

In lieu of altar flowers a donation has been made to the Backpack Program by Dan and Sue Kuhn, given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Margaret McTaggart's birthday,

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Olivia Hopkins 9/11
 Simone Tang 9/12
 Martha Wilson 9/13
 Martin Ziegner 9/13
 Christopher Barringer 9/14

FINANCIAL UPDATES

Received Last Week: \$4,610.00
 Received to Date: \$375,543.04
 Expenses to Date: \$363,567.48

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY
Liturgist: Skylar Foxworth
Acolyte: Tessa Byerly
Ushers: Ray and Gayle Pollard
Deacon on Call: Manda Stiegel

Elon Community Church Staff

Senior Pastor
 Rev. Randy Orwig
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 Rev. Sharon Wheeler
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THIS WEEK AT ELON COMMUNITY CHURCH

Sunday 9/11

9:00 am Seekers' Class ZOOM
 9:00 am Chancel Choir
 9:30 am Sr. Pastor Bible Study
 9:30 am Children's Sunday School
 10:30 am Worship Service
 11:45 am Church Council
 1:00 pm Mission and Outreach Meeting
 2:30 pm Children's Handbell Program Meeting
 3:00 pm Dog Day Mixer
 5:00 pm Catholic Mass

Monday 9/12

10:30 am Women's Fellowship
 7:00 pm Cub Scouts

Tuesday 9/13

7:00 pm PFLAG

Wednesday 9/14

7:00 pm Chancel Choir
 8:00 pm AA Meeting

Thursday 9/15

3:00 pm Farmers' Market
 6:30 pm Chancel Ringers

Friday 9/16

6:30 pm NA Meeting

Saturday 9/17

6:00 pm Elon Football Game

Sunday 9/18

9:00 am Chancel Choir
 9:00 am Seekers' Class ZOOM
 9:30 am Sr. Pastor Bible Study
 9:30 am Children's Sunday School
 10:30 am Worship Service
 3:00 pm Genesis Chimes, JuBELLation, InspiRING Bells
 3:45 pm Children and Youth Vocal Choirs
 4:30 pm KICK
 4:30 pm Young Ringers
 5:00 pm Catholic Mass
 5:15 pm Little Lights
 5:30 pm COOL/EDGE
 6:00 pm Catholic Liturgical Training

WE'RE ON THE WEB:
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Women's Fellowship - Welcome Back!

Please plan on attending the **September Women's Fellowship Meeting on Monday, September, 12 at 10:30 in the CLC.** You can come in person or on Zoom. **Light refreshments will be provided.** As we begin the new year **(September - June)** we will be looking at ways to incorporate The Sabbath into our special and personal lives. There are also going to be some changes to discuss. So whether you've been attending Women's Fellowship for years, months, or never, please join us! Contact Betty Griffin or Bev Orwig if you have any questions.

HANDBELL CHOIRS UPDATE

Children's music rehearsals start on September 18. A Parent Information Meeting will be held TODAY at 2:30 pm before the Dog Days event. Chancel Ringers will be meeting on Thursdays at 6:30 pm—7:30 pm in Bell Room 1. We will begin rehearsals on September 15. New ringers welcome! Please contact Claire at eccbells@gmail.com or 814-853-9128 for more information

Calling all 4th grade girls

The Elon community is welcoming a new Girl Scout Troop to the area for girls entering fourth grade. They will meet in the Fellowship Room at 6:00 pm every other Wednesday, starting September 21. Co-Leaders, Katie Snider and Linsey Guyette are very excited for this new venture and look forward to working with 4th graders in our area. If your child, grandchild or someone you know might be interested, please contact Katie at katherine.snider@gmail.com. No scouting experience is necessary!

ECCUCC TO THE ELON PHOENIX FOOTBALL GAME

With the excitement around Football Sunday, there was a request that we plan a trip to the Elon Football Game. We are making that happen! The Elon Phoenix take on Gardner Webb in their opening game on Saturday, September 17 at 6 pm in Rhodes Stadium. The cost for tickets will be \$10. Those who want may meet in the parking lot of the church at 5 pm. Bring your tailgate meal and walk over to the stadium together. Those who cannot walk that far, we will shuttle you over that evening. If you are interested in going, please let Sharon Wheeler know by signing up on the insert or emailing her at wheeler.sharon04@gmail.com.

