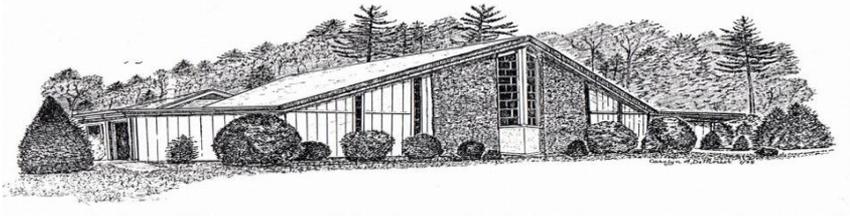


# *Living in the Overflow of God's Love*



**PINECREST**

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Associate Reformed Synod

1790 Greenville Highway, Flat Rock, North Carolina

*We at Pinecrest Church seek to know  
Jesus Christ and the Christian Gospel,  
to be empowered by the Holy Spirit,  
and to reach out to people of all ages.*

*We will strive to live in the overflow of God's love  
through evangelism, discipleship, and service.*

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Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Rhett Carson
Prelude	<i>Jubilati!</i>	Wagner
	Pinecrest Handbell Choir	
Call to Worship	Psalm 107:1-3	Pew Bible page 506
*Hymn 43		<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>
*The Invocation		

\*The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come.  
Thy will be done on 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, for ever. Amen.*

\*The Heidelberg Catechism Question No. 1

*Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

*A. That I am not my own, but belong - body and soul, in life and death - to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.*

\*The Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.*

SABBATH

SEPTEMBER 25, 2016

**Sunday Morning Bible Study - 9:30**  
**Worship Services - 8:30 and 10:55 A.M.**

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

*Reflections of Peace*

Martin

\*Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*

*Praise Him, all creatures here below.*

*Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;*

*Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Children's Sermon

Rev. Rhett Carson

\*Hymn 287

*Our God Has Made Us One*

Morning Prayer

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 5:22-33

Pew Bible page 978

Sermon **"CHRIST IN YOUR MARRIAGE"**

Rev. Rhett Carson

\*Hymn 277

*The Church's One Foundation*

\*Benediction

Postlude

*Finale in C Minor*

Saxton

\*Indicates that the congregation stands.

*Following the Children's Sermon, children ages 4 through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade meet their teachers at the sanctuary doors and leave to participate in their own service. We request visiting children be escorted by a parent. Please pick up children following the service from the Children's Church Room.*

*Prayer for people with special requests or needs is offered by our elders following this service in the North Bay of the Sanctuary.*

**Visitors welcome:** *We invite you to worship with us whenever you are in this area. If you live here and are interested in learning more about our church, please speak to one of our pastors or elders. We receive new members by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or transfer of church membership.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Congregational, Worship and Social Concerns Team Meeting**  
11AM, Monday, October 3

**WOCM Board Meeting - 10AM, Tuesday, October 4**

**Sonshine Small Group Meeting - 2:30PM, Tuesday, October 4**

**Christian Education Team Meeting - 6PM, Tuesday, October 4**

### **First Wednesday Covered Dish and Program**

Please join us for our Jubilee Birthday Celebration on October 5 from 5:30-7PM. Missionary Sarah Jacober will give a presentation. A love offering will be collected for two female missionaries: Rebekah Carson and Shelia Osborne. Please bring a main or side dish to share. Birthday cake will be provided.

**Kids Bible Club resumes at 3:30PM, Thursday, October 6**

### **Help Needed for Hosting Presbytery**

On Tuesday, October 11, Pinecrest Church will host the Fall meeting of Presbytery for ministers and elders from all the ARP churches in North Carolina. We expect to have 150 guests. We will need help setting up tables and chairs on October 9. On October 11, we will need help with greeting, registration, serving food, and clean-up. If you can help please contact the church office.

### **2017 Officer Nomination Forms**

Please place completed nomination forms in the box provided in the church office or give to our pastor or an elder.

**WANTED:** Our Music ministry needs you to help us make a joyful sound unto the Lord. *“O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!” - Psalm 95:1.* Come, ring bells, sing or play an instrument!

With hope and good wishes from your organist, Sonja

### **Attendance Last Sunday**

Early Service - 30

Sunday School - 48

10:55 Service - 127

## Life Chain

Life Chain, a national pro-life organization, will have its annual event on Sunday, October 2. You are encouraged to participate and details are outlined in a notice in the atrium with more information at [www.LifeChain.net](http://www.LifeChain.net).

## Background Checks

The Christian Education Committee asks every volunteer who has received a background check form, **to please return the form to the church office or to Kathy Warner by October 15.** This is necessary so that the programs of the church can continue.

**Sermons available** on line at [www.pinecrestchurch.com](http://www.pinecrestchurch.com) or request CD's of sermons and music on the sign-up sheet in the atrium.

## THE CALENDAR

### Sunday, 9/25

12:00 pm Coffee Hour  
6:00 pm Evening Worship Service

### Monday, 9/26

4:15 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

### Wednesday, 9/28

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, 9/29

12:00 pm Sunday Bulletin Deadline

### Saturday, 10/1

9:00 am Men's Prayer Group

### Sunday, 10/2

8:30 am Worship Service and Communion  
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages  
9:35 am New Member Class  
10:55 am Worship Service and Communion  
12:00 pm Coffee Hour  
6:00 pm Evening Worship Service

## Stewardship – Worship

I had a chance to review the church books recently. With all the fuss about spending, slipping budgets, and underfunded capital accounts, I found it refreshing to find that no more giving is needed and we don't have to give a penny more. Praise the Lord. I'm sure this comes as a relief to many of you. I wasn't privy to see the Church *financial* books; I was reviewing those sixty-six books of the Bible.

I know that some of you still want to give to keep our building and grounds in good shape. God's construction of Mount Everest and the Milky Way galaxy gives me confidence that our sanctuary structure is within His measure. Yet, for those inclined to give toward property maintenance, such gifts are pleasing to God. Our church officers will accept those offerings and prayerfully apply them as you direct. However, clearly God doesn't need Building Funds and you really don't have to give them.

There are still those who still want to support our worldwide missions, outreach programs, Christian Education programs, Erskine College and Seminary. The Church books record that for centuries the Holy Spirit has been relentlessly bringing souls to the saving grace of Jesus Christ. The Books indicate that this pattern is sure to continue without our contributions. Yet, for those moved to give to our missions, such gifts are pleasing to God. Our church officers will accept those offerings and prayerfully apply them as you direct. But clearly God doesn't need Mission Funds, and you really don't have to give them.

Some still want to give benevolently for the caring and nurturing of our congregation, our community, and our world. For those desiring to give toward our benevolent missions, such gifts are pleasing to God. Our church officers will accept those offerings and prayerfully apply them as you direct. How can we presume that our benevolence will add one iota to the love Jesus has shown to the world, even to die for us? Clearly God doesn't need Love and Benevolence Funds, and you really don't have to give them.

Because of the enduring Good News revealed by the Church books to us, some of you will still want to give offerings as worship of adoration, praise and thanksgiving to the Eternal, Omniscient, Omnipresent, Steadfast, Sovereign, Merciful, Righteous, Loving God—The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Such gifts of adoration, praise and thanksgiving are pleasing to God...according to the Church books.

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These weekly reminders on stewardship in our bulletin are written to encourage all in this regard and to give to the General Fund as the Lord directs you. The monthly reminder in the Precentor reminds us of end-of-life giving to the Capital Reserve Fund where we need at least \$150,000 just for reroofing the addition and resurfacing of the parking lot.