



Currents

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Connecting at the bridge



Sunday May 25, 2025

“Our Daily Bread”

9:00 am - Early Worship Service -

10:30 am - Second Service

Second services in person and livestreamed on

Facebook and YouTube

Links to all videos posted by the bridge on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@thebridgepresbyterianchurc4433/streams>



Sharing Our Stories About Our Lord and His Church

Sharing stories with friends and family is always fun – Sharing stories about God and our church is life changing.

We all have stories of God is moving in our lives through our involvement with the bridge, whether a social event, a small group experience or an encounter with God while on mission or worship.

Stories are the BEST way to hear about how our Lord is at work in our lives and our church. Starting Monday May 26th, Doug and Wanda will begin identifying where these wonderful stories will emerge from within the bridge and who might be perfect to share their story. They will be responsible for creating short (think 90 seconds) videos of stories each week.

Here's your part. Doug/ Wanda may call upon you to prepare a short story based on our participation in a small group, mission outreach, special worship service or fellowship event. You'll be asked to come to the bridge and simply share your 90 story of that event while its being recorded. Then, we will share our stories with each other and on social media.

Here's how else you can help. Pay attention to the still small voice, to special comments at a gathering, a nudge by the Holy Spirit - those are all stories to share.

Take out your phone and do a short video and tell the story or stop by the church and Wanda will do a short video for you. Email it to thebridgepres@gmail.com or if you aren't sure how, reach out to Wanda and she will help.

God is moving every minute of every day. It is time for us to start sharing our Stories.

Connecting by Serving

Sunday, May 25, 2025

Coffee Servers

9:00 - Sandy
10:30 - Kerrie

Greeters/Ushers

9:00 - Sharon and Steve Wingert
10:30 - Bruce and Lisa Garris

Are you ready to be Connected by Serving?

*Help with Coffee * Greet People * Usher*

Let Wanda in the office know and she will get you connected

Connecting in Generosity

	5/18/25			
Total Local Deposits	\$4,058		9:00 am Attendance	48
Online Donations	\$250		10:30 am Attendance	74
Total Weekly Offering	\$4,308		Total Attendance	122
Pledge Fulfillment			Attendance (4 wk avg)	104
Total Deposit	\$4,308		Weekly Offering (4 wk avg)	\$4,565

Connecting In Prayer

PRAYER LIST May 22nd

Please remember that this prayer list can also be seen on the Bridge Website within Currents. Avoid including private information in your requests unless you plan it to be public knowledge.

- Prayers for Mary Ellen Cole's niece. Her third pregnancy scans have indicated a fetal heart problem at 20 weeks. Prayers for this mother and innocent child.
- Prayers for the good news of Ashley Graham improving enough to leave rehab.
- Cathey Boettcher had successful knee surgery and is recovering nicely at home. Thanks be to God.
- Constant prayers for Marilyn Vernon on her journey with cancer. Marilyn is celebrating her birthday on May 24th. We are grateful.
- Prayers for the safe return of Laureal Shanks. Laureal is the daughter of Morgan Shanks, a friend of Cindy Rupprecht. She walked away from her apartment in Terra Haute, IN on April 30th.
- Terry Hickeys hospital procedure went well. Prayers are being answered.
- Thankful for the success of Karen Petersen's back surgery. Prayers that she is on the road to recovery and free from pain.
- Karen Santone's brother Bernie had successful surgery last week. Thanks be to God.
- Prayers for our mission projects.
- Prayers for success for our Country Fall Festival coming up in October.
- Prayers for our Days for Girls project.
- Prayers for our Country
- Prayers for the people of Gaza
- Prayers for Ukraine
- Prayers for all the Middle East
- Prayers for the many suffering throughout the world, for the wars and natural disasters,
- Prayers for our blossoming Spanish speaking ministry

I SHALL GATHER UP ALL THE LOST SOULS. THAT WANDER THIS EARTH. ALL THE ONES THAT ARE ALONE. ALL THE ONES THAT ARE BROKEN. ALL THE ONES THAT NEVER REALLY FITTED IN. [talesoftheoldforestfaeries](#)

To make a prayer request, contact Elder Mary Campbell at carlislecampbell@gmail.com or (910)269- 9696 text or phone. There are also yellow request cards available in the church hallway across from the coffee bar. You can also send a request through our website. Prayer requests remain in Currents for two weeks unless an extension is requested

Get Ready to Return to Narnia!

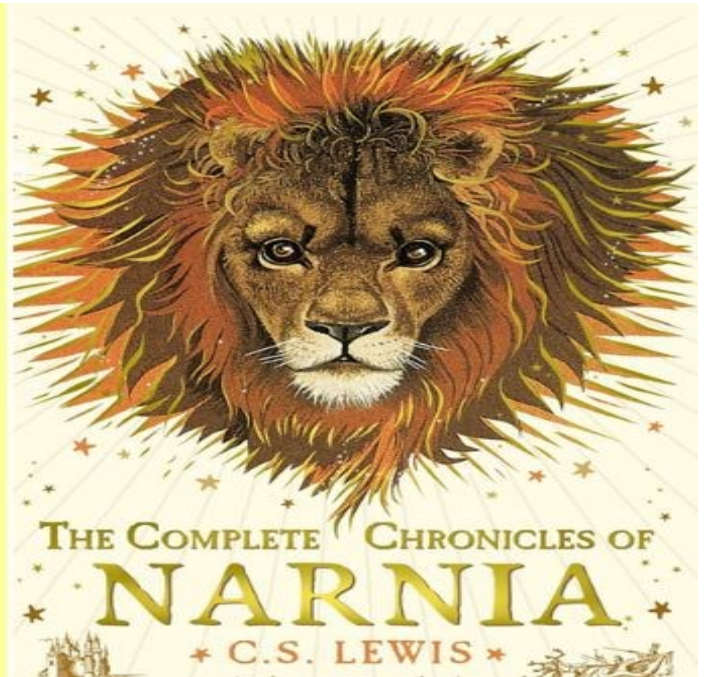
Chronicles of Narnia study
will begin on June 2 with

