

Concord Presbyterian Church

SHOWING UP, WITH GOD'S LOVE



NOW WHAT?

OCTOBER 06, 2024

SOME NOTES TO HELP YOU PARTICIPATE FULLY IN WORSHIP:

The * symbol indicates to Rise in Body or Spirit.

We encourage worshippers of all ages to participate in the sanctuary. There are quiet toys and supplemental activities for young people in our balcony, and a nursery available for those ages 3 or younger.

Hearing assistive devices are available in a bin to the left of the main sanctuary doors.

Notes about the Worship Series: Road signs help us; they give information to drivers, they tell us different ways to go, give us warnings, show us where there are hazards, etc. Just as road signs give us necessary information as we drive, the Bible is full of God's Road signs to guide us through life's journey. But knowing the direction sometimes is not enough, We need to know "now what?" What do I do when I don't know what to do or where do I go when I don't know which direction to go? Come journey with us throughout the next twelve weeks during the Harvest Season as we travel down God's Road and follow the signs to "Now What?" More resources are available at cpcstatesville.org/nowwhat

Upcoming Volunteers

OCTOBER 6 LITURGIST	Paul Woodard
OCTOBER 6 FELLOWSHIP	Thomas and Liz Setser

OCTOBER 13 LITURGIST	Joe Bottoms
OCTOBER 13 FELLOWSHIP	Volunteer Needed

SEPTEMBER ELDER	John Ervin and Paul
OF THE MONTH	Woodard

WELCOME

Our God who is Our Creator God, Our Heavenly Father: Bless us with discomfort at easy answers, half-truths and superficial relationships.

Bless us with anger at injustice, oppression and exploitation of people. Bless us with tears to shed for those who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation and war.

Bless us with enough foolishness to believe that we can make a difference in this world. In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

***HYMN**

Come All You People

#388

1st time - Choir; 2nd Time - High Voices;
3rd and 4th Time All People

TIME FOR SILENT REFLECTION

Gracious Lord, creator of this universe, in your generosity you have given us a world of abundance and diversity, yet we live guided by greed and selfishness.

We confess we have defaced your creation through our desire for personal gain.

In Christ, you made us brothers and sisters and intended for us to be united, and yet we have built fences to separate us from those who are different from us.

We ignore the poor and the weak and honored the rich and powerful. In all this we have not lived according to your will.

**Forgive us, Lord, for daring to boast in our human achievements and for failing to recognize you alone are worthy of praise.
In your mercy, forgive us.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD'S GRACE

One: ...are being forgiven, even now.

