

ROGERSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastor Emeritus: Dr. David L. Hale

Pastor: Rev. Rodney E. Norris

Sept. 14, 2014 *Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost* 11:00 A.M.

GATHERING

Ringling of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *My Tribute* (text 363) Andrae/Crouch

Choral Call to Worship *When Morning Gilds the Skies* LAUDES DOMINI
Chancel Choir

Call to Worship

Leader: Christ Jesus is Lord of the dead and the living.

People: Whether we live or die, we belong to God.

Leader: Here we stand before the Lord of all life.

People: Let every knee bow, and every tongue sing praise. Let us worship God.

Prayer of the Day

Children's Message

Hymn 411 *How Firm a Foundation* FOUNDATION

Call to Confession and Confession of Sin (in unison)

God our redeemer, we confess that we remain captivated by sin. You move heaven and earth to save us, but we are unmoved by the suffering of others. You are willing to forgive again and again, but we are unwilling to forgive the debts of others. Forgive us; liberate us! Let us be no longer bound by sin, but released, restored, set free to worship and serve you in freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(silence for personal confession).

Declaration of Forgiveness

Leader: In the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Passing of the Peace

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

Response of Praise 734 *Gloria Patri* GREATORIX

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture:

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Romans 14:1-12

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Thanks be to God.

Matthew 18:21-35

Sermon

-Forgiveness - It's not easy

Rev. Norris

RESPONSE

Hymn 61 *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* WELLESLEY

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Help Us Accept Each Other (text 596)

BECK

Doxology

Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison prayer)

We bring these gifts to you in response to the good news of salvation. We pray that you bless these humble offerings and use them for your purposes. May you be glorified in our giving as we have been blessed in the receiving of gifts. Amen.

SENDING

Hymn 716 *God Be With You* GOD BE WITH YOU

Charge and Blessing

Postlude *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* (text 712) ASH GROVE

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor
Music Director
Organist
Administrative Assistants

Sunday School Director
Youth Coordinator
Custodian
Preschool Director
Preschool Assistant

Rev. Rodney E. Norris
George E. Webb, Jr.
Charlotte Webb
Anne Elmore
Eleanore Davis
Mary Jane Fink
Will Evans
George Jarvis
Autumn Harris
Bernice Hall

SESSION

Moderator
Clerk of Session

Rev. Rodney E. Norris
Elizabeth Smith

Class of 2014

Mary Ellen Elkins
Otis Munsey
Shirley Price
Jimmy Rogers
Jim Phillips

Class of 2015

Daniel Boyd
Julia Geiger
Joe Price
Elizabeth Smith
Sylvia Tegge

Class of 2016

Mary Jane Fink
Karl Geiger
Rebecca George
Alex McDonald
Eric Stewart

TRUSTEES

Floyd Knowlton

Bill Phillips

Ed Testerman

Presbyterian Women's Moderator
Pastor Emeritus

Sarah Evans
David L. Hale, Sr.

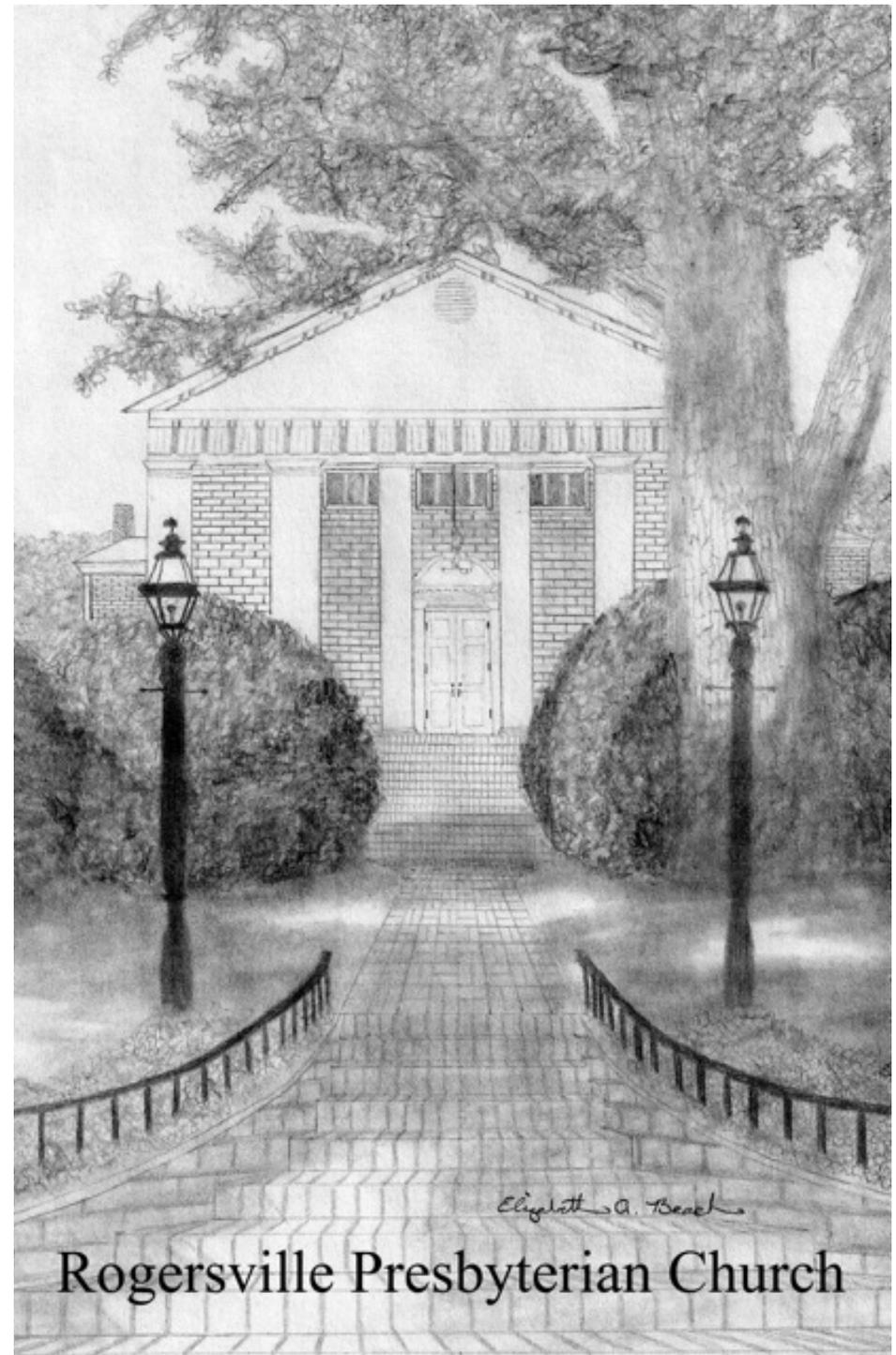
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Rev. Norris' Phone:

