



2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Worship of the Living God

Gathering around the Word

Prelude

Welcome & Greeting Rev. Lara Musser Gritter

†Call to Worship Rev. Josh Musser Gritter

†Song *Here I Am To Worship*
Tim Hughes

Prayers of the People

Announcements

Offering

Offertory Praise Team
Evidence
Josh Baldwin | Ed Cash

†Doxology *Doxology (Alleluia)*
Chris Cleveland | Thomas Ken

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Forgiveness

†Response *Glory Be*
Chris Tomlin | Ed Cash

Communion

Communion Music *Remembrance*
Matt Maher | Matt Redman

†Prayer after Communion

Proclamation of the Word

Children’s Message Ronnie Church

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture: Isaiah 53:1-7

Scripture: Genesis 16:1-16

Sermon Rev. Lara Musser Gritter

Sending to share the Word

†Song *Greater*
Barry Graul | Bart Millard

Moment for Reflection

†Benediction

Postlude

†Those who are able are invited to stand.



Responding to the Word

†Affirmation of Faith Rev. Hannah Ostlund

The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God, and in memory of Bob and Arva Thomas by Steve and Donna Thomas.

JOYS AND CONCERNS: Bill Troxler, Mary Cameron, Jesse Tart, Martha Michael, Anne Saunders

Jim Mitchell and family on the death of his wife, Bev, on May 31.

CONTINUING CONCERNS: Deborah Alexander, Preston Askew, Bill Baker, Betty Carli, Ron Church, Ty Cobb, Alice Edwards (Tracy Smith’s mother), Luke Fisher, Scott Hay, Carter Jenkins, Rosalie Laughlin, Wib Manuel, Betty Mohs, Frank Saunders, Jenn Selby, John Smith, Jeanette Whitley, Acey Worthy

BIRTHDAYS: Mackenzie Mosack, Harrison Smith, Walter Almeida, Cheryl Kurey, Jan Kichefski, Lynn Bertram, Salem Fleming, Scott Leary, David Potts, Bill Schnuit, Howard Kessler, Bess Pomajzl, Jack Fisher

ANNIVERSARIES: Bill and Lisa Schnuit, Ty and Beverly Cobb, Denny and Karen Wenker

Ministry Focus

WE ARE SO GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

FRIENDSHIP PADS in your rows are for recording attendance and for visitors to share their information so that we can share about God’s work here.

CHILDREN’S ACTIVITY CLIPBOARDS are in the back of the room on the Welcome Table.

CHILDCARE (ages 4 and under) is available in the Nursery in our Family Life Center (see an usher for directions).

ASSISTED HEARING DEVICES are available from an usher.

COMMUNION

The living Christ encounters us in the ordinary elements of Communion. The invitation to the Lord’s Supper is extended by Christ and is open to all – believers and doubters, young children and adults, members and non-members. To highlight this gracious welcome of all, only non-alcoholic juice is served, and gluten-free bread is available. If you would like to refrain from the feast, you may cross your arms, and a blessing will be offered to you. If you cannot come forward, a minister will serve you in your seat. If you feel so moved to respond, people often reply with “Amen” or “Thanks be to God.”

Communion Elder: John Cave

WE ARE DEEPLY ROOTED

BAPTISM: This morning, Troy and Kia Creamer present their son, Griffin Foster Creamer, for baptism. Griffin’s older brother is Jack, and his grandparents are John and Kyna Grubb.

GROW: New Member Class – Have you been visiting with us for a while? Are you interested in learning more about Presbyterians and First Pres? Are you ready to join this family of faith? Then join us for lunch on Sunday, June 7, at 12:30, in the Fellowship Hall.

GROW: JOY is heading to the lake for lunch! Join us on June 11 at Scott and Carol Hay’s house at 11:30. (1210 Crane View Road, Salisbury) Drinks are provided. Please bring a side dish, main dish, salad, or dessert to share. We need to limit the number of people to 35, so call the church office soon before space runs out.

