



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. We are glad to have you worship with us!

www.sandhillspca.org or sandhillspc.onthecity.org

The Lord's Day

May 1, 2011

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

ORDER OF SERVICE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ruling Elder, Scott Boulton

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

By faith Abraham, when called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance, obeyed and went, even though he did not know where he was going. By faith he made his home in the Promised Land like a stranger in a foreign country; he lived in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God...All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised; they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance, admitting that they were foreigners and strangers on earth. People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. Instead, they were longing for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them...By faith Abraham, when God tested him, offered Isaac as a sacrifice. He who had embraced the promises was about to sacrifice his one and only son, even though God had said to him, “It is through Isaac that your offspring will be reckoned.” Abraham reasoned that God could even raise the dead, and so in a manner of speaking he did receive Isaac back from death. (Hebrews 11:8ff)

*GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all his wonderful acts. Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

Psalm 105:1-3

*GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND WITH PRAISE

*A Mighty Fortress

*GOD CALLS HIS PEOPLE TO REPENTANCE

John said to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. And do not begin to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father.’ For I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.”

Luke 3:7-9

*GOD'S PEOPLE CONFESS THEIR SIN

O Lord, great God, we are embarrassed to come before you, for we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways, we have rebelled against your wisdom and have and we have gotten into trouble., for we have rejected your fatherly guidance and have gotten lost altogether. To You belongs righteousness, O Lord, and to us confusion. Father most gracious, incline your ear to our troubles. Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before You. Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy, on the ground of your great mercy in the gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in his name that we pray for He is our Savior and the Mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen

*GOD ASSURES US OF OUR FORGIVENESS

“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness and who seek the LORD: Look to the rock from which you were cut and to the quarry from which you were hewn; look to Abraham, your father, and to Sarah, who gave you birth. When I called him he was only one man, and I blessed him and made him many. The LORD will surely comfort Zion and will look with compassion on all her ruins; he will make her deserts like Eden, her wastelands like the garden of the LORD. Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the sound of singing.

Isaiah 51:1-3

*GOD'S PEOPLE RESPOND WITH PRAISE

*Before the Throne of God Above

SANDHILLS MINISTRIES

ANNOUNCEMENTS: May 1, 2011

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!

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

CHILDREN We presently offer Children's Church for 4-6 year olds. The children are dismissed from worship during the offering. If you have questions, contact Julia Brokmeyer, Children's Church Coordinator ~ 910.246.0646 ~ jbrokmeyer@nc.rr.com

YOUTH Youth Group (for all MS & HS youth) is on Sunday evenings from 6:30-8:15 PM and includes a meal. We also offer a Bible study on alternating Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 PM. If you have questions, contact Assist. Pastor Drew Martin ~ 910.692.5834, Ext. 12 ~ drewmartin@nc.rr.com

MEN Our men's "D.A.W.N. Group" (Discipleship and Weekly Nurture) meets Wednesday mornings at 6:30 AM at the church. Leadership training for men in marriage, home and church is held one Saturday per month from 8:30-9:45 AM. Please contact Senior Pastor, Kevin Skogen ~ 423-316-3313 with questions.

WOMEN Our women's ministry offers two Bible studies: Wed. AM (Walking by Faith) from 9:30-11:30 and Thurs. AM (Philippians) from 9:30-11:30. 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 Gene Fuzy ~ 910.245-2201 ~ gene@fuzyonline.net

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 Adult Choir is on break until the Fall. Covenant Kids Choir is on break until further notice.

SANDHILLS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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PASTORAL STAFF

Kevin Skogen, Senior Pastor
Drew Martin, Assistant Pastor
Mike Windish, Assistant Pastor

DEACON ON DUTY Joey Bright

GREETERS This Week: Bob & Mitzi Rhoades, Roland & Esther Allen
Next Week: Andy/Cathy Wilkison, Don/Janet Harkey

FINANCIAL INFORMATION:	General Fund	Faith Promise Missions Pledges
Monthly Amount Needed:	\$48,883.33	\$7,105.75
Amount received last week:	\$9,713.25	\$960.00
Amount received in April:	\$45,713.26	\$5,230.00
Overage or (Shortage) for the Month	(\$3,170.07)	(\$1,875.75)

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

New Testament Overview taught by John Griessel in room 103

The Book of Judges taught by Joe Arnold in room 105

Practical Christianity for the Family taught by Kevin Skogen in the Sanctuary

Sunday School Classes (Pre-school-8th Grade) will be beginning each Sunday morning at 9:45 AM in the large classroom downstairs for a new Sunday School opening time, "Sunday Morning Alive". At 10 AM, they will be dismissed to their normal classes.

VBS July 11-15, 2011: VBS Planning Meeting will be next Monday, May 9th at 6:30pm

YOUTH Youth Group meets tonight at 6:30pm. The Youth Bible Study will meet at the Martin's home at 7 PM on Wednesday night.

MEN'S LEADERSHIP TRAINING Next meeting Saturday, May 8th.

MEN'S DAWN GROUP Meets this week at 6:30 AM, at the church on Wednesday.

LADIES BOOK CLUB Join us as we begin a new book called, One Thousand Gifts, by Ann Voskamp. Please see Betsy Fuzy to order your copy. Discussion of the book will be at Lorraine Buraker's home in Woodlake, on May 23rd, at 6:30 PM. This will be the last meeting until September.

LADIES BIBLE STUDIES The Summer Schedule for the Wednesday and Thursday Morning Ladies Bible Studies will begin next week, Wednesday, May 11th. Pastor Skogen will teach this combined group throughout the summer. Childcare will be provided. Contact Sheila Theune or Lorraine Buracker with any questions.

MISSIONS

Africa Mission Trip: July 14-25 to Kenya with Young Life. Please contact Cindy Boulton ASAP to get the LAST spot on the team! clboultonouo@email.campbell.edu

CHURCH SOFTBALL LEAGUE We play this Tuesday at 6:30 PM, against Seven Lakes Baptist on Optimist Field and on Thursday at 8:30 PM, against Taylor Memorial Baptist on Armory Field.

EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN CONFERENCE October 7-8th in Lynchburg, VA featuring Sarah Palin, Lisa Terkeurst, Donna Vanliere & Jennifer Rothschild. \$130 includes event tickets & hotel room. Leave church at 10 AM on Friday the 7th & return Saturday evening. Marcia Musselwhite has tickets and hotel rooms already reserved. Please contact Marcia at ladebug@earthlink.net or 528-2019 to reserve one of the tickets.