

**11:00 Worship**

**May 22, 2022**

Prelude		
Welcome		
Introit	<i>Surely the Presence of the Lord</i>	Chancel Choir
*Call to Worship		
*Opening Hymn	<i>Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah</i>	#127
*Opening Prayer		
*Psalter Reading	Psalm 67	#791
*Gloria Patri		#71
Scripture Lesson	Acts 16:9-15 (NRSV)	Robin Dadig, Lay Reader
Prayer Concerns		
Prayer of Confession		
The Lord's Prayer		
Invitation to the Offering		
Offertory Prayer		
Doxology		#95
Anthem	<i>Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me</i>	Chancel Choir
Sermon Scripture	John 14:15-17, 22-27 (NRSV)	pg. 103 (NT)
Sermon	"The Best Teacher"	Rev. Tommy Sweeley
*Hymn of Response	<i>He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought</i> <i>Altar Moments Alter Lives</i>	#128
*Benediction		
*Benediction Response	<i>May the Grace of Christ Our Savior</i>	Chancel Choir
*Postlude		
(*) denotes those who are able to stand		

If you would like to know more about Southern Pines UMC or are searching for a church home, we warmly invite you to contact us by placing the completed "Connect with Us" card in the offering plate or by calling the church office (910692-3518).

**9:00 Worship**

**May 22, 2022**

Prelude	<i>Living Waters</i> <i>Old Church Choir</i> <i>Revival</i>	Praise Band
Welcome		
*Call to Worship		
*Opening Song	<i>Believe</i>	
Baptism		Alys Ellington Lee
Children's Time		Caroline Carlson
Scripture Lesson	Acts 16:9-15 (NRSV)	Amy Cooper, Lay Reader
Prayer Concerns		
Prayer of Confession		
The Lord's Prayer		
Invitation to the Offering		
Offertory Prayer		
Anthem	<i>Honey in the Rock</i>	Praise Band
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Sermon	"The Best Teacher"	Rev. Tommy Sweeley
*Song of Response	<i>Honey in the Rock</i> <i>Altar Moments Alter Lives</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		
*Postlude		Praise Band
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**Welcome to God's house!** "It's a joy to have every worshiper here to glorify God and to share in fellowship with one another. After the 9:00 worship service, everyone is invited to gather in Fellowship Hall for coffee and refreshments." -Southern Pines United Methodist Church Family

**Congratulations Southern Pines UMC Graduates!****High School**

Ryan Grafenberg: Pinecrest High School will attend UNC-Chapel Hill

Reade Hastings: STARS Charter

Thomas Mandell: Pinecrest High School will attend Penn State - Berks University

Karson Van Scoyoc: Pinecrest High School will attend UNC-Chapel Hill

**College**

Gabrielle Flanders: NC State, Statistics w/minor in Biology and Genetics

Ryder Giles: ECU, Bachelor of Science in Business Management

Colleen Harvey: Montana State, Masters degree

Emma Gentry Landry: UNC-Chapel Hill, Journalism

Isabel Pardal: NC State, Business Administration/concentration in Marketing, (*Magna Cum Laude*)

Madison Petersen: University of South Carolina, Bachelor of Science in Public Health, Graduation with Leadership Distinction in Public Health

Alexandra “Lexy” Whipple: UNC-Charlotte, Bachelor of Science in Systems Management, Master of Science in Management & 2 minors: Childhood and Family Development, American Studies

**The Flowers Today...**

...are given to the glory of God in honor of Emma Gentry Landry upon her graduation from UNC-Chapel Hill “The School of Champions”, in honor of Elliott Grace Sutton’s graduation from West Pines Middle School and in honor of Mary Virginia Grey Sutton’s (aka Baby) graduation from Pinehurst Elementary School by grandparents, Frank & Lynne Thigpen.

**Thank You**

Church family, thank you all for your prayers, cards, calls, love, and support during the recent passing of my mother. We feel blessed to be part of such a wonderful congregation, Susan Sweeley.