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Glory to God! Amen.**

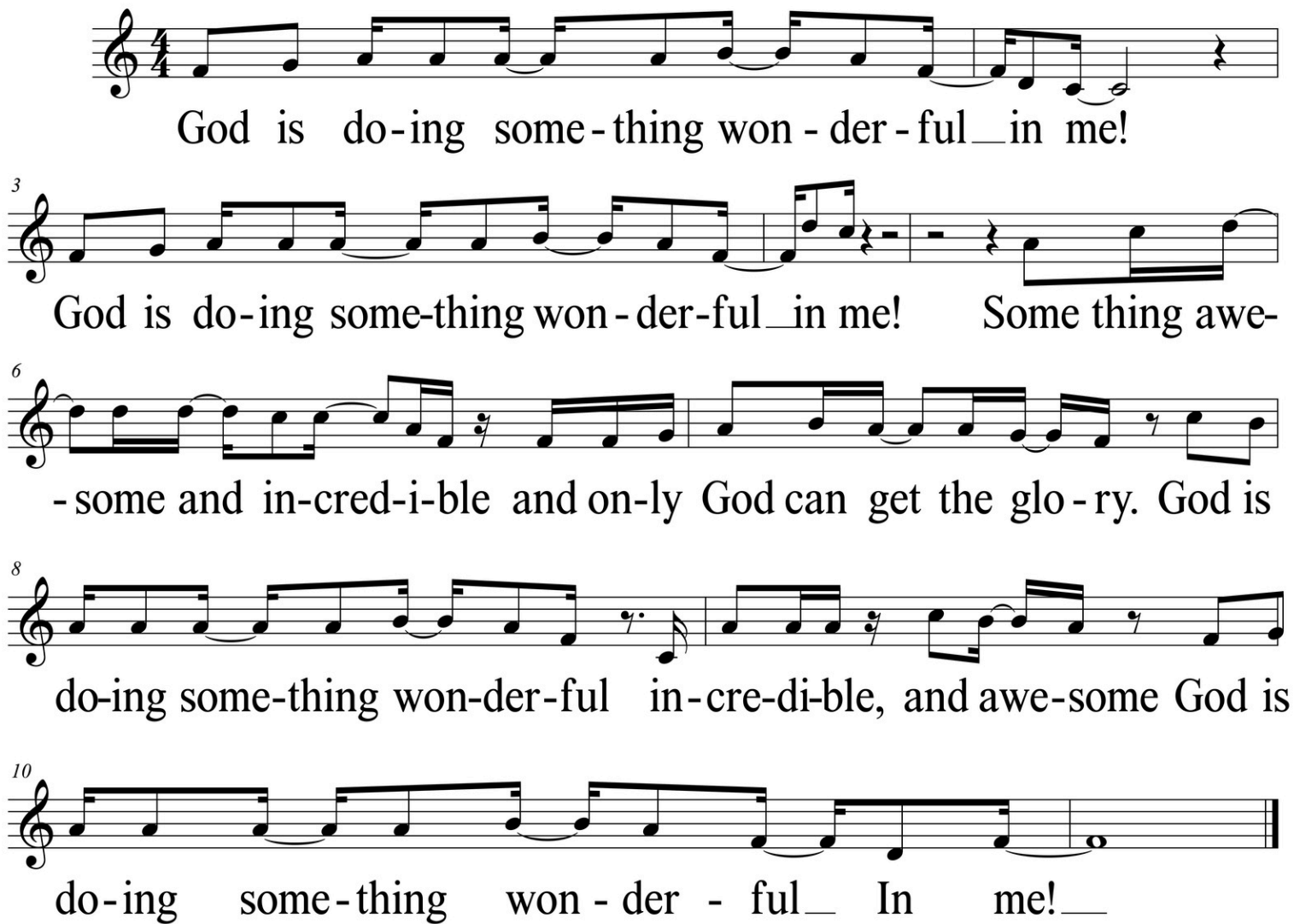
***HYMN**

This is My Song

#340

The Word of God

TIME WITH CHILDREN



God is do-ing some-thing won-der-ful__in me!

God is do-ing some-thing won-der-ful__in me! Some thing awe-

-some and in-cred-i-ble and on-ly God can get the glo-ry. God is

do-ing some-thing won-der-ful in-cre-di-ble, and awe-some God is

do-ing some-thing won-der-ful__ In me!__

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

JOB 1:1; 2:1-10

There was once a man in the land of Uz whose name was Job. That man was blameless and upright, one who feared God and turned away from evil.

One day the heavenly beings came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the LORD.

The LORD said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the LORD, "From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it."

The LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man who fears God and turns away from evil. He still persists in his integrity, although you incited me against him, to destroy him for no reason."

Then Satan answered the LORD, "Skin for skin! All that people have they will give to save their lives. But stretch out your hand now and touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse you to your face." The LORD said to Satan, "Very well, he is in your power; only spare his life."

So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD, and inflicted loathsome sores on Job from the sole of his foot to the crown of his head. Job took a potsherd with which to scrape himself, and sat among the ashes.

Then his wife said to him, "Do you still persist in your integrity? Curse God, and die." But he said to her, "You speak as any foolish person would speak. Shall we receive the good at the hand of God, and not receive the bad?" In all this Job did not sin with his lips.

REFLECTION ON THE WORD

SONG OF REFLECTION

Choir

You are Holy

Responding to God's Word

OFFERING OUR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE TO GOD

AS A THANKFUL AND GRATEFUL PEOPLE, WE PAUSE TO GIVE THANKS FOR THE MANY BLESSINGS OF GOD. WE TAKE THIS TIME TO NOTICE WHAT'S IMPORTANT TO OUR LIFE, AND TO CONSIDER HOW WE CAN OPEN OURSELVES UP TO THE SERVICE OF GOD USING OUR TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE.

