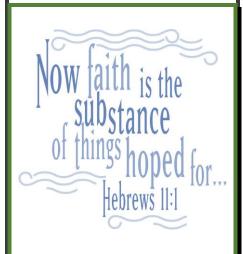
Fírst Presbyterían Church

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

Fifth Sunday after
Pentecost
June 24, 2018



Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn
Guest Minister:
Dr. Jerry Bron

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude The Humphreys

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,

and in whose spirit, there is no deceit. Steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.

Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

*Hymn of Praise 68 v. 1-4 "O God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Call to Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Let us confess first in self-searching silence.

*Prayer of Confession

O God with a huge heart, through Jesus you reached out to people on the edges- whether poor or rich, favored or otherwise. His generosity shocks us: we are more comfortable grumbling about them than rejoicing for them. Forgive us, Great Merciful One; may we ourselves receive all who seek you, as Jesus does. Amen

*Song of Assurance 438 v.1 "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

*Words of Assurance

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. 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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Cents-Ability Offering

*Passing of the Peace

Proclaiming the Word

Time with the Children

Choral Anthem "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"

Choir

35

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 11:1-16

This is the Word of the Lord;

Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Our Handle on What We Can't See"

Dr. Jerry Bron

Responding to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

35

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call for the Offering

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

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"Love the Lord Your God"
(Hymn of the month)

Choir and Congregation

62 (twice)

*Doxology

Offertory

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 "Faith of Our Fathers!"

Faith of our fathers! living still In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword,

O how our hearts beat high with joy Whene'er we hear that glorious word:

Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our fathers! God's great power Shall win all nations unto thee; And through the truth that comes from God Mankind shall then be truly free: Faith of our fathers, holy faith! We will be true to thee till death.

*Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service to the World

Gezinus "Jerry" Dirk Bron was born in the Netherlands in December of 1945. He is the oldest of five children. He immigrated to the US in 1955 and grew up in the Castle Hayne-Wrightsboro section of New Hanover County, NC. He played basketball at New Hanover High and UNC-W and graduated from UNC-W with a BA in history and minor in English and Philosophy in 1968, and Union Seminary in 1972 with a Master of Divinity and a Doctor of Ministry in 1982. He pastored three churches over the next 38 years: Pink Hill Presbyterian Church in Pink Hill, NC from 1972 to 1978, First Presbyterian in Washington, NC from 1978 to 1993, and then as organizing pastor of the Southminster Church in Gastonia, NC from 1993 to 2010. All three churches experienced significant growth in various ways while he was pastor there. Jerry has been married to Linda McKoy since 1968. She is a 1969 graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond, VA. She taught public school elementary grades and AIG for 33 years. Linda and Jerry are parents to Allison, Elizabeth and Jakob. Eight grandchildren call him Opa. He retired in 2010 and now lives on the Wrightsville Beach side of Wilmington. He still serves the church as a supply minister and an occasional part time interim. He is a coach to new church developments and new church pastors. He specializes in helping start new churches. He enjoys his 8 grandchildren, the salt life, being the handy man around the house, yard work, boating, photography, golf, and the wind in what's left of his hair while driving his convertible.

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.

<u>Prayer Concerns</u>: Mark Bannerman; Geraldine Becker; Kathryn Clark; Janet Gray; John Hall; Dolores Harris; Bob High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Miriam Marks; Grace Palmer; Mike Spivey; Walter Strickland; Nancy Thurston.

<u>Assisted Care</u>: Arlene Blaha; Anna Jane Collier; Charlene Hinnant; Kenneth Smith; Ellen Thurston.

<u>Friends</u>: Pat Allen; Sara and Rob Armstrong; Annette Caldwell; Penny Carmean; Mary Cherry; Eli Clark; Billie Joe Conrad; Hilda Dorsett; Shari Dutton; Jerry Ford; Robert Gurkin; Rick Hedgecock; Shelby Hodge; Barry Housend; Roger Kennedy; Benny McBride; Daphne McLeod; Jerome McPherson; Helen Dasher Millman; Don Morrison; Gail Moye; Angie Pinkston; Floyd Pridgen; Theresa Rappa; Hollis Salyer; Barbara Shepherd; Scott Short; Ken Smith; Ronnie Thayer; Gail Townsend; Joe Youngblood.

Please notify the office when names can be removed.

Nursery Team: June 24: Suzanne Blackmon July 1: Susan Smith

Sound Team: June 24: Josh Horne July 1: Jonathan Medford

Head Usher: June: Brent Wheatley July: Kaye Pope

CHURCH CALENDAR:

Sunday, June 24:

Centsability Offering

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Pastor Joe returns to the office

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Wednesday, June 27: Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Thursday, June 28: Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am

Presbyterian Pastor's Meeting, Fellowship Hall - 11:30 am

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Monday, July 2: Nuts and Bolts Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Wednesday, July 4: Independence Day - Office Closed

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