# The Lord's Day
# Service *of* Worship
# *in* Witness *to* the Resurrection

– *All Saints' Sunday* –

November 06, *Anno Domini* 2022
10:00 a.m. | The Sanctuary

FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
*Salisbury, North Carolina*

**WE GIVE ALMIGHTY GOD HUMBLE THANKS *for* THE LIVES *and* MEMORIES *of* ALL HIS SAINTS,**
who rest in the Church triumphant, and now rejoice and worship with us, but upon another shore and in a greater light, that multitude which no one can number, whose hope was in the Word made flesh, and with whom, in the same Lord Jesus Christ, we forevermore are one.



***WELCOME!*** We are so grateful that God has brought you here this morning! You are invited to register your attendance in the fellowship binder at the end of the pew. We would love the opportunity to connect with you personally! Those in need of listening devices or Children's bulletins, may request them from an usher. We encourage children to participate fully in the service. If needed, childcare is available just down the hall (to the right) in our nursery (B108), for children up to age 4. For more information about upcoming events and announcements, please consult the panel of the worship guide, or visit our website. During the service, the Elizabeth Stanback Room (A101, located to the left of the Sanctuary) is also equipped with video livestream of the service for those in need of a more private space for worship.

# – The Worship of Almighty God –

✞ *denotes the People stand, in body or in spirit, as able.* *The People's responses are printed in* **bold.**

***Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.***

## — Gathering —

Silent Prayer *of* Preparation *for* Worship

*Almighty God of grace and glory, by the death of Your Son Jesus Christ You destroyed death, by His rest in the tomb You sanctified the graves of Your saints, and by His bodily resurrection You brought life and immortality to light so that all who die in Him abide in peace and hope. Receive our thanks for the victory over death and the grave that He won for us. Keep us in everlasting communion with all who wait for Him on earth and in heaven who are with Him, for He is the resurrection and the life, even Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

Greeting — The Reverend Dr. Mark Conforti

Prelude — Dave McKenzie, *bagpipes*
*Amazing Grace* — Scottish melody

✞ Call *to* Worship — *from II Corinthians 1.3–4; Romans 6.3–5; Revelation 1.5–6; 4.11*

*Pastor:* Blessèd be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Source of all mercy and the God of all consolation.

*People:* **He comforts us in all our sorrows**
**so that we can comfort others in their sorrows**
**with the consolation we ourselves have received from God.**

*Pastor:* When we were baptized into Christ Jesus,
we were baptized into His death.
We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death,
so that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father,
we too might walk in newness of life.

*People:* **For if we have been united with Him in a death like His,**
**we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His.**

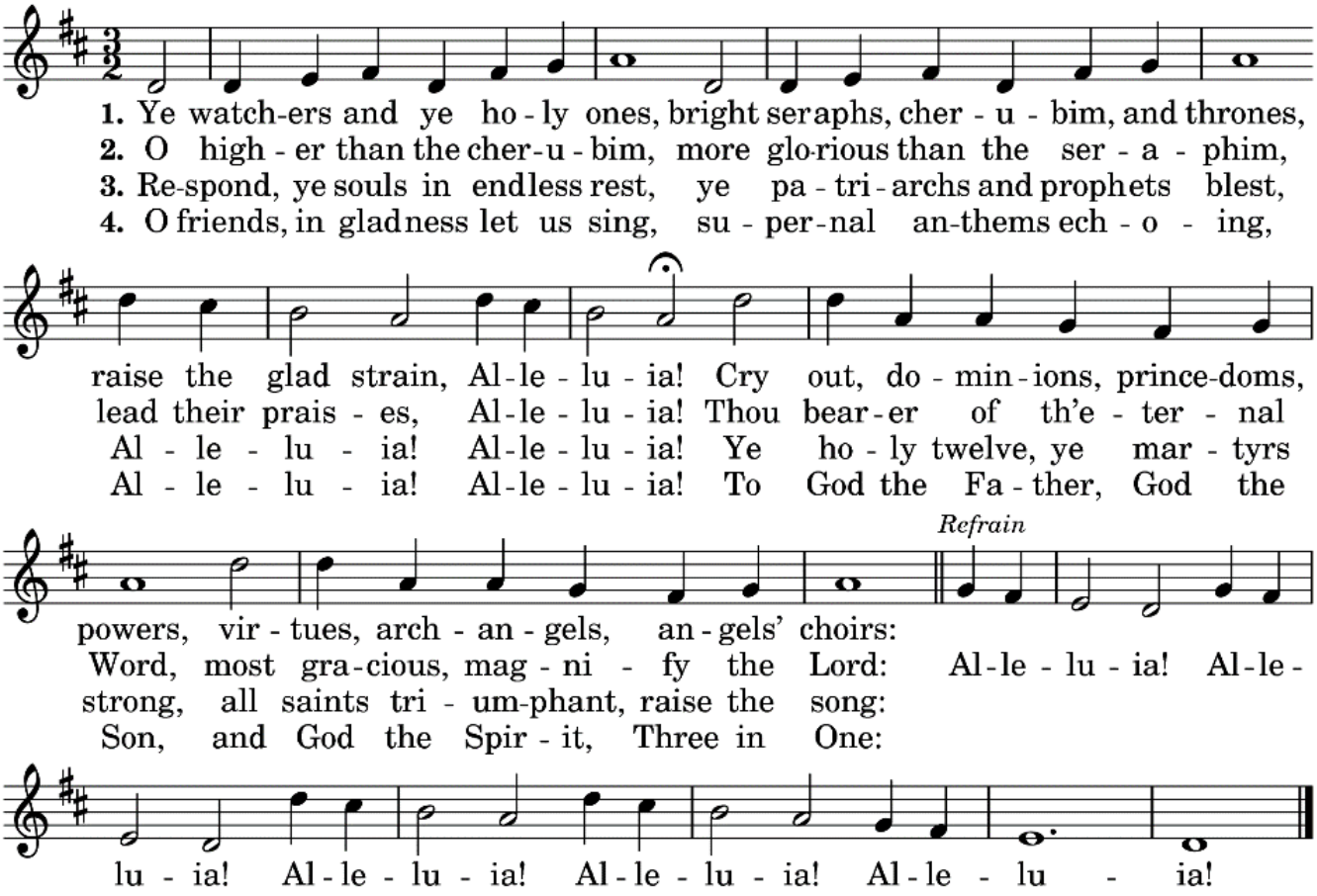
*Pastor:* *Alleluia!* Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead. Worthy is the Lord our God,

*All:* **to receive glory and honor and power forever and ever. *Amen.* *Alleluia!***

## ✞ Processional Hymn: No. 90 — LASST UNS ERFREUEN

***Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones***

*The opening stanza of this hymn echoes Psalm 103, "Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word! Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will! Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul!" (Psalm 103.20-22). This hymn is based, in part, on the Te Deum laudamus, an ancient hymn that is still used in both the Eastern and Western branches of the Church. As this hymn is sung, contemplate the vastness of creation as it worships God continually, in heaven and on earth, past and present, including angels and Christians of all traditions.*




## Confession *of* Sin — Kerry Kribbs; *liturgist*

*Liturgist:* Christ our Lord calls us to share the heavenly banquet of His love
with all the saints in earth and heaven.

Knowing our unworthiness and sin,
let us ask from Him both mercy and forgiveness,
as we humbly confess our sins to Almighty God and one another:

***(Silence follows for personal reflection and self-examination)***

*Liturgist:* Most Holy God our Father,

*All:* **before You our hearts are open,**
**and from You no secrets are hidden.**

**We bring to You now**
**our shame and sorrow for our sins.**

**We have forgotten**
**that our life is from You and unto You.**

**We have neither sought nor done Your Will.**

**We have not been truthful in our hearts,**
**in our speech, in our lives.**

**We have not loved as we ought to love.**

**Help us and heal us,**
**raising us from our sins into a better life,**
**that we may end our days in peace,**
**trusting in Your kindness unto the end;**

**Through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord,**
**who lives and reigns with You**
**in the unity of the Holy Spirit,**
**one God, now and forever. *Amen.***

## Assurance *of* God's Pardon

*from Romans 8.34; Ephesians 2.19–22*

*Liturgist:* Who is in a position to condemn?

Only Christ,
Christ who died for us,
who rose for us,
who reigns at God's right hand and prays for us.

You are no longer strangers and aliens,
but You are citizens with the saints
and also members of the household of God,
built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
with Christ Jesus Himself as the Cornerstone.

In Him the whole structure is joined together
and grows into a holy temple in the Lord;
in whom You also are built together spiritually
into a dwelling place for God.

