Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

The Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, September 29, 2019
10:00 am

REJOICE
& Give Thanks
God’s House, Our Time

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 WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please pass the guest pads)

✝THE CHORAL INTROIT: “The God of All Creation” ......................... D. Harrison  
The Sanctuary Choir

✝THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively) ..................... Ron Baker, Liturgist

ONE: We rejoice, O God, that you call us to this place to sing your praise and offer our lives.

ALL: For you have searched for us and found us. You rejoice in our salvation.

ONE: You strengthen us and call us to serve; you have appointed us to service in Christ.

ALL: To the ruler of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be all honor and glory, forever and ever, Amen.

✝THE OPENING PRAYER................................. Ron Baker, Liturgist

✝✝THE HYMN NO. 157: “I Danced in the Morning” ....................LORD OF THE DANCE

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Spoken in Unison)

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises. And grant, O merciful God, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your majestic name. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS

✝THE GLORIA: “Crown Him with Many Crowns” ......................... DIDEMATA

Crown Him the Lord of heav’n! One with the Father known,  
One with the Spirit thro’ Him giv’n from yonder glorious throne.  
To Thee be endless praise, For Thou hast died for us.  
Be Thou, O Lord, thro’ endless days adored and magnified.
ONE: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
ALL: And also with you.

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

THE MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP ..................................................Becky DeSanto

~ The Word of the Lord ~

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION..............................................Ron Baker, Liturgist

THE FRIST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 23 ......................... Ron Baker, Liturgist

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want. He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name’s sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM: “My Redeemer and My Friend” ............ M. McDonald

The Sanctuary Choir


Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So he told them this parable: “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

“Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

ONE: This is the Word of the Lord.
ALL: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON: “God’s Pursuit of Us” ................................. The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

~ We Respond to the Word ~

♦THE HYMN NO. 187: “Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us” .........................BRADBURY
THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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 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 PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS

Jim Goes, Greeting Elder

THE ORGAN OFERTORY

THE DOXOLOGY NO. 612: “We Praise you, O God” (Verse 1) ....................KREMSE

We praise, you O God, our Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you;
We bless your holy name, glad praises we sing.

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION .................Jim Goes, Greeting Elder

~ We Go Forth in Jesus’ Name ~

THE HYMN NO. 697: “Take My Life” (Verses 1-4).................................HENDON

THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING RESPONSE: "May God’s Blessings" .................Cliff Barrows

The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

May God’s blessings surround you each day
as you trust Him and walk in His way.
May His presence within guard and keep you from sin.
Go in peace, go in joy, go in love. Go in peace, go in joy, go in love.

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE

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Next Week’s Sermon

Philemon 1-17. Paul writes a letter to his dear friend Philemon; Paul deeply appreciates that friendship. Paul also pleads for his friend to set free his slave Onesimus, who has become a Christian. Paul defies social conventions of the day to show that Christian brothers and sisters should not enslave or take advantage of one another. We are to treat each other with dignity and respect because of our identity in Christ. On this World Communion Sunday, we will see how Paul’s teachings provide guidance for how to live in peace with one another.
Sanctuary Flowers

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary this morning by Susi and Bobby Gentry in honor of their 23rd wedding anniversary.

Called Congregational Meeting Today

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting 10 minutes after the worship service today. The purpose of the meeting is to hear a report from the Congregational Nominating Committee, including their recommendation of three individuals to serve on the Session's Class of 2022: Ron Baker, Barbara Nock, and Evelyn Webb. Please plan to attend this important meeting!

World Communion Sunday & Peace and Global Witness Offering

Next Sunday, October 6, is World Communion Sunday, which highlights our unity with Christians throughout the world. A special offering for Peace and Global Witness will be taken that enables the church to promote the peace of Christ by addressing systems of injustice in our own communities and across the world. In recognition of World Communion Sunday, we will be sharing breads from around the world during communion.

Fall Adult Education Classes

The study of “Christian Doctrine” by Shirley C. Guthrie, Jr. will resume on Tuesday, October 8, at 5:00 pm with Chapter 15: “What’s New? The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit.” The fall class will continue on the following Tuesdays at 5:00 pm: Oct. 15, 22, 29, and Nov. 5. All are invited to attend. Participation in study of the earlier chapters is not necessary.

Third Thursday Lunch

Please join us on Thursday, October 17, at 12 noon at Hurricane Moe’s, for our next 3rd Thursday lunch. Join us for a great meal and fellowship! Please RSVP to Cathie in the office at 252-441-5897 or office@outerbankspresbyterian.org no later than Monday, October 14.

Consecration Sunday, October 20

Consecration Sunday is the day we dedicate the offerings of our time, talent and financial gifts to God! Please plan to bring your completed Pledge Cards and Stewardship & Generosity Ministry Forms with you to church on October 20th, or mail them or bring them by the office before the 20th if you will not be in church that day. Through our generosity, we will give thanks to God for all that he has given to us and concretely demonstrate our allegiance to Jesus Christ.

Trunk or Treat Fall Festival

On Sunday, October 27, our church will be sponsoring a Trunk or Treat Fall Festival from 5:00-6:00 PM. This is a free community event where families can bring their children and enjoy safe trick or treating, games, food, and fellowship. We are in need of lots of volunteers to make this event a success! Please sign up in the gathering space or see Hollie Writtenberry for more information!