**Snack Bags and Books for Kids**

Each summer our Church provides Snack Bags along with a BOOK and an Activity Book for each child whose parent comes to the Food Pantry. This is done for 10 Mondays alongside our Church Food Pantry. Each Summer we give out about 300 bags to school-age children and teens, plus about 40 baby and toddler Bags. We provide a standard new book each month for each age group and choice of classic, history, multicultural, and reading encouragement books for additional weeks. HERE are some things you, your family, Life Group, or SS Class can do to help us with this ministry: provide food bags per standard list in groups of 20, 40 or 60; sign up to help add books and goodies; sign up for Monday morning distribution; create something new like hygiene kits for 2-5 year-olds; contribute gently used books; pray for this ministry. Contact Mary Ellen Bender at 252-802-0525 or [mebend@embarqmail.com](mailto:mebend@embarqmail.com). See attachment online for details.

**Associate/Youth Pastor—Elias Ballew**

On June 28th, our new associate pastor Elias Ballew will move into the associate parsonage at 100 Clematis Road. He will begin his duties on July 5th.

Elias is a recent graduate of Duke Divinity School with a Masters of Divinity degree. He has years of experience in youth ministry, which will be a part of his duties at SPUMC. We look forward to welcoming Elias to SPUMC!

**Sunday Morning Kids Praise**

During this interim time of transition while the church seeks a new Children's Minister, all kids are invited to participate in Kids Praise on Sunday mornings, immediately following the Children's Message at the 9:00 am Worship Service. Kids will spend time singing, playing instruments, and learning more about participating in worship. This will temporarily take the place of Kid's Own Worship (KOW) until a new Children's Minister is in place. All kids ages 4 through 5th grade are invited to participate in Kids Praise. For more information, contact David Smith, [dsmith4430@gmail.com](mailto:dsmith4430@gmail.com).

**Blood Drive**

The efforts of Southern Pines United Methodist Church have always been greatly appreciated and your support of the community blood program will go a long way toward replenishing blood supplies and ultimately saving lives. You'll be interested to know that you collected 33 units of blood product which was way over your goal of 28! —Robin Robinson, American Red Cross

The next blood collection drive at SPUMC is July 12th from 1:30 - 6pm.

**Sunday Schedule**

Nursery (birth—2 years)

**9:00 am** Contemporary/Live Stream

Kids Praise (4 years –5th grade)

**9<sup>45</sup>-10 am** Fellowship Time, Fellowship Hall

**10:00 am** Sunday School (all ages)

**11:00 am** Traditional/Live Stream

**Mon - May 23** Church Council, 7pm

**Tues - May 24** Exercise Class, FH, 9:30am

Nurture Committee, 11am

Holy Communion, 12 noon

Evergreen (AA) Group, 7pm

**Wed - May 25** Women's Life Group, 11am (Mary Ellen Bender, [mebend@emabaqmail.com](mailto:mebend@emabaqmail.com))

**Sun - June 5** “Pentecost: A Time to Come Together” will be a service at Southern Pines Park at 7 pm of community churches.

<http://www.southernpinesumc.org> <https://www.facebook.com/SoPinesUMC> <https://vimeo.com/sopinesumc>

Pastor Tommy Sweeley: [tsweeley@nccumc.org](mailto:tsweeley@nccumc.org)

**Home:** Lewis Cooper, Mikey Delle, Mary Sue Faulkner, Leigh Formyduval, Brenda Geist, Wyatt Glenn & family, Mary C. Harris, Roger Hicks, Mona Hill, Jack Hussey, Marguerite Hussey, Debra Lambert, Louise Laningham, Cassie Lehr, Hal Leak, Mary Majors, Nancy Manar, Shannon Masneri, Jim McCaskill, David Miller, Jennie Rose, Gail Scott, Gale Smith, Susan Sweeley & family, Lynne Thigpen, Carolyn West, Larry White, Mabel Jane Wannamaker, Treis Williams & Rachael Wirtz.