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Greeter for September

Rebecca George

Birthdays: 15 Clarke Hale Paty; 17 Alex Holcomb; 20 Valerie Holcomb Douglas.



CALENDAR AND NOTES

Rogersville Presbyterian Church is a caring congregation, which seeks to learn God's Word, proclaim God's Word, share God's Word and live God's Word as the Good News of Jesus Christ.

We are happy to welcome you to worship! And we invite visitors to consider joining our church. If you would like to do so, please talk with the worship leader or indicate your interest on the friendship pad. Thank you very much for being here today and come back soon. **(An elevator is available for those who need assistance to and from the sanctuary. Hearing devices, located on tables at the entrances to the sanctuary, should be returned to the tables following the worship service.)**

9:45 AM Sunday School
10:30 AM Sunday School Assembly
11:00 AM Morning Worship; Food Pantry Offering
Children's church-Will Evans
5:00 PM Youth Group meets

MONDAY

6:30 PM Session meets.

WEDNESDAY

Office Closed. Anne on vacation.

10:00 AM Prayer Group (Don Rose, Leader).
4:30 PM LOGOS, Hogwarts/Harry Potter
6:45 PM Handbell Choir Rehearsal
7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Billie & Tommy Young and in honor of all grandparents.

Prayer Emphasis: Church Family: Jan Smith, Jim Bowers, Danny Cockreham, Alice Wright Hale, Ruth Hawthorne, Henry Price, Alma & John Johnson, Christine Rost, Ed & Helen Rhea Testerman, Charles Mercer, Barbara Holcomb, Barbara & George Malpas.

Homebound: Jan Smith, Ruth Phillips, Jo Schultz, Gray Wilson

Nursing Home: Mary Reel (Harrisonburg, VA),

Assisted Living: Emily Chambers (Erwin, TN)

Military: Robert McDonald, Louis Netherland, T.J. Lambdin, Shane Freeman.

Extended Family: "Chuck" Ennis, Phillip Krickbaum, June Pritchard (Mary Jane Fink's aunt), Joyce Jessie (Rachel Stewart and Matt Jessie's grandmother), Dr. Earle Barron, Mack Smith (Elizabeth

Smith's husband), Alice Anne Fleenor (Cathy Fleenor's daughter), Cheryl Middleton (friend of Cathy Fleenor), Brian Wood (Terry George's cousin), Sonny Elkins (Sherry Terry's brother), Donna Floyd (daughter of Don and Betty Rose), David Rose (brother of Don Rose), Sherry Tolbert (sister-in-law of Bob & Ren Tolbert), Skyler Price, Ralph Shanks, Jim Malpas, Carter, Jane, Carter, Jr. & Emerson Hale, Christine Dinwiddle (Renee French's mother), Cindy Johnson, Imojean McCurry Morris (Rebecca George's stepmother), Andrew Holcomb (Barbara Holcomb's grandson), Roger Butler (Alma Johnson's brother-in-law), Makinzie Johnson (grandson of Alma & John) and Clark Overstreet (friend of John Johnson; Bobbie Fletcher (sister of Tommy Young), Dr. David L. Hale, Patsy Way (Missy Testerman's mother), Diane Sneed (friend of Sue Livesay), Nan Elrod (friend of Susan Rice), Dick Lambert.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Phone number for Rev. Rodney Norris is: (423) 347-5025.

A big thank you to all who brought food and to the Growth & Nurture Committee and the volunteers, who decorated, organized the food and helped with the many chores in the kitchen at the luncheon on Sunday. It was a great time of fellowship and a special opportunity to meet the new pastor and his family.