



reformation  
*presbyterian church*

January 11, 2026

A Congregation of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church

Please silence all cell phones.

\* Those who are able, please stand.

† Latecomers may be seated.

**How we worship:** Each church has its own worship style, but worship is more than style. It begins with a heart for God through faith in Christ. It is also a dialogue between God and his people; he speaks, and we respond. Finally, worship is defined by God, not our imaginations. All that we do in worship (e.g. singing, praying, affirming our faith, preaching, etc.) comes from God's word. He promises to meet with us as we praise him in these ways.

**Call to worship:** God calls his people into his holy and loving presence in worship. As we worship we are blessed with the joy of the Lord. Today he graciously invites all people to worship through faith in Christ.

## WELCOME TO REFORMATION PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Christ-centered · Gospel-driven · Kingdom-focused*

*By God's grace and for his glory, we seek to make disciples of Jesus Christ by reaching lost sinners with the free offer of the gospel and equipping Christians to love, serve, and share Christ in all of life.*

### PRELUDE

### ANNOUNCEMENTS — (see page 11)

Rev. Austin Bollinger

### MOMENT OF PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP — Psalm 103:2, 13

Elder Ben Oldham

Bless the LORD, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits,

As a father shows compassion to his children,  
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

#### † \* HYMN OF ADORATION — *O Father, You Are Sovereign*

Trinity Hymnal #75

O Father, you are sovereign  
In all the worlds you made;  
Your mighty word was spoken  
And light and life obeyed.  
Your voice commands the seasons  
And bounds the ocean's shore,  
Sets stars within their courses  
And stills the tempest's roar.

O Father, you are sovereign  
In all affairs of man;  
No pow'rs of death or darkness  
Can thwart Your perfect plan.  
All chance and change transcending,  
Supreme in time and space,  
You hold your trusting children  
Secure in your embrace.

O Father, you are sovereign  
The Lord of human pain,  
Transmuting earthly sorrows  
To gold of heav'nly gain.  
All evil over-ruling,  
As none but Conqu'ror could,  
Your love pursues its purpose —  
Our souls' eternal good.

O Father, you are sovereign!  
We see you dimly now,  
But soon before your triumph  
Earth's every knee shall bow.  
With this glad hope before us  
Our faith springs up anew:  
Our sovereign Lord and Savior,  
We trust and worship you!

**\* PRAYER OF INVOCATION**

**\* LORD'S PRAYER — Matthew 6:9-13**

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done  
on earth, as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:  
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**\* AFFIRMATION OF OUR FAITH — Heidelberg Catechism #120**

Elder: Why has Christ commanded us to address God thus:  
"Our Father"?

People: **That immediately, in the very beginning of our prayer, he might excite in us a childlike reverence for, and confidence in God, which are the foundation of our prayer: namely, that God is become our Father in Christ, and will much less deny us what we ask of him in true faith, than our parents will refuse us earthly things.**

**Worship through singing:**

God delights in hearing his people sing. As we sing our faith, we give praise to God and he transforms our hearts so that we are more like His Son.

**Prayer of invocation:**

Invocation means "to call upon." Even as God calls us to worship, we call upon God to fill our hearts with his Spirit to assure us that we belong to him and to help us worship him in Spirit and truth.

**Affirmation of our faith:**

Believing God's truth sets us free from the lies of Satan, the world, and our sinful hearts. We affirm our faith in the truth each Sunday in order to worship God, strengthen our faith, and encourage one another.

† \* RESPONSE OF PRAISE — *Those Who Look to Him Are Radiant* (Psalm 34:4-6)

Words and Music: Ellie Holcomb and Randall Goodgame

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The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of five staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "I sought the Lord, and he answered me, I sought the Lord, and he This poor man called, and the Lord heard him, this poor man called, and the an-swered me, I sought the Lord, and he an-swered me; he de-liv-ered me from all my Lord heard him, this poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his fears He de-liv-ered me from all my fears. Those who look to troubles He saved him out of all his troubles. him are ra-di-ant; their fa-ces are nev-er cov-ered with shame. Those who look to him are ra-di-ant; their fa-ces are nev-er cov-ered with shame." The score includes measure numbers 4, 8, 12, and 16. The final measure of the fifth staff is a double bar line with repeat dots.

**ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS**

Rev. Austin Bollinger

Elder

Mr. Tim Crunk  
Mr. Michael Rhodes  
Mr. Keith Rose

Deacon

Mr. Seth Brown  
Mr. Carlos Galvan  
Mr. Adam Glenn  
Mr. Bill O'Brien  
Mr. Tim Petree

**HYMN** — *We Are Called to Be God's People* (vv. 1, 2)

Words: Thomas A. Jackson | Music: Franz Joseph Haydn

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We are called to be God's people, Showing by our lives His grace; One in heart and one in spirit, Sign of hope for all the race. Let us show how He has changed us, And remade us as His own; Let us share our life together As we shall around His throne.	We are called to be God's servants, Working in the world today; Taking His own task upon us, All His sacred words obey. Let us rise, then, to His summons, Dedicate to Him our all; That we may be faithful servants, Quick to answer now His call.
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**CALL TO RENEWAL** — Romans 8:15

Mr. Chris Price

For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"

**SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

Heavenly Father,  
With open arms, you welcome us as your beloved children. But like children, we are often fearful, foolish in our decisions, and easily frustrated by the circumstances around us. We too easily forget the access that we have to you through Jesus Christ. We doubt your goodness and grace and are slow to seek your presence. Forgive us and renew our fellowship with you. In Jesus' name, amen.

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE** — Galatians 3:26-27

For in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

**Call to renewal:** God calls his people to renew their commitment to him as he renews his commitment to us. Through his word, the sin that we hide is exposed, not to shame us, but to lead us to repentance so that we can be forgiven. With grateful hearts, we receive instruction in the way of righteousness.

**Confession of sin:** Our sin isn't just about breaking rules, it's about hurting our relationship with a loving God who gave up his Son to save us. Grace softens our hard hearts so that we freely confess our sins during a time of silent confession. We also confess our sins together as the people of God have always done in worship.

**Words of assurance:** God uses his word to convict our conscience of sin, but he also assures us that we are forgiven through faith in Jesus Christ and dearly loved.

**Children’s Sermon:**

Please come forward for the children’s sermon as we sing the last verse of the hymn. The children’s sermon makes the Bible accessible to young children.

**Parents:** You are welcome to accompany your child to the front.

**Doxology:** Doxology means “praise.” We praise God because of his generosity to us.

**Sermon:** The Bible teaches us how to know Jesus and experience his saving work. The sermon is for proclaiming Jesus and how we can trust in him for salvation and live for his glory. For those who receive the Bible as the word of God, it is profitable to teach us, rebuke our sins, build us up in his grace, and train us in righteousness.

Sermons available at [www.refpres.org](http://www.refpres.org)

**\* HYMN OF ASSURANCE — *How Deep the Father’s Love for Us***

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How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory.	I will not boast in anything: No gifts, no pow’r, no wisdom. But I will boast in Jesus Christ: His death and resurrection. Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.
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Behold the Man upon a cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders.  
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished;  
His dying breath has brought me life.  
I know that it is finished.

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

Rev. Austin Bollinger

**\* DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host:  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**SERMON — *“Your Father ”***

Rev. Austin Bollinger

Matthew 6:5-15

[5] “And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. [6] But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

[7] “And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. [8] Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. [9] Pray then like this:

“Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name.  
[10] Your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
[11] Give us this day our daily bread,  
[12] and forgive us our debts,  
as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
[13] And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.

[14] For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, [15] but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

### **SERMON OUTLINE**

God is our Father through faith in Jesus Christ. Therefore, pray as a child of God.

How do we pray as a child of God?

1. Pray as a child who knows the fellowship of God.

2. Pray as a child who knows the character of God.

a. Pray with confidence.

b. Pray with reverence.

c. Pray with simplicity.

3. Pray as a child who knows the forgiveness of God.

**\* HYMN OF COMMITMENT** — *His Mercy Is More*

Words and Music: Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

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What love could remember no wrongs we have done?  
Omniscient, all knowing, He counts not their sum.  
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,  
Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

*Chorus:*

Praise the Lord, His mercy is more.  
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.  
Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?  
What Father, so tender, is calling us home?  
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.  
Our sins, they are many; His mercy is more. (*Chorus*)

What riches of kindness He lavished on us.  
His blood was the payment; His life was the cost.  
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.  
Our sins they are many; His mercy is more. (*Chorus*)

**\* BENEDICTION**

**\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** — *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

Trinity Hymnal #634 (v. 1)

Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer,  
That calls me from a world of care,  
And bids me at my Father's throne,  
Make all my wants and wishes known!  
In seasons of distress and grief,  
My soul has often found relief,  
And oft escaped the tempter's snare,  
By thy return, sweet hour of prayer.

**POSTLUDE**

**Benediction:** A benediction is not a prayer, but a pronouncement from God of his blessing and approval. God sends his people out to live in the strength of his blessing upon our lives.

