

# *First Presbyterian Church*

**Whiteville,  
North Carolina**  
“To be a light in our  
community reflecting  
Christ’s love and  
compassion...”

*Twelfth Sunday after  
Pentecost*

**August 27, 2017**



**THE CALLING  
OF THE FIRST  
DISCIPLES**

**Rev. Dr. Joseph D.  
Washburn**

**Worship Assistant  
Youth**

## *Gathering Around the Word*

Prelude

Isabel & Evans Humphries

Welcome, Announcements, Joys and Concerns

\*Call to Worship

Meredith McColsky

The word is near you, on your lips and in  
your heart.

**If we confess with our lips that Jesus is  
Lord and believe in our hearts that God  
raised him from the dead, we will be  
saved.**

For one believes with the heart and so is  
justified, and one confesses with the mouth  
and so is saved.

**Everyone who calls on the name of the  
Lord shall be saved.**

Let us worship God!

\*Hymn of Praise    **“Morning Has Broken”**    664

Christopher Scott

Trumpet

Alexander Scott

Saxophone

Tanner Hester

Trombone

Isabel Humphries

Flute

Evans Humphries

French Horn

\*Call to Confession

Tanner Hester

\*Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, in Christ Jesus, have mercy  
upon us. We are not quick to proclaim  
Christ as our savior. We have our own  
desires that demand our devotion. Other  
people have power over us that we dare  
not deny. We sometimes confuse Christ’s  
will and our own. At times, it is awkward  
to confess him the source of new life.**

**With compassion he suffers, aware of our  
plight. O God, hear our confession, and  
through Jesus Christ keep us upright. It is in  
his name that we lift this prayer. Amen.**

## Words of Assurance

Into the shadows of our lives, Jesus shines the grace of God, so we might see the glory of forgiveness.

**Forgiven-by God's mercy; made whole-by God's love; sent to serve others-by God's hope. Thanks be to God. We are transformed people. Amen.**

## \*Gloria Patri

**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.**

## Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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## Blessing of the School Year

## \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The peace of Christ be with you; **and also with you!**

## *Proclaiming the Word*

### Time with the Children

Olivia Smith, Claire Smith

### Children's Response

**"Jesus Loves Me"**

Children's Choir

Maggie Horne, Madison & Luke McLean, Riley Medford, Julia & Scott Smith,  
Cooper Ware-Rudnik

### Prayer for Understanding

### Scripture Lesson

Matthew 4:18-22

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

Sealey Scott

### Sermon

**"Come, Follow Me"**

Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn

## *Responding to the Word*

### Call to Offering

Christopher & Alexander Scott

### Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Tripp Thompson, Samuel McColskey

### Offertory

**"I've Got the Joy"**

Youth Choir

Emily Kea Gray, Margaret Gray, Layton McLean, Carrie Medford,  
Campbell Thompson, McKenna Ware-Rudnik, Emma Gray & Price Wheatley

\*Doxology

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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, alleluia!

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn of Commitment

“Will You Come and Follow Me”

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\*Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service

*\*Please stand if you are able*

**Worship Next Week:**

Scripture Lesson: Luke 8:40-42, 49-56

Sermon: “Hope Amidst Hopelessness”



See you for breakfast at 9 am. Sunday School starts at 10am.



**First Presbyterian Church**

Whiteville, NC

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

Breakfast 9am, Sunday School 10am



Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

The Gray Lake House, Lake Waccamaw

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**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 located in the education building behind the sanctuary.

**Prayer Concerns:** Bob High; Grace Palmer; Rhonda Scott; Nancy Thurston; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Geraldine Becker. **Assisted Care:** Kenneth Smith; Ellen Thurston; Charlene Hinnant; Anna Jane Collier; 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; Jerome McPherson; Pat Allen; Benny McBride; Shelby Hodge; Frank Youngblood; Barbara Shepherd; Annette Caldwell; Roger Kennedy; Jerry Ford; Eli Clark; Carol Short.

- Today's flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration of Don & Sally Smith's 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.
- Sympathy is extended to Jayne Smith and her family on the loss of her sister Barbara Jeanne (Tootsy) Bennett Lambert, Fayetteville, who passed away August 14, 2017.

#### CHURCH CALENDAR:

Tuesday:	NETworX of Hope, 5:30 pm
Wednesday:	Choir Rehearsal, 6:00 pm
Thursday:	Chicks with Sticks, 10:30 am
Monday, September 4:	Labor Day, Office Closed
Sunday, September 10:	<u>Rally Day</u> Breakfast 9am, Sunday School 10am, Worship 11am Youth Kickoff Party, The Gray Lake House

Nursery Team:	8/27: Will Scott	9/3: Janet Royal
Sound Team:	8/27: Jonathan Medford	9/3: Fuller Royal
Worship Assistant:	8/27: Youth	
Sanctuary Flowers:	8/27: Sally Smith	9/3: Joan Dorsett
Head Usher:	August: Sara Cartrette	September: Debbie Viets

#### SESSION

Class of 2017  
Greg Blackmon  
Peggy Blanchard  
Joan Dorsett  
Coke Gray II  
Ethan Scott

Class of 2018  
Mandy Horne  
Ben Kilpatrick  
Sally Medford  
Fuller Royal  
Debbie Viets

Class of 2019  
Sara Cartrette  
Coke Gray III  
Kaye Pope  
Douglas Spivey

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