Hear and believe the Good News of the Gospel:
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*All (shout):* **Thanks be to God!**

## ✞ Fellowship and Ministry *of* the Peace of The Lord

*Liturgist:* The peace of the Risen Lord be always with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

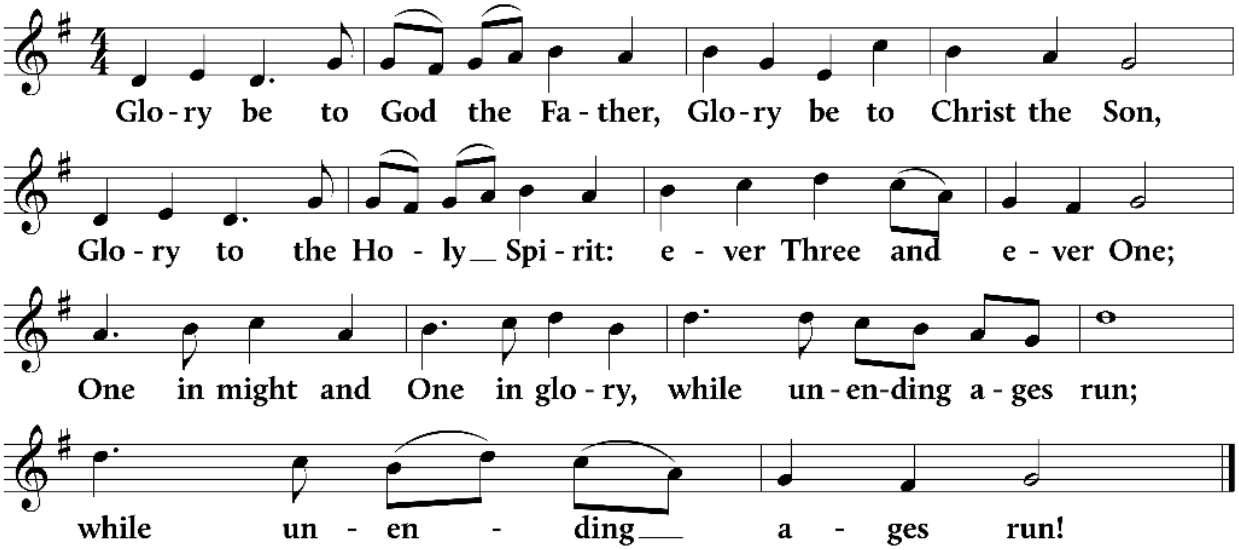
*Liturgist:* Let us offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

***(You may exchange signs of God's peace with those around you.***
***As we sing together, the children may come forward to sit on the chancel steps.)***

## ✞ Acclamation *of* Praise

CWM RHONDDA

***Gloria Patri***




# — Proclamation *and* Response *to* God's Word —

## Children's Moment

Bailee Weisensel

## Prayer *for* Illumination

**Almighty God,**
**You have knit together Your elect**
**in one communion and fellowship,**
**in the mystical Body of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.**
**Grant us grace so to follow the example of Your holy saints**
**in all virtuous and godly living,**
**that we may come to those unspeakable joys,**
**which You have prepared for those who sincerely love You;**
**Through Jesus Christ, our Lord,**
**who with You and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,**
**one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.***

## Old Testament Lesson — *Daniel 7.1–3, 15–18*

*Liturgist:* A reading from the Prophet Daniel, the seventh chapter:

1 In the first year of King Belshazzar of
Babylon, Daniel had a dream and
visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then
he wrote down the dream: 2 I, Daniel,
saw in my vision by night the four winds
of heaven stirring up the great sea, 3 and
four great beasts came up out of the sea,
different from one another…

15 As for me, Daniel, my spirit was
troubled within me, and the visions of
my head terrified me. 16 I approached one
of the attendants to ask him the truth
concerning all this. So he said that he
would disclose to me the interpretation
of the matter: 17 "As for these four great
beasts, four kings shall arise out of the
earth. 18 But the holy ones of the Most
High shall receive the kingdom and
possess the kingdom forever—forever
and ever."

*Liturgist:* "The grass withers and the flowers fall,

*People:* **but the Word of our God endures forever."** (Isaiah 40.8)

## Gradual Anthem

*Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*

Chancel Choir with Children and Peals of Praise Handbell Ensemble
arr. David Angerman and Joshua W. Starnes (b. 1990)
Ed Scibilia, *accompanist*

What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone. Christ alone!
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to Him belong.
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand.

***O sing, "Hallelujah!" Our hope springs eternal;***
***O sing, "Hallelujah!"***
***Now and ever we confess:***
***Christ our hope in life and death!***

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good.
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
unto the shore, the Rock of Christ?

***O sing, "Hallelujah!" Our hope springs eternal;***
***O sing, "Hallelujah!"***
***Now and ever we confess:***
***Christ our hope in life and death!***

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, He lives! Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
then sin and death will be destroyed,
and we will feast in endless joy,
when Christ is ours forevermore!

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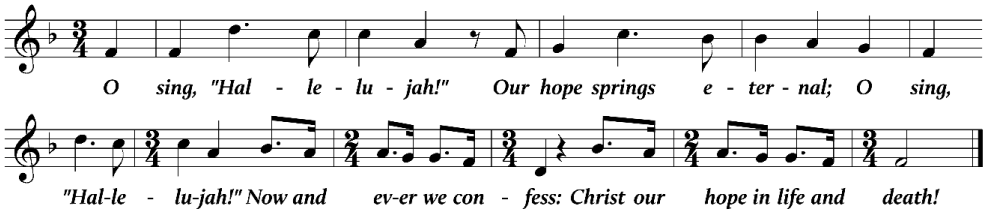


## Epistle Lesson

*Revelation 7.9–17*

*Liturgist:* A reading from the Revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Saint John, the seventh chapter, beginning at verse 9:

9 After this I looked, and there before me
was a great multitude that no one could
count, from every nation, tribe, people
and language, standing before the
throne and before the Lamb. They were
wearing white robes and were holding
palm branches in their hands. 10 And
they cried out in a loud voice:

"Salvation belongs to our God,
who sits on the throne,
and to the Lamb."

11 All the angels were standing around
the throne and around the elders and
the four living creatures. They fell down
on their faces before the throne and
worshiped God, 12 saying:

"Amen!
Praise and glory
and wisdom and thanks and honor
and power and strength
be to our God for ever and ever.
Amen!"

13 Then one of the elders asked me, "These
in white robes—who are they, and where
did they come from?"

14 I answered, "Sir, you know."

And he said, "These are they who have
come out of the great tribulation; they have
washed their robes and made them white in
the blood of the Lamb. 15 Therefore,

"they are before the throne of God
and serve him day and night in his
temple;
and he who sits on the throne
will shelter them with his presence.
16 'Never again will they hunger;
never again will they thirst.
The sun will not beat down on them,'
nor any scorching heat.
17 For the Lamb at the center of the throne
will be their shepherd;
'he will lead them to springs of living water.'
'And God will wipe away every tear from
their eyes.'"

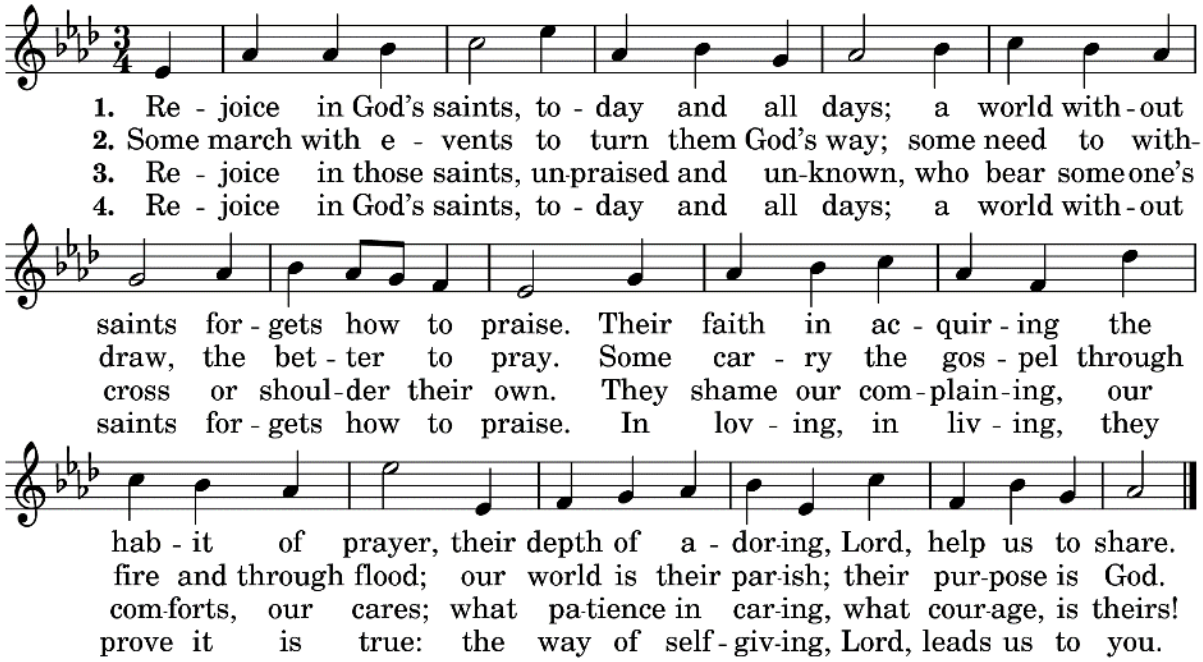
*Liturgist:* "Long ago God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets,

*People:* **but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son."** (from Hebrews 1.1 – 2a)

## ✠ Sequence Hymn: No. 708

HANOVER

***Rejoice in God's Saints***




## ✠ Gospel Lesson

*Luke 6.20–31*

*Pastor:* A reading from the Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ,
according to Saint Luke, the sixth chapter, beginning at verse 20:

20 Then he [that is, Jesus] looked up at
his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

21 "Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

22 "Blessed are you when people hate
you and when they exclude you, revile
you, and defame you on account of the
Son of Man. 23 Rejoice on that day and
leap for joy, for surely your reward is
great in heaven, for that is how their
ancestors treated the prophets.

24 "But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

25 "Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

26 "Woe to you when all speak well of you,
for that is how their ancestors treated the
false prophets.

27 "But I say to you who are listening: Love
your enemies; do good to those who hate
you; 28 bless those who curse you; pray for
those who mistreat you. 29 If anyone
strikes you on the cheek, offer the other
also, and from anyone who takes away
your coat do not withhold even your
shirt. 30 Give to everyone who asks of you,
and if anyone takes away what is yours,
do not ask for it back again. 31 Do to
others as you would have them do to
you."

*Pastor:* This is the Word of God for the people of God.

