GATHERING

WELCOME  Donald R. Frampton

VOLUNTARY  Come, Let Us Gather/For the Beauty of the Earth
            Cherub Choir/Ringers & Singers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)  Psalm 8  Pat Rosamond

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!

Thou whose glory above the heavens is chanted by the mouths of babes and infants,
thou hast founded a bulwark because of thy foes, to still the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars which thou
hast established; what are human beings that thou art mindful of them, and the son of man
that thou dost care for him?

Yet thou hast made him little less than God, and dost crown him with glory and
honor. Thou hast given him dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all
things under his feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the
air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is thy name in all the earth!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN 12 “Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”  st. denio

CALL TO CONFESSION (responsive)  Philip L. Stagg

The One who pardons, heals, and strengthens all who repent calls us to name our failings
and our hopes. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Holy and all powerful God, who commands all spirits, comforts those in distress, and
casts out destructive forces, we confess that we are unable to do your will.

We protect what is familiar and reject what is unknown. We admire those with
courage but excuse ourselves when we falter from the truth. We forget that you are always
with us, and that with you all things are possible.

Forgive us… lead us…make us new. Remove our desire to heed false prophets, and
show us your way; in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

KYRIE  Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (responsive)

The God who made you and knows your every thought hears you now and forgives you all
your sin. You have been redeemed through Jesus Christ, God’s Son, our Savior, who is Alpha
and Omega, all in all.

Amen.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING  Genesis 1:1-2:3

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Children in the First Grade and under may now exit with church staff for a time of play. Parents may pick up their children on the playground following the worship service.

SECOND READING

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“The Greatest Miracle of All”

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison), from A Declaration of Faith

God created and rules in love.

God created all the worlds that are and upholds and rules everything. We affirm that the universe exists by the power of God’s Word and Spirit. God has chosen to give it reality out of the love we have come to know in Christ.

God still works through the processes that shape and change the earth and the living things upon it. We acknowledge God’s care and control in the regularity of the universe as well as in apparently random happenings. There is no event from which God is absent and his ultimate purpose in all things is just and loving. The Creator works in all things toward the new creation that is promised in Christ.

*HYMN 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

At this time please pass the friendship pad, the purpose of which is to know and greet others on your pew. You may also complete a prayer request card (in the pew rack) and place it in the offering plate. The pastoral and program staff will include your request in its weekly time of prayer.

Anyone interested in joining the church is encouraged to speak to one of the pastors following the service.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

THE OFFERING

Offertory Anthem

"Wondrous Love"

The Chancel Choir

*Hymn 607

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

*HYMN 20

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

ROYAL OAK

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

“A Scottis Blyssing”

Blackmon/Willcox

*CHORAL RESPONSE

May your heather scent the gloaming,
And the peat fire warm your soul.
May your tass be never empty,
And your tartan never fade.
And should the nightfall come between us
Before we meet again,
May the Lord bless you, and comfort you,
And keep you near his heart. Amen.

*VOLUNTARY

If you are visiting with us today, please join us for refreshments in Frampton Fellowship Hall, following the service.
SCRIPTURE
Philip L. Stagg

Hear the words of our Lord Jesus Christ:
All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing
them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the
Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey everything that I have
commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to
the end of the age. There is one body and one Spirit, just as
you were called to the one hope of your calling,

One Lord, one faith, one Baptism, one God and Father
of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

PRESENTATION
Elder: Beth Poe

On behalf of the session, I present Amara Juliana Elise Schroeder for the Sacrament of Baptism.

QUESTIONS FOR THE PARENTS
Philip L. Stagg

Do you desire that Amara be baptized?
We do.

Relying on God’s grace, do you promise to nurture Amara in the life and faith of the Christian community?
We do.

QUESTION FOR THE SPONSORS

Will you, by your prayers and witness, help Amara to grow into the full stature of Christ?
We will.

QUESTIONS FOR THE CONGREGATION

Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Amara, by word and deed, with
love and prayer?
We do.

Will you encourage her to know, trust and follow Christ, and to be a faithful member of this church?
We will.

QUESTIONS FOR THE PARENTS
Donald R. Frampton

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the
world?
We do.

Who is your Lord and Savior?
Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you be Christ’s faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?
We will, with God’s help.

PRAYER

BAPTISM

WELCOME
The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Dr. and Mrs. Hans B. Jonassen, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Landry by Hans and Pierce Jonassen, and Tom and Pierce Young.


Today's Acolytes are: Wiley and Avery Kessler.