*Ways to Donate your Time and Talent are
found in the back of this bulletin*



MAKE A FINANCIAL GIFT:

- in the offering plates in the back
- Online at concordpreschurch.com or the QR code to the left

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator 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, died and was buried; he descended to the dead;

On 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 there he shall come to judge the living 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.**

INVITATION

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: God be with you!

All: And Also with You!

One: Lift up your hearts!

All: We lift them up to God!

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WORDS OF REMEMBERING

One: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

*HYMN

Come to the Table

#508

Choir sings first verse; Congregation joins on verse two and three.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN

Lift Every Voice and Sing

#339

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

SUNG BENEDICTION

Go Now in Peace

Go Now in peace, Go Now in peace, May the love of

6
God su - round you, ev'-ry where ev'-ry where you may go.

The musical notation is written on two staves. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a common time signature (C). It contains two measures of whole rests, followed by a repeat sign. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics 'Go Now in peace, Go Now in peace, May the love of' are aligned under the first staff. The second staff begins with a measure rest marked with a '6' above it, followed by a melody of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics 'God su - round you, ev'-ry where ev'-ry where you may go.' are aligned under the second staff. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

THE GRAPEVINE

Week of October 06, 2024

OCTOBER 6	10:00 AM	WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
	11:00 AM	SUNDAY SCHOOL
	12:00 PM	SESSION
	4:00 PM	YOUTH GROUP

OCTOBER 9	7:15PM	CHOIR PRACTICE
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OCTOBER 19; 7:00PM

STATESVILLE AFTER DARK

A NIGHT OF FUN AND SPOOKY STORIES

more information at concordpreschurch.com/events



FOOD PANTRY

wish list

october

MAYONNAISE	TOILET PAPER	CLEANING SUPPLIES
CAKE MIX AND ICING	SMALL CANNED HAM	TRETT OR SPAM
BEEF STEW	SMALL BAGS OF SUGAR AND FLOUR	
CEREAL	SMALL PACKAGES OF HAMBURGER	
POP TARTS	SNACK ITEMS	PAPER TOWELS
JELLY	CHEF BOY R DEE	



*Celebrating the Past,
Inspiring the Future*



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C O N C O R D P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H

Capital Campaign FAQs

What is a capital campaign?

We ask you to pledge each fall church's stewardship campaign to maintain the church's existing programs and infrastructure, supporting ministries like the Food Pantry, Youth Group, and Worship services. A capital campaign is asking for you to make a promise to donate a specific amount towards a specific item. You might remember a campaign to buy the bus and replace the windows. This is in the same family as those fundraising efforts.

Why Now?

Concord is turning 250 years old next year. The sanctuary has been a central part of the church's life since 1940. It was last remodeled in 1982 and shows those 40 years of life, with needed repairs beyond the scope of what our regular budget can support. We want to set ourselves up for another 250 years of successful ministry with a refreshed sanctuary space.

There's a Covered Dish Lunch on 10/20 following worship, what are you hoping to accomplish?

In order to kick-off the planning process, we want to hear your stories. What have you found meaningful about our sanctuary? What stories do you have to share?

Also, we recognize everyone might have different opinions about what needs to be addressed, so the planning team would like to hear what is important to you and what you believe they need to consider. Always wanted to paint the walls green? Think the aisle needs to be two feet wider? Now is your chance to be heard!

Who is in charge of this campaign?

The initiative began during a session meeting while planning for the Presbytery Meeting in May. The discussion continued over the next several months and it was decided we should take an holistic approach with a wide scope of possibilities.

A Planning team is in the process of being assembled who will guide the initial planning stages and includes construction professionals, project management experience, and few folks with an eye for design. If you would like to serve on this group, please contact a member of Session.

Youth and Children Ministry Updates!



Sunday Fellowship is open to anyone Kindergarten through Senior in High School.

