

October 21 at 12:00 in the Dining Hall

You won't want to miss this month's program by our very own "mermaid" Sandra Tracy.

She'll be taking us on an "under the sea" adventure, and you may want to come a little early to look at the display she'll have set up.

This month's menu will feature pizza, salad and a dessert.



On October 25, we will be gathering to spruce up the campus—there's lots of work to be done to get us prepared for winter.

Please bring your gardening gloves, your muscles, and all your outdoor tools, like hedge trimmers, chain saws, rakes, pitch forks and any other lawn equipment you may have.

Questions? Please contact the Property Committee.



The 2025 Angel Tree will be in the Gathering Space on November 2. Please stop by and choose an angel that will help give a child a very special Christmas.

If you'd like to choose and shop before Nov 2, call Maria Menconi or the church office.



Sign up sheets to host a trunk are available in the Gathering Space and Dining Hall.

Candy donations are welcome, and there is a bin available in the Gathering Space.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is called for Sunday, October 12 at 10:20am to hear a report from the Nominating Committee.

They will nominate four individuals for the Deacon class of 2028, and nominations from the floor will be accepted for the three remaining positions that have not been filled yet.

Nominations from the floor must have the nominee's approval before being made.

If only seven are nominated, they will be elected by acclamation. If more than seven persons are nominated, congregational meetings will be called each Sunday at 10:20am until seven are elected.

Welcome Newcomers! We are glad you're here.





Visit the Welcome Table in the Gathering Space or scan the code above to provide your contact information and communication preferences.

Malara Creek PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

1600 West Mallard Creek Church Rd. Charlotte, North Carolina 28262

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The Lord's Day, October 12, 2025 10:30 Service



A Service of Worship

PRELUDE He Keeps Me Singing Luther Bridges

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION Kelly Jones

CHORAL INTROIT Lift Up Your Voice John Goss

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Draw near to God, for God offers us the gifts of life. Leader People We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing.

Leader Worship the Lord with hymns, prayers, and glad adoration.

Glory be to God who reigns over all the earth. **People**

PRAISE THE LORD! **ALL**

†PRAYER OF INVOCATION

†HYMN # 108 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear God

We confess how easily we take your love for granted. We confess how often we assume we deserve your presence and promise. We confess how foolish we are. In your mercy, create clean hearts within us. May our gratitude resound through our lives, for without you, we have nothing and we are nothing. Hear our prayers made in hope of Jesus' saving grace. In his name, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Georgie Deaton

OFFERING Prayer (Op. 48, No. 1) Beethoven

†DOXOLOGY

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 17:11-19

SERMON Rev. Rob Watkins A Hymn of Grateful Praise

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe in God-Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. God created the world in an act of love, choosing to create us in God's image to dwell in communion with God. God then came to us as one of us, for we lost our way. In Jesus, God redeemed all humanity from sin and death. God re-established communion between us and God. Through the Holy Spirit, God maintains that communion, continuing to offer us help, hope, and healing. Amen.

MUSICAL MEDITATION I'll Fly Away MCPC Men's Ensemble Brumley

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Now Thank We All Our God HYMN # 556

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION Beautiful Savior **Traditional**

POSTLUDE Down to the River to Pray Arr by Mark Hayes

†All who are able are invited to stand

CHURCH STAFF

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Office Hours are M-Th 8:30-4:30

Sunday School Classes & Locations

Age 0-4 – Nursery K-4th grade - Youth Club room 7th-12th grade – Teen room Younger Adults – Garrison Martin room Older Adults – Morrison room Confirmation Class- Upstairs, Activity Bldg

This week at Mallard Creek

Sunday, October 12

8:30 am Worship Service in Chapel 9:00 am Bonappeteens (Dining Hall)

9:30 am Sunday School

10:20am Congregational Meeting (Sanctuary) 10:30am Worship Service in Sanctuary

11:30 am Christmas Play Practice (Sanctuary)

3:00 pm Youth Group

6:30 pm Bible Study (via Zoom)

Monday, October 13

9:00 am Preschool Book Fair (Bus Garage)

Tuesday, October 14

9:00 am Preschool Book Fair (Bus Garage) 9:30 am Prayer Quilt Ministry (Dining Hall) 5:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 285 (Dining Hall) 6:30 pm Boy Scout Troop 148(Comm. House)

9:00am Preschool Book Fair (Bus Garage) 6:00 pm Bible Study (Garrison Martin Rm)

Wednesday, October 15

6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

6:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 248 (Dining Hall)

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 16

9:00 am Preschool Book Fair (Bus Garage)

Friday, October 17

Church Office Closed

Saturday, October 18

9am-6:00 Alford Family Event (Dining Hall)

Please remember to sign the attendance book with all the names of your family that are attending church today.

Thank you!

OFFICERS ON DUTY

ELDERS:

Nancy Busch, Bob Oehler, Jamie Garrison

DEACONS:

Kelly Jones, Jane Geracimos, Jordan Maddux, Tom Baker, Brian Jones

A Note For Parents With Small Children:

Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me." We celebrate these words as we welcome ALL ages in worship with us. Our desire is to help you make the most

of this worship experience.

Here are a few reminders:

1. There are Children's Worship Bags and Bibles available in the back of the church.

2. There is a cry room in the Gathering Space, if you need to take a quick "time out" during the service.

3. There is a nursery for infants through age 4 downstairs from 9:30 am

Please let a Deacon know if you have any questions.

PRAYER LIST

Avonda Albright Marlene Alexander

David Alder (Bobbi Lisi's cousin) Benjamin Baker

Clyde and Linda Benfield Ann & Jimmy Brown

Bobby Brown Bill Cochran Sheila DeArmon

Guy Eberhart Brenda Garrison **Jane Geracimos**

Ben Hatton Jean Helms

Barry Hinson

Blanche&Johnny Hodges (Bonnie's Aunt & Uncle) Janet Hunter

Shirley Hunter Phyllis Jones Betsy Killian Karen Koerth

Lana Lamkin (friend of Doris DeArmon)

Sheila Letica **Elaine Lord** Cecil Massey **Debbie McCrary Bobbie Misenheimer**

Brian Mitchell (Tommy's brother)

Donnie Oehler Tommy Oehler Jenny Parker

John Pipes (Polly Walker's brother) Bryan Pouliot (friend of the Alexanders')

Teddy Preslar

Donna Seaford & Lane Seaford

Lois Spradley's daughter Donna Linda Taylor (Nancy Busch's Sister-In-Law)

Pete Taylor (Garrison's Brother-In-Law)

Earl Thomas Lois Treadway Michelle & Lane Winter

Dave York (Nancy Busch's Brother-In-Law)