Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

May 2, 2021
10:00 am

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 in the plate 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: “There Is a Happy Land” ................................................................. G. Shearing
   Jason Evans, organist

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

♦ THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively) .......................................................... Ike McRee, Liturgist
   ONE: We gather to praise and worship God,
   ALL: the one who created us for love.
   ONE: We gather to worship the true vine,
   ALL: the one in whose love we abide.
   ONE: Easter people, Christ is risen!
   ALL: Christ is risen indeed!

♦ THE OPENING PRAYER .................................................................................................. Ike McRee, Liturgist

THE HYMN: “The Church’s One Foundation” .................................................................. AURELIA
   Elaine Spencer, soloist

THE CALL TO CONFESSION

THE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Spoken in unison)

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your goodness. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION .........................................................Ike McRee, Liturgist


From you comes my praise in the great congregation; my vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and be satisfied; those who seek him shall praise the Lord. May your hearts live forever!

All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord; and all the families of the nations shall worship before him. For dominion belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations.

To him, indeed, shall all who sleep in the earth bow down; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, and I shall live for him. Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the Lord, and proclaim his deliverance to a people yet unborn, saying that he has done it.

THE SPECIAL MUSIC: “The Lord Is My Light” ............................................arr. Salter Elaine Spencer, soloist

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: 1st John 4:7-21 .................................The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God’s love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, “I love God,” and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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

THE SERMON: “Rooted in God’s Love” .....................................................The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

~ We Respond to the Word ~

THE PIANO MEDITATION: “Day by Day” ..................................................arr. Bock Jason Evans, pianist

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR OUR OFFERINGS ...........................Ike McRee, Liturgist
THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH...........(From The Presbyterian Church (USA)’s Children’s Catechism)

Leader: Who are you?
People: I am a child of God.

Leader: What does it mean to be a child of God?
People: That I belong to God, who loves me.

Leader: What makes you a child of God?
People: Grace – God’s free gift of love that I do not deserve and cannot earn.

Leader: Don't you have to be good for God to love you?
People: No. God loves me in spite of all I do wrong.

Leader: How do you thank God for this gift of love?
People: I promise to love and trust God with all my heart.

Leader: How do you love God?
People: By worshipping God, by loving others, and by respecting what God has created.

~ The Sacrament of Holy Communion ~

THE INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE & THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ONE: The Lord be with you.
ALL: And also with you.
ONE: Lift up your hearts.
ALL: We lift them up to the Lord.
ONE: Let us give God thanks and praise.
ALL: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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 COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

THE COMMUNION MUSIC: “I Am the Bread of Life”.........................................................S. Toolan
Elaine Spencer, soloist

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

~ We Go Forth in Jesus’ Name ~

THE CLOSING CHORUS: “May God’s Blessings”.................................................................J. Innes
Elaine Spencer, soloist

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

THE ORGAN POSTLUDE: “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”..........................arr. Burkhardt
Jason Evans, organist

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Next Week’s Sermon
May 9, 2021. Matthew 28:16-20
As Jesus is preparing to leave his disciples, he offers them the Great Commission, their charge to make disciples of all nations. We, as Christians, are sent to share the Good News, but unfortunately there are many examples of Christians who have tried to gain new converts in thoughtless and insensitive ways. How can we share our faith with confidence, kindness, and sensitivity?

Annual Congregational Meeting
The Session set the date of May 16, 2021 for the Annual Congregational Meeting. At that meeting, the Congregation will elect four members to serve on the Church Nominating Committee. The Session selected Elders Ike McRee and Judy Whittle, both of the Class of 2021, to also serve on that committee and to co-chair the committee.

Adult Sunday School
Tanta Luckhardt-Hendricks is teaching an adult Sunday School class on the book of Acts of the Apostles. It began on Sunday, April 18th and will continue through Sunday, June 6th. The classes are by Zoom at 8:30 a.m. each Sunday. Contact Maggie Snyder (571-594-0815) or Karen Lurie (252-619-6144) for the Zoom link. All are welcome! The only book needed is your Bible.

Sanctuary Flowers
The flowers today are given by Barb Nowland and dedicated to the wonderful earth that God has given us. May we be good stewards of it.

There will be special envelopes in your bulletin on May 23rd for the Pentecost Offering, which unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people and inspire them to share their faith, ideas, and unique gifts with the church and the world. It also helps address the needs of at-risk children. 60% of the offering is sent to Presbytery and 40% stays local and goes to Dare County Friends of Youth. They are a mentoring program that places at-risk youth between the ages of 6-17 with caring adult volunteers who serve as role models and friends.

You can put your donation in the offering plate at church, or send it to the church office. Please write "Pentecost Offering" on the memo line.

Pentecost Picnic - May 23, 5:00pm
The Youth Group is sponsoring a picnic with proceeds going to benefit Montreat & Massanetta youth trips this summer. Hot dogs, hamburgers, sides, drinks, and ice cream will be served in a safe and socially distanced manner. The picnic will be outside if the weather is good. Suggested donation is $10/person or $20/family. Please pre-register for the picnic on the church’s website.

