**Pennies for Hunger: December 4** 

**November missions offering:** The Shepherd Center of Uganda

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Services are

# \* Charge and Benediction

THE SHEPHERD CENTER OF UGANDA cares for street children of Kabale District in Southwest Uganda; Closin providing a safe and loving home where they are nurtured, educated,

\* One: VETERANS DAY, the federal holiday honoring U.S. military veterans, is The neofficially observed on Nov. 11. As at the sameturary side door, sign of respect for all veterans in the througengregation, the United States flag to the NEXT OPEN DOOR MEAL: Wed., Nov. wall of is displayed in the sanctuary today. A

limited number of 2022 APC Veterans Day booklets is available in the Citationarthex and Gathering Place Ged during swo Behin Fallowship Hall. The

availal MAYOR OF ALAMANCE. Winning candidate will be announced today, ponting community-wide event. Sun., Nov. 13.

> KIDS R.O.C.K.: Kids Reaching Out to Christ's Kingdom is a fellowship group for 2nd-5th graders; meets 4:45-5:45p on Sun. This week, Nov.

The Next week: Serving Others (Matthew) of the 25:35-40.) used during worship on Sun., Dec. 18. UnlessYOUTH GROUPS: No youth groups on Nov. 13.

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH MEAL is Wed., Nov. 16. Sign up to help:

Lectio <a href="https://signup.com/client/">https://signup.com/client/</a> Third Surin Nov. issue of The Relay.

April 2 invitation2/secure/ 2 2:25 FOLLOW THE STAR, a progressive 2:25 FOLLOW THE STAR, a progressive 18 in the invitation (No Open Door Nov. 16.)

POTTERS HOUSE MEALS: Supper at

April 2to serve: Nov. 19. Contact Darren 1 22:2 STEPSOULS EXERCISE CLASS meets Hadley(darren.hadley@triad.rr.com)

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT Sunday is **Nov. 20**. Bring your pledge cards to worship with you, and we'll dedicate them to God.

\* SendingNovember 13, 2022<sub>ITCh's</sub> OHAMESGINDE MEAL: Sun., Nov. 20, immediately after worship, in Brown Hall. Meat provice of programme the state of and desserts. THEN, jog back upstairs for Hanging of the Greens.

> **CHURCH OFFICES CLOSE Nov. 24-25** for Thanksgiving.

NEW CHURCH SEASON BEGINS: Sun., Nov. 27 is the First Sunday of Advent. It is the beginning of the new Church year. We begin following the Revised Common Lectionary, Year A.

and counseled for a better future. d. as Votune 29 book is PASTOR JESS'S BOOK CLUB: Meets on Peculiar Treasures: A Biblical Who's Who by Frederick Buechner. Contact

> **30**, **5:45-6:55p**. This semester, we study sin and confession.

> A VISIT WITH SANTA is Sat., Dec. 3,

SENIORS & FRIENDS: Meets on even months in the Coble House for a meal and fellowship. Next meal: Mon., December 5, 11:30a. Call church office to reserve your seat.

POINSETTIAS will decorate the sanctuary on **Sun., Dec. 18**. Deadline to order them is Mon., Dec. 5. Use the order form in your bulletin packet, or

event, is Sun., Dec. 18, in the evening. Drive from spot to spot, stopping at each for one act of the Lectio Greensboro Urban Ministry, on the third Sat. of odd months. Next time State of third Sat. of odd months. Next time State of third Sat. of odd months.

> M-Th, 4:30-6p; Sat. 8:30-10a in the Community Room under sanctuary. Details: APC website and Phyllis Monroe (phylmonroe@gmail.com).

OPEN MEETING: 12-step recovery program (AA); 7p every Thurs., in the Gathering Place. All are welcome to this group PRESB

Christmas Card Mailbox 2022

Retrieve cards delivered to YOU

its intended recipient.

Red Hat: Check with your moderator about the November meeting.

**Presbyterian Women Circles meet:** 

Agapé: Check with your moderator about the December meeting.

L.I.F.T.: 9a every Sun., Uffman room. Look for a Christm 4000 Paries by terian Road

the breezeway entragge einsboro, NC 27406 Food Pantry

Christmas cards for church members and deliver them with the appla before -04 <u>MORE</u> egg cartons — for now!

mailing system (hwwwst.nahange) | h | Spetial splection for November: Dry pasta, spaghetti sauce

A large RED bin behind Brown anytime during the season, if you visit a fellowship Hall is for shelf-stable food friends with the fellowship Hall is for shelf-sta them! Geoffmeril, beordeaten, to ensure that each card finds its way to **/vethshijis** Ro**con ise or ve**elf-stable food and clean, dry, plastic grocery bags. (We use these to distribute food to our We are an ecumenical greening Contact the Food Pantry to

donate fresh produce or meat. WOUNTEERS ESSENTIAL: Food Pantry

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putters-in-cars of each client's groceries, fetchers of weekly donations from Food Lion.