*People:* **Thanks be to God!**

## Sermon

## ✠ Affirmation *of* Our Faith — *The Apostles' Creed*

*Pastor:* God has made us His people through our Baptism into Christ.
Living together in trust and hope,
let us proclaim our faith together in the words of the ancient baptismal confession,
the Apostles' Creed:

*All:* **I believe in God the Father Almighty,**
**Maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord:**
**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,**
**born of the Virgin Mary,**
**suffered under Pontius Pilate,**
**was crucified, dead, and buried;***
**the third day He rose from the dead;**
**He ascended into heaven,**
**and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;**
**from thence He shall come**
**to judge the quick** and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,**
**the holy catholic*** Church,**
**the communion of saints,**
**the forgiveness of sins,**
**the resurrection of the body,**
**and the life everlasting. *Amen.***

***Traditional use of this creed includes: "He descended [into hell/to the dead.]"***
****living***
*****universal; whole; or Christian***

## Remembrance *of* the Saints

*Memoirs are printed on pp. 20–39*

***(Family and friends may stand as each candle is lit and the bell is tolled.)***

Harold Wade Buchanan
*December 01, 1934—October 04, 2022*

Elda I. Buxton
*September 02, 1923—October 26, 2022*

Rhoda Russell Calloway
*January 25, 1927—December 15, 2021*

Richard "Ricky" Hubbard Clinebell, Jr.
*October 18, 1956—March 16, 2022*

Harry Randolph Cooke, Jr.
*April 30, 1935—August 18, 2022*

Amanda "Mandy" Russell Deadwyler
*September 08, 1943—May 16, 2022*

Robert "Bob" Joseph Dole
*July 22, 1923—December 05, 2021*

Judith "Judy" Floyd Fowler
*October 17, 1953—May 20, 2022*

John Greenwood Hoppe
*August 16, 1924—September 20, 2022*

Adrienne Elizabeth Jones
*May 31, 1982—September 20, 2022*

Mabel S. Jones
*July 08, 1927—September 07, 2022*

William "Bill" Harold Linn, Jr.
*February 22, 1942—September 01, 2022*

Ethan Shaun Mastro
*December 28, 2001—August 24, 2022*

Linda Wortham Rinehart
*December 02, 1944—September 25, 2022*

Ola Ross Rutledge
*August 17, 1926—March 16, 2022*

Carolyn Elaine Johnson Sadler
*September 22, 1940—October 12, 2022*

Barbara Anne Carter Safley
*March 04, 1931—March 09, 2022*

Erma Toomes Scarlette
*February 13, 1922—November 21, 2021*

Carlton Eugene "Pete" Stout
*February 26, 1936—August 28, 2022*

Margaret Heck Tucker
*July 17, 1931—February 23, 2022*

## Prayer *for* the Faithful Departed

**Lord God and Good Shepherd of our souls,
we bless Your Holy Name and give You humble thanks
for Your loving-kindness shown to all Your servants who,
having finished their course in faith,
now rest from their labors.**

**We thank You for giving them to us to know and to love
as companions in our pilgrimage on earth.**

**In Your boundless love and compassion, console those who mourn
and comfort us with the sure and certain hope of the resurrection to everlasting life
and a joyful reunion with those we love who have died in the faith.**

**Grant that all Your servants, being raised with Christ,
may know the strength of His Presence,
and rejoice in His eternal glory.**

**Give us quiet confidence that we also may be found steadfast and faithful even unto death,
and receive the crown of eternal life;**

**To Your honor and glory; through Christ Jesus our Lord. *Amen.***

## Offertory Anthem

*For All the Saints*

Peals of Praise Handbell Ensemble
arr. Jacob B. Weber (b. 1988)

*"Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God." (Hebrews 12.1–2)*

For all Thy saints, who from their labours rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesu, be forever blest. *Alleluia!*

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their Light of light. *Alleluia!*

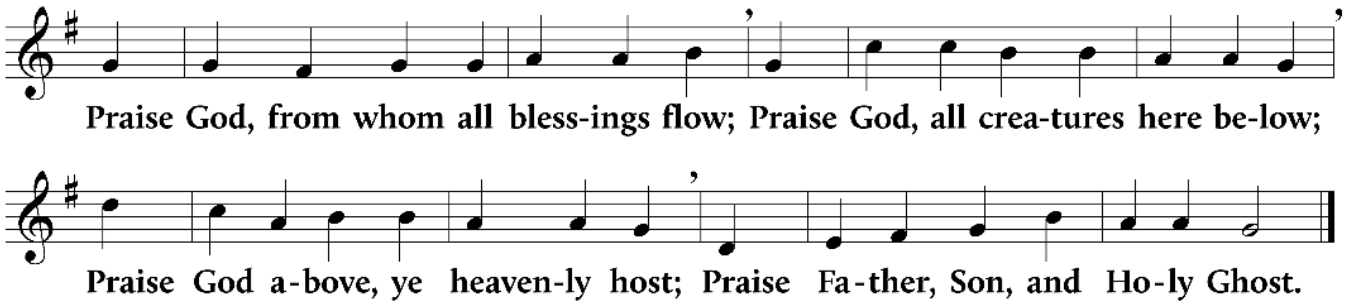
O blest Communion! Fellowship divine!
We feebly struggle, they in glory shine;
Yet all are one in Thee; for all are Thine. *Alleluia!*

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious Day:
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of Glory passes on His way. *Alleluia!*

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Alleluia!*

## ✟ Doxology *at* The Presentation *of* Gifts: No. 682 (*st. 5*)

TALLIS' CANON




# — Service *of* The Lord's Table —

## ✟ The Great Thanksgiving

*Pastor:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Pastor:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* **We lift them up to the Lord.**

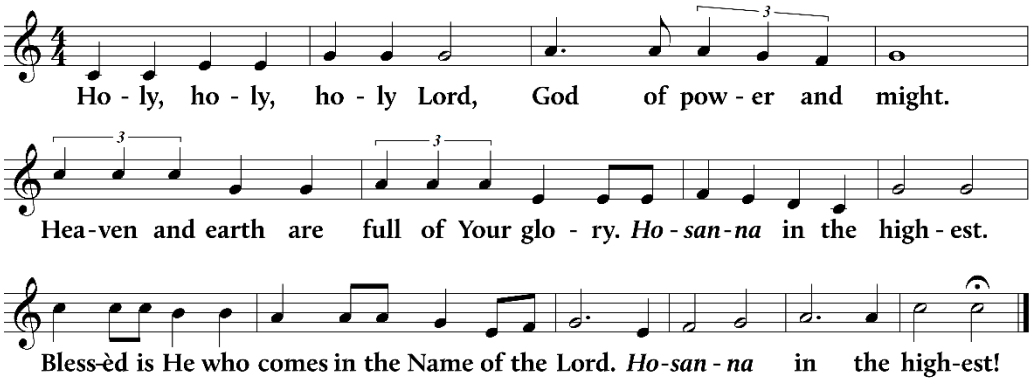
*Pastor:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* **It is right to** give **our thanks and praise.**

*Pastor:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing,
always and everywhere to give thanks to You,
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth:

And so, with Your people on earth and all the company of heaven,
we praise Your Name and join their unending hymn:

*All:*




*Pastor:* Holy are You, and blessèd is Your Son Jesus Christ.

Your Spirit anointed Him to preach Good News to the poor,
to proclaim release to the captives
and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
and to announce that the time had come
when You would save Your people.

He healed the sick, fed the hungry, and ate with sinners.

By the baptism of His suffering, death, and resurrection
You gave birth to Your Church,
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,
and made with us a New Covenant by water and the Spirit.

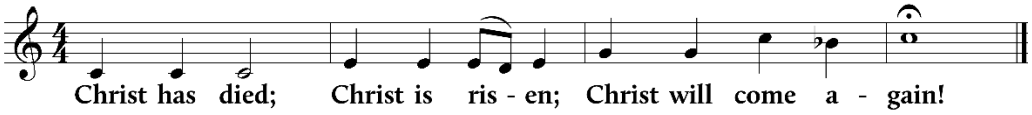
When the Lord Jesus ascended,
He promised to be with us always,
in the power of Your Word and Holy Spirit.

On the night in which He gave Himself up for us, He took bread,
gave thanks to You, broke the bread, gave it to His disciples and said:
"Take, eat; this is My body which is given for you.
Do this in remembrance of Me."

When the supper was over, He took the cup,
gave thanks to You, gave it to His disciples, and said:
"Drink from this, all of you; this is My blood of the New Covenant,
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

And so, in remembrance of these Your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

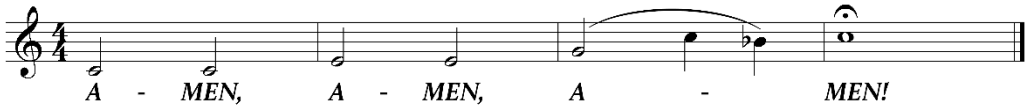
*All:*




*Pastor:* Pour out Your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by His blood.
Renew our communion with all Your saints,
especially those whom we name before You in our hearts.

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,
strengthen us to run with perseverance the race that is set before us,
looking to Jesus, the Pioneer and Perfecter of our faith.
By Your Spirit makes us one with Christ,
one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at His heavenly banquet.
Through Your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in Your holy Church,
all honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and forever.

*All:*




*Pastor:* And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us pray:

## ✠ The Lord's Prayer

*from Matthew 6.9b–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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
[For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
*Amen.*]**

## ✠ Breaking the Bread

*Pastor:* Because there is one loaf,
we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.
The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

## ✞ Invitation to The Lord's Table

*Pastor:* Christ our Lord invites to His table all who love Him,
who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.

