

# FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

First Week of February 2018

Whiteville, NC

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

## March 2018 Worship Schedule

Head Usher, March: Anne Branch

March 4

*Third Sunday in Lent*

Mark 14:1-2 "The Last Days of Jesus: Wednesday's Quiet Plot"

Sound Team: Jonathan Medford

Nursery Attendant: Ben & Sydney Kilpatrick

Backpack Ministry: Men of the Church

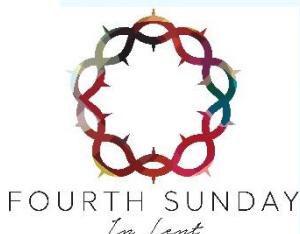
March 7

*Whiteville Community Lenten Service*

Worship at 12:00 pm | Lunch at 12:30 pm

Location: Whiteville United Methodist Church

Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn, First Presbyterian Church, Whiteville NC



*Wednesdays Together Bible Study*

6:30 pm

Fellowship Hall, First Presbyterian Church

Lenten Series: Lamb of God

March 11 –

**DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS! Spring forward.**

*Fourth Sunday in Lent*

Matthew 26:47-56 "The Last Days of Jesus: Thursday's Kiss"

Sound Team: Jonathan Medford

Nursery Attendant: Ethan Scott

Backpack Ministry: Young Adult Sunday School

March 14

*Whiteville Community Lenten Service*

Worship at 12:00 pm | Lunch at 12:30 pm

Location: Whiteville United Methodist Church

Rev. Andy Anderson, Pastor, Father's Cup Overflow Ministries, Little River SC

March 18

*Fifth Sunday in Lent*

Matthew 26:57-58, 69-74 "The Last Days of Jesus: Friday, Disowning Jesus"

Sound Team: Fuller Royal

Nursery Attendant: Kaye Pope

Backpack Ministry: Youth

March 21

*Whiteville Community Lenten Service*

Worship at 12:00 pm | Lunch at 12:30 pm

Location: Whiteville United Methodist Church

Rev. Justin DuBose, Pastor, Missionary Alliance Church





March 25  
*Palm Sunday*  
Matthew 27:62-66    "The Last Days of Jesus: Saturday, the Darkness"  
Sound Team: Justin Smith  
Nursery Attendants: Sarah and Coke Gray, III  
Backpack Ministry: MVE Committee



March 28  
*Whiteville Community Lenten Service*  
Worship at 12:00 pm | Lunch at 12:30 pm  
Location: Whiteville United Methodist Church  
Rev. Bob Hankins, Pastor, Hallsboro United Methodist Church



MAUNDY THURSDAY



GOOD FRIDAY



EASTER SUNDAY

March 29  
*Maundy Thursday Service*  
First Presbyterian Church  
7:00 pm

March 30  
*Good Friday Service*  
Westminster Presbyterian Church  
307 S. Franklin St. Whiteville, NC  
7:00 pm  
Head Usher, April: Donald Hester

April 1  
*Easter Sunday*  
John 20:1-9    "Sunday: What is Your Reaction?"  
Sunrise Service 7:00 am (Outside)  
Easter Celebration 11:00 am (Sanctuary)



For information on Online Giving through the Presbyterian Foundation, go to  
<https://fpcwhiteville.org/giving/> or scan the QR code to sign up for automatic drafts, one-time donations, and more!

**Nursery:** As we have visitors in worship we want you to be prepared to help them with the needs of their children. We offer a nursery, located in the education building behind the sanctuary, for children up to 3 years of age.

**Children in Worship:** We currently ask that children over 3 stay in worship with their parents. This is a great opportunity to begin teaching them how to worship. We encourage you to help them turn to the hymn in the hymnbooks when we sing as well as to the appropriate scripture verse for the reading of scripture prior to the sermon. Encourage them to bring their own Bible with them to worship so they can read along in THEIR Bible. We are currently in the process of updating our worship/activity bags that are in the Narthex...these should be available soon!



