Hope, Faith, & Love Circle
Children's Church: Braymiller/Wood

What is Lent?

Lent is a period of prayer and reflection that began on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and ends on Easter Sunday, April 1. Lent is a holy season of preparation for the church. During Lent, we follow Jesus on the road toward Jerusalem and his death on the cross for our sake. Lent recognizes that life is full of temptations and that we too often succumb to sin and distance ourselves from God’s will. In Lent, God calls us to a time of simplicity where we focus our attention on God’s voice. Jesus himself spent forty days in the wilderness so that he could more clearly discern God’s direction for his life.

Save the Date!

**11th Annual Spring / Easter Concert**
Saturday, March 17 | 5 pm
Sunday, March 18 | 5 pm

Vital Signs
February 25 ....................... $5,289
Total for February .............. $21,954.34

Attendance
Feb. 25 (10:00 am) .................. 123
Feb. 28 (Wednesday) .............. 54
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**

Buzz and Ann Boyd ........................................... 2445 NW 15th Place, Gainsville, FL 32605
Bud Sheets ..................................................... 5500 W. Seachase Dr., Nags Head, NC 27959
Don & Nancy Bierwerth ................................. 410 Hastings Ln, Apt. 309, Elizabeth City, NC 27909
Etta Parrott .......................................................... 3400 Bay Drive, Kitty Hawk NC 27949
Mickey Meekins ...... Peak Resources, Rm. 407, 430 Health Center Dr., Nags Head, NC 27959

**Members & Friends – Other Prayer Concerns**

Jack Abernathy ................................................................ Health Concerns
Claire Schietinger (Alicia Norwood’s granddaughter) ......................... Surgery on Feb. 28
Shirley (Friend of Sharon McRee) ................................................ Cancer Treatments
Frank Stalling (Jim Goes’ Son-in-Law) ................................................. Health Concerns
Millie Rickers ........................................................................ Health Concerns
Anne Cramer .............................................................................. Health Concerns
Jerry Hale ........................................................................... Undergoing cancer treatments
Shirley Garrett ........................................................................... Recovering from injuries in auto accident
Dan (brother of choir member Mary Christensen) .................................... Health Concerns
George Daniels ........................................................................ Recovering from cancer
John Dick .................................................................................. Health Concerns
Sarah Garvin (Mother of Teddy Garvin) ........................................ Serious health concerns
Lawrence Rust (Grandson of Barbara Rust) ................................ Deployed to Afghanistan
Russell Taylor (Lauren Taylor’s father) ................................................ Advanced cancer
Amanda Kirkman (Friend of Trish Thomas) ...................................... Health concerns
Ansley Johnson (Friend of Sharon McRee) ..................................... 7-year old with Leukemia
Tim Tiller (Friend of Kathryn Lamb) .............................................. Recovering from a stroke
Richard Pfersick (Friend of Barbara Rust in Georgia) ....................... Serious heart problems
Kathy Ballard (Daughter of Natalie & Duel Ballard) ..................... Diagnosed with oral cancer
June Harris ............................................................................ Recovering from brain injuries sustained in a car accident
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!

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.

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Jeanne Martie (441-8608)

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