

SANDHILLS MINISTRIES

VISITORS We are so glad to have you with us today. If you would like more information or just want to get connected, please fill out a visitor's card (located under the chair in front of you) and place it in the offering. We also have a visitor's table in the lobby for your convenience. Welcome!

PRAYER CHAIN Barbara Rost is our prayer coordinator. All prayer requests should be sent to her at therostfamily@gmail.com. Her phone number is 910-988-2888.

NURSERY Infants through 2 years old are in rooms 107-108. 2-3 year olds are downstairs. To volunteer for the nursery or if you have questions, contact Libba Roberts, Nursery Coordinator ~ 910.986.2220 ~ libbrob@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY COVENANT PRAYER Every 2nd and 4th Wednesday from 7:00-8:00pm the youth and parents are invited to meet together to pray WITH and FOR our covenant children. This is an opportunity for students, parents, and our extended church family.

YOUTH Youth Group M.S. and H.S. meets Sunday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm, at the church. If you have questions, contact Jacob Skogen or Pastor Mike Windish ~ 910.692.5834, ~ mwwindishjr@gmail.com or <http://spcayouth.wordpress.com/>

MEN Our men's "D.A.W.N. Group" (Discipleship and Weekly Nurture) meets Wednesday mornings at 6:30am at the church. Please contact Senior Pastor, Kevin Skogen ~ 910.692.5834 with questions.

WOMEN Our women's bible studies are Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:30-11:30am. Please contact the church office if you are interested ~ 910.692.5834 ~ sandhillspca@nc.rr.com.

SMALL GROUPS We presently offer various groups. Some are organized by geography, some by age and stage, and some by topic. Please see our website for more info or contact Bill Crisp (910) 245-8471, wrcrisp@yahoo.com.

MISSIONS Our church is passionate about responding to the Great Commission through local and global missions. Please see our website for a list of mission works which we support, and contact Don Harkey, the Chair of our Missions Committee ~ 910.690.3698 ~ dharkey@cmpd.org.

MUSIC The adult choir is on break and will resume practice on Tuesday, Feb 7 at 6pm.

SANDHILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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PASTORAL STAFF

Kevin Skogen, Senior Pastor
John Griessel, Administrator

DEACON ON DUTY

Glen Fisher

GREETERS This Week: Andy & Kathy Wilkison; Don & Janet Harkey

Next Week: Bill & Dale Crisp; Gene & Betsy Fuzy

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:

	General Fund	Faith Promise Missions Pledges
Monthly Amount Needed:	\$44,110.58	\$7,105.75
Amount received last week:	\$19,330.96	\$1,505.00
Amount received in January:	\$19,330.96	\$1,505.00



Sandhills is a church rooted in historic, biblical Christianity and a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). Our church was founded in 1990, and our desire is to reach out in the name of Christ, embrace all who call on his name, and disciple those who do so.

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The Lord's Day

January 8, 2012

Sunday School, 9:45 AM – Morning Worship, 11:00 AM – Evening Worship, 5:30 PM

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ruling Elder, Andy Wilkison

PRELUDE As the music plays, we invite you to prepare your heart for worship. Please read the meditation and look over the songs and scripture passages as you ask the Lord to help you worship Him.

MEDITATION

The Lord Jesus intended for everyone of his children to be connected to one of these local churches. There are no examples of free-floating Lone Ranger saints in the New Testament. While there is no single verse in the Bible commanding, "Thou shalt join a church," a clear inside or outside relationship of an individual Christian and a local church is nevertheless apparent...it is assumed that you are inside a local church where you are being held accountable for your words and actions. When Christians wanting to live the Christian life outside the local church claim that their membership in the universal church is sufficient, they are missing many facets of God's design for the local church. (John Crotts, "Loving the Church")

The difference between shallow happiness and a deep, sustaining joy is sorrow. Happiness lives where sorrow is not. When sorrow arrives, happiness dies. It can't stand pain. Joy, on the other hand, rises from sorrow and therefore can withstand all grief. Joy, by the grace of God, is the transfiguration of suffering into endurance, and of endurance into character, and of character into hope—and the hope that has become our joy does not (as happiness must for those who depend upon it) disappoint us. (Walter Wangerin)

***GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP**

But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire. **Hebrews 12:22-24, 28-29**

***GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND WITH PRAISE**

The Revelation Song

***GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO REPENTANCE**

See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven. At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, “Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.” **Hebrews 12:25-26**

***GOD’S PEOPLE CONFESS THEIR SIN**

Responsive Reading of Psalm 32 (p.795-6 Trinity Hymnal)

***GOD ASSURES US OF OUR FORGIVENESS**

So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. **Hebrews 13:12-15**

***GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND WITH PRAISE**

There is A Fountain Filled with Blood (#253)

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND BY THE GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Glori Patri

GOD CALLS US TO CAST OUR CARES UPON HIM

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**

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND BY BRINGING OUR PRAYERS AND PETITION

Pastoral Intern, Joe Arnold

***GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND WITH PRAISE**

Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power (#300)

GOD SPEAKS TO HIS PEOPLE THROUGH HIS WORD

Real Life

I Corinthians 1:1-9
Senior Pastor, Kevin Skogen

***GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND WITH PRAISE**

At the Foot of the Cross

***BENEDICTION**

Simeon’s Prayer, Luke 2

*Now we depart in Your peace, sovereign Lord;
Filled with Your promises; blessed by Your Word.
Darkness is over! Christ pierces the night,
Our eyes now seeing salvation’s sure light.*

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**Those who are able, please stand.*

SUNDAY EVENING SERVICE Please join us for our **5:30 PM** worship service.