**Sunday, March 11, 2018**  
**Sunday School 10:00 am**  
**Worship 11:00 am**

## **Spiritual Development/Outreach Committee:**



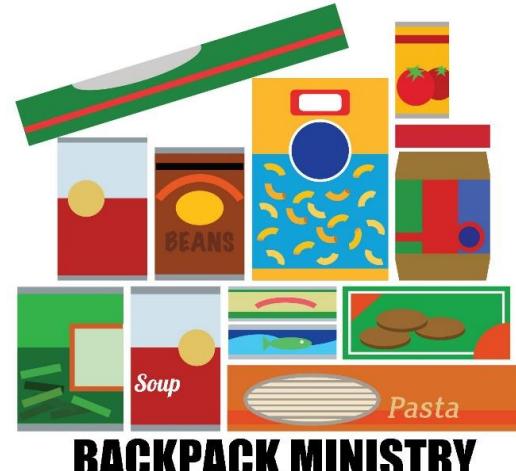
Cents-Ability was kicked off on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.

The Cents-ability Offering will be taken on the *last* Sunday of each month. A goal of \$500 was set for the end of December and \$668.83 was collected in 2.5 months!

Banks are available in the Narthex.

25% raised remains at our congregation (percentage decided upon by our presbytery), 70% is used for international 25% used for local area grants within the presbytery, and 5% administrative expenses.

**NEXT OFFERING COLLECTED ON SUNDAY, MARCH 25!**



**February 18:** Youth

**February 25:** MVE Committee

**March 4:** Men of the Church

**March 11:** Young Adult Sunday School

**March 18:** Youth

**March 25:** MVE Committee

## **Congregational Life Committee:**



Join us for Family Night Supper  
**RESCHEDULED!**

Wednesday, March 7, 2018 6:00 pm

Elders in Charge: Sally Medford and Debbie Viets

Hope to see you there!

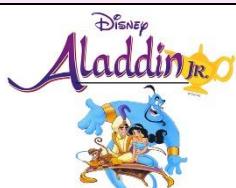
## **Notes from the Church Office:**

The office has been updating our records and trying to make everything as accurate as possible. Please take the time to make sure all phone numbers, email addresses, and birthdays, etc. are in the church database. Thank you!



There is a signup sheet for Sanctuary Flowers in the office.

Please sign up today or contact the office!

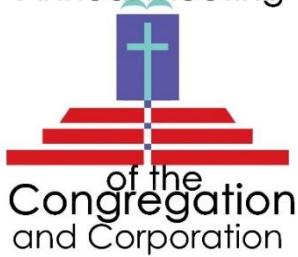


Karen is helping out with the costumes for Disney's Aladdin Jr. musical for her children's school, Emereau: Bladen in Elizabethtown. If anyone has costume pieces for 4-6<sup>th</sup> graders that may be work for Aladdin, please contact [karen@fpcwhiteville.org](mailto:karen@fpcwhiteville.org). Thank you!

**Prayer Concerns:** Geraldine Becker; Kathryn Clark; Dolores Harris; Bob High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Nick Logan; Grace Palmer; Rhonda Scott; Mike Spivey; Walter Strickland; Nancy Thurston; David Trogdon. Assisted Care: Arlene Blaha; Anna Jane Collier; Charlene Hinnant; Ellen Thurston. Friends: Pat Allen; Sara and Rob Armstrong; Annette Caldwell; Penny Carmean; Mary Cherry; Eli Clark; Billie Joe Conrad; Shari Dutton; Jerry Ford; Robert Gurkin; Gail Hedgecock; Rick Hedgecock; Shelby Hodge; Roger Kennedy; Lindsey Leake; Benny McBride; Daphne McLeod; Jerome McPherson; Helen Dasher Millman; Don Morrison; Gail Moye; Donna Parker; Angie Pinkston; Floyd Pridgen; Theresa Rappa; Hollis Salyer; Barbara Shepherd; Scott Short; Ken Smith; Ronnie Thayer; Gail Townsend; Frank Youngblood; Joe Youngblood.

Please notify the office when names can be removed.