## ✞ Sharing *the* Bread *and* Cup

***(When directed by an usher, you are invited to come forward to receive the elements by intinction–dipping the bread into the chalice of grape juice before consuming them together.)***

The body of Christ, given for you. ***Amen.***

The blood of Christ, shed for you. ***Amen.***

## Communion Anthem during *the* Distribution

Chancel Choir

*Grant Us Thy Peace (Verleih uns Frieden gnädiglich)*

Felix Mendelssohn (1809 – 1847)

Grant us Thy peace, Almighty Lord,
Thou Source of every blessing!
Feeble and frail, trust we Thy word,
All things in Thee possessing.
In Thee is our hope and safety.

*Da nobis pacem Domine,*
*Da nobis perdurare*
*non enim est, qui valide*
*pro nobis posset stare.*
*Quam tu nostra spes et salus.*

## ✞ Post-Communion Prayer

**Almighty God, we thank You that in Your great love**
**You have fed us with the spiritual food and drink**
**of the Body and Blood of Your Son Jesus Christ,**
**and have given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet feast to come.**

**Grant that this Sacrament may be to us a comfort in affliction,**
**and a pledge of our inheritance in that kingdom where there is no death,**
**neither sorrow nor crying,**
**but the fullness of joy with all Your saints;**

**Through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. *Amen.***

## ✞ Benediction

*from Hebrews 13.20–21*

***(You are invited to bow your head and extend your hands for the blessing.)***

*Pastor:* Now may the God of peace
who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the Great Shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
make you complete in everything good
so that You may do His Will,
working among us that which is pleasing in His sight,
through Jesus Christ;
to whom be the glory now and forever.

And the blessing of Almighty God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

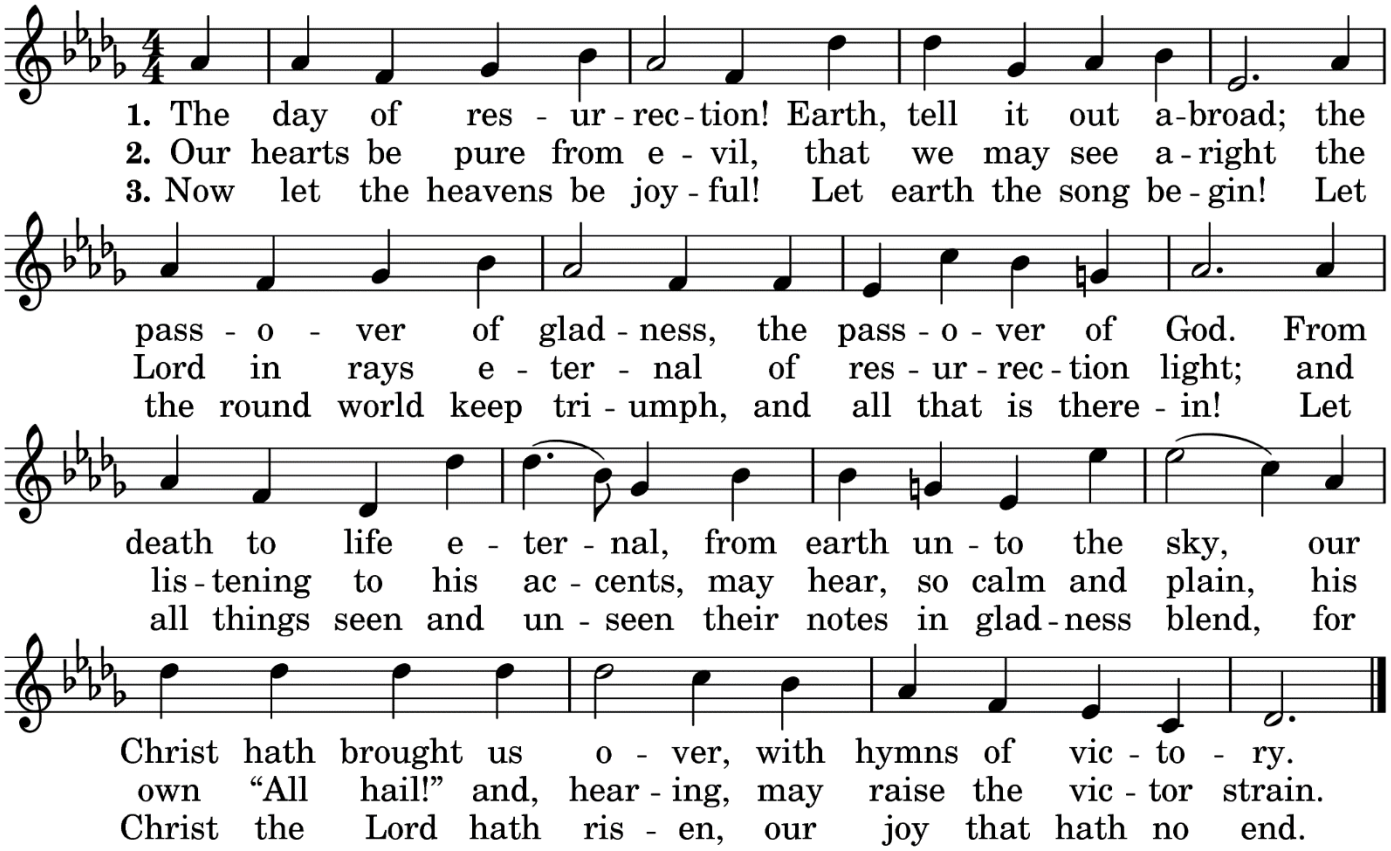
*People:* ***Amen!***

## — Sending Forth —

✙ Recessional Hymn: No. 303 LANCASHIRE

***The Day of Resurrection***

*This hymn is one of the oldest hymns still sung. Traditionally in the Greek church, the celebration of Christ's resurrection began at the stroke of midnight on Easter Sunday, with the lighting of candles, jubilant greetings, and the singing of this hymn. It was as if the Church could not contain her joy any longer than she had to after the sorrowful contemplation of sin and its consequent suffering through Lent and Holy Week. The text bubbles over with "joy that hath no end" in the victory that Jesus Christ won over sin and death through His resurrection.*




✙ Commission *and* Dismissal

*Pastor:* *Alleluia! Alleluia!*
Let us go forth in the Name of Christ
to make and nurture Christian disciples through the presence and power of God.

*People:* **Thanks be to God!** ***Alleluia! Alleluia!***

Postlude — Dave McKenzie, *bagpipes* & Joshua Starnes, *organ*
*Aire on "Highland Cathedral"* — arr. James D. Wetherald

✙ Departure into the Mission Field

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## What We Believe

At the heart of the Christian faith is God's victory over death. Through the life, passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we are given the gift of eternal life. As disciples of Jesus, we are convinced that we too share in His victory over hell and the grave. We affirm that at death, the Christian believer lives in the presence of God. Nothing, not even death, can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ. So, death is not the end; but rather, this is the new beginning of a fuller existence that will be completed in the culmination of Christ's return in glory and the resurrection of the body. This hope is based, not on our own works or merit, but solely upon God's grace and faith in Christ alone. The large white candle – the Paschal candle (from the Latin *"pascha"* and Hebrew *"pesach"* meaning "Passover") – is lit symbolizing Christ, the Passover Lamb of God, and His victory over death, for the sake of those who have died in Christ, and for all of us who gather today.

## — Parish Notes & Upcoming Ministry Opportunities —

**The flowers adorning the Chancel *are* lovingly given *to* the Glory *of* God**
in memory of Pamela Allen Cordts and Dr. Richard Gordon Senter,
by Larry Cordts and Barbara Senter-Cordts.

### Next Sunday's Scripture Lessons:

| *Malachi* 4.1–2a | *Psalm* 98 | *II Thessalonians* 3.6–13 | *Luke* 21.5–19 |
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*shopping list*

- 2 large cans of vegetables
- large can of fruit
- box of instant mashed potatoes
- bag of rice
- gravy (can or mix, no glass jars please!)
- box of cornbread, biscuit, or muffin mix
- box of stuffing
- box of cereal or oatmeal
- box of cake mix & can of frosting

*give thanks, give forward!*

# HARVEST PROCESSION

NOVEMBER 20, 2022

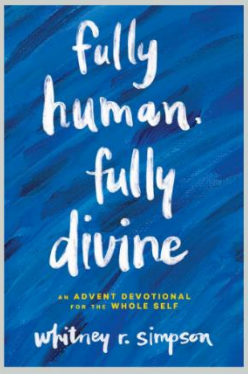
*return filled bags*

bring your bag to Sunday worship on November 20, at 8:30 or 11:00;
*or*
*drop it off in the Carter Lobby before November 20*

Blue harvest procession bags and printed shopping lists can be picked up in the Narthex & Lobby. (You're always welcome to give above and beyond the items on this list)

Questions?
Call the church office (704)636-3121

*food will be delivered to Rowan Helping Ministries on November 21*

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Youth & Club 45

## Thanksgiving Potluck

**November 20**
**4:00-7:00pm**
Bring something to share!
(Things that don't need to be kept warm are great!
We'll be advent decorating & ending with dinner together)

The ALL SAINTS' BANNER features a peacock, an ancient symbol of the resurrection. As the feathers are shed, they regrow more glorious than before! The peacock is depicted rising above earthly sorrows (purple) to joy (pink), similar to a mythical phoenix rising from the ashes. The rays of light at the top of the banner represent God's grace and love extending down to welcome the faithful.

