Fírst Presbyterían Church

Whiteville, North Carolina

"To be a light in our community reflecting Christ's love and compassion..."

Trinity Sunday
June 11, 2017



Guest Minister Bob Hankins

Worship Assistant Debbie Viets

Gathering Around the Word

Before the service beings, quietly consider the printed prayers and Scriptures. During worship, let them help open you to God.

Welcome, Announcements

*Call to Worship Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God almighty!

The whole earth is full of his glory. Yet we have dared to come into his presence with praise and confession, to be commissioned in his service.

*Hymn of Praise

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Call to Confession:

Come away from all evil that holds you in its grasp. Awaken to God's word that convicts and challenges. Lay aside the burdens of your mistakes and failures.

Let us seek the cleansing power God's own messenger provides to those who pray for pardon and deliverance.

Let us begin our confession in self-searching silence.

Prayer of Confession

The world overwhelms us at times, Father, with the tremendous power of sin, fear, and anxiety. By faith we look forward to a better life when we will be taken into your presence by Christ, our Redeemer. But we feel unworthy of such a reward. Forgive us for our submission to the influence of sin in our lives. Encourage us with renewed faith and devotion, that we may remain firm in our loyalty to Christ, through whom we pray, as Christ taught us, saying, Our Father . . . Amen

Words of Assurance

Friends, hear the good news! The One who raised Christ Jesus to life will, with Jesus, raise us too, and bring us to his presence.

Because he lives, we too shall live.

Friends, believe the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you, and also with you!

Proclaiming the Word

Time with the Children

Prayer for Understanding

Lord, help us to understand what has been done for our redemption, so that Christ may live in our hearts by faith, and be proclaimed in our lives by love.

New Testament Lesson

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

This is the Word of the Lord; Thanks be to God!

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 28:16-20

The Gospel of our Lord:
Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"Between Two Slices of Bread"

Bob Hankins

Responding to the Word

God is real! I can feel him and I know he is near.

When I feel lonely and discouraged, I can count on him. He is close enough to me that I can respond to him. He calls me to support and to affirm others.

God is love! He sent Jesus to die for me.

I need no other proof of divine compassion. His constant love for me is strong. He calls me to be his disciple.

^{*}Gloria Patri

^{*}An Affirmation of Faith

God cares about me! The Holy Spirit fills my life.

His Spirit touches me and turns me to unexpected paths. A new way opens when I'm against a blind wall. God is all I need for a creative life!

I belong to God! Our love for each other will last.

The best response I can make to him is my total energy. I will put away all things that separate me from God. I need God, and enjoy God, now and forever. Amen.

Call to Offering

Offertory

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Congregation and Choir

*Doxology 609

"Go to the World!"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

*Hymn of Commitment "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

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*Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service



Camp Out VBS is TONIGHT and Wednesday, June 14th. 5:30-8:00 pm Dinner will be provided. Open to children ages Preschool - 5th Grade

Bob Hankins, the son of a United Methodist Pastor, spent his early years in southwest Virginia and east Tennessee. He lives on West College Street with Carolyn, his wife of 54 years.

WELCOME! We welcome you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! May today's worship open you to God. *Your entire family is welcome*, but we do offer a nursery for children birth to 3 years of age, and a "children's church" program for children <u>4 years</u> old through 1st grade, located in the education building behind the sanctuary.

Prayer Concerns: Bob & Charlene High; Grace Palmer; Rhonda Scott; Nancy Thurston; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Geraldine Becker; Anna Jane Collier. **Assisted Care:** Kenneth Smith; Ellen Thurston; Charlene Hinnant; Arlene Blaha. **Friends:** Donna Parker; Carole Short; Mary Bair; Hollis Salyer; Joe Youngblood; Ed Jackson; Mary Cherry; Billie Joe Conrad; Shari Dutton; Rex Ros; Brenda Walters; Hobert Wicker; David Gore; Daphne McLeod; Gail Moye; Melinda Powell; Jerome McPherson; Nancy Wilson; Pat Allen; Benny McBride; Shelby Hodge; Frank Youngblood; Barbara Shepherd; Annette Caldwell; Roger Kennedy; Jerry Ford; George Edwards.

• The guest minister for next Sunday, June 18, 2017, will be Walter Dinkins.

CHURCH CALENDAR:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 pm
Thursday:

Chicks with Sticks, 10:30 am

June 11: Vacation Bible School, Camp Out, 5:30-8:00 pm
June 14: Vacation Bible School, Camp Out, 5:30-8:00 pm
June 18: Happy Father's Day!
June 19: Spiritual Development/Outreach Meeting

Contact the church office: 910-642-2253 karen@fpcwhiteville.org

OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm, Monday-Friday fpcwhiteville.org

Nursery Team: 6/11: Will Scott 6/18: Susan Smith
Sound Team: 6/11: Beth Owens 6/18: Jonathan Medford
Worship Assistant: 6/11: Debbie Viets 6/18: Greg Blackmon

Head Usher: June: Kaye Pope

SESSION

Class of 2017 Class of 2018 Class of 2019 Greg Blackmon Sara Cartrette Mandy Horne Peggy Blanchard Ben Kilpatrick Coke Gray III Joan Dorsett Sally Medford Kaye Pope Fuller Royal Douglas Spivey Coke Grav II Ethan Scott **Debbie Viets**