- Donna Dickson**, 1777 Cawdor Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28304
- Brenda Geist**, 7046 W. Pleasant Oak Court, Florence, AZ 85132-6942
- Helge Grill**, 6100 W. Friendly Avenue, Apt. 1312, Greensboro, NC 27410
- Don & Joyce Batson**, 255 Courtyard Boulevard, Rm. 205, Sun City Center, FL 33573
- Kadie Hergenrother**, 965 Hager Drive, Apt. 434, Petoskey, MI 49770
- Pat Hitchings**, Walton Wood Lake Boone Road, 3550 Horton Street, Apt. 203, Raleigh, NC 27607
- Charles E. Kersey**, 15 W. Franklin Ave., Collingswood, NJ 08108-1117
- Darlene “DAR” Raube**, 120 N. Deerfield Road, Pontiac, IL 61764
- April Zulch**, 3 Scarborough Place, Pinehurst, NC 28374

- Fox Hollow — 190 Fox Hollow Road, Pinehurst, NC 28374** Annalee Anderson Jim Juett
- TerraBella — 101 Brucewood Road, Southern Pines, NC 28387** Phyllis Marker (703) June Thompson (C-2) Nancy Smith
- Quail Haven — 155 Blake Blvd., Pinehurst, NC 28374** Jean Hicks
- Penick Village — 500 East Rhode Island Ave., So. Pines, NC 28387** Carol Chapman, Jane MacDougall, Myron & Barb Dice, Kay Rhoades, Betty Dorsett, Gerald & Nancy Peterson & Marion Evans

**Active/Deployed:** W.Troie Barker, 1 LT Benjamin Harvey, CPT Brian Harvey, COL Mark Ochoa, Ian Sheridan & Gold Star/Military Families  
**Missionary:** Habitat Apostle’s Build & ZOE Groups  
**Those w/Covid Ukraine Victims of Mass Shootings Wildfires**

**Extended Family & Friends:** **Alice Allen** (mother of Susan Reeve), **Fred Barefoot** (grandfather of Gretchen Arnoczy), **Johnny Baskowski** (Gail Dodge), **Bill Biggers** (Robert Reeve), **Larry Bost** (B-I-L of Jim & Ruthie Borrell), **Deb Borrell** (sister of Jim Borrell), **Brandon** (grandson of Marguerite & Jack Hussey), **Gladys Britt** (stepmother of Rhonda McKinney), **Lisa Bunge** (daughter of Doug Burns), **Charles Carraway** (Katherine Stafford), **Susan Carter** (David Young), **Billy Clark** (Betty Hobbs/Cheryl Clark), **Bob Crowell** (husband of Jeri Crowell), **Shannon Mae Degreef**, **Art & Judy Dellinger** (Keri Crowl), **Myra Doggett** (mother of Michelle Aubrey), **Wayne Eggleston** (cousin of Vivian Ratliff), **Father of Shirley Bond**, **Holly Whitlock-Firmender** (niece of Sandra Miller), **Frazier** (Joyce Tickle), **Steve Frazier & family** (cousin of Nancy Frazier), **Donnie Funderburk** (B-I-L of Gwen Funderburk), **Terry Georgakae** (John and Cindy Marohl), **Gwendalyn** (Keith & Rhonda McKinney), **Kathy Thomerson-Haddad** (cousin of Brenda Geist), **Tessie Troutman Hall** (Juanita Boros), **Keely Harpster, Jerry & Pamela Harris, Mike Hodges** (Vivian Ratliff), **Scott Hodges** (cousin of Mary Sue Faulkner), **Lewis Holder** (Sally Moore), **Shelia Howard** (Hugh Bingham), **Hunter** (Amy Cooper), **Bill Iverson** (son of Susie Iverson), **Nancy Jacy** (sister of David Young), **Jasper Jawanda** (Gretchen Arnoczy), **Joe** (Mikey Delle), **Everette Juett** (grandson of Jim Juett), **Stan Johnson** (Keri Crowl), **Ken & Patty Kidd** (cousin of Nancy Scaggs), **Fritz Kopitzki** (brother of Rhonda McKinney), **Jacob Lancaster** (Gail Scott), **Harold Lassiter** (B-I-L-of Jimmie Ann Lassiter), **Patsy Layer** (Vivian Ratliff), **Kara Matthews** (daughter of Vicki & Richard Brown), **David McClore** (Scaggs/Bonecutter), **Mae McGougan, The Parham family** (Nancy Scaggs), **Phil Parks** (cousin of Gloria Moore), **Jackson M. Powitchko** (grandson of Jack & Kathy), **Peyton Priest** (Keri Crowl), **James Quesinberry** (Cassie Lehr), **Jenny Reeder** (niece of Kim Stoudenmire), **Roscoe & Mary S. Reeve** (parents of Robert Reeve), **Carol Renken** (Kitzy Bundy), **Tommy Riggins** (brother of Katherine Stafford), **Summer Ruyle** (niece of Bob Newman), **Raymond Rzaca** (John & Cindy Marohl), **Don Scaggs** (Scaggs/Bonecutter), **Jonathan Scarboro** (Wyatt Glenn), **Troy Scott** (nephew of Gwen Funderburk), **Bree Sheridan, Sandy Shrewsbury** (Scaggs/Hildebrand), **Tom & aunt** (Will Holliday), **Judy Jones-Turnage** (S-I-L of Barbara Richardson), **Suzanne Uptigrove** (Kathy Schlagel), **Sandi Wesson** (John & Cindy Marohl), **Vera Williams, Carol Wiseburn** (Marguerite Hussey).

