

FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

First Week of September, 2018

Whiteville, NC

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



Sunday Worship: Like many other churches we have a Mission Statement that appears on our bulletin each week, "To be a light in our community reflecting Christ's love and compassion..." Since the Presbyterian Church, USA was formed in 1983 we have included what many consider a Mission Statement in our Book of Order. Originally penned in 1910, this statement is known as "The Great Ends of the Church". These six statements do more than outline a lofty goal, instead they challenge us as churches, and individual believers, with specific steps to take in order to faithfully live our faith.

This Sunday we launch a new sermon series, "Why Are We Here" that will explore the six Great Ends of the Church. This week we begin with the first Great End, "the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind." The scripture text we will explore is Acts 13:47-49.

Wednesday's Together Bible Study: I am excited that Bible Study will begin again soon. Our first gathering will be Wednesday, September 12 at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. We will be spending several weeks in the book of Galatians. This study is open to anyone and everyone...member or friend of the church...long time student of the Bible or new. I hope you will plan to join us, but I also hope you will encourage/invite others to join you as well.

First Presbyterian Church Introduction Cards: Please be sure to pick up our new cards about First Presbyterian Church. On one side you will find information to the times of our regular programs. On the other are all of the ways to follow us on Social Media and live stream. This is a great resourced intended to be handed to people you meet or want to invite to join us for worship. These cards can be found in the Narthex and in the church office.

-Pastor Joe



RALLY DAY
SEPTEMBER 9, 2018
BREAKFAST AT 9:00 AM
AND
SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 10:00 AM

September 2018 Worship Schedule

Head Usher, September: Sally Medford

September 2 – Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Acts 13:47-49 “Why Are We Here: To Proclaim the Gospel”
Sunday School 10:00 am | Worship 11:00 am

September 9 – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16 “Why Are We Here: To Care for the Children of God”
Rally Day – Breakfast 9:00 am | Sunday School 10:00 am | Worship 11:00 am

September 16 – Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
Revelation 5:6-14 “Why Are We Here: To Worship God”
Sunday School 10:00 am | Worship 11:00 am

September 23 – Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
2 Timothy 3:16-4:4 “Why Are We Here: To Preserve the Truth”
Sunday School 10:00 am | Worship 11:00 am

September 30 – Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Guest Minister: Sam Murrell
Sunday School 10:00 am | Worship 11:00 am

VOLUNTEERS

September 2: A/V: Josh Horne

September 9: A/V: Jonathan Medford

September 16: A/V: Fuller Royal

September 23: A/V: Justin Smith

September 30: A/V: Hester Family

Nursery: Suzanne Blackmon

Nursery: Susan Smith

Nursery: Mandy Horne

Nursery: Joan Dorsett

Nursery: Ben & Sydney Kilpatrick



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LABOR

Day

Office Closed Monday, September 3, 2018

BIRTHDAYS



2- Delaney Ware-Rudnik, 4- Melanie Capps, 4- Miranda Kamberger, 6- Mary Kindschuh, 9- Andrew Scott, 10- Mandy Smith, 16- Shirley Logan, 17- Emily Owens, 20- Laythan Stocks, 21- J.E. Thompson, 23- Luke McLean, 26- Ben Kilpatrick, 27- Jackie Brooks, 28- David Medford, 28- Mike Spivey, 30- Luke Scott



1 - Josh Horne, 4- Don Stocks, Emma Gray Wheatley, 5- Peggy Blanchard, 8 - Logan Hester, 9 - Butch Blanchard, 9- John Krahnke, 11 - Walter Strickland, 15- Kenneth Smith, 17 - Betty Monds, 18 - Martin Scott, 20 - Emily Cook, 26 - Donald Hester, 27- Fredrica Stell, 29 - Sara Cartrette, 31 - Rick Neisler

Prayer Concerns: Geraldine Becker; Kathryn Clark; Janet Gray; John Hall; Dolores Harris; Bob High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Miriam Marks; Grace Palmer; Walter Strickland; Mack Thompson; 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; Roger Kennedy; Steve Kinlaw; Lucas Leake; 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.

- ***Nuts & Bolts Committee Meeting has been moved to September 10th at 6:30 pm due to the holiday.***



BACKPACK MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Backpack Ministry starts again Sunday, September 2, 2018!

1st Sunday: Men of the Church

2nd Sunday: Young Adult Sunday School

3rd Sunday: Youth

4th Sunday: MVE Committee

5th Sunday (as needed): Scouts or Young Adult Sunday School

Beginning this fall!



Galatians | September 12 | 6:30 pm

Adult Bible Study, Wednesday nights

Twelve More Women of the Bible:

In this 12-session video Bible study, some of today's best-loved authors and speakers look at the spiritual lessons learned from twelve women in the Bible and what they mean for you today. This fresh look at these women in the Bible will help you discover new insights into God's character, persevere through difficult times, and find joy in the hope that Jesus has provided to you.

Classes will meet on Tuesdays from 9:30 - 11:00 am, starting **September 11th**. Books, which cost \$8, must be ordered in advance (ASAP) by contacting **Janet McPherson at 642-9714**.

Church Calendar

Sunday, September 2:	Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm
Monday, September 3:	Labor Day - Office Closed
	Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Classroom - 7:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Wednesday, September 5:	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, September 6:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Saturday, September 8:	Southeastern NC Genealogical Society, Fellowship Hall - 1:00 pm
Sunday, September 9:	Rally Day, Fellowship Hall - 9:00 am
	Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm
Monday, September 10:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm
	Nuts & Bolts Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
	Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Classroom - 7:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, September 11:	Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:00 am
	Morning Circle, Conference Room - 11:00 am
	Session Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
	Evening Circle, S. Blackmon - 7:00 pm
Wednesday, September 12:	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, September 13:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Sunday, September 16:	Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm
Monday, September 17:	SDO Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm
	Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Classroom - 7:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, September 18:	Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:00 am
	MVE Committee Meeting, Parlor - 6:00 pm
Wednesday, September 19:	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, September 20:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
	Scout Roundtable Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Sunday, September 23:	Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm
Monday, September 24:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm
	Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Classroom - 7:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, September 25:	Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:00 am
Wednesday, September 26:	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm
	Family Night Supper, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm
	Congregational Life Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 7:00 pm
	Worship Committee Meeting, Parlor - 7:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, September 27:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Sunday, September 30:	Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm

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

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