Annual Meeting



**RESCHEDULED**

Wednesday, March 7, 2018  
During the Family Night Supper



Lenten Series: Lamb of God

Wed Mar 14 6:30 PM  
Wed Mar 21 6:30 PM

Whiteville Community  
Lenten Services 2018

Whiteville United Methodist Church  
902 Pinckney Street Whiteville, NC 28472  
[whitevilleumc.org](http://whitevilleumc.org) | 910-642-3376

Worship 12:00 pm | Lunch 12:30 pm

Wednesday, March 7:  
Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn  
Pastor of First Presbyterian Church

Wednesday, March 14:  
Rev. Andy Anderson  
Pastor of Father's Cup Overflow Ministries, SC

Wednesday, March 21:  
Rev. Justin DuBose  
Pastor of Missionary Alliance Church

Wednesday, March 28:  
Rev. Bob Hankins  
Retired Pastor of Whiteville United Methodist Church



1 – Joe Kamberger, 3- Sidney Gibson, 3- Diane Scott, 3 – Mary Anne Tyndall, 4- Steve Smith, 8 – Cooper Ware-Rudnik, 11 – Wyche McColskey, 11 – Will Neisler, 18 – Kim Smith, 18 – Bill Turner, 19 – Kate Meekins, 20 – Douglas Spivey, 21 – Ann Coburn, 21 – Liz McLean, 23 – Coke Gray III, 23 – Barbara Grigsby, 24 – Walter Munroe, 24 – Chandler Thurston, 26 – Ginger Scott, 30 – Anne Branch, 31 – Omar Ramoz



1- Thad Thomas, 4 – Greg Blackmon, 4 – Anna Capps, 5 – Kim Neisler, 7 – Ethan Scott, 10- Judy Harritan, 14 – Emily Kea Gray, 17 – Mark Smith, 18 – Liam Scott, 19 – Suzanne Blackmon, 19 – Nick Logan, 22 – Margaret Gray, 24 – Miriam Davenport, 25 – Janet Royal, 25 – Rachel Smith, 29 – Mack Thompson, 30 – Miriam Schulken

# Church Calendar

Thursday, March 1:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
Friday, March 2:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Saturday, March 3:	Sanctuary and Worth Hall Reserved
Sunday, March 4:	Sanctuary and Worth Hall Reserved
Monday, March 5:	Backpack Ministry: Men of the Church
	Youth Meeting - 6:30 pm
	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm
	Nuts & Bolts Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
Tuesday, March 6:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
	Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room, Parlor - 9:30 am
	Morning Circle, Conference Room - 11:00 am
	Evening Circle, S. Blackmon - 7:00 pm
Wednesday, March 7:	Whiteville Community Lenten Service, United Methodist Church - 12:00 pm
	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:00 pm
	<b>Rescheduled Family Night Supper, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm</b>
	<b>Rescheduled Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm</b>
	CLC Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 7:00 pm
	Worship Committee Meeting, Parlor - 7:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, March 8:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor, 10:30 am
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Saturday, March 10:	Southeastern North Carolina Genealogical Society, Fellowship Hall - 1:00 pm
Sunday, March 11:	Backpack Ministry: Young Adult Sunday School
	<b>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME STARTS! Spring Forward</b>
	Men's Breakfast, Fellowship Hall - 8:30 am
	Confirmation Class - 5:30 pm
Monday, March 12:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, March 13:	Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room, Parlor - 9:30 am
	Session Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, March 14:	Whiteville Community Lenten Service, United Methodist Church - 12:00 pm
	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, March 15:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor, 10:30 am
	Scout Roundtable Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Friday, March 16:	Pinewood Derby, Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 3:00 pm
Saturday, March 17:	Pinewood Derby, Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 am
Sunday, March 18:	Backpack Ministry: Youth
	Youth Meeting, Hosted by Evening Circle, Emily Hooks - 6:30 pm
Monday, March 19:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, March 20:	Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room, Parlor - 9:30 am
Wednesday, March 21:	Whiteville Community Lenten Service, United Methodist Church - 12:00 pm
	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, March 22:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
	Cub Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 7:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Sunday, March 25:	Backpack Ministry: MVE Committee
	Centsability Offering
	Confirmation Class - 5:30 pm
Monday, March 26:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm
	Spiritual Development/Outreach Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, March 27:	MVE Committee Meeting, Parlor - 5:30 pm
Wednesday, March 28:	Whiteville Community Lenten Service, United Methodist Church - 12:00 pm
	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm
	<b>Family Night Supper, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm</b>
	Congregational Life Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 7:00 pm
	Worship Committee Meeting, Parlor - 7:00 pm
	<i>More to be come....</i>