THE CONGREGATION of Carolina Beach Presbyterian Church welcomes you to this service of worship! If you are looking for a church home, we invite you to join us in our ministry and worship. Please speak to the Pastor or one of the members if you are interested in membership.

The mission of Carolina Beach Presbyterian Church is to worship and glorify God, and with God's help, make disciples, serve others and love all creation.

The Reverend Jonathan Bowling, Pastor Bob Norem, Director of Music Jennifer Walton, Office Administrator

The Session

Congregational Life: Mission & Benevolence, Fellowship & Congregational Care, Membership — Larry Bell (2024), Faye Smith (2023), Janet Lyon (2024)

Corporate Life: Budget & Finance, Buildings & Grounds, Personnel – Barry Rice (2023), Mark McLamb (2025), Drew Curtiss (2025), Debi Taylor (Clerk of Session)

Spiritual Life: Christian Education, Worship & Music, Youth & Community – Laurel Nusbaumer (2023), Pam Navarra (2023), Bonnie Fanelli (2024)

The members of the congregation are the ministers.

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Church Office Open: Monday - Friday, 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Scripture passages are read from the New Revised Standard Version.

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Carolina Beach Presbyterian Church 11th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 A.M. August 13, 2023

In order to maintain an atmosphere of worship, **please turn off cell phones** and refrain from photography or other activity that may detract attention from the sacred nature of the service.

Welcome and Announcements

Chimes		
Prelude	"Lord of the Wind and the Sea "	L. Larson

*Call to Worship

O give thanks to the Lord! Sing to God! Tell of God's wonderful works! Remember all the things God has done! We glory in God's holy name! Seek the Lord, our strength and refuge: we come to be in God's presence.

*Hymn #401

"Here in This Place "

*Silent Prayers of Confession and Unison Prayer

Holy God, it is easy to confess with our lips that you are Lord, but it is much harder to believe with our hearts, to live in a way that puts you first. We are quick to trust in idols. We depend on what we can see, touch, and control, instead of waiting to hear your still, small voice. Forgive us, Lord, and help our unbelief, so that what we confess with our lips we may truly believe in our hearts. Amen.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Response to Forgiveness

"Gloria Patri"

#581

*The Peace: "The peace of Christ be with you...And also with you."

Sharing God's Word with the Children

Children may come forward or remain in their seats with their families.

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading	1 Kings 19:9–18 (p.302, OT)			
Psalm 85 (see insert)	"Lord, You Have Lavished on Your Land"			
Second Reading	Romans 10:5–15 (p.140, NT)			
Gospel Reading	Matthew 14:22-33 (p.14, NT)			
This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved. Thanks be to God.				
Sermon	Rev. Jonathan Bowling			
*Hymn #410	"God Is Calling through the Whisper"			
Affirmation of Faith	Apostles' Creed (front of hymnal, p. 35)			
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 Ghost, born of the				

virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried. He descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost, the holy catholic¹ church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer (front of hymnal, p. 35) 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, Amen.

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory	"Chorale Prelude "	C. Penfield
*Doxology	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	#606

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn #694 "Great God of Every Blessing"
*Benediction
*Postlude "Trumpet Tune" J. Mouret

*The congregation is invited to stand.

1. The word catholic as used in the Apostles' Creed and Nicene Creed is the general sense of that word, meaning "universal." We may be more accustomed to hearing the word in reference to the Roman Catholic Church. Saying "I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church," expresses our belief that all Christians professing faith in Jesus Christ and seeking to be his disciples are one *universal* church. This belief calls us to pursue connections and cooperation with Christians in other branches of our larger family tree, reconcile past divisions, and pursue our shared mission to love God and love our neighbor. (see also Book of Order F-1.0302a and F-1.0302c)