Outer Banks Presbyterian Church

Down to the RIVER to PRAY

Outdoor Worship Service & Church Picnic

Sunday, September 23rd 10:30 am
Soundside Park Point Harbor, NC

BBQ | Fried Chicken | Fixin’s
Sign Up in the Gathering Space

Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
The 39th Anniversary of Outer Banks Presbyterian
& The 18th Sunday after Pentecost
September 23, 2018 | 10:30 am
The Order of Service for the Lord’s Day

~ We Gather Together as God’s People ~

THE GATHERING

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively)

ONE: Happy are those who take delight in the law of the Lord.

ALL: They are like trees planted by streams of water. In all that they do they prosper.

ONE: For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous.

ALL: May God number us with the righteous as we worship the Lord.

ONE: Let us worship God!

THE GATHERING SONG NO. 375: “Shall We Gather at the River” ......................... HANSON PLACE

THE OPENING PRAYER

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

THE HYMN NO. 721: “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore” ......................... PESCADOR DE HOMBRES

THE MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP ................................................................. Grace Hook

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON: James 5:7-20 ......................................................... The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

Be patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. Indeed we call blessed those who showed endurance. You have heard of the endurance of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful. Above all, my beloved, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or by any other oath, but let your “Yes” be yes and your “No” be no, so that you may not fall under condemnation.

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner’s soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.
THE HOMILY: “Praying in All Circumstances” ............................. The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER (Spoken responsively)

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 HYMN NO. 69: “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky” .................................................................HERE I AM (Schutte)

♦ THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION

♦ THE CLOSING RESPONSE: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"..................................................DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

We now go forth in peace to love and serve God and God’s people in Christ’s name!

Hurricane Florence Disaster Relief

The needs will change as the recovery unfolds. Right now families need food, shelter and medical care as well as Spiritual Care as they return to their homes. Do NOT attempt to go there on your own right now. When the curfews are lifted and mandatory evacuations are cancelled, survivors will need support for clearing debris, cleaning up their homes and rebuilding what has been washed away.

In response, Churches can help in a number of ways:

1. Provide financial support through offerings to our church. On the Memo Line of your check, write "Hurricane Florence." Your money will be sent to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance or the Presbytery of New Hope.

2. Assemble Flood Buckets. New Hope Presbytery is organizing a Flood Bucket Collection to assist families in cleaning their homes after the water recedes. The deadline for the collection is October 8th. (A list of items needed and instructions for assembling the flood buckets are on the New Hope Presbytery Disaster website.) The finished buckets will be stored at the church until it is time to take them to one of three collection sites in the Presbytery. If someone would like to organize this, please contact the church office.

3. Organize teams to help with debris clearance. Pastor Moore would like to see a work team organized from our church to help with hurricane relief in the future. Crisis Cleanup is a clearinghouse for volunteer teams. Churches are eligible to register a team. Once a team is registered, they can go to the website and see the jobs posted. You can pick your job and go to work! It is very easy to sign up at crisiscleanup.org. Contact the office if you are interested in participating.

4. Pray for people affected by Hurricane Florence.
**This Week at OBPC**

**Sunday, September 23, 2018**
10:30 am.................. Morning Worship & Picnic, Soundside Park
5:00 pm.................... Youth Group

**Monday, September 24, 2018**
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.
6:30 pm ................... Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, September 25, 2018**
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.
10:00 am ............. Faith Knitters
5:15 pm ........... Pastor’s Bible Study
6:30 pm ................ Cub Scouts

**Wednesday, September 26, 2018**
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.
6:00 pm .......... Sanctuary Choir
6:30 pm ............ Adult Evening Study

**Thursday, September 27, 2018**
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.
5:00 pm ................ Girl Scouts

**Friday, September 28, 2018**
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
8:00 am ............. Men’s Bible Study
10:00 am ................... A.A.

**Saturday, September 29, 2018**
7:30 am ..................... A.A.
10:00 am ................... A.A.

**Sunday, September 30, 2018**
9:00 am .................. Sunday School
10:00 am ............. Morning Worship
5:00 pm ................ Youth Group

**Announcements**

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!**
Sunday morning, September 9, we received 5 new members into our church family. Be sure to give them a wonderful and warm Outer Banks Presbyterian welcome. They are: Michael Bennett, Tom and Ellen Carrico, and Jerry and Esther Huntsinger.

**RESCHEDULED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**
The Called Congregational Meeting originally scheduled for September 16 to consider nominees for the Elder Class of 2021 has been rescheduled. That meeting will now take place immediately after church on Sunday, October 7. Please plan to participate in this important meeting.

**FLU SHOT CLINIC**
Also on October 7, after the congregational meeting, there will be a flu shot clinic at the church. We currently have 17 people signed up and we need 25 in order to hold the clinic. Please sign up on or before September 30. You may also call the office and ask our secretary to put you on the list.

**Pastor’s Bible Study**
Pastor Jody is leading a Bible Study series during September and early October. The class meets at 5:15 pm on Tuesdays in the fellowship hall from September 4 through October 16. As we have done in the past, we will be studying the same Scripture passage that Pastor Jody will be preaching on the following Sunday. You can attend one or all of the classes. The remaining schedule is below.

Sept 25 ........................... Guest Pastor
Oct 2 ................................. Ephesians 4:1-16
Oct 16 ......................... Mark 9:33-37, 10:13-16

**Vital Signs**
September 9 .................. $3,857.00
Total for September ........ $12,454.00
Pennies for Hunger .......... $64.87

**Attendance**
September 9 .................. 144
*Note: 9/16 service was cancelled due to hurricane evacuation