

May 20, 2018

Guest Minister Dr. Edwin G. Hurley
Worship Leader Charlie Gray
Flowers Cissy Shull
Greeters Kathy and Charlie Gray
Minister's Hospitality Gillian and Mike Goodrich
Refreshments Dottie and Barry Cook
Usher Dottie and Barry Cook
Music Cissy Shull
Bagpipes John Crom

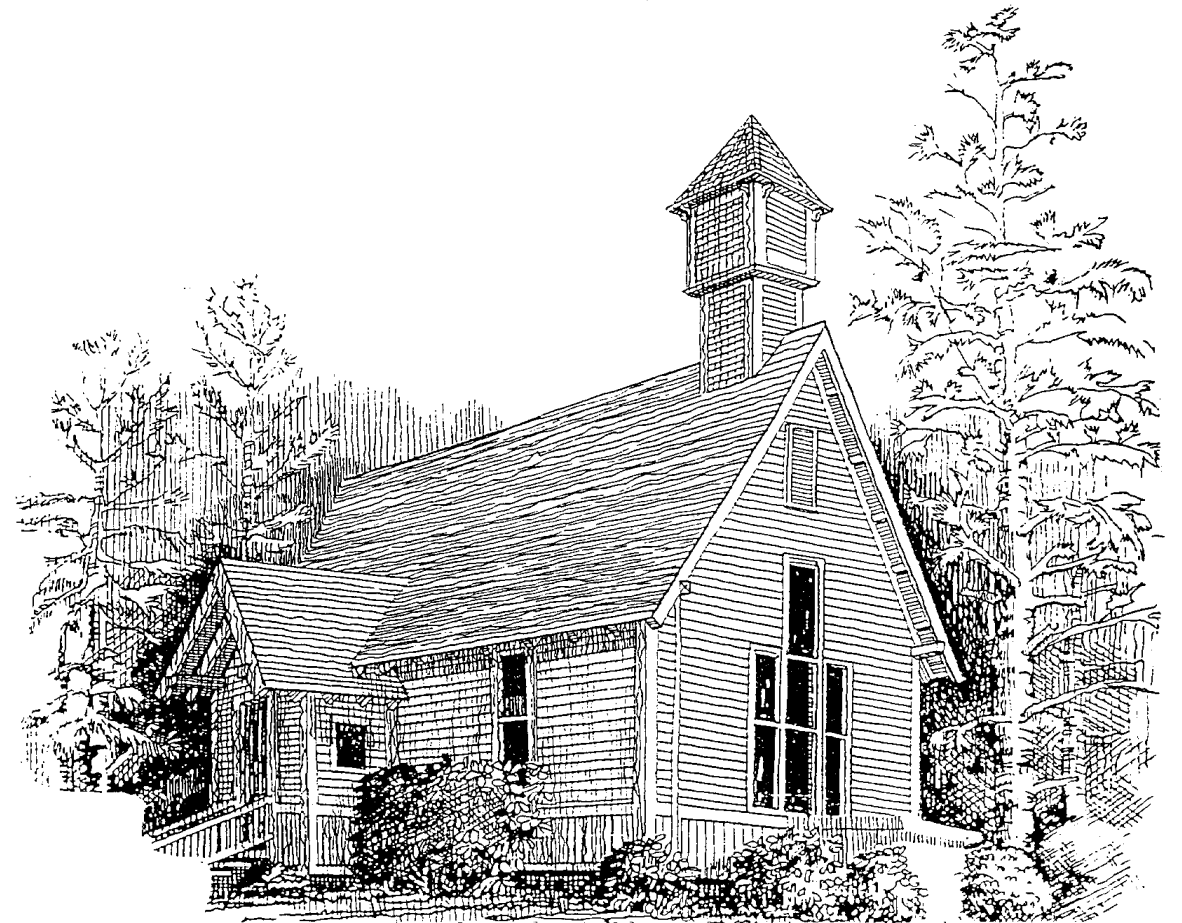
*Following the service, join us on the lawn
to enjoy refreshments and fellowship.*

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Sunday Service 9:30 AM Thursday Bible Study (at the Manse) 10:00 AM

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Wee Kirk Presbyterian Church



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GUEST MINISTER

DR. EDWIN G. HURLEY

With pleasure today we welcome Dr. Edwin G. Hurley. Ed is the Senior Pastor of the South Highland Presbyterian Church, Birmingham, Alabama. Ed is in his 17th year of service at SHPC. SHPC is an historic congregation, founded in 1888, located near downtown Birmingham, seeking to help all become "Fully Alive with the Passion of Christ," and this fall celebrating its 130th year of Christian witness.