Scout Car Wash
Our Scout Troop is having a car wash in the church parking lot on May 8th from 10:00 until 2:00. Come get the spring pollen off of your car and support a good cause!
**This Week at OBPC**

**Sunday, May 2, 2021**
- 8:30 am ......................... Sunday School (Zoom)
- 10:00 am ........................ Morning Worship
- 4:30 pm ............................ Youth Group

**Monday, May 3, 2021**
- 7:30 am .......................... A.A.
- 10:00 am .......................... A.A.
- 6:30 pm ............................ Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, May 4, 2021**
- 7:30 am .......................... A.A.
- 10:00 am .......................... A.A.
- 6:30 pm ............................ Cub Scouts

**Wednesday, May 5, 2021**
- 10:00 am ........... Gary McGee Memorial Service

**Thursday, May 6, 2021**
- 7:30 am .......................... A.A.
- 10:00 am .......................... A.A.

**Friday, May 7, 2021**
- 7:30 am .......................... A.A.
- 10:00 am .......................... A.A.

**Saturday, May 8, 2021**
- 10:00 am ........................ Scout Car Wash

**Sunday, May 9, 2021**
- **Mother’s Day**
- 8:30 am .......................... Sunday School (Zoom)
- 10:00 am .......................... Morning Worship
- 4:30 pm ............................. Youth Group

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**Those Serving Today....**

Audio & Visual Ministry:
- Don Younkin & Nonie Booth

**This Week. . . .**
- **May 2, 2021**
  - 10:00 a.m.

Greeting Elders:
- Ron Baker & Judy Whittle

Liturgist:
- Ike McRee

Ushers:
- Linda Campbell & Linda Younkin

Children's Church:
- Hollie Writtenberry

**Next Week....**
- **May 9, 2021**
  - 10:00 a.m.

Greeting Elders:
- Ike McRee & Evelyn Webb

Liturgist:
- Nonie Booth

Usher:
- TBA

Children's Church:
- Hollie Writtenberry

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**Faith Knitters**

The Faith Knitters have diligently kept knitting and crocheting at home during the pandemic. We have been disappointed at not being able to meet, or to be able to distribute the prayer shawls and lap blankets to residents of nursing homes, assisted living facilities and a veteran’s home. Now we have lost our leader, Barbara Nock. It has not been the best year.

I am now in possession of all the shawls and blankets that were stored at Barbara’s home. If you would like to have a shawl, or know someone else that would like one, please be in touch with me. They need to be used and loved!

Barb Nowland
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252-480-0423 or 252-564-2272

Faith Knitters will meet May 11 & 25 from 10-Noon in the church gathering space.

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**Vital Signs**

April 25 ........................................ $976.00
Total for April ................................... $13,078.00

**Attendance**

April 11 ......................... 42 + online worshippers
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

Nancy Bierwerth .................................................. 401 Hastings Ln, Apt. 309, Elizabeth City, NC 27909
Margaret Brown ................................................. Peak Resources, 430 Health Center Dr., Nags Head 27959
John & Helen Dick .............................................. 591 Moyer Rd., Lot 48, New Castle, PA 16101
Ruth Dutt ............................................................. Currituck Health, 3907 Caratoke Hwy, Rm 208, Barco, NC 27917
Claudette Forney .................................................. 321 Gunas Drive, Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948
Oscar Northen ...................................................... P O Box 1331, Gloucester, VA 23061
Jim & Jean Sias .................................................... 7836 Sunset, Hayes, VA 23072

Christian Sympathy

Gary McGee, our Clerk of Session and Moderator of the Administration & Personnel Committee, died suddenly of a heart attack on April 28th. Please keep his wife Linda, their sons, Jeffrey and Scott, and all of their family in your prayers during this difficult time.

A Service of Witness to the Resurrection will be held on Wed., May 5th, at 10:00 a.m.

Members & Friends

Jack Abernethy .................................................. Recovering from Surgery
Warren Davis .......................................................... Health Concerns
Tommy DeSanto .................................................. Health Concerns
Susi Gentry ........................................................ Health Concerns
Jim Goes .......................................................... Health Concerns
Gayle Goetschius ................................................. Heart Problems
Wray Grumiaux .................................................. Health Concerns
Margaret Hartman ............................................... Health Concerns
Linda Helmkamp ................................................ Health Concerns
Joe Hendricks .................................................. Health Concerns
Bettye Machen (Susi Gentry’s Stepmother) .............. Health Concerns
Ken McGee (brother of Gary McGee) ...................... Recovering from Motorcycle Accident
Andy Mallory (Barb Morgan’s son) ......................... Brain Cancer
Sharon McRee .................................................. Health Concerns
Nancy Messinger ................................................ Health Concerns
Edward Roberts (Winkey Roberts’ brother) .............. Stroke
Mary Sansone (Sharon Moore’s mother) .................. Broken Leg
Fred Smith ........................................................ Health Concerns
Norm Sparks ........................................................ Health Concerns
Joe Terrell ........................................................ Health Concerns
Lynda Wood .................................................. Shoulder Surgery
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!

Disbursing Treasurer
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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