

THE SESSION

Rev. Stuart Fowler Moderator
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Mike Moses Outreach
David Brooks Missions
Tommy Davidson Christian Education
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Gavin Bell Safety Concerns
Rob Elliotte Historical

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CHURCH VAN DRIVERS

Matt Grigg Feb, May, Aug, Nov.
Bob Grigg Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec.
Martin Moses

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Stuart Fowler Pastor
David Jackson Music Director
Melissa Jackson Organist
Marilyn Brooks Custodian
Melissa Holbrooks Secretary



Prayer Requests



Health Concerns

Betty Barnes	Ashley Henderson	Edith Petty
Shirley Brown	Mary Jackson	Awilda Stowe
Phyllis Carter	Jean Love	Ron Millar
Jimmy Carter	Archie Oates	Catherine Clarke
Charles Ferguson, Sr.	Betty Oates	Mae Ferguson
Piper Hamel		

Shut-ins

Mrs. Betty Cribb Wellington House
Mrs. Mary Jackson Terrace Ridge
Mrs. Awilda Stowe Stanley Total Living Center: Rm: 142
Mr. & Mrs. Gene White/Home
Mrs. Carolyn Adams/Home
Mr. Steve Ferguson/Home
Mr. Al Cox /Home
Micki Crawford/Home
Catherine Clarke Alexandria Place: Apartment # 222

Salvation

Please pray for those in our community who do not know Jesus as their Savior and Lord. Ask God to show us ways He would have us reach out to them.

World Witness Prayer Update

An update on Frank & Emily van Dalen, Missionaries we support with WW. Twenty-four years ago, a pastor from a liberal, German Reformed church began a "Christian" camp with the Reformed Church of Lithuania. About 100 students, grades 4-10, meet every summer for 2 weeks. Lithuanian camp songs and English praise choruses from the 80's ("Our God is an Awesome God" & "Kumbayah") fill the Halls of a local elementary school. Games of hide-and-go seek span for miles. The atmosphere is that of one big, fun-loving family-but lacking the presence or worship of Jesus Christ. Then two years ago, something remarkable happened. Frank & Emily van Dalen joined the camp. Frank became the camp pastor and immediately began teaching/preaching the Scriptures to a generation of campers and counselors who have never heard them. Initially, there was considerable push-back from the leadership, who were afraid the Bible is too difficult for "ordinary people, especially kids." But now, into year 2, campers and counselors alike are not only becoming familiar with the Bible but are giving their lives to Christ. God is working to change lives in Lithuania.

Special Concerns

Please notify your Shepherd Group Leader of any special concerns, if someone is in the hospital, or if someone has been out for a while. Due to the Privacy Act, hospitals cannot give out information unless we have a patient's name, nor do they contact the church unless requested by the family.

Crowders Creek

Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

For the glory of God, Crowders Creek Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church is committed to proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ, equipping disciples, and witnessing to our community and the world.



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THE MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Dr. Bob Cara

December 31, 2017

The worship of Almighty God is man's highest calling. In John 4, God tells us that He is actively seeking those who will worship Him in spirit and truth. Thus we must prepare to love God corporately with all our heart, soul, mind and strength in the worship service. Take a moment now to reflect on the glory and wonder of God. Pray and ask God to assist the minister in the leading of worship and the preaching of the Word. Ask the Lord to open your heart to receive the truth that you may be enabled to commune most deeply with our Savior. Reflect silently preparing your hearts for worship.

Welcome and Announcements

Rob Elliotte

Striking of the Hour

Call to Worship

"Brethern We Have Met to Worship"

Adult Choir

Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

Dr. Bob Cara

***Hymn of Praise**

"God Rest You Merry, Gentlemen"

Hymnbook # 166

***The Reaffirmation of Faith**

"The Apostles' Creed"

Hymnbook Page 12 All

***The Gloria Patri**

Children's Sermon

Morning Prayer

Dr. Bob Cara

***Offertory Hymn**

"Go, Tell It on the Mountain"

Worship & Rejoice #218

Worship Through Giving

***The Prayer of Dedication**

The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

***The Doxology**

Hymnbook # 544 All

Anthem

"Have You Any Room for Jesus?"

Adult Choir

***Scripture**

Psalm 45

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Sermon

"Marriage of the King and Queen"

Dr. Bob Cara

***Closing Hymn**

"The Church's One Foundation"

Hymnbook # 437

***Benediction**

Dr. Bob Cara

***The Postlude**

***Those who are able, please stand.**

*Following the Anthem ages **three through five** are invited to leave for Children's Church*

WELCOME

We welcome each one of you who has come to worship God today. Whether you are a faithful member, a treasured friend, or an honored guest, we praise God for your presence.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY
are given to the glory of our God.

ATTENDANCE SUNDAY DECEMBER 24: (not including nursery)

Children's Ministry		
	Nursery	Children's Church
December 31	Amy Mistry & Ava Mauney	Allison & Michael Moses
January 7	Dana Fowler & Wanda Cooper	Felix & Michelle Alpizar

Weekly Donation Information (General Fund Only)	Anticipated	Actual
LAST WEEK (week 52)	<u>\$4,000.00</u>	
YEAR TO DATE 2017 (week 52)	<u>\$204,000.00</u>	<u>\$194,309.42</u>
YEAR BUDGET 2017	<u>\$208,000.00</u>	

Acolyte Schedule	
12/31	Jonathan Alpizar
1/7	Kaden Brinkley
If you are absent on your scheduled Sunday, or if you are scheduled for a Communion Sunday, you will light the candles again on your next turn.	

Deacon Schedule	
Dec	Cavan Hoose, Bob Grigg, Wayne McAllister & Karen Elliotte

birthday blessings

December 31st Marilyn Brooks
 December 31st Carolyn Champion
 January 1st Ann Ferguson
 January 3rd Julie Millar
 January 8th Scott Champion
 January 10th Cavan Hoose, Jr.
 January 12th Ashley Stowe
 January 19th Heather Owenby