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# Currents

Letting God's currents carry us through Life

*The Mission of the bridge Presbyterian Church is to help active adults connect with God's people, discover God's presence, learn God's promises, and embrace their unique God-given purpose for their lives.*

## Worship Together Weekly



Sunday, May 31stth

*Sweet Caroline and Amazing Grace:  
Better Together.*

**One Service at 10:30**

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>

## *Exciting Things Happening In Worship In May*

You won't want to miss worship at the bridge in May. We have a lot of fun and inspiring worship planned. So, join your church family in worship this May.

May 31 – Fifth Sunday worship means one service only at the bridge. Plan on wearing your favorite team swag to worship as Dr. Doug compares cheering on our favorite sports teams to cheering on God in worship. Don't forget the potluck Brunch after worship. The Celebration Choir will also be singing.

# Find Purpose through Service

Sunday, May 31, 2026

Coffee Servers

10:30 – Sandy

Greeters/Ushers

10:30 – Wells

Liturgists

10:30 – Lynn Hale

Communion – June 7<sup>th</sup>

9:00 – Ruth, Becky, Steve, Susan

10:30 – Kathy, Charlyne, Sheila, Bruce

**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.

## Give Gratefully

	5/24/26		
Total Weekly Giving	\$8,127	9:00 am Service	47
		10:30 am Service	68
Weekly Offering (4 wk avg)	\$8,127	Total Attendance	115
		Attendance (4 wk avg)	114

# Pray Daily

PRAYER LIST May 28, 2026

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.

## Health and Healing

- Prayers for Jim Bath He will have surgery on June 9th to remove his existing Pacemaker and wires from his heart and put in a new Pacemaker with a Defibrillator. Prayers for the skills of the surgeons and for a rapid recovery.
- Prayers for Ed Weihs for successful treatment for newly diagnosed illness
- Marilyn Vernon: For strength and comfort during her cancer journey.
- Lynn Hale: For comfort and strength following a diagnosis of Mesothelioma, cancer of her abdomen and small intestines.
- Sandy Barrett: For peace and successful treatment following the return of her cancer.
- For Sallie Bohn recovering from knee replacement
- Prayers for Joyce Rodman's sister and brother-in-law, Becky, and Lonnie, who have advanced stage cancer.
- Prayers for Barrie and Mel Martin, whose son Ryan died suddenly on Saturday.
- Prayers for Chuck Owens who is anxiously awaiting a liver transplant. Prayers for his pain and suffering
- Prayers for David Blankenship, a young father needing a kidney transplant.
- Prayers for Kiza who is learning the intricacies of the driver's handbook, so he can drive to a better job. Prayers for the people who volunteer their time to help Kiza on his journey. Pray for his family stuck in Africa, unable to join him. Prayers that they are not affected by the Ebola outbreak.
- Gordon Macintyre Cole, II and his parents Peter and Lily. Lily is having severe morning sickness and has been in the hospital. Gordon is Mary Ellen Cole's first grandchild.
- Prayers for Peggy Fulton who will be having surgery on June 3
- Prayers for Donna Siegmund who has been in the hospital several weeks. Prayers for her recovery.

## Celebrations and Thanksgiving

- Grateful Prayers for the health and recovery of Carol Guilmette. Our prayers for Carol have been heard.
- Grateful prayers for the recovery of Anne Graham who was able to be at church on Sunday.
- Hooray for a new great grandson for George and Linda Wells
- Congratulations to Mary Ellen Cole on the marriage of her son Aaron.

## Our Community and World

- The Vulnerable: For those who are homeless or forgotten.
- Global Concerns: For peace within our country and world

**To make a difference in someone's life you don't have to be brilliant, rich, beautiful, or perfect. you just have to CARE... Winnie the Pooh**

To make a prayer request, contact Elder Mary Campbell at [carlislecampbell@gmail.com](mailto: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.

# Find Meaningful Relationships in Small Groups



## THE CHOSEN

The Small Group Ministry Team's recent survey indicated that there is great interest in having the bridge present the first, eight-episode series, on the popular faith-based television series **The Chosen**.

**So, the Team is pleased to inform you that for eight Wednesdays, beginning June 17<sup>th</sup> thru August 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:30PM, we will meet to view and discuss each episode in the sanctuary.**

Many of you are familiar with this series and know you will see Jesus and his disciples come alive on the screen in this historical fiction. You will see Jesus as very human and when he laughs, cries, shows frustration and grief you will feel like you are standing right next to him. The series is a historical drama based on the life of Jesus and those who knew him. It is set against the backdrop of Roman oppression in first-century Israel, and the series shares an authentic look at Jesus' life and teachings. Since it is a historical drama, where further explanations are necessary, Cathy Boettcher and Steve Dare, the facilitators, will add their researched insights.