Prince Caspian

1:00 PM – Warnock Hall

Sign-up Sheets Coming **Soon**

INFO: Bob Knerr or Ruth Fitzsimmons



Church Treasurer Needed



If you are interested in volunteering as the Church Treasurer, please reach out to Charlie Riddle at pct917@aol.com or 908.675.1030 or Wanda at thebridgepres@gmail.com or 910.769.4951

Connecting Through Missions



May Mission Partners

Angel Tree Summer Camp

It is time to get the kids ready for summer camp!

Why are we sending kids to camp?

Camp gives children an opportunity to have fun, fellowship with their peers, build relationships with caring camp counselors, and to experience the great outdoors. Camps are usually traditional church camps located in NC or SC mountain regions.

Whose kids are we sending to camp?

Angel tree camps are for children of incarcerated parents. The incarcerated parent has to apply for their child to attend. The sponsor for Brunswick County is our Mission Partner, Street Reach. <http://www.bcstreetreach.org>

What do they need for camp?

Supplies for campers - include beach towels, sunscreen, underwear and flip flops. We will collect throughout the month of May at the Bridge. Kids attend camp June & July.

If you are interested in donating money (\$50 still sponsors one camper!) make a check out to the Bridge and put ANGEL TREE CAMPS in the memo line. You can also donate online through the Bridge website under the GIVE tab and choose "street Reach" from the drop down menu.

More information can also be found at [Angel Tree Camps](#)

If you have any questions, or would like to help deliver the supplies we collect, please call me.

Mary Ellen Cole

703-618-6196

Connecting Through Missions



The Bluefields is located at 1935 Lincoln Rd.NE in Leland.



Our next Craft Day at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, May 29th, at 2:00 p.m.** in the Activities Room.

If you would like to join the fun in helping our friends , please arrive by 1:45 and wear your bridge tee shirt, if you have one.

For more information contact Patti at ppirher@gmail.com.

Our next Worship Service at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, June 5th, at 1:30p.m.** in the Activities Room.

Volunteers are needed to help the residents with song-books, purchase/serve cookies, sing along, and enjoy worshipping God with our Bluefields friends.

If you would like to join us in this ministry, please wear your bridge tee shirt, if you have one, and arrive by 1:20p.m.

For more information or if you are bringing cookies for the residents, contact Patti, ppirher@gmail.com.



The Women of the bridge are hosting
Kris Rystrom Emmert
as a special guest speaker

June 3, 2025 1:00 pm in the Sanctuary

*An informal “meet the author” reception will be held
after her presentation.*

◀ *“On an early spring morning in March 1993, Kris saw the naval officers in their dress blues through her front door, and she knew—her husband Jon—was gone, and her perfect life shattered in an instant. She went from being a naval wife with two daughters, Jordyn and Taylor, who at the time were three and seven months, to being a naval widow and a single mom.”*



ALL are invited to come and hear Kris’s powerful message on having endured unspeakable tragedy and discovered unshakeable hope.

Please sign up on the sign-up sheets in the entry hall.



Tour of Fort Fisher

Would you like to know more about the history of the area where you are now living?

If so, we have an event for you---a tour of Fort Fisher on June 5th.

Fort Fisher was the fort that kept Wilmington open to the blockade-runners throughout the Civil War and whose defeat sped up the end of the war. It was called "The Gibraltar of the Confederacy".

We have worked with the educational director of the museum to schedule a short fifteen minute movie on the history of Fort Fisher, to be followed by a presentation with him and then a guided tour of the grounds. The museum is new and has many exhibits to view at your leisure.

If you don't want to walk the grounds there are picnic benches outside or you can walk across the street to the beach for a short walk.

Place : Fort Fisher at Kure Beach

Date: June 5th

Time 10AM

Cost: Free if we have 15 people

Sign up sheet is on the table in the hall.



Are these Yours?

These are items left in the kitchen.

They will be donated at the end of the month if they have not been picked up.

Thank you



The Group meets every Friday at 9:30 in the Warnock Fellowship Hall and we have a wonderful time!

**We have a job for everyone with sewing, tracing patters, cutting, ironing material or packing.
All are welcome.**

We are working hard on hygiene kits to send to South Africa, Uganda and Egypt in the fall.

We are in need of New - girl/teen underwear S, M, L sizes. Please solid or can have shapes but no animals, words or cultural themes, and preferably not white. You can also donate by check with Days for girls in the memo or online just go to drop down to Days for Girls

Upcoming Happenings

May

26th - Office Closed for Memorial Day

29th - 2:00 - Crafts at Bluefield

June

2nd - 1:00 - Narnia Book Study Resumes

3rd - 1:00 - Women of the bridge - Guest Speaker

5th - 10:00 - Tour of Fort Fisher

5th - 1:30 - Bluefield Worship

29th - 9:45 - 5th Sunday Brunch

July

3rd - 1:30 - Bluefield Worship

4th - Office Closed

May

Birthdays

Karen Santone	8
Dana Erbe	11
Clyde Queen	11
Manny Rosenfeld	11
Greer Broadwater	19
Kerrin Polaski	20
Page Humphreys	24
Marilyn Vernon	24
Patricia Shaffar	29