

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.

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 a dessert.

Please call Jimmy Walker if you're on the permanent list and can't attend, or if you'd like to join us for the first time.



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.

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. We ask that all shopping is completed and at the church on November 16.



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



TOGETHER,
WE GAN
MAKE A
WORLD OF
DIFFERENCE.

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.



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

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The Lord's Day, October 19, 2025 10:30 Service



A Service of Worship

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT Lift Up Your Voice John Goss

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth. **People** Our hope is in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord, the Lord of life.

Leader God leads us through the times before us.

People God keeps in God's way.

Leader Give thanks to God, for God is good and God's love endures forever.

People Praise the Lord!

†PRAYER OF INVOCATION

†HYMN # 296 We've a Story to Tell the Nations

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God,

We offer our confession to you. We do not always perceive your work within us and around us. We see times when nothing seems to be as it should. We begin to doubt. We begin to wonder. Forgive our inability to see your presence among us. Open our hearts afresh to your Spirit. May it guide us and strengthen us and empower us for the days to come. May we follow the saints who have gone before in the continual building up of your kingdom here and now. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Rev. Hunter Roddey

OFFERING Blessings Laura Story

†DOXOLOGY

RECOGNITION OF THE BBQ COMMITTEE AND VOLUNTEERS

SCRIPTURE LESSON Psalm 133

SERMON Remembering to Plan Ahead Rev. Rob Watkins

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou annointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

MUSICAL MEDITATION

Abba I Know Hope Moore, Solo Barnes/Hudson

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN # 286 Blest Be the Tie That Binds

BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION Beautiful Savior Traditional

POSTLUDE

†All who are able are invited to stand

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Sunday School Classes & Locations

 $\label{eq:Ageneral} Age~0\mbox{-}4-Nursery \\ K\mbox{-}4th~grade-Youth~Club~room$

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 19

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

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30am Worship Service in Sanctuary

11:30 am Christmas Play Practice (Sanctuary)

3:00 pm Youth Group

4:00 pm Teen Fellowship (Teen Room)

6:30 pm Bible Study (via Zoom)

Monday, October 20

9:00 am Preschool Book Fair (Bus Garage)

Tuesday, October 21

12:00 pm Lunch Bunch (Dining Hall)

5:30 pm Girl Scout Troop 285 (Dining Hall)

6:00 pm Joint Session/Diaconate Mtg

6:30 pm Boy Scout Troop 148(Comm. House)

Wednesday, October 22

6:00 pm Bible Study (Garrison Martin Rm)

6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

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

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 23

Friday, October 24

Church Office Closed

Saturday, October 25

8am Churchwide Work Day

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 Blanche & Johnny Hodges (Bonnie's Aunt & Uncle)
Clyde and Linda Benfield Janet Hunter

Jessica Booth
Ann & Jimmy Brown

Bobby Brown Betsy Killian
Bill Cochran Karen Koerth

Barry Hinson

Sheila DeArmon Lana Lamkin (friend of Doris DeArmon)

Guy Eberhart

Brenda Garrison

Jane Geracimos

Ben Hatton

Jean Helms

Lana Lankin (Friend)

Sheila Letica

Elaine Lord

Cecil Massey

Debbie McCrary

Bobbie Misenheimer

Bobbie Misenheir

Donnie Oehler Tommy Oehler Jenny Parker

John Pipes Bryan Pouliot (friend of the Alexanders')

Teddy Preslar

Donna Seaford & Lane Seaford

Lois Spradley's daughter in law Diana

Linda Taylor (Nancy Busch's Sister-In-Law)

Earl Thomas Lois Treadway

Michelle & Lane Winter

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