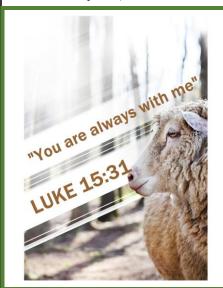
# First Presbyterian Church

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

Tenth Sunday after
Pentecost
July 29, 2018



Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn

# Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

The Humphreys

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,

So God seeks and saves the lost.

Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,

So God rejoices over one soul restored to wholeness.

As a father receives a returning wayward son, So God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.

Therefore, let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*Hymn of Praise

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"God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us"

Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

God of compassion, we confess before you that we have sinned. We have passed by our neighbors and ignored opportunities to show them mercy. We have mocked their misery by making excuses to avoid their plight. We who have been taught the law of love practice instead the law of self-interest. Forgive us, we pray, for the sake of the Christ who came to bind up the wounds of the one by the side of the road. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*Song of Assurance

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"You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!"

\*Assurance of Forgiveness

Hear the good news: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

"For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of the cross."

In the peace that Christ won abides our assurance of pardon. 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.

#### **Cents-Ability Offering**

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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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

"O My Soul, Bless Your Redeemer"

Choir, 439

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Lesson

Luke 15:11-32

This is the Word of the Lord;

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

"The Prodigal Son and the Extravagant Father" (part 2)

Rev. Dr. Joseph D Washburn

### Responding to the Word

Call for the Offering

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Come As You Are"

T. Wood, M. Farren, C. Cates

\*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!

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn of Commitment

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\*Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service to the World

Next Week:

Scripture: Deuteronomy 34:1-9; Joshua 1:1-9

Sermon: "Endings and Beginnings: From Moses to Joshua"

# Volunteers Needed for the School Supply Giveaway!

Friday morning, August 17th to help set up, and Saturday, August 18th from 8:00 am -12:00 pm for the giveaway.

Contact Mandy Horne at amandathurstonhorne@outlook.com or 910-840-0572

**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; Shari Dutton; Robert Gurkin; Rick Hedgecock; Shelby Hodge; Barry Housend; Roger Kennedy; Benny McBride; Daphne McLeod; Jerome McPherson; Helen Dasher Millman; Don Morrison; Gail Moye; **Dr. Don Peacock**; 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.

- The Chalice and Paten for the communion table in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dr. and Mrs. Gene Ensley by their daughters, Jenny Meekins and Marty Ensley.
- Sympathy to Jean Lee and her family upon the death of her mother, Faye Moser, on July 19, 2018.
- Sympathy to Sally Smith and her family upon the death of her brother, Andy McKay, on July 25, 2018.

Nursery Team:

Sound Team:

July 29: Ethan Scott

August 5: Kaye Pope

August 5: Jonathan Medford

Head Usher:

July: Kaye Pope

August: Ben Kilpatrick

CHURCH CALENDAR:

Sunday, July 29:

Monday, July 30:

Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Room - 7:00 pm
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
Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 7:00 pm
Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Room - 7:00 pm

Contact the church office: 910-642-2253 OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm, M-F
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Live-Stream of Service: www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville or Channel 1304 (Spectrum)

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