"Behold what manner of love
the Father has bestowed on us that we
should be called children of God!
Therefore the world does not know us,
because it did not know Him.
Beloved, we are children of God;
and it has not yet been revealed what we
shall be, but we know that when He
is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we
shall see Him as He is."
I John 3:1-2



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We warmly welcome our visitors today. Please complete a Visitor's Card and place it in the offering plate or in the box located in the foyer. We hope to greet you in a more personal way following the services.

The Lord's Day

December 1, 2013

Call to Worship Pastor Andy Dunkerton Hymn of Praise

#87 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Ephesians 5: 15-33 Scripture Reading

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory Hymn

"We Rest on Thee"

1. "We rest on Thee" - our shield and our defender! We go not forth alone against the foe; strong in Thy strength, safe in Thy keeping tender, "We rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go," strong in Thy strength, safe in Thy keeping tender, "We rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go." 2. Yea, "in Thy name," O Captain of salvation! In Thy dear name, all other names above: Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation, Our Prince of glory and our King of love, Jesus our righteousness, our sure foundation, our Prince of glory and our King of love.

- 3. "We go" in faith, our own great weakness feeling, and needing more each day Thy grace to know: yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing, "we rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go," yet from our hearts a song of triumph pealing, "we rest on Thee, and in Thy name we go."
- 4. "We rest on Thee" our shield and our defender! Thine is the battle, Thine shall be the praise when passing through the gates of pearly splendor, victors - we rest with Thee, through endless days, when passing through the gates of pearly splendor, victors – we rest with Thee, through endless days. Amen Text: Edith G. Cherry, ca. 1895 Tune: FINLANDIA Jean Sibelius, 1899

Song of Preparation

"O Church, Arise"

- 1. O Church, arise, and put your armor on; hear the call of Christ our Captain. For now the weak can say that they are strong, in the strength that God has given. With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies; an army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.
- 2. Our call to war to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor; and with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor. When faced with trials on ev'ry side, we know the outcome is secure,
 - and Christ will have the prize for which He died- an inheritance of nations. 3. Come see the Cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken; then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conqueror has risen!

And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave, this vic'try march continues till the day ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

4. So Spirit come, put strength in ev'ry stride, give grace for ev'ry hurdle, that we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful. As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace, we hear the calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in Glory.

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Sermon

Pastor Gary Hendrix

Evening Worship

Call to Worship Pastor Stephen Byrd

Hymn of Praise #216 "Crown Him with

Many Crowns"

Scripture Reading Romans 6: 1-14

Pastoral Prayer

Offertory/Preparatory Hymn #547 "My Jesus, I Love

Thee"

Sermon Pastor Andy Dunkerton

Testimonies and Baptismal Service

"Before the Throne of God Above"

- 1. Before the throne of God above I have a strong, a perfect plea; a great High Priest whose name is "Love," who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart, I know that while in heav'n He stands no tongue can bid me thence depart, no tongue can bid me thence depart.
 - 2. When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within, upward I look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free. For God, the Just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me, to look on Him and pardon me.
- 3. Behold Him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness; the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace. One with Himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by His blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God, with Christ my Savior and my God.

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GRBC Calendar & Announcements

<u>Today</u>

Hawfields Service, 3:00 p.m.

Daniel Porterfield will be speaking again to the residents.
All are invited to attend.

Adult Chorus Practice 4:45 - 5:15 p.m.

The Adult Chorus will practice today in preparation for the Christmas Song Fellowship planned for December 22. Plan to meet in the Fellowship room beside the kitchen.

Testimonies and Baptismal Service Tonight

We will hear the testimonies and witness the baptism of Christina Byrd and Alice Sudlow following the sermon.

<u>December</u>

- *Sunday morning prayer each week at 9:00 a.m. in the College/Career room.
- *Hawfields Service, 12/1, 22 & 29, 3:00 p.m.
- *Ladies' Bible Study, 12/3 & 17, 10:00 a.m.
- *"Bag Lunch" Preparation/Delivery, 12/7, 10:00 a.m.
- *College/Career Lunch, 12/8, following a.m. service
- *Men's Prayer Meeting, 12/13 & 27, 6:30 a.m.
- *Moms' Coffee Connection, 12/13, 10:00 a.m.
- *Adult Chorus Practice, 12/15, 4:45 5:15 p.m.
- *Youth Group Meetings/Christmas Fellowship, 12/15, following the p.m. service
- *Children's, K 4th Grade Chorus Practice, 12/15 following the p.m. service
- *Christmas Song Fellowship, 12/22, following the p.m. service
- ***No mid-week service on 12/25, (regular mid-week service on Jan. 1)
- *The Ladies' Missionary Society will not meet in December.

Announcements

Gifts are needed for the Tanglewood/Supper Club Christmas party.

Please see the bulletin board for details and sign-up. (Announcements continued on next page)



Grand Rapids Youth Retreat, December 28 - 31 Brochures are on the SS foyer table. CD/DVD copies of our sermons may be ordered in the Bookroom.

CD's are \$2:00 each and \$3.00 if mailed. DVD's are \$5.00 each.

The Mebane Community Choir presents portions of Handel's MESSIAH, Sunday, December 8, 3:00 p.m. at the Mebane Presbyterian Church.

A "Christmas Song Fellowship" is planned for December 22

after the p.m. service.

Save the dates for 2014!

The Southeastern RB Family Conference is scheduled for July 29 - August I at the Ridgecrest Conference Center, Asheville, N. C.