



THIS WEEK AT SARDIS

Sunday, January 13

9:00 a.m.	Contemporary Worship Service	Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School	Various Classrooms
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:30 p.m.	Jubilate Ringers	Music Room
5:15 p.m.	Agape Singers	Admin Choir Room
6:00 p.m.	Youth Fellowship	Fellowship Hall

Monday, January 14

6:30 p.m.	Finance Ministry	Room 209
	Stewardship Ministry	Room 208
7:00 p.m.	Faith Formation	Room 211
	Membership Ministry	Room 214
	Personnel Ministry	Dining Room
	Worship Ministry	Room 213

Tuesday, January 15

11:00 a.m.	Friendship Connection	Sardis House
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Wednesday, January 16

9:30 a.m.	Alpha Ringers	Music Room
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choir	Admin Choir Room
	HS & MS Sabbath	Ed Hall
7:00 p.m.	Adult Basketball	Fellowship Hall
7:30 p.m.	Coventry Ringers	Music Room

Thursday, January 17

10:00 a.m.	Thursday Morning Bible Study	Sardis House
6:30 p.m.	Disciple Bible Study	Room 210
7:30 p.m.	Sanctuary Choir	Admin Choir Room



EVENT SPOTLIGHT

American Red Cross Blood Drive will be on Sunday, January 20 from 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in the Education Hall. Please consider donating the gift of life...every blood donation can save up to three lives. Sign-up at www.sardis.org or contact Sheri Bartel at sbartel@windstream.net.

Sardis Women's Retreat will be February 8-10. Make your plans now to attend this meaningful retreat! Register through January 23, online or turn in a registration form to the church office. More information can be found at www.sardis.org.

Music Ministry: We have opportunities for you! If you're interested in pursuing your musical interest through worship, contact Jared at jared.daugherty@sardis.org.

A Mission Trip to Kinston, NC will be March 24-30. We will be doing work directed by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. We would like to have a team of ten. If you can only stay part of the week, we still want you to come!

Please contact Glenn Crossley (scrossley@carolina.rr.com) or Brenda McKay (brendamckay58@yahoo.com) if you can join the team, or if you have questions.

Visit sardis.org to find out more about Sardis events, or pick up an issue of this month's newsletter, *The Communicator*, in the Narthex.



Sardis offers the choice to receive our monthly newsletter, *The Communicator*, both digitally and in the mail.

If you want to continue to receive your newsletter by mail, you don't need to do anything, but if you'd rather receive your copy by email and/or discontinue your paper copy, please contact our receptionist, Danelle Kime, at 704.366.1854 or danelle.kime@sardis.org.

Thank you for helping Sardis keep down costs while meeting everyone's communication needs!



Equipping

Sardis for God's Mission

Our purpose is to develop and equip disciples of Jesus Christ who will impact the world in every aspect of their lives to the glory of God by:

- **Praising** God our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer;
- **Learning** about God's will for our lives through Holy Scripture;
- **Loving** one another unconditionally;
- **Serving** our neighbors near and far;
- **Sharing** from the material and spiritual gifts with which we have been blessed to provide hope for a world in need of it.

Welcome to Sardis Presbyterian Church.

We are honored that you chose to worship God with us this morning.

If you are looking for a church home, we would love to help you explore the possibility that Sardis is the place God is calling you to worship and serve. Just give us information in the pew Friendship Pad for how you prefer to be contacted.

You are welcome here.

Please remember to silence all cell phones in the Sanctuary.



Mission Statement

The mission of Sardis Presbyterian Church is to glorify God as we seek to live, express and faithfully demonstrate the Great Commandment and Great Commission of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

We seek to advance this mission through the God-directed purposes of:

Worship Discipleship Evangelism
Service Fellowship

Sardis' Core Values

- A Family Growing in Faith Together
- Where You Never Walk Alone
- Discover and Follow Your Calling
- Appreciating Our Past; Embracing Our Future
- Serving God by Serving Others

WORSHIP



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CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS are available on racks in the hall near door by the pulpit and the Narthex (main entrance). Please return the bags to the designated basket by the rack.

CHILDCARE for infants through age 6 is available during worship in the Weekday School building. Children 2nd grade and older are encouraged to worship with their families.

