August 10, 2025

Guest Minister The Reverend Howard Dudley

Worship Leader Lili Teigland

Flowers Harriet and Tarlton Long

Ushers Mindy and Lee Hanna

Minister's Hospitality Carter and George MacBain

Refreshments Brad Bailey

Music Cissy Shull

Bagpiper Ella Markland

Website

Please visit the Wee Kirk website (www.weekirk.org) for information about our visiting ministers, church history, and benevolence. For information about volunteering, call or text Jim Gallagher at 704-315-8961. Past sermons also can be found on the website. For more information about sermon recordings, call or text Nancy Weehsler 214-609-0654.

Outreach

The vast majority of our gifts and offerings go to our Outreach Program, the focus of which is to serve the children and families in Avery County. Through your generosity, we provide funding for tutors in classrooms, swimming lessons for Pre-K and 2nd graders, essential needs, medical care, and enrichment programs, along with scholarship stipends for some Mayland Community College students. Thank you for your support.

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GUEST MINISTER

The Reverend Howard Dudley

With pleasure today we welcome The Reverend Howard Dudley and his wife Meg.

Howard Dudley has served as Pastor/Head of Staff at the Kirk of Kildaire in Cary, NC since January 2024. A lifelong Presbyterian and native North Carolinian, Howard previously served at First Presbyterian Church of Dunn, NC, and as a campus minister at the University of Mississippi.

He is a graduate of Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, Virginia. He is a Zick Preaching Scholar and has frequently served as a keynote speaker and worship leader at retreats and conferences around the country, including the Montreat Youth Conference and Massanetta Middle School Conference.

He is married to the Rev. Meg (Margaret) Lindsay Dudley, who serves as the pastor at Cornerstone Presbyterian Church in Cary, and together they raise their two children, Lindsay and Julia.

Reverend Dudley can be reached at Howard.dudley@gmail.com.

Next week our guest minister will be
The Reverend Meg Peery McLaughlin
Co-Pastor
University Presbyterian Church
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

Friday Morning Bible Study

Reverend McLaughlin will lead the Bible Study on Friday, August 15, starting at 9:00 a.m. in the card room at the Eseeola Lodge. Complimentary continental breakfast and coffee will be available. Please come and bring a friend! Dianne and Brian Bailey will be hosting Reverend McLaughlin.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LET US PREPARE OUR HEARTS (Please remain seated)

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings. I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Thus says the Lord, who created you and formed you: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you. I have called you by name; you are mine.

Congregation: When we pass through the waters, God is with us. The rivers will not overwhelm us. Leader: Because we are precious in God's sight, and honored, and loved—We come to worship the One who made us and calls us by name.

Congregation: We belong to God. Let us worship with joy!

* HYMN NO. 482

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Merciful God, You have called us your children, clothed us with Christ, and made us one in your love. Yet we confess how easily we forget who we are and whose we are. We divide where you unite. We judge where you embrace. We live as though your grace must be earned, when you have already poured it out. Wash us again in your mercy, and by your Spirit, help us to live as those who are truly baptized—beloved, forgiven, and free. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 43:1-7

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Galatians 3:26-29

SERMON

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OFFERING AND *DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN NO. 306

Fairest Lord Jesus

* BENEDICTION

^{*} Those who are able please stand.