







OUR FATHER WHO ART IN HEAVEN, HALLOWED BE THY NAME.
OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN, MAY YOUR NAME BE REVERED AS HOLY.
FATHER, MAY YOUR NAME BE REVERED AS HOLY.
THY KINGDOM COME. THY WILL BE DONE,
MAY YOUR KINGDOM COME.
MAY YOUR KINGDOM COME.
ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.
MAY YOUR WILL BE DONE ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.

GIVE US TODAY OUR DAILY BREAD.
GIVE US EACH DAY OUR DAILY BREAD
AND FORGIVE US AND FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS, GIVE OUR DEBTORS.
AND FORGIVE US OUR SINS,
AS WE ALSO HAVE FORGIVEN OUR DEBTORS.
FOR WE OURSELVES FORGIVE EVERYONE INDEBTED TO US.
AND DO NOT BRING US TO THE TIME OF TRIAL,
BUT AND DO NOT BRING US TO THE TIMES OF TRIAL, DOM,
BUT RESCUE US FROM THE EVIL ONE.
AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY, FOREVER. AMEN

11:00 AM Worship • May 25, 2025

Exploring Faith. Changing Lives.

Sardis Presbyterian Church is an inclusive congregation called to equip disciples of Jesus Christ to impact the world by:

-  **PRAISING** God our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer
-  **LEARNING** about God's will for our lives
-  **LOVING** one another unconditionally
-  **SERVING** neighbors near and far
-  **SHARING** the gifts with which we have been blessed
-  **WITNESSING** to the Good News of Jesus Christ to provide hope for the world.

We are honored that you chose to worship God with us this morning. If you are looking for a church home, we would love to help you explore the possibility that Sardis is the place God is calling you to worship and serve.

WORSHIP



May 25, 2025

THE CHAPEL (*through the doors to left of the pulpit*) is available, with audio of the worship service, for those who need it (e.g. families with young children, those with health challenges, etc.).

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HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES with disposable ear coverings are available. Please speak with an usher and they will provide one for you. Additionally, Sardis now has a hearing loop in the Sanctuary. If your hearing aid has a t-coil, please sit in the main section of the sanctuary to take advantage of this technology.

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WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBILITY is provided in the main body of the Sanctuary, on the side aisles on the seventh pew, and in the transept area. A handicap unisex bathroom is located in the left rear hallway.

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PASTORAL EMERGENCIES: After hours and on weekends or holidays, please call the church office and leave a message, including a call-back number. A Pastor will be in touch with you shortly.

WORSHIPING GOD TOGETHER

† Rise in body or in spirit.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

GATHERING MUSIC

Come and Fill This Temple

Arlen Friesen



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Allysen Schaaf

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Dr. Schaaf

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

People: who made heaven and earth.

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

ALL: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

~ from Psalm 124:8; 118:24

† OPENING HYMN NO. 299

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

HANOVER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dr. Schaaf

God of steadfast love, you call us to serve and love you alone; yet we bow to interests of wealth and power, and long after what which does not last. Still you claim us as your own, ever calling us back to yourself. In mercy, heal our crooked ways. Restore us to live as you intend, in steadfast love and faithfulness, in righteousness and peace; that we may display to the world around us the glory of your coming kingdom, where your will is done, on earth as it is in heaven.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Dr. Schaaf

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

† GLORY TO GOD NO. 582

GLORY TO GOD

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,
whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit,
whose love has set me free.**

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end, Amen.

World without end, without end, Amen.

World without end, without end, Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES OF CHRIST

Amanda Hooks

ANTHEM

The Lord's Prayer
Sanctuary Choir

Mariann Forman

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Dr. Joe B. Martin

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 11:1-13

Dr. Martin

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Lord's Prayer in Luke

Dr. Martin

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

GIVING OF GOD'S TITHE AND OUR OFFERING

Dr. Martin

Please place your Prayer Request Cards in the offering basket.

† OFFERING HYMN NO. 175

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

† DOXOLOGY NO. 609

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Martin

Our Father in heaven, may your name be revered as holy. May your kingdom come. May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one.

~ from Matthew 6:9-13

SENT BY THE WORD

† CLOSING SONG

Father, Let Your Kingdom Come

Palmer, Zach, Wardell
Vice and Phillips

REFRAIN: *Hallelu, hallelujah,
Father, let Your kingdom come. (repeat 4x)*

VERSE 1: *May the works of my hands bring You joy.
May the works of my hands bring You joy.
May the works of my hands bring You joy.
May the works of my hands bring You joy.*

REFRAIN

VERSE 2: *May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.
May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.
May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.
May the words from my mouth speak Your peace.*

REFRAIN

BRIDGE: *You make all things new.
You make all things new.
In places we don't choose
You make all things new*

REFRAIN

† BENEDICTION

Dr. Martin

Leader: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

† BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see God's face and God's grace forever.
May the Lord, Mighty God, bless and keep you forever.*

The Ushers today are members of the Membership Ministry.

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God's children of all ages are welcome in worship! Children's worship activity bags can be found at the front entrance and in the younger children's worship space. The open space in the front right is provided for children 5 and under to experience all aspects of worship in ways that meet their developmental needs. Audio of the service can be heard in the Chapel if you and your child need to step out for a bit and the nursery is also open during worship for children 5 years and younger in the Education Building. Ask an usher if you need directions and speak with one of the pastors or Amanda Hooks if you have questions about how best to include your child in the experience of worship.

