

First Presbyterian Church

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

*Eighth Sunday after
Pentecost*
July 15, 2018

*"Don't be
afraid
just
believe"*

Mark 5:21-43

Rev. Dr. Joseph D.
Washburn

Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

The Humphreys

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

We come here today because God is worthy of our praise and adoration.

We worship today because we are grateful for all God has done for us.

We come here to sing, pray, confess, listen, and give.

We come here to share our faith with each other.

Let us worship God wholeheartedly expecting nothing in return.

Let us rejoice in what God will do in us because God is gracious.

*Hymn of Praise

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"Fight the Good Fight"

Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God of hope and glory, through Christ hear our prayer and renew a right spirit within us. Hostility rages and battles continue; warfare is not ended, and lives are lost. We yield to suspicion; our envy creates enemies. We confess that Christ came to create a new order, yet we continue complacently to dwell amid strife. O God, have mercy upon us. We lift this prayer in the name of Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

*Song of Assurance

"Bless the Lord"

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*Words of Assurance

Our gracious God forgives you your sin, strengthens you by the Spirit, and will keep you in life eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord. So, if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation:

**Everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!
All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ,
And has given us the ministry of reconciliation.**

***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 **35**

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.

***Passing of the Peace**

Proclaiming the Word

Time with the Children

Choral Anthem **"The Woman Hiding in the Crowd"** Choir, 178

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Lesson Mark 5:21-43

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

Sermon **"Finding Life In the Midst of Death"** Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn

Responding to the Word

***Affirmation of Faith** **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

Offertory

“Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet”
(Hymn of the Month)

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Choir & Congregation

*Doxology

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

“I Danced in the Morning”

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*Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service to the World

Next Week:

Scripture: Luke 15:11-32

Sermon: “The Prodigal Son and the Extravagant Father”

Nursery Team:

7/15: Joan Dorsett

7/22: Ben & Sydney Kilpatrick

Sound Team:

7/15: Justin Smith

7/22: Hester Family

Head Usher:

July: Kaye Pope

Sunday School Teachers Needed!

Contact Sally Medford at sallyjo@sallyjoart.com if you are able to teach Sunday School.



Next offering collected on July 29th!

A donation of 5 cents per meal is just \$4.50 per person, per month!

Nursery Volunteers Needed!

Please contact Coke Gray III to sign up to volunteer in the nursery on Sunday mornings at rcgray@ncdot.gov



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: 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.

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

Friends: Pat Allen; Sara and Rob Armstrong; Annette Caldwell; Penny Carmean; Mary Cherry; Eli Clark; Billie Joe Conrad; Shari Dutton; Robert Gurkin; Rick Hedgecock; Shelby Hodge; Barry Housend; John Jolly; 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.

CHURCH CALENDAR:

Monday, July 16:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
	Spiritual Development/Outreach Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, July 18:	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, July 19:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Monday, July 16:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

To the First Presbyterian Church Family:

Thank you to each of you who visited, called, or sent notes. The memories brought back at the May Family Night Supper were priceless.

Any time you are in one community or church for 45 plus years you become a family for that I will forever be grateful. We relied on you in times of sorrow and times of joy for that I will always thank you.

After a month at our mountain house I arrived in Springfield. We are doing well. The children are 12 and 15, into everything as well as trying to wait on me. They are enjoying more cookies, etc.

Eugene, Lisa and I are enjoying being minutes away as opposed to hours.

Thank you again for your love and concern over the years.

Sincerely, Mary Eplee 7/10/2018

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OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm, M-F

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