If you or others you know have an upcoming medical procedure, are sick, or are experiencing a significant life event, please let our pastoral staff know by contacting the church directly at [spumc@nc.rr.com](mailto:spumc@nc.rr.com) or calling 910-692-3518. You can also fill out the Pastoral Visit or Prayer Request card located on the back of each pew.

**Worship Attendance — May 15, 2022**

(9 am ) **112** (Sunday School) **43** (11 am) **65** (Virtually) **335**  
 (Senior Adult Fellowship) **26**

**Contributions for the week of May 15, 2022**

Operating.....	\$ 16,886.00
Pastor’s Disc.....	\$ 50.00
Church Preservation Fund.....	\$ 145.00
Special Music Gifts.....	\$ 1,000.00
Undesignated Memorials.....	\$ 900.00
Food Pantry.....	\$ 75.00
Zoe Ministry.....	\$ 150.00
<u>Elec. Processing Donation.....</u>	<u>\$ 1.38</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 19,207.38</b>
Operating Contrib. YTD.....	\$ 241,902
Preservation Contrib. YTD.....	\$ 8,455
Operating Expenses (May 15) YTD....	\$ 215,596

**Volunteers Needed**—The Food Pantry is in need of new volunteers to help with pick ups at Food Lion on Saturdays (Pinecrest Plaza) and Sundays (Pinecrest Plaza and Aberdeen) and Panera Bread on Saturdays. Also needed are extra volunteers to work the Food Pantry on Mondays from 10-12 and /or 8:30-10 am to help set up. To volunteer or for more information, contact Donna Wondergem at [spumcfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:spumcfoodpantry@gmail.com).

**Thank YOU!**—A very big “Thank You” to Ana McKinney along with her Brownie Troop 1061 for packing 100 bags of food on Monday, May 16th.

**Senior Food Program**—Eligible seniors can receive food each month (pick up or delivery available) through the Food Bank of Central & Eastern North Carolina and the Sandhills Coalition. The Coalition is located at 1500 W. Indiana Ave., So. Pines, (910) 693-1600 opt. 5 or in person weekdays 8:30–11:30 am. Household median income per month: 1 person, \$1,473; 2 people \$1,984; 3 people \$3,007; 4 people \$3,518 and 5 people \$3,518 with \$500 added per person after 5.

**Giving Made Easy**—Electronic gifts are fast and secure. Give anytime, anywhere to your favorite funds. Schedule donations or set up an account and make donations whenever you'd like throughout the year. Go to the SPUMC website: [www.southernpinesumc.org](http://www.southernpinesumc.org) and click “Give” at the top of the page to get started. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Bradshaw at: [jean@bradshawcapitalmgt.com](mailto:jean@bradshawcapitalmgt.com). TEXT YOUR OFFERING: 910-390-1703 (These donations will go to the operating budget.) THANK YOU!

**Lost item**—The church office is in possession of an item that was lost on Easter Sunday. Please contact the church office with a description of this item.