



BALLANTYNE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Celebrating 25 years
2000 - 2025

FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

November 30, 2025

11:00 a.m.

<https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast>

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire victory;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and want fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;

And to whoever will come –

This church opens wide her doors

And offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL INTROIT

My Soul Finds Rest in God Alone (v. 1 & 3)

ARP Psalter No. 62A

My soul finds rest in God alone; Salvation comes from Him.

He's my salvation, fortress, rock; Unshaken I'll remain.

How long will you attack a man, By murder make him fall,

As though he were a tottering fence, Or like a leaning wall?

On God alone my glory rests, and my salvation sure.

God is my mighty rock of strength, My refuge most secure.

In Him, O people, at all times Rely with confidence;

Before Him, now, pour out your heart, For God is our defense.

* RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 21:13; Psalm 30:4

Leader: Be exalted, O Lord, in your strength! That we may sing and praise your power.

All: Sing praises to the Lord, O you His saints, and give thanks to His holy name.

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates!

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*Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory
may come in. Ps. 24:7*

1. Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates! Be - hold, the
2. A help - er just he comes to thee, his char - iot
3. O blest the land, the cit - y blest, where Christ the
4. Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a

King of glo - ry waits; the King of kings is
is hu - mil - i - ty, his king - ly crown is
Rul - er is con - fessed! O hap - py hearts and
tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for

draw - ing near, the Sav - ior of the world is here.
ho - li - ness, his scep - ter, pi - ty in dis - tress.
hap - py homes to whom this King in tri - umph comes!
heav'n's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.

5. Redeemer, come! I open wide
my heart to thee; here, Lord, abide!
Let me thy inner presence feel;
thy grace and love in me reveal.

6. So come, my Sovereign, enter in!
Let new and nobler life begin!
Thy Holy Spirit, guide us on,
until the glorious crown be won.

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND 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 forever. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Valley of Vision

Leader: Holy Lord, I have sinned time and time again.

All: I have been guilty of pride and unbelief. I have failed to obey your Word and neglected you in my daily life.

Leader: My transgressions and sin accuse me. But I thank you that they have been placed on Jesus Christ and put away.

All: Accept me in his name, and grant me grace to live a new life.

Leader: Purge me from every false desire, every unworthy aspiration, everything that is contrary to your rule.

All: Deliver me from my sins. Let me draw near to you through Jesus Christ, and bless me through his Name.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Titus 3:5-7

He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy... through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE IN SONG

Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus (v.1)

Trinity Hymnal No. 196

*Come, thou long expected Jesus, born to set thy people free;
From our fears and sins release us; let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art,
Dear Desire of ev'ry nation, joy of ev'ry longing heart.*

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 3:13-17, ESV page 808

THE WESTMINSTER CONFSSION OF FAITH 8.3

Trinity Hymnal p. 853

III. The Lord Jesus, in his human nature thus united to the divine, was sanctified, and anointed with the Holy Spirit, above measure, having in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge; in whom it pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell; to the end that, being holy, harmless, undefiled, and full of grace and truth, he might be thoroughly furnished to execute the office of a mediator, and surety. Which office he took not unto himself, but was thereunto called by his Father, who put all power and judgment into his hand, and gave him commandment to execute the same.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Trinity Hymnal No. 734

*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.*

THE PRAYER FOR CHURCH AND WORLD

COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

CHORAL ANTHEM

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

W. Runyan, arr. Dan Forrest

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, my Father!
There is no shadow of turning with Thee!
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
As thou hast been, Thou forever will be.*

*Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

*Summer and winter and springtime and harvest;
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.*

*Pardon for sin, and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
Strength for today, and bright hope for tomorrow;
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside!*

***Congregation to join:
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see.
All I have needed, Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.***

Lord, unto me! Amen.

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Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit.
Is. 11:1

1. Lo, how a rose e'er bloom - ing from ten - der
2. I - sa - iah 'twas fore - told it, the rose I
3. The shep - herds heard the sto - ry, pro - claimed by
4. This flow'r, whose fra - grance ten - der with sweet - ness
5. O Sav - ior, child of Mar - y, who felt our

stem hath sprung, of Jes - se's lin - eage com - ing,
have in mind; with Mar - y we be - hold it,
• an - gels bright, how Christ, the Lord of glo - ry,
fills the air, dis - pels with glo - rious splen - dor
hu - man woe; O Sav - ior, King of glo - ry,

as men of old have sung. It came, a flow'r - et bright,
the vir - gin moth - er kind. To show God's love a - right
• was born on earth this night. To Beth - le - hem they sped
the dark - ness ev - 'ry - where. True man, yet ver - y God;
who dost our weak - ness know, bring us at length, we pray,

a - mid the cold of win - ter, when half - spent was the night.
she bore to men a Sav - ior, when half - spent was the night.
• and in the man - ger found him, as an - gel her - aids said.
from sin and death he saves us and light - ens ev - 'ry load.
to the bright courts of heav - en and to the end - less day.

German hymn, ca. 1500
St. 1-2 tr. by Theodore Baker, 1894
St. 3-4 tr. by Harriett R. Spaeth, 1875
St. 5 tr. by John C. Mattes, 1914

ES IST EIN' ROS' ENTSPRUNGEN 7.6.7.6.6.7.6.
German melody, 15th cent.
Arr. by Michael Praetorius, 1609; alt.