Interested in Membership? Are you interested in joining SCAPC or curious to learn more about our church community? Please speak to one of the ministers after church.

The Associate Pastor Nominating Committee welcomes any recommendations of potential candidates from the congregation. If you know of someone who might be interested, or who might be a good candidate, please email Walter Harris, Chair of the APNC, at wharris13@cox.net. Thanks!

The Sacrament of Baptism is being administered today to Amara Juliana Elise Schroeder, daughter of Jon and Lydia Onimo Schroeder. Joining the family in worship today are a host of extended family members from Michigan, Ohio, Texas, Mississippi and Baton Rouge. Amara will be presented for baptism by SCAPC elder, Beth Poe.

Sunday School Classes - 9:30-10:15 am

Nursery Care - The Nursery is open from 8:15-Noon every Sunday for children 0-3 years old. - First Floor
Bible Adventures (3 years old – 3rd grade) - Second Floor, Grade Level Classes.
Challenger Class (grades 4 & 5) - Second Floor, Challenger Classroom.
Youth Class (6th-12th Grades) - Third Floor, Youth Room.

20/30s Book Discussion - Blue Like Jazz
Join us as we read Donald Miller’s, Blue Like Jazz - Nonreligious Thoughts on Christian Spirituality. For anyone wondering if the Christian faith is still relevant in a postmodern culture. For anyone thirsting for a genuine encounter with a God who is real. For anyone yearning for a renewed sense of passion in life. Blue Like Jazz is a fresh and original perspective on life, love, and redemption. Books provided.
Led by Stephanie Haniford | 3rd Floor Youth Room

Feasting on the Word
Join us each week for a deeper exploration of the biblical texts of that day’s service. Our understanding of the Scriptures, read and proclaimed in worship, will be reinforced and expanded during this discussion.
Led by: Michael O’Keefe, Bob Smith, and Amy Morriss | Land Building, Riverside

Upcoming Classes:

Archaeology of Easter
We see representations of both the Crucifixion and the Resurrection in art throughout the Christian era, but a lot of our understanding is based on modern, Western analogies for capital punishment, death, and burial. The class will explore some background information that can help us understand the context of Jesus’ death, burial, and resurrection in 1st Century Levant. Through this context, we will develop a richer understanding of the Crucifixion and the Resurrection, and how they offer Christians a starting point for the new covenant.
Led by: Crorey Lawton | Sundays, March 15 – April 5 | Library

Why does God Let Bad Things Happen to Good People?
This class will examine the perennial question of suffering and why God allows it. For atheists, suffering proves that God does not exist, but Christianity provides an answer. Geoff Snodgrass will lead the class and moderate discussion based on C.S. Lewis’ The Problem of Pain.
Led by: Geoff Snodgrass | Sundays, March 22 – April 12 | Land Building Lakeside
**TODAY:**

20/30s Lunch at TruBurger - Join us after 10:30 a.m. worship today for lunch at TruBurger on Oak Street! No reservations necessary! See you there! *Questions? Contact Genny Hagler, genny@scapc.org.*

**COMING UP:**

**Presbyterian Women’s March Bible Study Meetings** – Join us as we continue our study of Reconciling Paul, A Contemporary Study of 2 Corinthians.
- The Tuesday evening group will meet at 5:45 p.m. on **March 10** in the Land Building.
- The Monday group will meet at 11:45 on **March 9** for lunch at the home of Courtney Frankowski.
- The Lambeth House group will meet at 2:30 p.m. on **Monday, March 9** in the LH Chapel.

*Questions? Contact Moderator, Betty Hope (hopehome@aol.com or 862-5772).*

20/30s PINTS - Join us for PINTS (Presbyterians Imbibing in Necessary Theological Study) on **Tuesday, March 10** at 7 PM at the Hagler home, 5521 Camp Street. Bring your favorite beverage and join us for theological discussion and fellowship! *Questions? Contact Genny Hagler or join the FB Group: www.facebook.com/groups/SCAPC2030/.*

**Coker College Chamber Singers & Men’s Vocal Ensemble at WNO on March 11** – Since 1908 the art and craft of music has been a vital part of Coker College in Hartsville, SC. Coker’s acclaimed Chamber Singers, formed ten years ago, are an auditioned ensemble of sixteen singers which travel extensively and perform choral chamber works from all musical periods. The Men’s Vocal Ensemble, just formed in 2013, performs a wide variety of choral literature with engaging performance styles. The repertoire ranges from old European and American college and folk songs to contemporary art songs and popular operetta/show tunes. *Make your reservation today at www.scapc.org/wno.*

