

Reaching Pastor Randy or Wife, Cathy

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Events / News / Announcements

April

28 - Guest Speaker Spencer Clifford

29 - Mission Team 6pm

May

04 - Drawing for Garden Cart. Winner will be called.

05 - VBS Volunteers meeting after Worship, lunch being served.

See Jill Peterson or Lisa Bragg.

11 - Prayer Breakfast 8:30am, MMM & MWM meeting 9:30am

13 - Deacon meeting 6pm

19 - Gods Table, Rowan Helping Ministries

March through April - Women's Ministry
"Bakeless Bake Sale."

UPCOMING:

*VBS Volunteers meeting/lunch immediately after church, 5/5/24.

*VBS - June 15th, 10am until 3pm

*Women's Seminar - August 24th, 9am until 1pm

*RHM - Please remember to help as you are able with donations
to Rowan Helping Ministries and One Church One Child.*

*Non-perishable donations should be in cans, boxes or
plastic containers...no glass please*

*One Church One Child's list of needs are on the bulletin board
downstairs. For more info please see Susan Triplett.*

2024 Annual Budget

\$164,065.00

General Tithes/Offerings

Last week \$2,001.00

YTD \$59,798.38

Welcome to Maupin Avenue
Presbyterian Church
maupin.church

We are delighted you came to join us in worship this morning. We are happy to have you as our guest and hope you experience God's love and joy in a meaningful way as we worship together.

Please accept our sincere invitation to return. SS 9:45am, Worship 11am

You May Reach Us At

100 Maupin Avenue, Salisbury, NC 28144

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Organized February 21, 1926

Maupin Avenue Presbyterian Church

ASSOCIATE REFORMED

100 Maupin Avenue

Salisbury, North Carolina



Sunday Schedule

Sunday School 9:45 am
Worship Service 11:00 am.

ENTER TO WORSHIP

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024

Welcome/Announcements/Prayer Requests

Bobby Miller

Gathering

Jacob Saunders

We give thanks to the Lord for this is the day that he has made so let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Responsive Call To Worship

Psalm 98:1-4

Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song

+Opening Hymn

"Now Thank We All Our God"

No. 98

+Call to Confession

1 John 1:5-7

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth.

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

+Prayer of Confession

Father in heaven, you have brought your kingdom into the world through Jesus. Your kingdom has begun to spread its healing reign into our lives and into our world. We have begun to taste of your goodness. Yet there is much that remains broken in our lives and in our world. You have told us to live in the hope of your kingdom continuing its spread. Yet we have often lost hope. We have given up the fight in many ways. We have often settled for the mediocre kingdoms of this world: power, image, fame, money, pleasure. Forgive us and renew us. Teach us to wait, to live and to work in hope. Bring your kingdom for we need it and our world needs it in Jesus name we pray. Amen

+Words of Forgiveness

Psalm 103:1-5

Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits who forgives all our sins and who redeems our lives from the pit and crowns us with love and compassion, who satisfies our desires with good things so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Thanks Be To God

+Please Stand

*Affirming Our Faith Together

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 sits 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.

Anthem

"How Great Is Our God"

Choir

+Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Presentation

Jill Peterson

Morning Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Steve Ellis

WORSHIPPING THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

Offertory

Jill Peterson

*Doxology *"Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all Creatures here below. Praise Him above all heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."*

*Prayer of Dedication

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 1:1-12

Sermon

"A Living Hope"

Rev. Spencer Clifford

*Closing Hymn

"Showers of Blessings"

No.130

We are grateful to have Spencer Clifford come back and share God's Word with us both this Sunday and next as Pastor Randy and Cathy are away on vacation.

*Children under 6 years may go to the Children's Nursery. After Children's Moment, children K-5th grade may go downstairs for Children's Church. *this refers to the realm of the dead, not the place of punishment. ** "catholic" means "universal" church, the true church in all times and places.*

Today's Scripture 1 Peter 1:1-12

Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ,

To those who are elect exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood:

May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

Born Again to a Living Hope

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, so that the tested genuineness of your faith - more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire - may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.