Anniversary Shirts

The Presbyterian Women are continuing to sell OBPC shirts ($20.00) and sweatshirts ($30.00).
This Week at OBPC

Sunday, Sept. 29, 2019
9:00 am .......................... Sunday School
10:00 am ........................ Morning Worship
11:15 am ......................... Congregational Meeting
4:30 pm .......................... Youth Group

Monday, Sept. 30, 2019
7:30 am ................................ A.A.
10:00 am .......................... A.A.
6:30 pm ............................ Boy Scouts

Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2019
7:30 am ................................ A.A.
10:00 am .......................... A.A.
6:00 pm ........................... Sanctuary Choir
6:30 pm ........................... Adult Evening Study

Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2019
7:30 am ............................ A.A.
10:00 am .......................... A.A.
6:00 pm .......................... Cub Scouts

Thursday, Oct. 3, 2019
7:30 am ................................ A.A.
10:00 am .......................... A.A.
5:00 pm ............................ Girl Scouts

Friday, Oct. 4, 2019
7:30 am ............................ A.A.
8:00 am .......................... Men's Bible Study
10:00 am .......................... A.A.

Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019
7:30 am ................................ A.A.
10:00 am .......................... A.A.

Sunday, Oct. 6, 2019
9:00 am ............................ Sunday School
10:00 am ........................ Morning Worship
11:15 am ......................... Flu Shot Clinic
4:30 pm .......................... Youth Group

Those Who Serve...

This Week….  
Sept. 29, 2019

Greeting Elder: Jim Goes  
Liturgist: Ron Baker
Coffee Hour: Administration
Children's Church: Letha McDowell

Next Week….  
Oct. 6, 2019

Greeting Elder: Judy Whittle  
Liturgist: TBA
Coffee Hour: Outreach & Witness
Children’s Church: Braymiller

Sign Up Today!

Flu Shot Clinic - Oct. 6

Today is the last day to sign-up for the Flu Shot Clinic being held at church next Sunday, October 6, beginning at 11:30 a.m. The sign-up sheet is in the Gathering Space.

Flu season will soon be here and influenza and pneumonia are serious health threats, particularly for young children and older adults. When you get vaccinated, it protects not only you, but your family and friends, too.

Please bring your insurance card to the clinic if you have one, and plan to stay after church and mingle with your friends as everyone does their part to stay healthy this season!

Vital Signs

Sun., Sept. 22 .......................... $5,805.00
Total for September ........... $17,482.50
Pennies for Hunger .............. $93.78
Sat., Sept. 21 Concert .......... $888.00

Attendance

Sat., Sept. 21 Concert .............. 193
Sun., Sept. 22 Worship ............. 188
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.

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

Marge Bennett .................. Pine Run, 777 Ferry Road, Rm. 407, Doylestown, PA 18901
Don & Nancy Bierwerth ............... 410 Hastings Ln, Apt. 309, Elizabeth City, NC 27909
Anne Cramer ............................. 803 Bermuda Bay Blvd, Room 101, KDH, NC 27948
Claudette Forney .......................... 321 Gunas Dr., Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948
Howard Miller .............................. 2232 Clemson Rd., Apt. 1014, Columbia, SC 29229
Etta Parrott ............... Peak Resources, 430 Health Center Dr., Nags Head, NC 27959
Bud Sheets .............................. 5500 W. Seachase Dr., Nags Head, NC 27959

**Christian Sympathy**

We offer our prayers to the family and parishioners of Don Teears, the pastor of Kitty Hawk Baptist Church, upon his death.

**Members & Friends**

Jack Abernethy .......................... Health Concerns
Les Basnight (Jean Basnight’s son) .................. Health Concerns
Martha Butcher (Art Teacher at FFES & MES) .................. Health Concerns
George Daniels ............................. Recovering from Cancer
Lisa Evans (Jason Evans’ Sister-in-Law) ............. Health Concerns
Matt & Dorothy George ............................ Health Concerns
Ann Gilbert (Friend of Ellen Grove) .................. Cancer
Ansley Johnson (Friend of Sharon McRee) ............... Leukemia in Remission
Terry Legel ............................. Complex Metastatic Cancer
Nancy Mathews ............................. Health Concerns
Nancy Messinger ............................. Health Concerns
Joe & Barbara Morgan ............................. Health Concerns
Roy Murray (Trumpeter friend of OBPC) ............. Stroke
Fran Peel ............................. Health Concerns
Richard Phersick (friend of Barbara Rust) ............. Health Concerns
Claudia Riley (Louise Roberts’ mother) .................. Health Concerns
Blanche Robinson (Brenda Brown’s mother) .................. Health Concerns
Kevin Scholl (Son of Ruth Ann and Tom Scholl) ............. Metastatic Melanoma
Peggy Seifert (Linda McGee’s Exec. Asst.) ............. Health Concerns
Fred Smith ............................. Health Concerns
Hank Sprenger ............................. Recovering from Surgery
Frank Stallings (Jim Goes’ Son-in-Law) ............. Cancer
Steve Szaksz (Jerry Hale’s Stepson) ............. Health Concerns
Lisa Trupo (Friend of Ellen Grove) ............. Cancer
Pat Yoder ............................. Health Concerns
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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480-0858

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261-1149

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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.

**Disbursing Treasurer**
Cathie Feild, Secretary (441-5897)

**Receiving Treasurers**
Becky Lofton-DeSanto
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One way to give is through online donations via a website link ❤️GIVE NOW at www.outerbankspresbyterian.org.