Sunday School & Worship Ways Teachers

With church getting back to "normal" we are want to start offering Sunday School and Worship Ways, our Children's worship, to our families. If anyone is interested in helping with Sunday School and/or Worship Ways, please let Pastor Sharon know by signing up on the insert or e-mailing her at wheeler.sharon04@gmail.com.

DOG DAY MIXER TODAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 3 - 5 pm

We need you to employ your dogs for this festival of hot dogs, ice cream, music, and dogs that allow the students to mix, feel our welcome and help with early Fall Term transition. Make sure to leave this time open for fun and interaction with the newest students at Elon. Sponsored by the University Relations Committee.

Solar Panel Update: Our solar panels had another great month in August, producing 3.03 MWh of energy! Since they began producing in January 2019, they have produced 123 MWh. That has saved us \$13,080.74 and prevented 190,068.7 pounds of carbon dioxide from being released into the atmosphere. That's equivalent to planting 1,436 trees!



Dedicated to spiritual renewal, we strive to be an accepting, thinking, and serving community of faith.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

10:30 AM

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

We welcome all guests and members who worship with us this morning. If you are a visitor, please take time to sign the visitor portion of the insert and leave it in the offering plate at either exit. Please join us at Meet and Greet immediately after worship for light refreshments and fellowship!



"I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Luke 15:10

Gathering God's People

CHIMES

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP—Please Sign In

PRELUDE *Elegy* John Carter (born 1930)

"In memory and in grief for the children and teachers of Robb Elementary School, Uvalde, Texas. They are our children."

(In this composition Mr. Carter sounds the chimes 21 times for each of the 19 students and 2 teachers who were killed in May.)

The Call

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, Beloved of God, the blistering wind of life is not the end.
All: May the eye of the storm still us into wholeness and hope.
Leader: May the wind of God, turn us around toward trust in Holy promises.
All: May our promises to God be pressed anew into our hearts and minds.
Leader: May everything of excess be released and refined for Love's good work.
All: May God's vision of a world made new arise from God's wind in and through us.

† HYMN 438 When Peace, Like a River VILLE DU HAVRE

† PRAYER OF INVOCATION (*Remembering 9/11*)

O Holy Wind of God, sweep through our lives. Pause us into your presence, slowing our breathless pace. Refine in us a renewed willingness to bear gracious goodness into the chaos of the world. Let our memories on this day, call forth an alternative to the easy response of violence for violence. Form instead a steady commitment to return love in the face of fear, hope in the midst of despair, and mercy for every brokenness of the world's design. By this, form anew the heart and mind of Christ in us, here, now, today. Amen.

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of God be with you.
All: And also with you.
Leader: As a people forgiven and free, pass this peace now to one another!

Please let people know what you wish by waving, a fist out to bump, or if you are open to a handshake or even a hug.

† 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.

Encountering the Sacred Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON I Timothy 1: 12-17 Page 204 (NT)

Leaders: Through this scripture God is still speaking.
All: And we are listening!

CHILDREN'S TIME Little Children Come Unto Me SILER

Little children come unto me, Little children come unto me. You are made in God's image so perfectly. Little children come unto me.

GOSPEL Luke 15: 1-10 Page 76 (NT)

SERMON One At A Time Randy Orwig

MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR THE 21ST ANNIVERSARY OF 9/11

(This and Appointed Times)

Responding to the Word

SHARING OF JOY AND CONCERNS—A Time for Honoring

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

† *You are invited to stand as able at these moments.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison. "Forgive us our **trespasses...**")

Please address God in the way that is most comfortable to you: "Our Father," "Our Father and Mother," "Our God," etc.

PRESENTING TO GOD OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

The Call to Give

The Symbolic Giving of Tithes and Offerings

OFFERTORY God is Our Refuge Jay Althouse

† THE DOXOLOGY WITH ALLELUIAS LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below! Sing your praises, Alleluia! Praise God above you heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

† OFFERTORY PRAYER

Sending God's People

† HYMN 547 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound AMAZING GRACE

† BENEDICTION

† POSTLUDE When Peace like a River arr. Rev. J. Bert Carlson (1937-2017)