

Reaching Pastor Randy or Wife, Cathy
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Please submit bulletin news or prayer requests to Ruth's email or call/text:
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Events / News / Announcements

March

- 17 - Bell Choir practice @ 5:30pm
- 18 - Session meets 6pm
- 19 - Choir practice 5:30pm, Bible Study 6:30pm. (New study on Leviticus. See Jamie Shinn if interested in book/info.)
- 23 - Bell Choir playing - 'Now The Glade Rises' @ 11:00 service.
- 23 - Meeting of volunteers for the Easter Extravangaza after the 11:00am worship service, lunch provided.
- 24 - No Bell Choir practice.
- 26 - Choir practice 5:30pm, Bible Study 6:30pm
- 27 - Mission Team 5:30pm

Bake-less Bake Sale - March and April. Donate the price of a cake to the Women's Ministry.

Dates for God's Table, 2025: May 18th, August 17th, and October 19th.

***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. Needs this month:**

**Very gently used children's (or new) clothing in sizes 4T-14
and Diapers & Pull-ups in sizes 3 & up.**

For more info please see Susan Triplett.

Counters March 16: Ruth Sides, David Harrison

Counters March 23: Gene Triplett, Josh Spry

2025 Annual Budget	\$195,733.00
General Tithes/Offerings Last week \$2,490.00 YTD \$	33,229.87
Roof Fund Total	\$ 22,101.42

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

Office: 704-762-1298

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

**Second Sunday In Lent
March 16, 2025**

Welcome/Announcements/Prayer Requests Pastor Randy Foster

Shorter Catechism

Q. 105. What do we pray for in the fifth request, forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors?

In the fifth request we pray that God, for Christ's sake would freely forgive all our sins. And we are encouraged to ask for this, because by his grace we sincerely can forgive others.

Prayer for Preparation

O God, you pour out the spirit of grace and love. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and truth. Amen.

Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 96:3-4

Leader: Declare God's glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all peoples.

All: For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; He is to be feared above all gods.

+Opening Hymn

"Love Lifted Me "

Insert

+Call to Confession

Rom.5:8; Heb. 4:16

The proof of God's amazing love is this: while we were sinners Christ died for us. Because we have faith in Christ, we dare to approach God with confidence. Let us now admit our sins before God.

+Prayer of Confession

Gracious and Holy One, Creator of all things, We come to you full of much that clutters and distracts us, stifles and burdens us, and makes us a burden to others. Empty us now of gnawing dissatisfactions, of anxious imaginings, of fretful preoccupations, of nagging prejudices, of old scores to settle, and of the arrogance of being right. Empty us now of the way we think of ourselves as powerless, or as victims, predetermined by sex, age, race - as being less than we are, or as being other than yours. Empty us of the disguises and lies in which we hide ourselves from other people and from our responsibility for our neighbors and the world. Hollow out in us a space that you can fill with our transformed selves: peace, a whole heart, a forgiving spirit, holiness, and the joy of laughter. Fill us with Yourself, we pray, for your sake, and the sake of the world, in Jesus name we pray. Amen.

+Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8:38-39

For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Thanks be to God.

+Apostle's 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 sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come 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

"When We Get To Heaven"

Choir

Children's Presentation

Jill Peterson

Passing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Reading

Ruth 3:1-18

Morning Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Worshiping The Lord Our Tithes and 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

Sermon

"The Promise of Redemptive Rest"

***Closing Hymn**

"Take My Life and Let It Be"

No. 585

*** Benediction**

Children under 5 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

Ruth 3:1-18

Then Naomi her mother-in-law said to her, "My daughter, should I not seek rest for you, that it may be well with you? Is not Boaz our relative, with whose young women you were? See, he is winnowing barley tonight at the threshing floor. Wash therefore and anoint yourself, and put on your cloak and go down to the threshing floor, but do not make yourself known to the man until he has finished eating and drinking. But when he lies down, observe the place where he lies. Then go and uncover his feet and lie down, and he will tell you what to do." And she replied, "All that you say I will do."

So she went down to the threshing floor and did just as her mother-in-law had commanded her. And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry, he went to lie down at the end of the heap of grain. Then she came softly and uncovered his feet and lay down. At midnight the man was startled and turned over, and behold, a woman lay at his feet! He said, "Who are you?" And she answered, "I am Ruth, your servant. Spread your wings over your servant, for you are a redeemer." And he said, "May you be blessed by the Lord, my daughter. You have made this last kindness greater than the first in that you have not gone after young men, whether poor or rich. And now, my daughter, do not fear. I will do for you all that you ask, for all my fellow townsmen know that you are a worthy woman. And now it is true that I am a redeemer. Yet there is a redeemer nearer than I. Remain tonight, and in the morning, if he will redeem you, good; let him do it. But if he is not willing to redeem you, then, as the Lord lives, I will redeem you. Lie down until the morning."

Ruth 3:1-18
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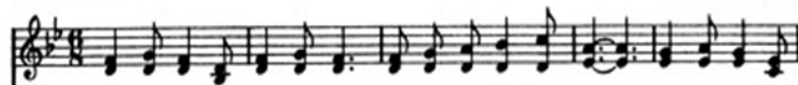
So she lay at his feet until the morning, but arose before one could recognize another. And he said, “Let it not be known that the woman came to the threshing floor.” And he said, “Bring the garment you are wearing and hold it out.” So she held it, and he measured out six measures of barley and put it on her. Then she went into the city.

