Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2020
10:00 am

Consecration Sunday  November 15
Celebrating the Joy of Giving

For your safety, every other row in the Sanctuary has been marked with red ribbon. Please DO NOT sit in these rows. Also, sit 6-feet away from anyone not in your immediate family. Face masks covering your nose and mouth must be worn at all times.

We will not have an offering during the service. Please leave any offerings and pledge cards in the plates on the table in the gathering space either upon entering or upon leaving. Thank you!

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

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: “Praise Him! Praise Him!” .................................................................arr. J. Payne

Jason Evans, organist

The Welcome and Announcements

♦ The Call to Worship ................................................................. Jean Basnight, Liturgist

One: Unless the Lord builds the house,

All: those who build it labor in vain.

One: Unless the Lord guards the city,

All: the guard keeps watch in vain.

One: Do not toil anxiously, from dawn through the night,

All: for the Lord gives sleep to those God loves, providing for their needs, night and day.

♦ The Opening Prayer ................................................................. Jean Basnight, Liturgist

The Call to Confession

The Prayer of Confession (Spoken in unison)

Compassionate God, we need the renewal of your forgiving grace. We fail to live simply in dependence upon you. We try to provide for ourselves, as if there were blessings apart from you. We clutch our possessions in anxiety, as if they, not you, give us value. We seek human recognition and honor rather than humbling ourselves to serve your glory. Though you give us all we need, we resist giving to others. Free us, O God, from our sin and the selfishness which ensnares us. Touch our hearts again with your gracious love in Jesus Christ, who though he was rich became poor for our sakes, that through his poverty we might become rich. Amen.

The Silent Prayer of Confession

The Assurance of God’s Forgiveness

† † The Passing of the Peace (Spoken Responsively)

One: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

You are invited to greet your neighbors by putting your hand over your heart as a sign of love and friendship that highlights our unity as a church family.

(Children in K-5 are dismissed to go to Children's Church)
The Word of the Lord

The Prayer for Illumination ................................. Jean Basnight, Liturgist

The First Scripture Lesson: Matthew 25:14-21, 24-28 ................. Jean Basnight, Liturgist

“For it is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master’s money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, ‘Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.’ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’

Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ But his master replied, ‘You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents.

The Special Music: “The Anchor Holds” .........................arr. Boltz

Christine Jackle, soloist

The Second Scripture Lesson: II Corinthians 8:1-9 .................... The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been granted to the churches of Macedonia; for during a severe ordeal of affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. For, as I can testify, they voluntarily gave according to their means, and even beyond their means, begging us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in this ministry to the saints—and this, not merely as we expected; they gave themselves first to the Lord and, by the will of God, to us, so that we might urge Titus that, as he had already made a beginning, so he should also complete this generous undertaking among you. Now as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you—so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

One: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.

The Sermon: “Overflowing with Generosity” .......................... The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

We Respond to the Word

The Piano Meditation: “Jesus Keep me Near the Cross” .....................arr. Evans/Raney

Jason Evans, pianist
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; 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 Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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.

~ Consecrating Our Gifts to God ~

THE LITURGY

ONE: God cares for us in ways which are passionate, poignant, and enduring,

ALL: and we love God with all our heart and soul, mind and strength.

ONE: We have much to give and offer:

ALL: We bring God our collective gifts, knowing that we are stronger, not as isolated individuals, but when we are united and working together as part of Christ’s one body.

ONE: As we plan with joy our common ministry in 2022, let us give as we are able, with open hearts, asking God to consecrate all that we bring in love, in care, and in resources to the best of our abilities. We thank you God for the abundant grace that the Lord has offered to us.

ALL: In response, we offer you Lord our gratitude and a spirit of generosity.

THE DEDICATION OF THE 2021 PLEDGE CARDS

~ We Go Forth in Jesus’ Name ~

♦THE CLOSING SPOKEN RESPONSE: "May God’s Blessings" ................. Cliff Barrow

(spoken only)

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. Amen.

♦THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE: “The Heavens are Telling”..................... J. Hayden (1732-1809)

Jason Evans, organist

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Consecration Sunday

This year we will not be bringing our pledge cards forward during the service. We ask that you place your pledge cards in one of the offering plates on the table in the gathering space. If you need a pledge card, please let an usher know.

The Daily Advent Devotional

The daily Advent devotional booklet this year is "Praying the Jesse Tree" by author Debra Grant. She brings fresh insights to the Biblical images that lead from the Garden of Eden to the birth of the Messiah. In chronological order, discover everything from rainbows to roses, from sandals to stars. Colorful illustrations accompany devotions for all the days in Advent and Christmas week, each with its own Scripture reference and closing prayer.

The booklet will be available in the Gathering Space beginning Sunday, November 22nd. If you would prefer to have a copy mailed to you please contact Cathie in the church office.

Alzheimer’s Awareness Month

November is both National Alzheimer’s Awareness Month and National Family Caregivers Month. We honor the caregivers and the individuals they support through this disease. We remember those who are living with illness now and those who have passed. We care for our community and all who provide support for our families.

Adult Sunday School

The Adult Sunday School Class continues its study of comparative religion. We are using the book 12 Major World Religions by Jason Boyett. We currently are studying Christianity. For the next several weeks we will be concentrating on the history of the Church:

November 15: Christianity, the first 400 years; November 22: Christianity, from the year 400 until 1271 (the end of The Crusades); and November 29: Christianity in the Middle Ages until 1648 (the end of The Reformation)

We will continue to meet via ZOOM on Sunday mornings at 8:30. Zoom invitations will be sent out to the class mailing list on Friday mornings and will be posted on the Church Facebook page. Please join us when you can! If you are interested, contact Tom Carrico at tcarrico24503@gmail.com.