This is a great outreach for the bridge so invite a friend to join you. **Sign-up sheets are on the table.** (PS remember if you miss a week, you can always view at home and not feel lost on your return)

# Find Purpose through Service



## May Mission Partner - **Angel Tree Camp**

### It's time for Summer Camp!

You may wonder, what are Angel Tree Camps? And what am I being asked to donate?

Angel Tree camps are summer camps for children (ages 5-12) of incarcerated parents. The incarcerated parent has to apply for their child to attend. The sponsor for Brunswick County is Street Reach, one of our sustainable mission partners.

<http://www.bcstreetreach.org/>

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

**Supplies needed for campers include: beach towels, sunscreen, and flip flops.**

We will be collecting supplies for Angel Tree Camp in May at the Bridge. Angel Tree Camp and Street Reach will also be the mission focus for the upcoming Adult VBS in June. I will be collecting and delivering donations through July 1st.

You can also donate money - \$50 still sponsors one camper, but any amount is appreciated!

**Last year, the Bridge sent 43 kids to camp!**

Please put "Angel Tree" in the memo of your check, or give online – just use the Angel Tree Drop Down option



# Find Purpose through Service



THE BLUEFIELDS  
MEMORY CARE



Our next Craft Day at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, May 28, 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.

Any questions please email

Patti Pirher at

[ppirher@gmail.com](mailto:ppirher@gmail.com)

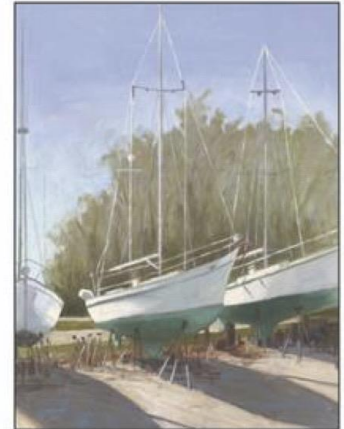
Our next Worship Service at The Bluefields Memory Care will be **Thursday, June 4 at 1:30p.m.** in the Activities Room. Volunteers are needed to help the residents with songbooks, purchase/serve cookies, sing along, and enjoy worshipping God with our Bluefields friends.

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 Susan Stanewick at [sstanewick@gmail.com](mailto:sstanewick@gmail.com)



# **IT'S ALL ART SHOW & SALE**

**May 28—May 30 2026**  
Thurs: 10—6 Fri. & Sat: 10—4



**Leland Cultural Arts Center**

1212 Magnolia Village Way, Leland, NC 28451  
**Free Admission and Parking**



**Show Dates: May 28 – 30, 2026**

**Leland Cultural Arts Center**

**Several members of the bridge church family**

**will have items in the show / sale**

**Including:**

**Barbara Hubbard, Theresa Honeycutt, Lisa Myers,**

**Sandy Sears and Susan Stanewick**



## Fifth Sunday Brunch!

May 31<sup>s</sup> -After the Service- Warnock Hall

See the Sign-Up Sheet in the hall and  
plan to join your friends for some  
*good food and good fellowship!*

Are you willing to get up a little early to visit the Karen Beasley Sea Turtle Rescue and Rehab Center?



### Are you interested?

I've been talking with the Karen Beasley Turtle Resue and Rehab Center in Surf City. The only time they can host a private group tour is 10:00 AM. We would have to **leave Leland at 9:00 AM**. I'm trying to find out if there's enough interest and willingness to leave early to schedule a private tour for THE BRIDGE. If you might be interested in this field trip, please let me know by signing up the sign-up sheet in the hallway **by May 31<sup>st</sup>**. Remember, this isn't a commitment – we're just trying to see if we have enough interest for a group?

For Questions or more information contact Ruth Fitzsimmons @ 614 588 2390  
(If no answer, please text or leave a message.)



# **Adult Vacation Bible School**

***FUN***

**June 9th - 11th  
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

***FELLOWSHIP***

***SNACKS CRAFTS***

***BIBLE STUDY: Hope Dies Last***

**Please Return by May 24, 2026**

## **WAYS FOR MORE INFORMATION AND/OR TO REGISTER**

- Forms on sign up table in hall
- On REALM
- Email us at : [thebridgepres@gmail.com](mailto:thebridgepres@gmail.com)
- Call the office at 910-769-4951

Leland Campus: 1444 Lanvale Rd, Leland, NC

**Free Event - Donations will be taken for  
STREETREACH**

CUMC Chancel Choir has been touring since 2006 all over the East coast, including two performances in the world-renowned Carnegie Hall! You may remember their director, Joshua Wortham, who performed a solo concert here recently. Join us for an evening of beautiful music and fellowship!