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

ARP Psalter No. 173

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Dependence On God for Salvation

Psalm 62

Behold, I lay in Zion a chief cornerstone, elect, precious, and he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame. —1 Peter 2:6

1. My soul with ex - pec - ta - tion doth De - pend on God in - deed,
 2. Yet, O my soul, up - on the Lord Still pa - tient - ly at - tend;
 3. In God a - lone my glo - ry is, And my sal - va - tion sure;

My strength and my sal - va - tion do From Him a - lone pro - ceed.
 My ex - pec - ta - tion and my hope On Him a - lone de - pend.
 My rock of strength is in the Lord, My re - fuge most se - cure.

He on - ly my sal - va - tion is, And my strong rock is He,
 He on - ly my sal - va - tion is, And my strong rock is He,
 On Him, ye peo - ple, ev - er - more With con - fi - dence re - ly;

He on - ly is my sure de - fence, Much moved I shall not be.
 He on - ly is my sure de - fence, And moved I shall not be.
 Be - fore Him pour ye out your heart, God is our re - fuge high.

*** BENEDICTION**

*** DOXOLOGY**

Trinity Hymnal No. 731

*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*

** Congregation Standing*

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering plates will be passed during morning worship. Below are additional ways to give:

ONLINE: <http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/>

MAIL: Please mail any tithes and offering checks (no cash) to the treasurer's home address and he will ensure the funds are deposited into the church's account: Matt Spear BPC Treasurer, 1722 Tanglebriar Court, Weddington, NC 28104

THIS SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Adult Choir rehearsal -contact Dr. Catie Jackson for more information about choir.

10:00 a.m. Sunday School for ages 3 to adult, nursery available

Adult Sunday School for ages 3 to adult, nursery available

Adult Sunday School is studying The Heidelberg Catechism followed by a **Hymn Preview**, in the sanctuary

4:00 p.m. Lessons & Carols Choir Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Evening Worship

THIS WEEK

Wednesday Night DINNER, PRAYER MEETING, & YOUTH GROUP

Please join us 5:45-6:15 p.m. for dinner, provided by the women of BPC.

At 6:15, Dr. Nance leads Prayer Meeting with a devotion and then we will pray together. Youth Group also meets at 6:15 and is studying a series on *Christian Practices/ Disciplines*. Youth Group contacts are Gavin Miller gav4gospel@outlook.com Ethan Wilson emtrwilson@gmail.com

Thursday Night 6:30-8:00 p.m. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Join us for weekly study and prayer in person at the church and online

via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/97617806601>. **We will not have a potluck meal this month, on Dec. 4th.** We are currently studying the book of Amos. For questions, contact Meg Tremper, megatthemoment@gmail.com

Friday Morning 6:30 a.m. MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We are studying *Creational Worldview* by P. Andrew Sandlin. Contact Willie Mangum with questions.

SAVE THE DATES

- Dec. 6** Baby Shower for Catherine Lovell at Kennedy's, 11:15 a.m.
- Dec. 7** Outreach Sunday 6 p.m. Worship at Brightmore; 10am at Pavilion
- Dec. 9** Dinner & Discipleship at Kennedy's, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Dec. 11** Women's Ornament Exchange at Catie Jackson's, 7 p.m.
- Dec. 13** Youth Progressive Dinner, 4:45 – 9:45 p.m.
- Dec. 18 & Jan. 1** No Women's Bible Study
- Dec. 21** A Festival of Lessons & Carols, 6 p.m.
- Dec. 24** Christmas Eve Worship Service, 6 p.m.
- Dec. 28** No Sunday School, No Evening Worship

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

9/30/2025	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income/Gifts	\$230,728	\$270,800	(\$40,072)
Expenses	\$278,208	\$270,800	(\$7,408)
Net Income/(Deficit)	(\$47,480)	\$0	(\$47,480)

SESSION

Dr. Mantle Nance	Senior Minister	980-329-8458
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Mr. Mark Seeley	Elder Emeritus	

DIACONATE

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Mr. Dan Tubaugh	Finance	704-989-7200

STAFF

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Mr. Ethan Wilson	Intern	585-360-5752

MISSIONARIES AND SUPPORTED MINISTRIES

Scott & Victoria Andes	RUF International - USC	Columbia, SC
Juan & Kelsey Rodriguez	RUF - UNCC	Charlotte, NC
Michael & Laura Cochran	World Witness	England
Josh & Abigail Duemler	University Reformed Church	Lansing, MI
*Drew & Lauren Goodman	World Witness	
Josh & Ashley Grimm	RUF - Queens	Charlotte, NC
Lauren Hinkelman	World Witness	Columbia, SC
John & Judy Lehner	Serge for Spain	Charlotte, NC
PAK7		Pakistan
Queen City Pregnancy Resource Ctr.	1505 E. 4 th Street	Charlotte, NC
Rob & Rachel Turner	Arsenal Hill Presbyterian	Columbia, SC
Michael & Lauren Wenzler	RUF National	
Justin & M. Westmoreland	Trinity Presbyterian Ch.	Norman, OK

**Missionary of the Month*

**SHARING THE LOVE OF THE FATHER, THE GRACE OF HIS SON,
AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SPIRIT IN BALLANTYNE AND BEYOND.**

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