**Camp RHINO is Hiring!** - Camp RHINO is hiring staff for its Summer 2015 sessions. If you or someone you know would like to apply for this eight-week, fun-filled commitment, *please email rhino@scapc.org for an application.*

**Call for Session Nominations** - As a governing body, the Session of St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church needs people who are strong in faith and generous in spirit. Nominees for the Class of 2018 (3 year term) must be active church members who attend worship regularly and have made a pledge to the stewardship campaign. *Please e-mail your nomination(s) to Emily Fleshman (emily@scapc.org) by March 13.*

**SCAPC Members on 1st Charter Flight from New Orleans to Havana** - On **Saturday, March 14** Gary & Kate Elkins will travel to Cuba on the first charter flight from New Orleans to Havana. Gary will serve as a speaker at the Cuba Today conference. The Elkins’ will also visit El Fuerte Presbyterian Church in Cardenas with a reporter from The Advocate to participate in a Living Waters for the World distribution effort, a project sponsored by the SCAPC World Missions Committee. Please remember the Elkins in prayer while they are in Cuba.

**Presbyterian Foundation of LA Scholarship Opportunity** - Students pursuing degrees in the fields of engineering or medicine (medical school only) may apply for a scholarship made possible by a bequest from the estate of Gilbert Hyne, a member of Oak Park PC in New Orleans. Informational pamphlets are available in the narthex and in the baskets outside of the chapel. *The deadline to submit a completed application is March 15, 2015.*

**SCAPC 2015 Men’s Retreat** - Join us **March 20 & 21** in Favrotville with our own Rev. Jim Stayton as our leader! We will be expecting your arrival at Favrotville around 5-5:30 pm Friday, dinner is at 7:00 pm, followed by a program introduction and fellowship. On Saturday, breakfast is at 7:00 am, the program will run from
WEDNESDAY NIGHT OUT

Wednesday, March 11

**Menu:** Lasagna, Broccoli, Salad Bar, Fresh Fruit and Chocolate Cake.

**Program:** Performance by the Coker College Chamber Singers & Men’s Vocal Ensemble from Hartsville, SC.

*Make your reservations online at www.scapc.org/wno and we’ll see you there!*
Sunday, March 8, 2015 - Don Frampton preaching
3rd Sunday in Lent
Daylight Savings Time Begins
8:30 a.m. Chapel Worship Service & Communion
9:30 a.m. Sunday School Classes (church wide)
10:30 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Service
11:30 a.m. 20/30s Brunch (Tru Burger, Oak Street)
11:30 a.m. Christian Ed & Youth/Youth Adults Mtg. (LC)
11:45 a.m. Cherub Choir (Choir Room)
12:15 p.m. Ringers & Singers (Choir Room)
4:45 p.m. Jr. High Youth Group (Youth Room)
5:45 p.m. Youth Dinner (Youth Room)
6:15 p.m. Sr. High Youth Group (Youth Room)

Monday, March 9, 2015
10:00 a.m. MOMs Group Bible Study (Challenger Classroom)
11:45 a.m. PW Bible Study Group (Frankowski Home)
1:30 p.m. Program Staff Meeting (PL)

Tuesday, March 10, 2015
10:30 a.m. SCAPC Staff Meeting (PL)
5:00 p.m. Associate Pastor Nominating Committee (PL)
5:45 p.m. PW Evening Bible Study Group (LB)
7:00 p.m. 20/30 P.I.N.T.S. Group (5521 Camp St.)

Wednesday, March 11, 2015
7:00 a.m. CBD Study Group (Between The Bread, 625 St. Charles Ave)
12:30 p.m. Spiritually Hungry Women’s Bible Study Group (LB-Lakeside)
5:00 p.m. Member Involvement Team Mtg (Parlor)
5:15 p.m. Men's Bible Study (PL)
6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Out Dinner (FFH)
6:30 p.m. WNO Program: Coker College Chamber Singers & Men's Vocal Ensemble (Sanctuary)
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, March 12, 2015
7:00 a.m. Thursday Morning Bible Study & Prayer Group (LB-Riverside Room)
10:00 a.m. PW Needlework Group (LB-Lakeside Room)

Sunday, March 15, 2015 - Don Frampton preaching
4th Sunday in Lent
8:30 a.m. Chapel Worship Service & Communion
9:30 a.m. Sunday School Classes (church wide)
10:30 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Service
11:45 a.m. Cherub Choir (Choir Room)
12:15 p.m. Ringers & Singers (Choir Room)
4:00 p.m. Youth Group to Pelicans Game (Smoothie King Arena)