# CHOIR Concert

6:00  
PM

FRIDAY  
JUNE 12

*Featuring:*

## THE CHANCEL CHOIR

CHESTER (VA) UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**THE BRIDGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
1444 LANVALE RD  
LELAND, NC 28451  
WWW.THEBRIDGEPRES.ORG**

# Practice a Christ-Centered Active Lifestyle

## Introducing Active Adults on the **Go!**

Beginning in April, the Activities Team will offer a monthly activity to help keep the **ACTIVE** in our active adult church! It may be a well-being class, learning a line dance, or taking a field trip!



*Keep an eye on Currents and the Bulletin Board for more info!*

Month	Event	Date
Jun	<b>Line Dancing with Linda</b> – so we can show off our stuff at July’s Beach Concert Linda teaches line dancing at a number of venues in/around Leland No Cost for participants	June 18 2:00- 3:00 PM
Jul	<b>Beach Concert – Holden Beach</b> We’ll car pool to the beach and enjoy an evening of Beach Music and Dancing	July 12
Aug	<b>Karen Beasley Turtle Rehab</b> - Carpool to Surf City and learn about the gentle and amazing Sea Turtles! (Who knows, we might even run across the children’s book, <i>Bravery – A Baby Sea Turtle’s First Adventure</i> , illustrated by our own Lisa T. Myers!)	TBD
Sep	<b>Ministry Fair</b> – more to come on this!	TBD
Oct	<b>Christian Illusionist</b> – an Alternative to a traditional Halloween!	Oct 29, 6:00 PM
Nov	<b>Tech Talk</b> – Yes, we’re going to offer it again for the folks who missed it the first time!	
Dec	<b>Mike’s Farm</b> – A Christmas variety show, a buffet dinner, and a hayride through the Farm’s spectacular light show! ( <i>Depending on transportation arrangements</i> )	

# Active Adults on the GO!

Presents:

## Line Dancing with Linda



## Line Dancing with Linda is Part 1 of a 2-Part Activity!

### Part I – Learning to Line Dance

Linda Wadhams – a renowned Leland Area Line Dance Instructor - will bring us together in Warnock Hall where she will teach the group 1 or 2 simple line dances! Sign up electronically through Realm or on the Sign Up Sheet!

**June 18, 2026  
2:00 PM  
Warnock Hall**

### Part II – Holden Beach Music Concert

Our newly trained dancers will meet at Holden Beach's new stage for a concert of Beach Music, where we will have an opportunity to get up and "cut the rug" with the rest of the concert-goers!

**July 12, 2026  
6:00 PM  
Holden Beach  
More details to follow!**

**Both of these events are free and sure to be fun!!**

**Sign up in the hallway or on Realm**

For more information contact Ruth Fitzsimmons at 614-588-2390 or by email at [.fitzsi55@gmail.com](mailto:.fitzsi55@gmail.com)



**CELEBRATE MORE**

*Life*

**Community Blood Drive**

**Bridge Presbyterian Church -  
American Red Cross Bus**

1444 Lanvale Rd

Leland, NC 28451

**Wednesday, June 10, 2026**

**12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Make your life-saving blood drive appointment by contacting Carol Spradley at 910-547-3058 or cspradley1@icloud.com or by going to redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: **Bridge**



Scan to be directed to  
RedCrossBlood.org



**Make summer shine for patients in need. Come to give blood June 1-28 for a \$15 e-gift card!**



Scan to schedule  
an appointment.

**Give Blood.**

1-800-RED CROSS | RedCrossBlood.org | Download the Blood Donor App

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# Celebrate Life's Milestones

From Linda and George Wells:

Our great grandson, Callahan Banks Cooper was born May 17<sup>th</sup> in Brevard, NC

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## May

### *Birthdays*

Patricia Shaffar	29
Mike Wilt	29

### *Anniversaries*

Mike and Sharon Wilt	May 26th
Brenda and James Bozeman	May 30th
Steve and Theresa Skerlick	May 31st

## June

### *Birthdays*

Kim Ferris	12
Peggy Fulton	13
Bettye Weihs	16
Lang ( Langston) Spell	20
Joyce Rodman	21
Romie Holmes	23
Steve Skerlick	24
Tony Honeycutt	27
Mary Campbell	28

### *Anniversaries*

Billy and Sheila Davis	June 10th
Sharon Stengel	June 23rd
Gary and Lynne Lewis	June 29th

# Upcoming Happenings

## May

28th - Bluefield Craft - 2:00

31st - ONE SERVICE 10:30 - Invite a Friend Sunday – Potluck Brunch

## June

3rd - Session - 3:00

4th - Bluefield Worship - 1:30

5th - New Hope Mobile Clinic

9th - 11th - VBS 6:00pm

10th - Blood Drive 12:00 - 5:00

12th - Josh Wortham Concert (Friday) - 6:00 pm

13th - New Beginnings Retreat - 8:00 - 12:00 pm (Saturday)

18th - Line Dance Class - 2:00 pm

23rd - WOTB - Beach Trip - 11:00

25th - Bluefield Craft - 2:00