The MUSIC BANNER was given in honor of our church's renowned music ministry. The children's heads at the bottom signify the choristers – the music notes are of the great Methodist hymn, *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing.* The keyboard signifies the importance of the organ and piano in accompanying our congregational singing. The banner depicts worship uniting us before the throne of Christ. At the last, we will be united before God's throne, singing praises from every tribe and nation. Even now, let us choose with the Psalmist:

*"I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being."*
Psalm 104.33

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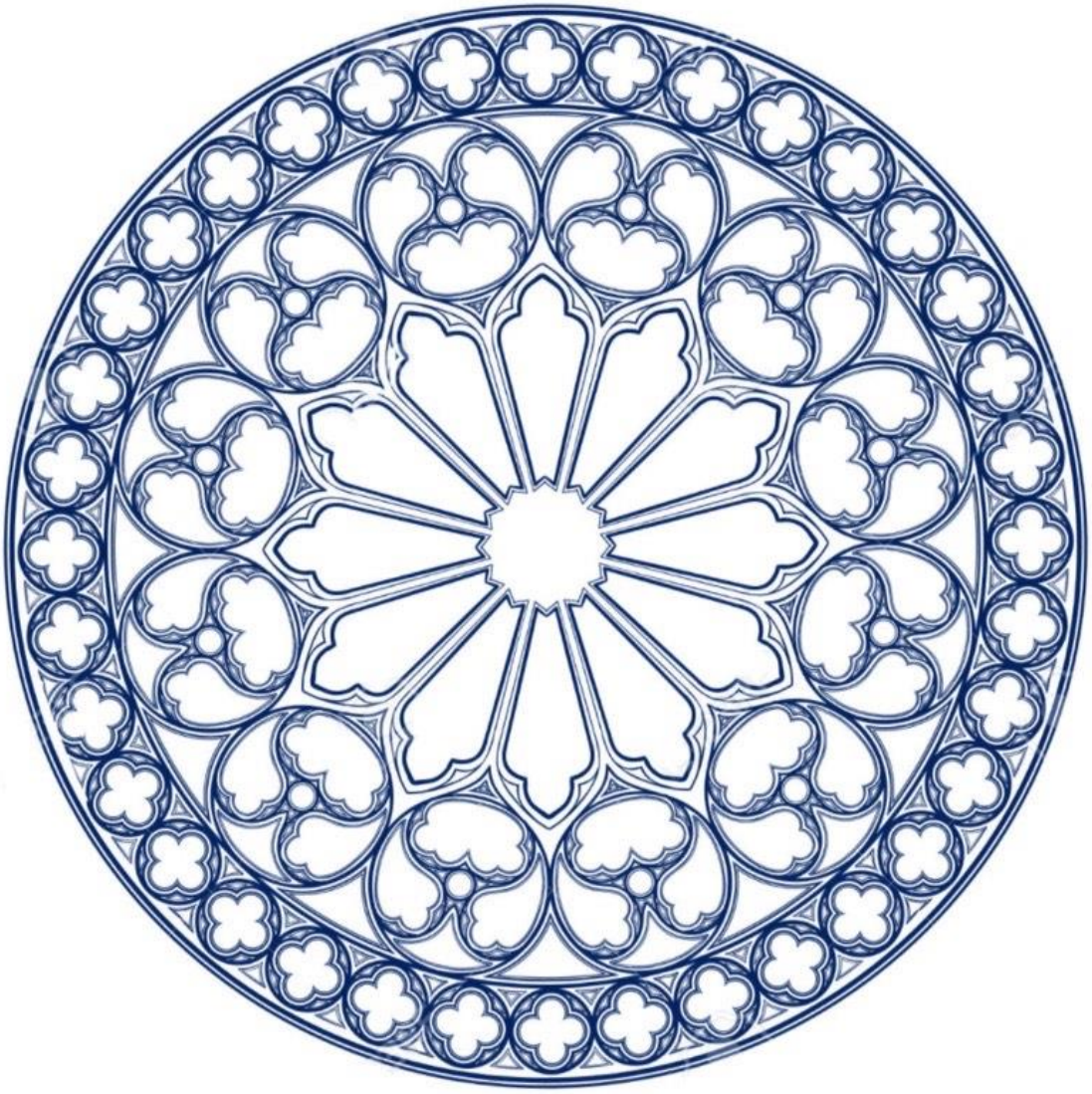


# All Saints Memoirs

— *A.D.* 2022 —

# Harold Wade Buchanan

*December 01, 1934—October 04, 2022*

HAROLD WADE BUCHANAN, 87, of Salisbury joined our precious daughter, his parents and Jesus on Tuesday, October 4, 2022 after a short illness.

Born December 1, 1934 at home in Ca-Vel, NC, he was the oldest son of Wade Hampton and Almeade Walker Buchanan. After graduation from Roxboro High School, Person County, he attended North Carolina State College on a full academic scholarship given by Collins and Aikman. He graduated with a degree in Textile Management. He made many friends in the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity, several of whom live in Salisbury. After four years in ROTC he served as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army.

Harold grew up as a member of a small Baptist church and along with his parents and other family members sang in the church choir. Thus began his love of music (and piano lessons until college).

He enjoyed his textile career mostly with companies in North and South Carolina.

Sports were his great love. He played baseball and basketball in high school and pitching horseshoes in NCSC intermural sports. (Remember that?!) Later he discovered the great game of golf, playing in many states and several countries outside the United States.

Harold always began his day with the Holy Bible and devotional, followed by prayer. In our previous home, Marion, NC, he served in many capacities from Sunday School teacher to Chair of the Administrative Board and of course, a member of their chancel choir with his many friends.

He was preceded in death by their daughter Elizabeth Wayde Buchanan Wilson and his young sister Bonnie Gay.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife of 66 years, Rachel Long Buchanan; sons, William Harold Buchanan (Lauren), Joseph Phillip Buchanan (Tami) Michael David Buchanan; son-in-law, Jeffrey Scott Wilson; brother, Michael Phillip Buchanan (Denise); granddaughters, Emma Buchanan, Rose Buchanan (Chris), Sydney Buchanan, Victoria Buchanan, Madison Wilson, Christie Wilson, Natalie Buchanan and Sophia Buchanan.

# Elda J. Buxton

*September 02, 1923—October 26, 2022*

Elda I. Buxton, 99, died on October 26, 2022. She was pre-deceased by her loving husband, Jay A. Buxton, several years ago. Elda is survived by her sister, Elma Black, her two children, Priscilla Greene and Jennifer Geisler, and her three stepchildren, John "Tex" Buxton, Rebecca Buxton, and Cynthia Buxton. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Kate Geisler, Miya Buxton, Lisa Leonard Jackson, Douglas Leonard, Matt O'Bryant, and six great-grandchildren.

Elda was born in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, the daughter of Nellie Barkley Iverson and Sherman Arthur Iverson. Raised on a dairy farm with her five sisters and one brother, Elda remained close to her family throughout her life, although they lived in different parts of the country.

Elda was educated in the public schools of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and attended Augustana College. She received her B.A. degree from Trenton State University in New Jersey. Elda was a role model for determination, attending classes in three different colleges to achieve her degree, starting over two times as a result of moves to different states during her adult life.

Elda started her career as an elementary school teacher. After several years, she became a school librarian in Wisconsin, New Jersey, and in North Carolina, instilling a love of reading in countless children. She loved being a school librarian and often described it as the best job in the world. Elda was active in the Methodist church throughout her life.

She lived at the McLean Long Term Care for the last 10 years of her life, receiving unparalleled professional, kind, caring support from the staff.

Elda was known as a loyal and caring friend, a gifted seamstress, quilter, and knitter, a prolific reader, and as a champion of reading for children. One of her favorite projects was a program to bring noted children's authors to speak at her North Carolina school system.

# Rhoda Russell Calloway

*January 25, 1927—December 15, 2021*

RHODA RUSSELL CALLOWAY of Salisbury passed away on Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at Trinity Oaks. Born January 25, 1927, in Albemarle, NC, she was the daughter of the late James Koke Russell and Maggie Lowder Russell. She had four brothers and two sisters, all deceased.

Educated in Albemarle city schools, Rhoda received a BA degree in Business Education and was employed by Wiscasset Mills, Albemarle, NC and Southern Fasteners, Statesville, NC. She was a member of New Salem UMC in Statesville for many years where she was active in the UM women's group and taught Sunday school there. After moving to Salisbury in 2017, she became a member of First UMC in Salisbury. Rhoda was an Iredell County Master Gardener and an avid photographer.

She is survived by her husband, James H. Calloway, niece, Elizabeth Mullinix of Salisbury, nephews, Max Russell and his wife Jill, Bryce Russell, Jr. and his wife Sybil, of Norwood, NC, Steven Mullinix and wife Connie, of Greensboro, NC, David Hearne and James Russell and wife, Monda, of Albemarle, NC, Robert Calloway, and wife, Shonda, of New London, NC, Taska Calloway and husband Danny Safrit, of Mt. Pleasant, NC.

Aunt Rhoda was an extraordinary lady in the many facets of her life. She was one of the most caring, kind, and loving individuals who would help you in any and all ways. Our Aunt Rhoda was a wonderful example of how one should live and love. She will always be in our hearts and our memories will never be forgotten.

# Richard "Ricky" Hubbard Clinebell, Jr.

*October 18, 1956—March 16, 2022*

RICKY CLINEBELL (Rebecca Blackmon's brother) was a free spirit and loved the river almost as much as he loved his family and friends. He lived a life full of adventure from whitewater rafting in Fayetteville, WV and in Costa Rica to flying his ultralight aircraft over the West Virginia mountains and hiking at age 64 in Colorado with his son. He had a knack for bringing out the adventurous side in everyone; our mother Janice's one and only airplane trip was to visit him in Costa Rica–a trip she always cherished and remembered fondly.

He will be remembered for his hard-working spirit, his love for the river, his generous, loyal heart, and his fierce love for his family and friends. He was the kind of big brother or friend you could call on day or night. "Uncle RiRi" had special names for all of his many nieces and nephews, and he'll always hold a special place in their hearts. He was the life of any party, and he could always be counted on for a funny story or a witty remark.