Tuesday, December 1 | 9:00 am

All are welcome to join us in helping to make our church beautiful for the Advent and Christmas season.

Be sure to place your poinsettia order for the sanctuary for this Christmas. The cost of the poinsettias is $10.00. The last Sunday to order is December 6th.

Envelopes will be available in the Gathering Space or you may mail your order to the church office. Make checks payable to OBPC, indicate how many poinsettias you are ordering, and who they are in honor of or in memory of. To make sure your order arrives in time, mail no later than Nov. 30th.
This Week at OBPC

Sunday, November 15, 2020
Consecration Sunday
8:30 am..................... Sunday School (Zoom)
10:00 am.......................... Morning Worship
4:30 pm.......................... Youth Group

Monday, November 16, 2020
7:30 am................................. A.A.
6:30 pm............................. Boy Scouts

Tuesday, November 17, 2020
7:30 am................................. A.A.
12:00 pm......Pack meals for Ruthie’s Kitchen
2:00 pm............................ Elder Training
6:30 pm............................. Cub Scouts

Wednesday, November 18, 2020
7:30 am................................. A.A.
6:00 pm.............Jubilate Ringers Rehearsal

Thursday, November 19, 2020
7:30 am................................. A.A.

Friday, November 20, 2020
7:30 am................................. A.A.

Saturday, November 21, 2020

Sunday, November 22, 2020
8:30 am..................... Sunday School (Zoom)
10:00 am...................... Morning Worship
4:30 pm......................... Youth Group

Those Serving Today....

This Week.....
November 15, 2020
Greeting Elders:
Ron Baker & Ron Campbell
Liturgist: Jean Basnight
Ushers:
Karen Lurie & Evelyn Webb
Children's Church:
Not Available

Next Week.....
November 22, 2020
Greeting Elders:
Ike McRee & Barb Nowland
Liturgist: Barbara Hardy
Ushers:
Sandra Kreager & Linda Younkin
Children's Church:
Not Available

Automatic and Online Giving to the Church

VITAL SIGNS

November 8....................... $5,826.00
November Total................. $17,611.00

ATTENDANCE
November 8.......... 36 in-person + online viewers

OBPC has partnered with the Presbyterian Foundation to allow online giving of your pledges and donations. If you are interested in doing this, go to the OBPC website www.outerbanksprebyterian.org and click on the ‘GIVE NOW’ button. The first time you use the application, you will be directed to create a profile and then add your transaction. Follow the directions and fill in the requested information. Your donation can be by debit or credit card. You can select single or recurring transactions.

Another way to make contributions is to discuss automatic withdrawal options with your bank. You can arrange to have certain amounts sent to OBPC at regular intervals. You may also be able to do this by going to your bank’s website and setting up the “Bill Payer” option.
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**

Helen Beshens .......................................................... Peak Resources, Nags Head, Phone in room: 252-596-0109
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Claudette Forney ...................................................... 321 Gunas Drive, Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948
Oscar Northen .......................................................... P O Box 1331, Gloucester, VA 23061

**Members & Friends**

Jack Abernethy ................................................................ Health Concerns
Donna Bissell (friend of George & Lynda Wood) .................................................. Breast Cancer
Jim Carns (friend of Ellen Grove) ................................................................. Lung Transplant
Vince Daniels (son of George & Mary Daniels) ............................................ Recovering from Heart Surgery
Tommy DeSanto ........................................................................................ Health Concerns
Donna Evans .............................................................................................. In Hospital with Covid-19
Terry Evans ................................................................................................. Recovering from Hip Surgery
Ann Gilbert (friend of Ellen Grove) ................................................................. Cancer
Jim Goes ........................................................................................................ Cancer
Judy Goins (friend of Alicia Norwood) ........................................................ Health Concerns
Margaret Hartman ..................................................................................... Health Concerns
Linda Helmkamp ......................................................................................... Health Concerns
Joe Hendricks ............................................................................................. Recovering from Neck Surgery
Nick Hodsdon ......................................................................................... Health Concerns
Carl Lilieberg ............................................................................................... Cancer
Betyye Machen (Susi Gentry’s Stepmother) .................................................. Health Concerns
Luke Mahler (grandson of Craig & Fran Peel) ............................................ Covid-19
Ken McGee ................................................................................................. Recovering from Motorcycle Accident
Andy Mallory (Barb & Joe Morgan’s son/stepson) ....................................... Brain Cancer
Sharon McRee ............................................................................................ Health Concerns
Nancy Messinger ..................................................................................... Health Concerns
Joe Morgan ................................................................................................. Health Concerns
Fran Peel .................................................................................................. Pneumonia
Claudia Riley (Louise Roberts’ mother) ........................................................ Health Concerns
Louise Roberts ........................................................................................... Health Concerns
Fred Smith ................................................................................................. Health Concerns
Kathy Townsend (Frank & Carol Moore’s daughter’s mother in law) ........ Brain Tumor
Norm Sparks .............................................................................................. Recovering from Neck Surgery
Lynda Wood ............................................................................................... Cancer
John Younkin (Brother of Don Younkin) ......................................................... 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!

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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Cathie Feild, Secretary (441-5897)

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Another way to give is through online donations via a website link ❤GIVE NOW at: www.outerbankspresbyterian.org.

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