

# *First Presbyterian Church*

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

*Twenty-Third Sunday  
after Pentecost*  
November 12, 2017

AND GOD  
CALLED  
THE LIGHT  
DAY,  
AND  
THE DARKNESS  
HE CALLED  
NIGHT.

G E N E S I S 1 : 5

Rev. Dr. Joseph D.  
Washburn

## *Gathering Around the Word* Prelude *The Humphreys*

Welcome, Announcements, Joys and Concerns

Call to Worship

The warmth of the shining sun...

Reflects the warmth of God's love for us.

The refreshing water of the gently flowing  
stream...

Reflects God's cleansing and renewing grace.

The rush of a mighty wind...

Reflects God's powerful Spirit, present in  
each of us. Let us worship God, who nurtures  
and sustains us!

\*Hymn of Praise

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"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

\*Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

O Christ, if we carry the name Christian, we  
are signs of your presence. Yet we confess  
that we sometimes hurt people through our  
pride, rather than showing the way to the  
healing waters of your Spirit. When we are  
discouraged ourselves, we are unable to be  
signs of joy or hope or good news. Forgive us,  
and give us grace to be earthly reminders of  
your love. We ask this in the name of our  
Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*Choral Response

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O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer.  
When I call, answer me. O Lord, hear my prayer.  
O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

\*Words of Assurance

Thanks be to God, we are a forgiven people.  
May this gracious gift of being in right  
relationship with God draw us closer to the  
path God would have us walk.

\*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

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The Sacrament of Baptism

Helen Marie Holden Hinton

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

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

### *Proclaiming the Word*

Time with the Children

Observance of Veterans Day

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 1 (selected verses)

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

Sermon

"It is Very Good" Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn

### **Responding to the Word**

\*Hymn of Response

"God of the Fertile Fields"

714

Call to Offering

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"God of Great and God of Small"

Choir

\*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

\*Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service in the World

Next Week

Scripture: Colossians 1:12b-14

Sermon: “With a Grateful Heart”

**November 13-20**



**Next: November 15**



**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:** Geraldine Becker; Kathryn Clark; Bob and Charlene High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Grace Palmer; Rhonda Scott; Walter Strickland; Nancy Thurston. **Assisted Care:** Arlene Blaha; Anna Jane Collier; Charlene Hinnant; Ellen Thurston. **Friends:** Pat Allen; Sara and Rob Armstrong; Willie Faye Bobo; Annette Caldwell; Penny Carmean; Mary Cherry; Eli Clark; Billie Joe Conrad; Paul Dawson; Shari Dutton; Jerry Ford; Shelby Hodge; Ed Jackson; Roger Kennedy; Benny McBride; Daphne McLeod; Jerome McPherson; Don Morrison; Gail Moyer; Donna Parker; Mitchell Powell; **Floyd Pridgen**; Theresa Rappa; Hollis Salyer; Barbara Shepherd; Ken Smith; Ronnie Thayer; **Gail Townsend**; Frank Youngblood; Joe Youngblood. **Military:** Preston Parker.

**Please notify the office when names can be removed.**

- *Congratulations to Ann Coburn on the birth of her grandson, Hayes Whitfield Coburn, on October 16, 2017.*
- *Sympathy to Jane Salyer and her family following the death of her sister, Linda Tipton, on October 24, 2017.*

Nursery Team:  
Sound Team:  
Head Usher:

11/12: Will Scott  
11/12: Fuller Royal  
November: Joan Dorsett

11/19: Janet Royal  
11/19: Jonathan Medford

## CHURCH CALENDAR:

November 13-20:	Samaritan's Purse, Operation Christmas Child National Collection Week
Monday, November 13:	Boy Scouts, Scout Room - 6:00 pm AA, Community Room, 8:00 pm
Tuesday, November 14:	Session Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, November 15:	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm Wednesdays Together: Fear Free Evangelism, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm AA, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, November 16:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am AA, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Saturday, November 18:	Presbytery Officer Training, Fellowship Hall 8:30-1:30 pm
Sunday, November 19:	Youth Meeting
Monday, November 20:	Thanksgiving Service, Sanctuary - 6:00 pm Boy Scouts, Scout Room - 6:00 pm Oratorio Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 6:30 pm Spiritual Development Meeting, Parlor - 6:30 pm AA, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Wednesday, November 22:	AA, Community Room, 8:00 pm
Thursday, November 23:	Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed AA, Community Room, 8:00 pm
Friday, November 24:	Office Closed
Sunday, November 26:	Centsability Offering Pledges Due

SUNDAY | NOVEMBER 19 | 2017

6:00 PM



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Sunday

Pledges Due

November 26

Additional Pledge cards and  
"Time and Talents" worksheets  
available in the Narthex.



\$298.05/\$500 Goal

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