October 6

Church trip to the Trampoline Park! \$12 a person, includes your 90 minute jump ticket. If you don't have jump socks already, bring an extra \$4. (Don't let money be an issue! Everyone is welcome.) We'll leave church at 4:00pm and be back by 7:00pm. Sign-up at cpcstatesville.org/events

September 29 at 4:30pm

Mission Night! We'll be doing a prayer walk downtown, learning about our neighborhood, recognizing how we can help, and planning future mission projects for youth.

Can you help with dinner?

Go to: cpcstatesville.org/youth to sign-up

**Subscribe to the
Youth Calendar
and Messaging:**



or stay up-to-date
at
[cpcstatesville.org/
youth](http://cpcstatesville.org/youth)

Mid-Week Devotion

It drives me a little bananas every time someone says “the best is yet to come.” Yes, there are beautiful promises in scripture that promise God has set a future before us.

But if we are honest, we may find ourselves saying: “Sometimes the best is behind me.”

Sometimes we have crested. Sometimes we have finished the song of parenthood, either because we didn’t have that baby or they are grown and gone. Maybe we are playing the closing notes of the life of a friend, parent, or child. We are singing, knowing someday the last note will be sung.

Is it okay to acknowledge what’s behind us? And can we still love what is ahead?

When we start to have more past than future, we must allow ourselves a gentle honesty. Just as God numbers the hairs on our head, so too our days on earth can be counted. This ends, and part of accepting our finitude is bringing greater appreciation to what’s gone, and what still may be.

Age can teach us what to love. When we have more past than future, our desires may change to love not simply what might be, but to love what already is.

Perhaps that is the best prayer of all. *God, give me the desires of my heart*, only to discover what you desire is already there, holding your hand, complaining about the weather because, hey, no one is perfect.

adapted from “Good Enough” by Kate Bowler

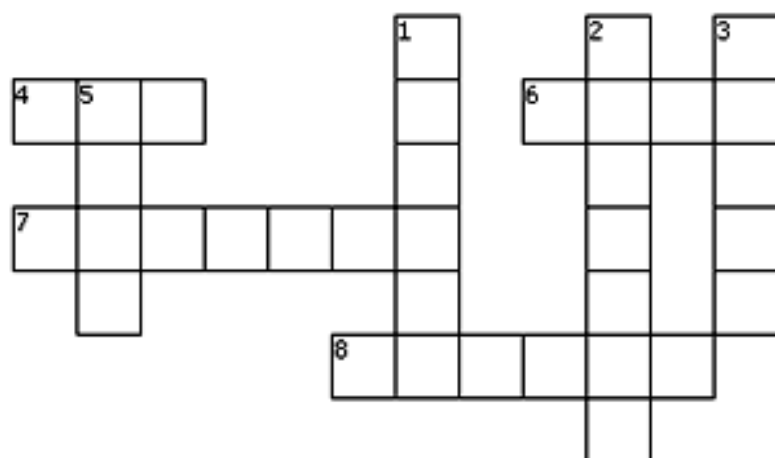
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 C Q T Y E A H M Y M K V V E T

Father command
 love greater
 remain lay
 obey down
 life business
 friends chose
 servants bear
 master fruit



Love each other as I have loved you.

John 15:12 (NIV)



ACROSS

4. A state of happiness or delight
6. To hold dear, to like or desire greatly
7. Someone that performs duties for a master
8. A person that you like very much

DOWN

1. One who has authority over another person
2. An order which a person is expected to obey
3. To gain knowledge, skill, or understanding
5. To do what you are told; follow the rules

Words Used

love	command	friend	joy
obey	servant	master	learn

Bible Memory Verse

"My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you."

John 15:12 (NIV)

OUR LEADERSHIP

CLASS OF 2024

JOHN ERVIN
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CLASS OF 2025

TIM DONNELLY
JOYCE ERVIN
DELLA KINNEY
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DELLA KINNEY

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OUR VALUES

- Welcome and include all people, no matter their life circumstances.
- Empower all people to find and use their God-given gifts.
- Live lives of service to those outside our walls.

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