He died on March 16, 2022 at age 65. He is greatly missed, but his family has an eternal perspective, knowing we will all be reunited again. Resharing this poem that was shared when our mother Janice passed away a few years ago. Ricky's passing simply adds another link in the family's heavenly chain.

*The Broken Chain – A Poem*

*We little knew the day that*
*God was going to call your name.*
*In life we loved you dearly,*
*In death we do the same.*

*It broke our hearts to lose you*
*But you didn't go alone.*
*For part of us went with you*
*The day God called you home.*

*You left us peaceful memories.*
*Your love is still our guide,*
*And though we cannot see you*
*You are always at our side.*

*Our family chain is broken*
*and nothing seems the same,*
*but as God calls us one by one*
*the chain will link again.*

# Harry Randolph Cooke, Jr.

*April 30, 1935—August 18, 2022*

HARRY RANDOLPH COOKE, JR., 87, of Salisbury, NC passed away Thursday, August 18, 2022 at his residence.

Born April 30, 1935 in Beckley, WV he was the son of the late Ina Ring Cooke and Harry R. Cooke, Sr.

Mr. Cooke was a graduate of West Virginia University, earning his bachelor's degree in accounting. He worked as a financial administrator for Owens Illinois. Mr. Cooke was a member of First United Methodist Church of Salisbury. He was also a Phi Kappa Psi, involved with Meals on Wheels, and served as President at the Country Club of Salisbury. Preceding him in death is his son, Thomas McWhorter Cooke.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Patricia McWhorter Cooke; son, Bruce Randolph Cooke of Vero Beach, FL; daughter, Caren Elizabeth Hendren (Jeffrey) of New York and Wyoming; brother, Tommy D. Cooke of Panama Beach, FL; and grandchildren, John and Elizabeth Hendren.

The family wishes to express our deep appreciation for the loving care provided by Barbara Woods, Linda Borders and Jean Jones.

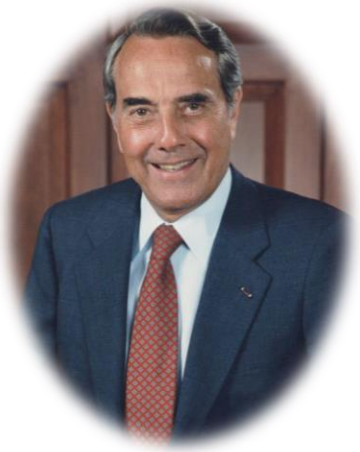
# Amanda "Mandy" Russell Deadwyler

*September 08, 1943—May 16, 2022*

Amanda "Mandy" Russell Deadwyler was born September 8, 1943 in Thomasville NC. She was the daughter of Hollis and Lura Russell and sister of Emily Russell Bland.

Mandy grew up in Thomasville and Lexington and was a graduate of Thomasville HS and Catawba College. She met her husband Charles on a blind date through mutual friends while he attended UNC and they married in in 1964 and started a family a few years later. Jennifer Deadwyler Davis was born in 1966 and Craig in 1969. Mandy stayed at home with her children until Charles bought Towne Pharmacy where she served as secretary and treasurer while Charlie was President and Vice President.

Through the years the family spent many years attending UNC football games, traveling to the beach, attending Panthers games, running Towne Pharmacy and spending times with family and friends. They were long time members of First Methodist. Christmas was always a cherished holiday spending it with Jennifer, Jeff and her grandchildren Lindsay and Sally, Craig, Connie and John Sheehan and her sister's family. She absolutely loved spending time with her grandchildren! Mandy was an avid sports fan. Her family often joked that she should have entered some type of sports trivia or contests!



# Robert "Bob" Joseph Dole

*July 22, 1923—December 05, 2021*

The Honorable Robert J. "Bob" Dole was born in Russell, Kansas. There he no doubt developed his personal demeanor of plain-speaking, sometimes self-deprecating humor, and basic decency for which he was noted by friends and political opponents alike.

Following distinguished service as an Army platoon leader during World War II, he was awarded two purple hearts and a Bronze Star. He suffered devastating injuries during that conflict but surmounted them with a positive attitude and hard work. His experiences led to great compassion for other veterans of that war and for those who endured disabilities.

Mr. Dole was known nationally for a long and notable career in politics. He was first elected to the United State Congress from Kansas in 1960. He was elected to the U. S. Senate in 1968. He became Senate leader in 1985 and served as either majority or minority leader until he resigned in 1996 to pursue the presidency. In his congressional service, he became known as a man who took firm stands on specific issues but also as a man who could forge a compromise and win the respect of those who might differ with him.

His kindness and compassion are reflected in several notable actions. He was national chairman of the World War II Memorial Campaign. He helped establish the Families of Freedom Foundation which provides scholarships for the families of 9/11 victims. He sought to combat hunger through numerous domestic programs and in helping create an international school lunch program. Within the Salisbury community, he often sought ways to help needy families.

As a national leader, he won many awards including the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the Congressional Gold Medal of freedom for his service to the nation as a "soldier, legislator, and statesman."

Locally, however, he most endeared himself to Salisbury and Rowan County when he married Elizabeth "Liddy" Hanford Dole who with her family had long worshipped with and supported the congregation of First United Methodist Church of Salisbury. Through the couple's frequent visits to Salisbury and attendance at services at FUMC, Bob Dole became known within this community as a man of great humor, wit, and generosity. Accounts of his many acts of kindness abound. Thus, he became one of us and will be greatly missed.

# Judith "Judy" Floyd Fowler

*October 17, 1953—May 20, 2022*

JUDITH "JUDY" FLOYD FOWLER, 68, of Salisbury, NC passed away May 20, 2022. She was born October 17, 1953 in Marlboro County, SC to the late Rev. Herbert and Oneida Floyd. She grew up as a preacher's kid in SC and was the oldest of 4 siblings.

She graduated from Columbia College in Columbia, SC, where she earned degrees in Spanish and Art. Judy began her career at Pee Dee Academy in Mullins, SC and retired as a Spanish teacher at East Rowan High School. She dedicated over 39 years of service educating others. Judy was a national board-certified teacher, coach, and served in many organizations within the school and community to help her students succeed and enrich the lives of our youth. She was always a phone call away – driving a student and their mom to and from NC State for a college program in Raleigh when they did not have a way to get there, spending her time off tutoring students who needed extra help.

She was very active in church – serving on many committees. Her biggest passions included the music and children's ministries. We have all been blessed over many years by her beautiful voice, talented flute playing, and contributions to the handbell choir.

Judy loved reading, singing, playing music, cooking, baking, dancing, and painting. She enjoyed spending time with her beloved family, especially her grandchildren. She was a loving wife, doting mother and Mimi (as her grandchildren called her), and would do anything for her family. He loved making special birthday cakes, personalized pizzas, holiday cookies, and just being present with her family whether at dinner time around the table sharing how the day went, attending events small and large (birthdays, dance and gymnastic competitions, soccer games, first day of school, school and church performances, the list goes on and on…), and always available to talk and listen. She was the first one to wake and the last one to fall asleep. Selfless, dedicated to her faith, family, work, and community. She had an infectious smile and the kindest heart. She loved fiercely and loved all people without judgment.  She never knew a stranger. She was strong in her faith and morals and passed this along to others. She was a fighter, battling cancer for 5 years, never giving up!

# John Greenwood Hoppe

*August 16, 1924—September 20, 2022*

JOHN GREENWOOD HOPPE, 98, of Salisbury passed away Tuesday, September 20, 2022. He was born August 16, 1924, in Dewey, OK, to the late Fannie Greenwood Hoppe and John D.A. Hoppe. He graduated from Lamar Union High School, CO, in 1942. He served in the U.S. Army during WWII, earning a Bronze Star. He later attained the rank of Lt. Colonel in the Air Force Reserve. John earned a B.S. degree in industrial engineering from Texas Technological College in 1952 and a M.B.A. from Indiana University in 1974. He worked as a professional engineer for General Electric Company in Fort Wayne, IN, Blue Ash, OH, and Salisbury.

John met his future wife, Narcidel Pennington, at First Methodist Church in Borger, TX, where they were married on June 1, 1949. The union of 60 years gave four children: Dr. John Foy Hoppe of Hazard, KY; Marsha (Martin) Barr of Laporte, IN; Nita (Mark) Matuska of Fort Wayne, IN; and Bruce Hoppe of Cleveland, OH. The couple raised their children in the Methodist Church, the family being present for most Sunday morning services and at other church activities. John also participated with his children in YMCA Indian Guides, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts.

John and Narcidel joined First United Methodist Church in Salisbury after he retired in 1984. John enjoyed the friendship of many seniors as well as accompanying church youth on mission trips. John served on numerous church committees and offices. John also volunteered with Meals on Wheels and Habitat for Humanity. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club and Cardinal Squares. Other interests included hiking, hunting, reading, gardening, and playing bridge.

Preceding him in death were his wife Narcidel Pennington Hoppe, sister Lucille "Speed" Hoppe, brother Oliver "Buddy" (Renate) Hoppe, and granddaughters Lacy Lynn Matuska and Tracy Gwen Matuska.

Surviving are his children; sisters Audene (Malcolm) Trueblood of Laramie, WY, Opal Mary Hoppe of Cheyenne, WY, and Patricia (Connley) Hale of Cheyenne, WY; grandchildren Tonya Barr (Edward) Treble, Evan Barr and Landon (Jennifer) Matuska; and great-grandchildren Laymen Matuska and Makyah Matuska.