Ed grew up in El Dorado, Arkansas. He graduated from McCallie School, Chattanooga, Tennessee. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Vanderbilt University with a double major in history and English, his Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary, his Doctor of Ministry from Fuller Theological Seminary. Ed did graduate study at New College, the University of Edinburgh as recipient of the Graduate Study Fellowship for Parish Ministry Award from Princeton Theological Seminary.

Dr. Hurley has served churches in Tulsa, Oklahoma; Monroe, Louisiana; and Bowling Green, Kentucky. Ed and Gayle have three children. Daughter, Catherine, a graduate from Vanderbilt, serves as a Nurse Practitioner at Vanderbilt Children's Hospital in Nashville. She is married to Hunter Mize, a Computer Entrepreneur with Dave Ramsey Companies, Franklin, and the two of them live in Nashville with their newborn son, Winfield. Son, Stuart, a graduate of the college of Charleston in Business and Philosophy, graduated at UAB with his MBA and Masters in Health Sciences Hospital Administration and is working in Florida in Hospital Management. Son, Peter, is a graduate of San Francisco Art Institute and is currently working in San Francisco in art, music and as a mentor through ARC to mentally challenged adults. Wife, Gayle is a portrait artist, bee keeper, and former Director of Children's Music at South Highland.

Ed is active in his Presbytery and will serve as a Commissioner to General Assembly this June in St. Louis. He served on the Committee on Ministry and as Chair of the Permanent Judicial Commission. He recently served as Chair of the Board of the Outreach Foundation of the Presbyterian Church, which coordinates international mission work with the PCUSA and several other Presbyterian bodies, with whom he traveled in a delegation to Syria and Lebanon in 2017, encouraging local Christians, preaching in Latakia, Syria, the largest Presbyterian congregation in the evangelical Presbyterian Synod of Syria and Lebanon, Advisory Board of Beeson Divinity School, Samford University, and Alumni Council of Princeton Theological Seminary.

Next week our guest minister will be Dr. Daniel W. Massie, Retired Senior Minister, First (Scots) Presbyterian Church, Charleston, SC. On Thursday, May 24 starting at 10AM at the Manse, Dr. Massie will lead the Bible Study based on Luke 7:36-50, "A Contemplative Approach to Prayer and Scripture Reading". Please come and bring a friend! Scottie and Richard Bowers will be hosting Dr. Massie.

Wee Kirk Outreach — More than 90% of our gifts and offerings go to our Outreach Program, the focus of which is to serve the neediest children and families in Avery County. Through your generosity, we provide swimming lessons for Pre-K and 2nd graders, essential needs, medical care and enrichment programs, along with scholarship stipends for some Mayland Community College students. Thank you for your support.



ORDER OF SERVICE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LET US PREPARE OUR HEARTS (PLEASE REMAIN SEATED)

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings. I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Spirit of the living God, visit us again on this day of Pentecost.

Congregation: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Like a rushing wind that sweeps away all barriers,

Congregation: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: Like tongues of fire that set our hearts aflame,

Congregation: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: With speech that unites the Babel of our tongues,

Congregation: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: With love that overlaps the boundaries of race and nation,

Congregation: Come, Holy Spirit.

Leader: With power from above to make our weakness strong,

Congregation: Come, Holy Spirit. Amen.

Leader: Blessed be our God at all times, now and always and forever and ever. Amen.

All: Glory to you, our God! Glory to you! Holy Spirit, Lord and Comforter, Spirit of truth everywhere present, filling all that exists, treasury of good gifts and source of life, come and dwell in us; cleanse us from all sin and in your love bring us to salvation: God, holy; God, strong and holy; God, holy and immortal; have pity on us. Amen.

* **HYMN NO. 244**

"Come Thou Almighty King"

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. We confess that we hold back the force of your Spirit among us. We do not listen for your word of grace, speak the good news of your love, or live as a people made one in Christ. Have mercy on us, O God. Transform our timid lives by the power of your Spirit, and fill us with a flaming desire to be your faithful people, doing your will for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 49:1-6

NEW TESTAMENT READINGS

Acts 2:1-21, Romans 15:4-9

SERMON

"Empowered For the Impossible Dream"

* **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

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PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

* **HYMN NO. 504**

* **BENEDICTION**



"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"