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Dana Adams Flut Red of First 6E: (386)-697-0488

Lynn Barnes, Sein fa இalamance church.o ONLINE GIVING:

We are a Hunger Action Rev. Jess Rigel, Discipleship Pastor

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Joy Thomas, Dir., Children's Ministries

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Mary Ellen Shores Director,

Katie Long, Director of Music

Rebecca Oden, Pianist

**Dr. Kyle Goodman,** Lead Pastor rinstructions to sign up with Easy Tithe for online giving.

Rev. Jess Rigel. Discipleship Pastor

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Dana Adams, Finance Coordina Need to make changes to your account?
8:30a-2:30p on M-T-Th-F;
Contact Dana Adams: 336.697.0488 x Lynn Barnes & Sobolive to Estav.

It is physically impossible for our regular church phone numbers to accept text messages.

To give by Text: text the word "give" to

Contact Dana Adams: 336.697.0488 x 127, dana@alamancechurch.org.

**Ryian Gunn,** Dir., Child Development Center



We welcome all to the community of Jesus: to connect, to learn, to worship, to serve.

April 21, 2024 10 a.m.

Third Sunday after Easter, Youth Survey Centerii

\* Call to Worship One: No one can lay any foundation of the than already laidzwhich is Jesus Christ, for as it states in Scripturang

All: "See, Lam laying in Zion a stone, rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, Centaine Nytioever believes in thing Willenot - arr. John Carter be put to shame."

Oca: Come to him, a living stone, rejected by mortals Oney Lette Those em tains de précises sin de dive sight, pames like All Voices: There is a time for building up, putting in the work, IIVING STONES, let YOU'SELVES DE DUILT INTO a and making a difference. One There is also a time to rest from our labor

All: Wenare nonlonger foreigners and aliens, Abutefellowneitizersewith God's people and One: There is also a time for play and recreation, built on the Members of God's household, built on the All: There is a time for daily chores and tending to others' needs. foundation of the apostles and prophets. One: There is also a time for sitting at the feet of Jesus and istening. Awith Christ desuschimself as the chief cornerstone.

on: him the whole building is joined together All: There is a time for checking our phones and and reading the bulletin. One: There is also a time for vibrant worship and joyful song.

Now is that time.

\*Opening:Hymn GMy Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Song sheet

\*Opening Hymn

Grant Smith, clarinet

Song sheet

**Call to Confession** 

### **Prayer of Confession**

Gracious God, we admit that we have not always built up your foundation in a way that authentically reflects the goodness of your dwelling place. We have sometimes even been the cause of its ruin. Forgive us, Lord. Protect our work, and brant us a fresh chance to work for unity. Create in us an ardent longing to live as your disciples and empower us to be restorers of the breach, builders of your kingdom here on earth. Amen.

## A Promise of Forgiveness and Peace

One: The peace of the Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

We invite everyone to share Christ's peace with your neighbors, both now and after the service.

**Sung Response** Glory to God, Song sheet Whose Goodness Shines on Me

### First Scripture Reading Psalm 25

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**Anthem** Keegan Mendenhall

### **Children's Message**

Children from age 4-5th grade may now go to the Grace Space, at the front of the sanctuary.

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 7:24-29

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message Naomi Church, Andrew Long

**Words for Reflection** What a Strong Foundation
- Gary James Smith

What a strong foundation to keep our souls at ease: the everlasting Word of God, the Bible if you please! For all those "yeas" and "amens" solidify our faith, for we believe every Word written of the Lord's ... "Thus saith."

And present with his Word ... amen! we have unconditional love, the very Presence of our God who watches from above.
When sin comes to mess us up, and leave us in turmoil, our Holy Spirit Comforter protects us from its spoil.

For instruction from the Word directs us in our thought.
We are motivated by its power to erase what sin had sought.
O, that blood of Jesus Christ that cleanses us from sin!
It still has forgiveness power to walk again with him!

And in the Light of his Presence, our hearts continue in song:

"May Jesus Christ be praised!"
It's melody all day long.
High and Holy, lifted up
our glorious God most High,
we praise you for your Word, O Lord
may your name be magnified!

### **Prayers of the People**

The Lord's Prayer

King James Version

Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in 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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Pray with the words that hold the most meaning for you, even if they differ from your neighbor's.

## **Call to Offering**

## **Sharing of Offering**

We invite you to prayerfully donate to the continued work of our congregation. Please consider mailing gifts directly to the church, or use our online giving platform, at <a href="https://www.alamancechurch.org/online-giving">https://www.alamancechurch.org/online-giving</a>

#### Offertory

\* **Doxology** Praise God, Song sheet from Whom All Blessings Flow

\* Prayer of Thanksgiving