# Adrienne Elizabeth Jones

*May 31, 1982—January 13, 2022*

ADRIENNE ELIZABETH JONES, 39, was born in Gastonia, NC and grew up in Archdale, NC. She graduated from East Carolina University and later worked and live in Greenville, Morehead City, High Point, and Pineville, NC. Adrienne was preceded in death by her mother, Johnnie H. Miller of High Point, NC, who loved and adopted her. She is survived by her loving father, Bobby L. Jones, Jr., and stepmother Deneen of Salisbury, NC, her significant other Billy Banks of Indian Trail, NC, her best friends/sisters, Kimberly Jones Bridges (Bobby) of Newport, NC and Leslie Jones McKenzie (Jayce Marshall) of Alexandria, VA, step-sister Tina Smith (Peter) of Mooresville, NC, nephew Cole Gleason, uncle Steve Jones, aunt Melissa Jones, and cousin Chelsea Jones.

Adrienne was the youngest of three daughters. As a child, she made her presence known as she was somewhat spoiled and usually always got her way. Growing up, she was smart, funny, very particular, opinionated, and sometimes intimidating. But everyone who got to know Adrienne closely, loved her. Adrienne was the life of every party.

Adrienne was ambitious and a hard worker. After successfully working in retail for many years, she owned and operated her own business and later became a NC/SC licensed real estate agent working in Pineville. We are very proud of her accomplishments. She was also a lover of all dogs, especially her chihuahuas, Preston and Brody. Adrienne volunteered time to the local Humane Society.

Adrienne's passing changed our lives forever. We were very blessed to have her in our lives as she was a big part of it and will be missed indefinitely. We are certain she is with our Father in heaven, no doubt, making it a better place like she did while she was here.

# Mabel S. Jones

*July 08, 1927—September 07, 2022*

MRS. MABEL S. JONES, 95, of Raleigh, and formerly of Salisbury, passed away Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at Hillside Nursing Home.

Born July 8, 1927, in Burke County, Mrs. Jones was the daughter of the late Mabel Davis and Samuel Short.

She was a 1945 graduate of Mocksville High School. She worked for Hayworth Roll and Panel Company in High Point as an administrative assistant. Mrs. Jones was a member of First United Methodist Church in Salisbury. Her hobbies were sewing, needle work, and cooking.

Preceding her in death were her husband, R. C. Jones and her three brothers. Surviving are her daughter, Rebecca Pinario of Raleigh; son, Stephen Jones of Daytona Beach; grandson, Paul Pinario and granddaughter, Amy Jean; great granddaughter, Briahna Jean; and several nieces and nephews.

# William "Bill" Harold Linn, Jr.

*February 22, 1942—September 01, 2022*

William Harold Linn, Jr. (Bill), 80, of Salisbury, North Carolina, passed away peacefully on September 1, 2022 at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, NC.

William "Bill" Linn was born on February 22, 1942 to the late Harold and Ruby Linn in Greenville, SC. Bill is survived by his wife of 50 years, Susan Shuping Linn, of Salisbury, NC. They have two sons, William Bradford "Brad" Linn (wife: Jane), and Andrew "Andy" Taylor Linn (wife: Ann), and 4 grandchildren: Henry Linn (age 13), William Linn (age 10), Emma Linn (age 8), and Samuel Linn (age 4). Bill is also survived by his younger sister, Janitt Linn Smith and her family: husband Roger; daughter Kim; and son Bryan.

Bill was a 1960 graduate of Greenville High School where he participated in football, basketball, and baseball. He attended Clemson College (now University) where he graduated in 1965. While in college, he fulfilled his passion for athletics while working with the Sports Information Department and as an editor of the university's newspaper. Upon graduation, he was employed by Duke Power where he remained for 36 years before retiring as the Regional Manager for Transportation in the Southeast.

Bill was an active member of his community. While in Salisbury, NC he met his wife shortly after graduating college. There he became chair of the Sportscasters and Sportswriters Association, President of the Salisbury Jaycees, State Vice-President of the North Carolina Jaycees, and was also a judge for the Annual Holiday Caravan Parade. Bill's work with the Jaycees continued upon their move to Greensboro, NC where he was honored as a lifetime member of the Greensboro Jaycees. He also worked with the Green Coat Club and G.C.O. When he was transferred to Greenville, SC in 1986, he quickly emersed himself in the community as the PTA President, Booster Club President, member of the Kiwanis Club working with the Terrific Kids Program, and a member of the county swim board with S.A.I.L.

With two sons, Bill's joys came from his involvement with their many endeavors and activities. He found joy in coaching his sons in baseball, basketball, and football. Bill loved Clemson University and for years enjoyed attending baseball, basketball, and football games as a season ticket holder. He enjoyed more the fact that his wife and sons carry that same passion making games a family event. He will be remembered for his passion for baseball and for his kindheartedness and smile he shared towards all. When his grandchildren were born, Bill made sure that he was in attendance as much as possible to support and enjoy their activities. His grandchildren became a light in his life.

# Ethan Shaun Mastro

*December 28, 2001—August 24, 2022*

ETHAN SHAUN MASTRO was the beloved son of Alisha and Ben, and loving brother to his younger sister Lacey. He passed from this life far too soon at the young age of 20 on August 24, 2022.

Ethan was born in Salisbury on December 28, 2001. He was a life-long member of the United Methodist Church being baptized on March 17, 2002 at Shiloh United Methodist, Granite Quarry. Ethan spent much of his childhood at First United Methodist Church, Salisbury where he was confirmed as a member on May 31, 2015. While at FUMC, he participated in scouting, served as a communion steward and acolyte for eight years and was an active member of the youth group during his teen years. He also thoroughly enjoyed playing on the church golf team.

He graduated with Honors from East Rowan High School in 2020; serving as a Crosby Scholar all 4 years and a member of Young Life. While at East Rowan, Ethan played on the golf team and wrestled for 4 years; also serving as team captain. As a child, Ethan played football, and 9 years of East Rowan Diamond Sports Baseball. Ethan's favorite pass times were picking with his sister, "wrestling" with his dad, bringing a smile to his mom's face, hanging out with his friends at Sonic or Cook Out, listening to music, cruising in his jeep, dressing up in his cowboy hat and favorite Lucchese boots, and driving his remote-control truck.

After high school, Ethan continued his education at Pit Weld U in Mooresville. There he completed course work in welding and fabrication. He landed his dream job in June of 2022 working at Longhorn Chassis in China Grove as a fabricator and welder doing what all little boys dreams of: building race cars.

Ethan will always be remembered for his rosy red cheeks, infectious smile, great hair, joyful character and love for life.

# Linda Wortham Rinehart

*December 02, 1944—September 25, 2022*

LINDA WORTHAM RINEHART, 77, of Salisbury passed away Sunday, September 25, 2022 after a brave battle with cancer.

She was born in Rowan County to the late William W. Wortham and Mary Rogers Wortham. Before her illness she enjoyed going to the beach and on shopping trips. When she was too ill to go shopping, she loved ordering things on TV. She was the Queen of QVC and loved buying for every member of the family. She was a very giving and loving person. She loved being with family, especially at Christmas.

Linda was preceded in death by her parents, her first husband Harold Plummer, her second husband Joe B. Chapman and a daughter Mary Katherine Plummer. She is survived by her husband Ronnie Rinehart, daughter Jodi Chapman Cape and James Cape, daughter Deborah Plummer Tanner and husband Calvin Tanner, sister Gail Peeler and husband Vohn Peeler, and sister Barbara Myrick and husband James Myrick. She also survived by 13 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren, and her dog Copper.

She was the love of my life and will be missed by friends and family. Rest in peace and God bless.

# Ola Ross Rutledge

*August 17, 1926—March 16, 2022*

Ola Ross Rutledge (August 17, 1926 - March 16, 2022) was born and raised in Beaufort County, raised in the loving home of the late Clyde Vernon Ross and Lenore Hicks Ross. She attended Woman's College of the University of North Carolina where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology.

Known for her genuine kindness and sweet disposition, Mrs. Rutledge was a true "steel magnolia." Ola was always interested in other people's well-being, never thinking of herself better than others. She demonstrated deep love for her family and friends, and strength to persevere through tough times.

She married Joseph Graham Rutledge, III, on August 16, 1952. They lived most of their life in Salisbury, their home being one of the original houses built in Eagle Heights. Eventually the couple moved to Trinity Oaks. Ola and Joe were married for 66 years! Ola consistently supported Joe in his banking career. As demanding as his work was, family always came first for Ola and Joe. Together they were proud of their four daughters and their respective families.

She is survived by daughters Catherine Rutledge Singer, of Raleigh; Anne Rutledge O'Berry and Thomas Otis O'Berry, of Winston-Salem; Elizabeth Rutledge Woodson and Paul Bernhardt Woodson, Jr., Salisbury, and Nancy Rutledge Sanders and Thomas Tharpe Sanders, Sr., of Winder, GA. Ola loved her six grandchildren: Catherine Singer Adcox of Greensboro; James Raymond Smith, III, of Winston-Salem; Kristin Woodson Harvey of Beaufort; Sidney Sanders Patton, of Athens, GA; Joseph Graham Rutledge Smith, of Winston-Salem; and Thomas Tharpe Sanders, Jr., Athens, GA. And Ola took great delight in her four great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Rutledge was a long-time member of the First United Methodist Church of Salisbury, where she was a member of the altar guild and her United Methodist Women circle. She also served on the Rowan Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Board, North Carolina Museum of History Associates Board, and the Board of Rowan Museum. She volunteered at Rowan Memorial Hospital, Girl Scouts of America, and the Rowan Salisbury School System among others. She was a member of the Le Jeudi and Tea and Topics Book Clubs and an avid bridge player.

# Carolyn Elaine Johnson Sadler

*September 22, 1940—October 12, 2022*

CAROLYN ELAINE JOHNSON SADLER was the cherished daughter of immigrants — the late Evlyn Johnson of Panama and Stephen Johnson of British Guiana (now Guyana). She was born in Manhattan, New York at Sloane Hospital New York-Presbyterian Hospital on September 22, 1940. Four years later she became a big sister when her brother Stanley Johnson was born.