THE CHAPEL (through the doors to left of the pulpit) is available for those who would like to worship through a video feed from the Sanctuary (ex: families with young children, those with health challenges).

COPIES OF our newsletter, *The Communicator*, are available in the Narthex and on the website, sardis.org.

HEARING ASSISTANCE DEVICES with disposable ear coverings are available. Please speak with an usher and he/she will provide one for you.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNS are available. Please see an usher for assistance.

WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBILITY is provided in the main body of the Sanctuary, on the side aisles on the seventh pew, and in the transept area. A handicap unisex bathroom is located in the left rear hallway.

CDs & DVDs of the worship service are available. Contact the church office for details. Audio sermons are available online at www.sardis.org.

THE CORPORATE WORSHIP OF GOD

† *Those who are able, please stand.*

CHIMES

PRELUDE Adagio from Sonata No.1 Mendelssohn

† CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 29) The Rev. Dr. Joe B. Martin

One: Give to the Lord the glory of God's name!
All: Worship the Lord in holy splendor!
One: The voice of the Lord is over the waters;
All: The God of glory thunders, the Lord is over the mighty waters.
One: The voice of the Lord is powerful.
All: The voice of the Lord is full of majesty.

† HYMN#475 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Nettleton

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Merciful God, in baptism you made us part of the body of Christ, promising us forgiveness of sin and newness of life. But we fail to live as forgiven people. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another. We allow our past to hold us hostage. In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises you have made to us in baptism so that we may live as your people, claimed in the waters of promise. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Leader: Friends, believe the good news.
People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

† RESPONSE #581 Glory Be to the Father Gloria Patri

THE LIFE OF SARDIS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Welcome and Announcements

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION The Rev. Katherine B. Harrington

SCRIPTURE LESSON Luke 3:15-22 NT Page 60
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

EQUIPPING YOUNG DISCIPLES
Children kindergarten and 1st grade are invited to gather at the lectern side transept door. They will go to the Upper Room for Worship Orientation and may be picked up there following the worship service.

SERMON You Are God's Beloved

REAFFIRMATION OF THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

† HYMN #482 Baptized in Water Bunessan

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE (1 Cor. 12:12-13)
One: Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

All: For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free— and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

† RENUNCIATION AND PROFESSION
One: Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

All: I do.
One: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love?

All: I do.
One: Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love?
All: I will, with God's help.

† CONFESSION OF FAITH
One: With the whole church, let us confess our faith. Do you believe in God the Father?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

One: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?
All: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of God the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

One: Do you believe in God, the Holy Spirit?
All: 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.

PRAYER
One: Remember your baptism and be thankful. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
All: Amen.

THE PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS
Both members and visitors are asked to sign as the register is passed. Please place your Prayer Request Cards in the offering plate.

OFFERTORY With this Water Gramann
With this water begins the journey; with this water, forever claimed. With this water the Lord now leads you. With this water, forever changed. With these vows your loved ones name you. With these vows your family grows. With these vows this congregation now surrounds you, God's love to show. With this water we celebrate now. With this water let us recall the baptism of our dear Savior, who laid down His life for all.
Sanctuary Choir

† DOXOLOGY #606 Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING and LORD'S PRAYER (hymnal pg. 35)

† HYMN #826 Lift High the Cross Crucifer

† BENEDICTION

† PASSING OF THE PEACE
Leader: The peace of Jesus Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Please share the peace of Christ with your neighbor.

Welcome Visitors! Drop by the Welcome Table near the main door to speak to someone about Sardis Presbyterian Church and receive more information about all of our ministries.

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The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert Laedlein by the Laedlein and Beauchemin families.

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Sardis Staff: Jane Fobel will be out of the office through Sunday, January 20 attending a Stephen Leader's Training Event in preparation for the re-start of Stephen Ministry at Sardis.

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Pastoral Emergencies: On weekends or holidays please call the church office to be directed to the Pastoral Care Voicemail. Please leave a message, including a call-back number, and a Pastor will be in touch with you shortly.

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No cash for the offering plate? **Make a credit card gift online using your mobile device:** go to sardis.org and click on "Make a Gift Now," or click the code here to go directly to the secure online form.

