

First Presbyterian Church

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

*Fifteenth Sunday after
Pentecost*
September 17, 2017



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

Gathering Around the Word

*If you need to make an announcement, please sit in the
front row to use the microphone.*

Prelude

Humphreys

Welcome, Announcements, Joys and Concerns

*Call to Worship

God is our light and our salvation; whom
shall we fear?

God is the stronghold of our lives; of
whom shall we be afraid?

Behold all the beauty of God and make
inquiry in God’s temple.

We have come to worship and seek
wisdom, to find shelter and help amid
life’s storms.

God lifts us up from our doubts and fears,
granting us confidence and courage.

We will offer sacrifices of joy and
thanksgiving, we will sing and make
melody to our God.

*Hymn of Praise

620

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, our Rock and Redeemer, hear our
confession. We worship idols of our own
making; when temptation overtakes us we
submit to its charm. We find it easier to
grumble at hardships than to praise you for
mercies we receive day by day. We test you
in every way. Yet you promise that you will
not test us beyond our endurance. Forgive us
when we take advantage of your loving
nature, and restore us to communion with
you.

Choral Response

437

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

Words of Assurance

We are convicted of our transgressions but also freed of them by God's grace.

We are guilty, but in facing that guilt, are forgiven.

"The scepter of wickedness shall not rest upon the land allotted to the righteous."

We are liberated to live creatively and courageously, risking all that love of neighbor requires.

*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, The Lord's Prayer

35

*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

Scripture Lesson

Exodus 1:6-22

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

Sermon

"Joseph Who?"

Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn

Responding to the Word

*An Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

35

Call to Offering

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Jesus Calls Us"

720

Congregation and Choir

*Doxology

609

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

*Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service to the World

NEXT WEEK:

Scripture: Luke 8:26-39

Sermon: “Turned Away by the Savior”

Please donate containers to be used for "Two Cents a Meal" and drop them off in the office. Anyone interested in helping sponsor shoes for our upcoming SoleHope shoe cutting party can make checks to FPC with "SoleHope" in the memo line. If you're interested in helping WUMC "Rise Against Hunger" event Saturday, Sept. 30th, you can: 1.) Volunteer for the event on September 30th. Contact the church office, sign up on the attendance register, or contact Mandy Horne. 2.) Donate (please make the check out to FPC with "Rise Against Hunger" in the memo line).

September 27, 2017 6:00pm

The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Whiteville, NC

cordially invites you to

the installation of

The Reverend Doctor Joseph D. Washburn

as pastor of

First Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 24, 2017 at 5:00 pm

511 North Thompson Street, Whiteville, NC

Reception following



Class of 2017

Greg Blackmon
Peggy Blanchard
Joan Dorsett
Coke Gray II
Ethan Scott

SESSION

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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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; Kathryn Clark. **Assisted Care:** Kenneth Smith; Ellen Thurston; Charlene Hinnant; Anna Jane Collier; Arlene Blaha. **Friends:** Donna Parker; 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; Mitchell Powell; Theresa Rappa; **Shelby Turbeville** (Anna Klara's mother; **Tanieh Rodman** (Dolores Harris' great grand-daughter)9/14.

- Please check the umbrellas in the umbrella box in the Narthex. Many orphaned umbrellas are looking for their owner!
- Sympathy to Carrie Burney and her family following the death of her mother, Carole Short.
- The flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in appreciation of Annette Powell. Annette has retired after dedicating many years to the hand bell choir. We appreciate her patience and leadership.

CHURCH CALENDAR:

Monday, September 18:	Rotary Club, Conference Room 6:00 pm Scouts, Scouts Room 6:00 pm Spiritual Development/Outreach Meeting, Parlor 6:30 pm AA, Community Room, 8:00pm
Wednesday, September 20:	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room, 6:00 pm AA, Community Room, 8:00 pm
Thursday, September 21:	Chicks with Sticks, 10:30 am AA, Community Room, 8:00 pm
Sunday, September 24:	Installation of Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn, 5:00 pm
Monday, September 25:	AA, Community Room, 8:00pm
Tuesday, September 26:	Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room, 9:00 am
Wednesday, September 27:	Family Night Supper, Fellowship Hall, 6:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room, 7:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting, Parlor, 7:00 pm Congregational Life Committee Meeting, Conference Room, 7:00 pm AA, Community Room, 8:00pm
Thursday, September 28:	Cub Scouts, Scouts Room, 7:00 pm AA, Community Room, 8:00pm

Nursery Team:	9/17: Susan Smith	9/24: Mandy Horne
Sound Team:	9/17: Josh Horne	9/24: Beth Owens
Head Usher:	September: Debbie Viets	October: Ben Kilpatrick

Sanctuary Flowers: 9/17: Handbell Ringers

9/24: Debbie Viets