Her academic and scholastic prowess were evident at a very early age. She was solving the New York Times crossword puzzles while she was in elementary school. She completed her early education at an international public primary school. Later the family moved from Manhattan to Brooklyn, New York where Carolyn was chosen to attend Midwood High School for gifted students. She then attended Hunter College in New York and majored in early childhood education and psychology.

After college she married, gave birth to three children and devoted her time to her family. She worked at Macy's flagship store and performed in three Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parades. Her professional career began at Boston University as an archivist at Mugar Library. At Livingstone College in Salisbury, North Carolina she served as Director of the Media Center in the Education Department. in May 2010, she retired from Livingstone as Assistant to the Director of Social Work. Being an educator meant the world to her and she loved her students dearly.

As a woman of faith, Carolyn attended First United Methodist Church in Salisbury where she was a Sunday School teacher, participated in the Shepherd Ministry, and small group Bible Class. She spread her love of reading and education by serving on the Board of Directors for the Friends of Rowan Public Library.

October 12, 2022, Carolyn died at her home after an extended illness. She was preceded in death by her brother, her parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and cousins. Those who will cherish her memory include her beloved and devoted husband, Dr. Wilbert Lee Sadler, Jr. of Raleigh, North Carolina; sons Anthony Lee Sadler and Wilbert Bryant Sadler of New Carrollton, Maryland; daughter Crystal Sadler of Raleigh, North Carolina; cousin Agela Abdullah of Chicago, Illinois; sister-in-law Yvonne Armour of Conyers, Georgia; and many nieces, nephews, and a host of family and friends.

# Barbara Anne Carter Safley

*March 04, 1931—March 09, 2022*

Barbara Anne Carter Safley, 91, died Wednesday, March 9, 2022, at Novant Health Rowan Regional Medical Center.

The fourth of seven children, Barbara was born on March 4, 1931, to the late Mary Elizabeth Cornwell and Clyde Marvin Carter of Lincolnton. After graduation from Lincolnton High School, Barbara moved to Salisbury where she continued her education in radiology technology. It was when she gathered with her nurse friends at a Salisbury drug store soda fountain that a young man named Jack Plummer Safley sent her a note asking: "Do you think you could ever care for me?"

Care she did. The two were married on March 10, 1957, and celebrated 53 years of matrimony before his death in 2010.

Barbara was a faithful and active member of First United Methodist Church of Salisbury for her entire adult life. She served her church and the community with a quiet loyalty, most comfortable when the attention was on others. Sharp to the end, Barbara always enjoyed playing bridge, reading a good book, solving crossword puzzles, and watching both classic films and professional tennis. While living at Trinity Oaks, she especially enjoyed the many opportunities to attend lectures, learn new skills such as painting, playing shuffleboard, and competing in the communities' Olympic style games.

What brought the most joy to Barbara's life was family. Left to carry on the legacy of her love are her daughter Anne Elizabeth Safley Bills and husband, Don Andrew Bills, of High Point; grandchildren: Andrew Carter Bills and wife, Morgan Hunt Bills, of Asheboro; Elizabeth Bills Weaver and husband, Andrew Wesley Weaver, of High Point; Mary Cullen Bills Dixon and husband, Phillip Ray Dixon III, of High Point; and great grandchildren Mary Rush Catherine Bills and Hunt Carter Bills of Asheboro; and Andrew Bills Weaver of High Point.

# Erma Toomes Scarlette

*February 13, 1922—November 21, 2021*

DR. ERMA TOOMES SCARLETTE, age 99, died November 21, 2012, at Graybrier Nursing Center in Trinity, NC.

Erma was born February 13, 1922, in Randolph County to Robert Vernon and Mary Alvetta Hodgin Toomes.

Dr. Scarlette worked as a Supervisor with Rowan County Schools for many years. Until the last 5 years, she had been active with her many friends in the Alpha Delta Kappa teacher's sorority, Rowan Retired School Personnel, the Tuesday Morning book club, and her Bridge club. She was an active member in the First United Methodist Church of Salisbury.

She was preceded in death by her husband Roy Robert Scarlette and her stepchildren: Kathleen Scarlette Edinger, Lib Scarlette Summey, Roy Jr. Scarlette, and Margaret Scarlette Hartley.

She is survived by her daughter: Alvetta S. Callis and husband Marshall of Raleigh, NC; grandchildren: Dr. April Callis and husband Steve McGuire of Oxford, OH; Erin Callis Campo and husband B.C. of Clayton, NC; and great-grandchild: Henry Campo; step grandchildren: Joyce, Wayne, Cathy, Connie, David, Carolann, and Donnie.

# Carlton Eugene "Pete" Stout

*February 26, 1936—August 28, 2022*

CARLTON EUGENE "PETE" STOUT, 86, of Salisbury, passed away at the Atrium Health Wake Forest Baptist Davie Medical Center on Sunday, Aug. 28, 2022.

Born Feb. 26, 1936 in Haw River, he was the husband of Mildred M. "Millie" Stout, who survives and the son of Jesse Clarence Stout and Rachel Brown Stout, both deceased.

Pete was a 1954 graduate of Haw River High School. He earned a scholarship to play football and basketball at Catawba College where he lettered four years in both sports. He was co-captain and Little All-American Honorable Mention in football.

Pete was a loving husband, father, grandfather, and uncle. He loved spending time with his family camping, boating, going to the beach, and holidays, especially Christmas parades. The family belonged to several Methodist churches over the years.

Pete was a retired football coach. He has been the head football coach at Altamahaw-Ossipee School (also coaching baseball and girls' basketball), Western Alamance High School (also coaching track and JV Boys' Basketball), Salisbury Boyden High School, Burlington Williams High School, and Morganton Freedom High School. He was also the head football coach at Catawba College for four years. Coach Stout was a head football coach for 28 years with a won-lost record of 234-63-14 (ties). As a four-year head coach at Western Alamance, his 1963 and 1965 teams had 10-win seasons where his defensive teams averaged giving up only 1 touchdown per game. His records include 3 Western North Carolina High School Athletic Association State Champions, 1971, 1973, and 1974; 1 Runner-up, 1970; 2 North Carolina State 3-A Championships 1980 and 1981; 1 Runner-up, 1978; for a total of 5 State Championships, 2 Runner-up; 43 wins in a row which was a state record at the time; and Play-off record of 22 wins, 6 losses, and 1 tie. Later in life, he was elected into the Catawba College Sports Hall of Fame and the North Carolina High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

In addition to his wife, survivors include two sons, Gray Carlton Stout of Charlotte, and Jeffrey Glenn Stout and wife Mary Elizabeth "Beth" P. Stout of Salisbury; grandsons, Ryan Lawrence Stout and wife Hannah I. Stout of Salisbury, Nathaniel Stephen Stout of Atlanta, Ga., Nicholas Eugene Stout of Charlotte, and Jay Carlton Stout and wife Rachel P. Stout of Wilmington; Jay's mother, Gina W. Stout of Wilmington; brother, James H. Stout and wife Sally C. Stout of Waynesboro, Va.; and numerous cousins and nieces He was preceded in death by a sister, Dorothy Stout Bunton and daughter-in-law, Heather St. Aubin-Stout.

# Margaret Heck Tucker

*July 17, 1931—February 23, 2022*

MARGARET HECK TUCKER, born July 17, 1931 in Winston Salem, passed away peacefully on Feb. 23, 2022, in Salisbury.

Margaret was the daughter of Ernest E. Heck and Hermena Morgan Heck, both of Salisbury. She grew up in Salisbury, graduated from Boyden High School in 1949 and attended Women's College of the University of North Carolina (now UNC Greensboro), where she excelled in her studies in piano, music theory and the organ.

She raised her three children in Salisbury, where she worked as the executive assistant to the superintendent of the Rowan County School district for over three decades. Her passion, though, was always music. She was the organist for several of the local churches in Salisbury, but most recently the long-time organist for the congregation of the Ursinus Church of Christ in Rockwell. She also was their music director, and the adult and children's choir director. Over the years, decades ago, she was the accompanist for Salisbury's Chorale Society and served the community as a well-recognized and sought-after organist for countless weddings and as a pianist and accompanist for local events. Margaret also loved to travel and was able to visit many destinations all over the United States, Europe, the Holy Land, Egypt and Asia early in her retirement. When she wasn't traveling or playing piano, she was gardening at her home. She truly enjoyed her life, doing all the things she loved.

While she served as organist for other congregations in the area, Margaret was a long-time member of the First Methodist Church in Salisbury, where she volunteered her administrative services earlier in her retirement. She also enjoyed her Bible studies there, where she attended all of their Disciple classes. She was always fascinated by the Bible and its teachings, and she loved her Lord Christ.

Margaret is preceded in death by her husband, Everett D. Tucker of Salisbury; her daughter, Karen S. Drye of Landis; and her sister, Helen H. Mitchell of Raleigh. She is survived by her daughter, Helen Harden of Broken Bow, Okla.; her son, Jim Stroud (and wife Julie) of Sacramento, Calif.; her grandchildren, Dustin Loftice (and wife Marcella) of Ventura County, Calif., Ryan Loftice (and fiancée Karlie Roland) of Ashton, Idaho and Justin Stroud (and wife Misty) of Minneapolis, Minn.; and her great-granddaughter, Brooke Loftice of Ventura County, Calif. She is also survived by her brother, William (Bill) Heck and wife Emily of Charlotte; along with her beloved nieces and nephews. Margaret will be greatly missed by her family and friends and all who cherished her music, her sense of humor and her laughter.

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