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## GET CONNECTED

### Sunday School

Classes at Kirkside Hall (brick building next door), 9:30 AM; nursery provided

Adult Class: *1 & 2 Thessalonians* —Elders Skip Goldsmith and Glen Reid (Fellowship Hall),  
*Prayer* — Elder Michael Rhodes and Eric Warren (Sanctuary Basement)

Children: *The Gospel Story* - 3 Classes

Pre-K—Nancy George and Sarah De Hoog (Classroom)

K-2nd—Carly McGregor and Vickie Jenkins (Classroom)

3rd-5th—Mitch Harper and Levi Friedly (Kitchen)

Middle School: *Foundations for Faith: A Study of the Shorter Catechism* - Chris Price (Library)

High School: *Growing in Christ's Church* - Andrew Melton and Jeremy Maestro  
(Assoc. Pastor's Office)

### Community Groups

Weekly small group Bible studies.

Sundays – 121 Boyd Drive, Flat Rock, 5:00 PM—Contact: Ben Oldham, 912.531.5864

Mondays – 116 7th Ave. W. (Kirkside Hall), 6:30 PM—Contact: Glen Reid, 828.393.5004

419 Jacamar Way, Hendersonville, 6:30 PM—Contact: Doug Dolan, 301.384.4442

Tuesdays – 116 7th Ave. W. (Kirkside Hall), 4:00 PM—Contact: Jamie Hunt, 704.578.1862

Wednesdays - 119 Sunset Hill Drive, Etowah, NC, 6:30 PM—Contact: Austin Bollinger, 828.845.0798

Fridays (1st & 3rd) – 116 7th Ave. W. (Kirkside Hall), 6:00 PM—Contact: Levi Friedly, 720.618.3533

### Additional Connections this Week

**Today** 5:00 PM Boyd Drive Community Group

**Monday** 6:30 PM Flat Rock Community Group @ Kirkside Hall

6:30 PM Jacamar Way Community Group

**Tuesday** 4:00 PM Kirkside Community Group

**Wednesday** 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study

6:30 PM Etowah Community Group

Free church parking is available at the Bank of America, First Bank, Staton Law Firm, Hill Law Office, and Allstate Insurance on Church Street. Please note that the lot directly behind the Hill Law Office is paid parking. All violators will be ticketed and towed.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. The Special Offering for January goes to the Souper Bowl of Caring (IAM). Look for the “Souper Bowl of Caring” pots, located in the Narthex and Kirkside Hall. Please leave your canned goods for IAM by Sunday, February 8. Monetary donations are also needed.
2. Youth Group resumes next Sunday, January 18.
3. The Dolan/Maestro Shepherding Group Luncheon is scheduled for next Sunday, January 18, in Kirkside Hall, following worship. All visitors are invited. RSVP on the Get Connected Tear-Off Tab.
4. The Glen/George Shepherding Group Luncheon is scheduled for Sunday, January 25, in Kirkside Hall, following worship. All visitors are invited. RSVP on the Get Connected Tear-Off Tab.
5. There will be a non-certified CPR Training and safety course on January 24 from 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM led by certified trainer Mary Keyzer. If you would like to attend, please contact Sallye Lucas, DCM by text message at 828-702-2892.

*The flowers today are given to the Glory of God  
and in appreciation of our church leadership.*

## NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

### January 11

Babies ..... Matt & Sallye Lucas  
Walkers ..... Linda Rhodes, Callie Stage, Zaniyah Hunt

### January 18

Babies ..... Ann Marr and Myra Johnson  
Walkers ..... Eric & Sally Warren and Abigail Friedly

## GET CONNECTED

(Place in offering box)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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- RSVP to the Dolan/Maestro Luncheon  
January 18th
- RSVP to the Glen/George Luncheon  
January 25th
- I am visiting today

## I'D LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

- ARP Denomination
- Baptism
- Children's Ministry
- Community Groups
- Membership
- Men's Ministry
- Missions/Outreach
- Music Ministry
- Women's Ministry
- Youth Ministry
- Receive a call from a pastor

## COMMENTS/PRAYER REQUESTS

(Continue on the back)

## OFFICERS

### Session Members

Rev. Austin Bollinger  
Tim Crunk  
Doug Dolan  
Kevin Keyzer  
Rev. Matt Lucas  
Ben Oldham  
Glen Reid  
Michael Rhodes  
Keith Rose

### Diaconate Members

Seth Brown  
Levi Friedly  
Carlos Galvan  
Vern George  
Adam Glenn  
Bill Goehring  
Mitch Harper  
**Jeremy Maestro**  
Bill O'Brien  
Tim Petree

**Bold:** Denotes Officer of the Month

## STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Senior Pastor..... Rev. Matt Lucas  
Associate Pastor.....Rev. Austin Bollinger  
Custodian ..... Michael Rhodes  
Director of Children's Ministries ..... Sallye Lucas  
Director of Music Ministries..... Keith Rose  
Librarian ..... Charles Nicholls  
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