WORSHIP: Our First Pres Concert Series continues on Sunday, June 14, at 3:00, with a Piano Extravaganza! Get ready to be mesmerized! We are thrilled to welcome three extraordinary pianists for an afternoon of spectacular keyboard artistry: Dr. Lawrence Quinnett, George Mobley, and Dustin Shelton. From soaring Romantic repertoire to fresh and surprising discoveries, this concert promises to be an afternoon of pure musical magic. Refreshments will be served afterward. Childcare is available.

Ministry Focus

GROW: Mark your calendars! This summer (June 14 to August 2), we are excited to be offering a Unified Sunday School opportunity titled “The Arch of Scripture.” Together, we will explore the Bible from cover to cover at 30,000 feet and share ways you can engage our Holy text in your daily life. Join us in Fellowship Hall at 9:45.

WORSHIP: Unified Summer Worship is fast approaching. Mark your calendars now for Sundays, June 28 - August 2. We will alternate worship spaces beginning in Lewis Hall. Also, we will be worshipping at 10:30 (Sunday School moves to 9:30).

GROW: Register now for Vacation Bible School 2026 now! Join us on June 15-18, 5:00-7:30 pm, for a Snowball Mountain Challenge. VBS is open to all children currently in 3K through 5th grade.



GROW: VBS is right around the corner, and we need your 1-gallon clean, empty milk jugs to help with decorations. Drop off in the church office.

GROW: Our Men’s Bible Study with Pastor Josh continues each Tuesday at 6:30 am in room 201. (No class on June 30, July 7, 14, and 21)

WE HAVE A HEALTHY CORE

GIVING UPDATE:

2026 Budgeted Pledges through 05-31-26: \$480,194
2026 Year-to-Date Received: \$436,528

GIVING: Make summertime giving a breeze by setting up recurring gifts! Many of you support the congregation with your time, talent, and financial contributions throughout the year. But since many of our members travel or spend time visiting family and friends during the summer, it can be hard to keep up with weekly gifts. That’s why we encourage you to set up regular, recurring donations through our secure online giving site - www.firstpresssalisbury.org/give.

WE ARE BRANCHING OUT

SERVE: 2nd Sunday Cinema continues on Sunday, June 14, at 5:00, in Everyman’s Bible Class. The movie, sponsored by our Race and Justice Team, is Just Mercy. A 2019 American biographical legal drama film co-written and directed by Destin Daniel Cretton and starring Michael B. Jordan as Bryan Stevenson and Jamie Foxx as Walter McMillian, together with Rob Morgan, Tim Blake Nelson, Rafe Spall, and Brie Larson. It explores the work of Bryan Stevenson, a young defense attorney representing poor black prisoners on death row in the Southern US.



SERVE: God’s Table @ RHM - Volunteer now to help Pastor Hannah lead a brief time of worship at Rowan Helping Ministries (Jeannie’s Kitchen at 226 N Long St) before serving lunch together. Sunday, June 21, 11:15-1:00.

SERVE: Our next Helene Relief Trip will be July 19-24. Communities still need so much help rebuilding. Contact Bob Harris at 704-202-5877 to volunteer—no skills required and no cost for lodging and meals.

SERVE: Remember to sign up to host Rowan-Salisbury School’s Summer. We need 2-3 people daily, Monday-Friday, May 28-July 28, 11:15-12:15. Lunch is free for ALL children up to 18 years old, so bring your kids and grandkids!



SERVE: Save the date! Tuesday, July 28, 2:00-6:30 Red Cross Quarterly Blood Drive. Go online to book your appointment.



SERVE: The Race and Justice Team invites you to join them at the Juneteenth celebration at the Bell Tower Park on June 20, 11:00-7:00. One event will be to ride the trolley on the African American Heritage Trail with Livingstone staff as tour guides.

First Presbyterian Church

Where God’s Love is Alive for Mission

June 7, 2026

8:30 am

God’s Dysfunctional Family Tree An Incredible Beginning



MISSION PRIORITIES

Spirit-Centered Discipleship
Friendships Across Differences

Hands-On Local Mission
Embracing the Unchurched

