

September 8, 2019

Guest Minister Dr. John DeBevoise
Worship Leader Dan LaFar
Flowers Jane and Terry Smith
Greeters and
Refreshments Cambey and Jim Gallagher
Usher Lee Hanna
Minister's Hospitality Janis Chapman
Music Lana Donovan
Bagpipes John Crom

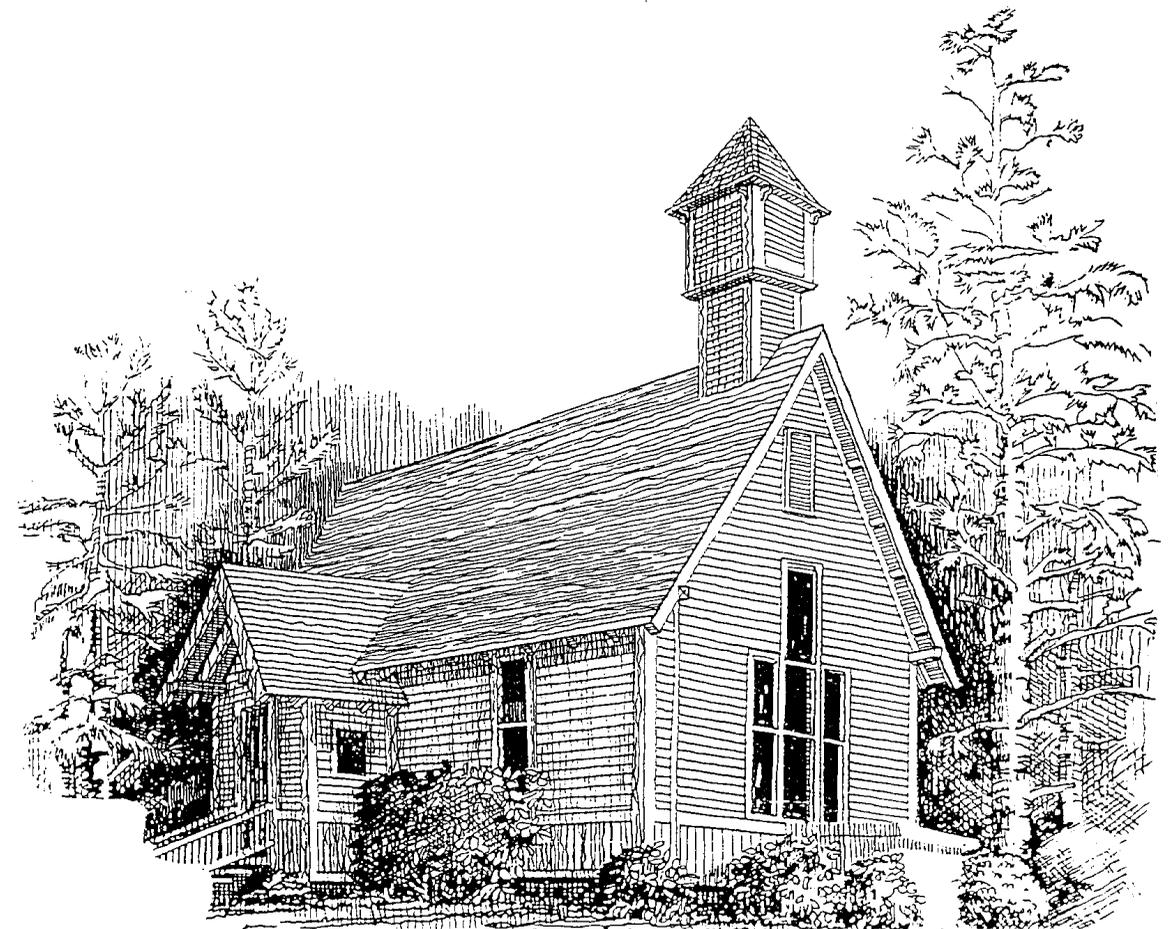
*Following the service, join us on the lawn
to enjoy refreshments and fellowship.*

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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

THE REV. DR. JOHN T. DEBEVOISE

With pleasure today we welcome The Rev. Dr. John T. DeBevoise and his wife Emalee.

The Rev. Dr. John T. DeBevoise is the pastor of the Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church in Tampa, Florida, where he has served for 25 years. Prior to that he was the pastor of The First Presbyterian Church in Gastonia, NC, and served staff positions in churches in Tampa, Winter Park, Florida and Roanoke, VA. He and his wife Emalee are celebrating their 40th anniversary this week, (and their anniversary is often accompanied by a hurricane, as was their wedding!). They are the parents of three grown children, Beth, Joe and Mary, and 2 grandchildren. Staying with them in the manse this week are Anne and Jay Heidt, Emalee's sister and brother-in-law. John and Jay enjoy fly fishing while in Linville and Emalee and Anne enjoy jigsaw puzzles, the manse back porch, and exploring the communities around Linville. John is a graduate of Union Presbyterian Seminary, and Emalee and he both grew up in Florida in Presbyterian Churches.

Next week our guest minister will be Dr. Daniel W. Massie, Retired Senior Minister, The First (Scots) Presbyterian Church, Charleston, SC. On Thursday, September 12 starting at 10AM at the Manse, Dr. Massie will lead the Bible Study based on Daniel chapters 1-6, "Daniel's Dilemma and Ours". Please come and bring a friend! Bonnie and Mark Johnson 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.



Those wishing a name tag, please sign list above guest register in Narthex.

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

Psalm 1, (Unison Reading Page 469, No. 1)

* HYMN NO. 135

"Fairest Lord. Jesus"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Some of us gathering in worship today, Lord, we wish the summer would never end. For some of us it has been full of blessings: travel, rest, a break in hectic scheduling, gatherings with family and friends. We thank you Creator for the blessings of this season. But for some O Lord, it has contained burdens: heat, illness, regret, profound loss. Christ, have mercy on the burdened.

We gather to worship you Creator of the seasons, Lord of the Sabbath. And when we gather we gather around your Word: to hear your promises, to know again your grace, to discern your call, to bring before you our prayers and offerings, to remember who we are, and whose we are. Lord, we gather together because we all need your mercy. We do not gather out of our own merit, assured that we deserve a place at your table. We gather as sinners in need, who come in repentance because of the promise of forgiveness and mercy and direction through Jesus Christ. Here our confession O Lord, our acknowledgement of our need. We offer names and situations to you in prayer for your compassionate healing love, we add our names as well. Heal our wounds, we pray. (*silence is kept*). Christ, have mercy. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 96:10-13

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 13:18-19

SERMON

"Like a Tree"

UNISON READING

Page 537, No. 67 (from Revelation 21)

OFFERING AND * DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN NO. 100

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

* BENEDICTION