And when she came to her mother-in-law, she said, “How did you fare, my daughter?” Then she told her all that the man had done for her, saying, “These six measures of barley he gave to me, for he said to me, ‘You must not go back empty-handed to your mother-in-law.’” She replied, “Wait, my daughter, until you learn how the matter turns out, for the man will not rest but will settle the matter today.”

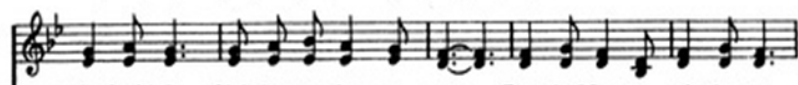
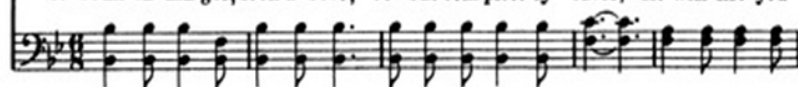
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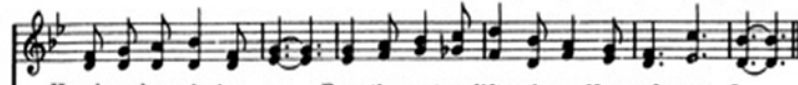
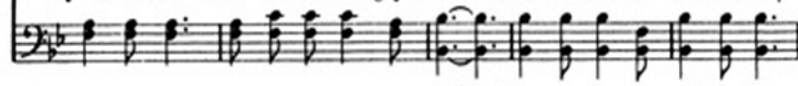
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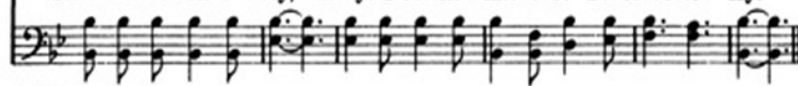
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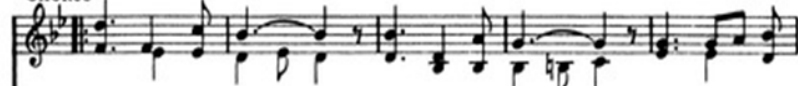
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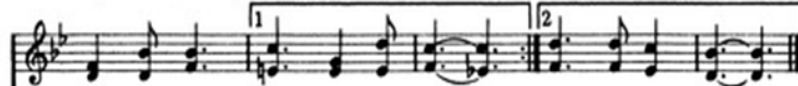
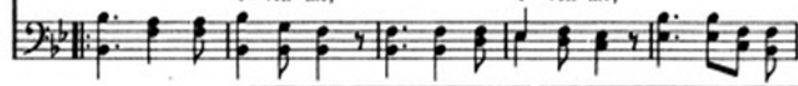
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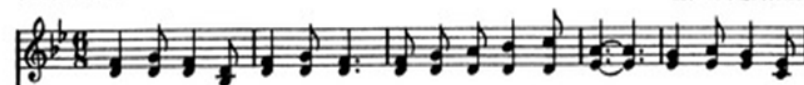


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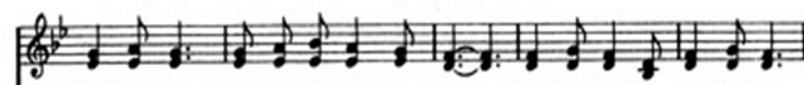
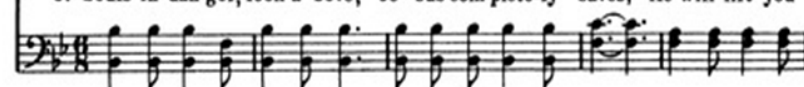
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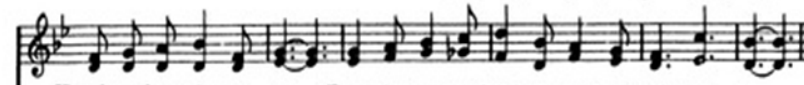
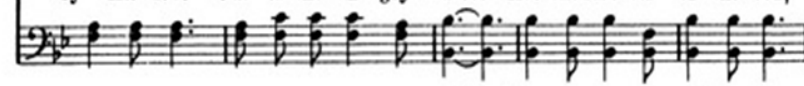
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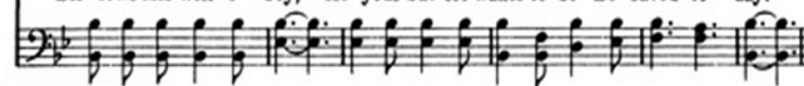
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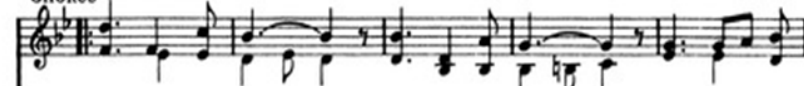
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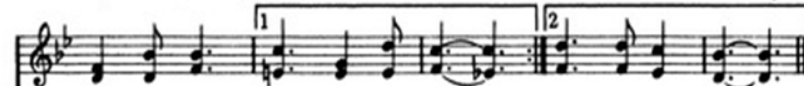
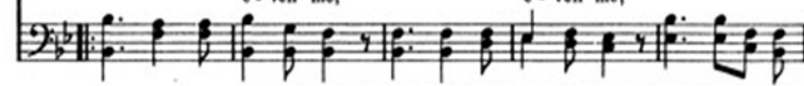
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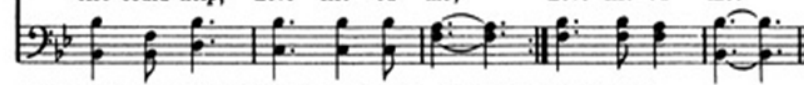
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