

FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

First Week of May, 2018

Whiteville, NC

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



Sunday's Sermon: For the 6th Sunday of Easter we will be examining Matthew 28:16-20, the Great Commission. We will look at how this brief passage unfolds in three movements...from worship, to a mission, and the promise of presence. As we continue to explore what it means to live the "Resurrection Life" we will see how this passage is as much about us as it is about those first disciples. We will also see how this passage strengthens, and calls us to live into, our Mission Statement, "To Be a Light in our Community Reflecting Christ's Love and Compassion." I hope you will join us for worship this week and in preparation for our time together I encourage you to read and pray over our scripture passage from the Gospel of Matthew.

Live Stream: One of the great things we are able to offer, not only to our church but to the larger community as well, is our live streaming of our Sunday morning service of worship. When you are unable to be here on a Sunday morning there are several ways you can virtually join us for worship.

- Facebook
- YouTube
- Twitter
- Roku
- Spectrum Cable channel 1304

If you are unable to join us for the live stream, the recordings of the service are also available on Facebook and YouTube. These are also great ways to invite people you meet to check us out if they are unable to join us in the sanctuary!

Sermon Note Sheets: If you are one that likes to take notes on sermon, please remember that we make available "Sermon Note" sheets. These are available in the Narthex as you enter the sanctuary.

Sunday School: Sunday School is a great way to not only nurture and grow in your faith but also to connect with others in the church. Did you know that we offer Sunday School classes for all ages? We offer three adult classes, each of which offers something different, and classes for all ages of children and youth. If you are not currently attending Sunday School I invite you to come and try one and find where you belong.

-Pastor Joe

May 2018 Worship Schedule

Head Usher, May: Mary Anne Tyndall

May 6 *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20

Sermon: "Resurrection Life: Marching Orders"

May 13 *Seventh Sunday of Easter*

Youth Sunday

May 20 Pentecost

Scripture: Acts 2:1-21 Sermon: "Resurrection Life: A Strange New World"

May 27 Trinity Sunday

Scripture: Joshua 24: 14-25

Sermon: "Confronted with a Decision: Whom Will You Serve?"
Centsability Offering

Spiritual Development/Outreach Committee:



NEXT OFFERING COLLECTED ON
SUNDAY, MAY 27!



Backpack Ministry:

May 6: Men of the Church | May 13: Young Adult Sunday School

May 20: Youth | May 27: MVE Committee

***Pick up your photo directories in the office today! ***

There is a signup sheet for Sanctuary Flowers in the office.
Please sign up today or contact the office!

VOLUNTEERS

May 6: Sound: Justin Smith

Nursery: Joan Dorsett

Communion Servers: Sara Cartrette, Coke Gray III, Kaye Pope, Douglas Spivey (Bread and Juice), 2 volunteers needed

May 13: Sound: Hester Family

Nursery: Ben & Sydney Kilpatrick

May 20: Sound: Josh Horne

Nursery: Ethan Scott



SOUTHEASTERN ORATORIO SPRING CONCERT MAY 7, 2018

Come to the free
Southeastern Oratorio Society
concert in our sanctuary this
Monday night at 7:30! You
can hear familiar opera
choruses that you didn't know
you knew and favorite
Rodgers and Hammerstein

songs from "South Pacific," "The Sound of Music," "The
King and I," and "Carousel." **7:30 pm**



Columbus County Farmers Market Fun Run & Walk:

Saturday, May 19th, is the
9th Annual Columbus County
Farmers Market Fun Run &
Walk. There will be a ½
mile Kids Run that begins at
8:45 am and a 3.1-mile
Run/Walk which begins at
9:00 am. Both events will

begin at the Fitness Park across from the Columbus
County Community Farmers Market. Check in begins
at 7:30. Visit www.fmrn.com for more information
on taking part in the event or to volunteer.

Family Night Supper

Wednesday, May 23, 2018 6:00 pm

Elders in charge: Ben Kilpatrick and Fuller Royal



Church Calendar

Sunday, May 6:	Men's Breakfast, Fellowship Hall - 8:30 am Youth Meeting, Ginger and Martin Scott - 6:30 pm
Monday, May 7:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm Southeastern Oratorio Society Spring Concert, Sanctuary - 7:30 pm
Tuesday, May 8:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Wednesday, May 9:	Session Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm
Thursday, May 10:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
Saturday, May 12:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Sunday, May 13:	Southeastern North Carolina Genealogical Society, Fellowship Hall - 1:00 pm
Monday, May 14:	Mother's Day, Youth Sunday Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm
Tuesday, May 15:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Wednesday, May 16:	MVE Committee Meeting, Parlor - 5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm
Thursday, May 17:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
Saturday, May 19:	Scout Roundtable Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
Sunday, May 20:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Columbus County Farmers Market Fun Run and Walk - 9:00 am
Monday, May 21:	Pentecost Sunday Youth Meeting, Robert and Judy Nelson - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, May 23:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm Spiritual Development/Outreach Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm
Thursday, May 24:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm
Sunday, May 27:	Family Night Supper, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm
Monday, May 28:	Congregational Life Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 7:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting, Parlor - 7:00 pm
Wednesday, May 30:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
Thursday, May 31:	Cub Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 7:00 pm Alcoholic Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
	Centsability Offering
	Memorial Day, Office Closed
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

BIRTHDAYS



Moody, 26 - Sara Rain Thompson.



1- Paula Smith, 2- Mary Bair, 3- Ed Grigsby, 5- John Lawson Cook, 5- Susan Smith, 7 - Ann Hall, 7 - Helen Holden, 8 - Riley Medford, 9 - Scott Smith, 10 - Campbell Thompson, 14 - Steve Dorsett, 15 - Sealey Scott, 20 - Tanner Hester, 22 - Kelly Prince, 24 - Coke Gray II, 24 - Cherye Moody, 24 - Will Scott, 25 - Rita Lewis, 27 - Caroline Smith, 29 -J.B. Elkins, 29 - Pete Kindschuh, 29 - Butch Row, 30 - Mary Wheatley

Prayer Concerns: Mark Bannerman; Geraldine Becker; Kathryn Clark; John Hall; Dolores Harris; Bob High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Grace Palmer; Rhonda Scott; Mike Spivey; Walter Strickland; Nancy Thurston.

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; Hilda Dorsett; Shari Dutton; Jerry Ford; Dale Gipple; Robert Gurkin; Rick Hedgecock; Shelby Hodge; Barry Housend; Roger Kennedy; 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.

- *Sympathy is extended to Joe Kamberger and his family upon the death of his father on April 10th, in Essex, MD.*
- *Sympathy is extended to Don and Julie Stocks and their family upon the death of his mother, Lucy Burline Stocks, on April 27, 2018.*



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!

We would like to express our deep appreciation for all of the prayers, visits, calls, and cards during our health journey. Though we are not in Whiteville, First Presbyterian will always be our church family of the heart. We will continue to cherish your prayers, friendship, and well wishes as our journey continues. Love and peace,

Rick and Gail Hedgecock

**A concert benefiting the Matthew 25 project will be held Sunday afternoon at 4:00 at the Clarkton Presbyterian Church. The church is located at 10433 College Street in downtown Clarkton.
Please attend the concert and support this worthwhile cause.**

Please contact the office if you would like to receive email newsletters instead or update your records.

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