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Stay connected when you subscribe to our emails and interact with our social media. Want more information? Contact Nikki at nikki.bolton@sardis.org

You are invited to join us for refreshments and fellowship after worship.



THIS WEEK AT SARDIS

Monday, May 26

Church Office Closed for Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 27

9:00 a.m. Yoga Sardis House

Wednesday, May 28

7:00 p.m. Pickup Basketball Fellowship Hall

Thursday, May 29

9:00 a.m. Yoga Sardis House

SARDIS STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Joe B. Martin, IV	Senior Pastor
The Rev. Dr. Allysen Schaaf	Associate Pastor
Dr. Timothy D. Belflowers	Director of Traditional Music
John Nipe	Technical Arts Coordinator
Amanda Hooks	Children's Ministry Coordinator
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Giving to the operating budget is the best way to support Sardis with your financial gifts. Here are all the easy ways to give:



Give online through our website at www.sardis.org/giving or scan the QR code with your smart device



Text a gift to Sardis by texting 'Sardis' and the amount to 73256 (i.e. Sardis 100)



Place your gift in the offering plate during worship



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Sardis Presbyterian Church.***

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sardis Serves Together: Join us next Sunday, June 1 as we engage in God's mission together through worship, service, relationship building, and education. For this Sardis Serves Together event, Sunday School for all ages will be at 9:00 a.m. There will be one worship service in the Fellowship Hall at 10:00 a.m. At 11:00 a.m. we will enjoy lunch and partner with Roof Above and Habitat for Humanity of the Charlotte Region for service projects. Register at no cost at sardis.org/events.

Nourish Up Summer Food Drive— From June through August, we will be collecting canned and nonperishable food for Nourish Up. With school not in session, food challenges for families increase, while donations decrease. Drop off donations on the blue shelves in the Mission Corner in the Gathering Place. ** We cannot accept glass containers or food items that are unsealed, expired, unlabeled, or loose without ingredients listed.

Roof Above Soup Kitchen— For over three decades, Sardis had proudly served at the Soup Kitchen on the 4th Saturday of each month, providing over 45,000 neighbors with a warm lunch and a bowl of soup. If you are able to serve at Roof Above, volunteer-even if it's just once! With 12 occasions a year, 5 volunteers each time, over 1,500 lives are impacted. Share your warmth, your smile, your kind words, and the affirmation that each individual is seen and valued. To sign up, simply scan the QR code at the bottom of the page!

Sardis Centering Prayer Group has recently resumed and meets from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in the Parlor on the first Sunday of each month. The next meeting is June 1. Centering Prayer is a practice of quiet stillness, the letting go of thoughts, and the opening of oneself to the presence of God within. The group is currently reading Open Mind, Open Heart by Fr. Thomas Keating together followed by a time for quiet prayer. All are welcome. Book not required.

Sardis Men's Outing: Join us June 14th for an exhilarating visit to the Smithsonian affiliated Carolina's Aviation Museum! Discover remarkable aircraft, connect with fellow men, and explore how flight transformed our world and community. We will meet at the entrance of the Sullenberger Aviation Museum at 11:00 a.m. Register at no cost at sardis.org/events

Sardis Sign-Up Genius Links!

Use this QR code to access the Sardis Sign-Ups like summer worship refreshments volunteers, usher volunteers, and more!



299 You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

1 You ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,
 2 As - cend - ed on high, al - might - y to save,
 3 "Sal - va - tion to God, who sits on the throne!"
 4 Then let us a - dore and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad Christ's won - der - ful name.
 he still re - mains nigh; his pres - ence we have.
 Let all cry a - loud and hon - or the Son.
 all glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

The name all vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol,
 The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,
 The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,
 all hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

whose king - dom is glo - rious, who rules o - ver all.
 as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.
 fall down on their fac - es, and wor - ship the Lamb.
 and thanks nev - er ceas - ing, and in - fi - nite love!

This hymn resembles many 18th-century drawings that show parallels between worship on earth and worship in heaven, especially as described in Revelation 7:9–11. This 18th-century tune has had many names; the one used here honors the dynasty of British monarchs, 1714–1901.

Seek Ye First

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia,

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God
 2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you;
 3 You shall not live by bread a - lone,

al - le - lu - ia,

and seek its righ - teous - ness,
 seek, and you shall find;
 but by ev - ery word

The author and composer wrote the first stanza and folk-style tune after attending a Bible study on Matthew 6:33. The later stanzas, based respectively on Matthew 7:7 and Matthew 4:4, emerged anonymously. Such meditative singing of scripture is an important form of sung prayer.

TEXT: Stanza 1, Karen Lafferty, 1971, alt.; stanzas 2–3, anon.; Spanish trans. anon.;
 Korean trans. The United Methodist Korean Hymnal Committee

MUSIC: Karen Lafferty, 1971

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LAFFERTY
 Irregular

al - le - lu - ia,

and all these things shall be add - ed un - to you.
 knock, and the door shall be o - pened un - to you.
 that pro - ceeds from the mouth of God.

al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

SPANISH

- 1 Busca primero el reino de Dios
 y su perfecta justicia,
 que lo demás lo añadirá el Señor.
 Alelu, aleluya.

KOREAN

- 1 너희는 먼저- 주의 나라와
 그의를 구하-면
 이모든것 네게 더하시리라
 알렐-루 알렐루야