

FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

Second Week of September, 2018

Whiteville, NC

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



Sunday Worship: This week is the 2nd week in our sermon series, "Why Are We Here?" This series is exploring the six Great Ends of the Church found in our Book of Order. This week we will use Paul's words in Ephesians 4:1-16 to explore the 2nd Great End, "the shelter, nurture, and Christian fellowship of the children of God."

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 resource 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.

Sermon Note Sheets: Please remember that if you would like to take notes on the sermon, we make available "Sermon Note" sheets. These can be found in the fellowship pads as well as the Narthex.

Hymn of the Month: Our Hymn of the month for September is a praise song from 1982. "Great Are You, Lord" was written by the husband and wife team, Michael W. Smith and Deborah Smith. Soon after Michael W. Smith recorded this song it became popular and has proven to be one of his most enduring songs.

"Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised" is a formulaic element in three psalms (48:1, 96:4, and 145:3). This recurring idea in this song encourages us to praise God in response to His faithfulness, His power, His mercy, and His holiness. When we think of the qualities that we see exhibited in God's nature then we cannot help but proclaim that He is indeed worthy of our praise and worship.



-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 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 9: A/V: Jonathan Medford Nursery: Susan Smith

September 16: A/V: Fuller Royal Nursery: Mandy Horne

September 23: A/V: Justin Smith Nursery: Joan Dorsett

September 30: A/V: Hester Family Nursery: Ben & Sydney Kilpatrick



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!



Bring a friend!

YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF

Sunday, September 9, 2018
1:00 - 4:00 pm

Lake home of Coke and Janet Gray
408 Bella Coola Road
Lake Waccamaw, NC 28450

Grades 6-12
Hot dog lunch, Ice breakers, tubing, swimming

First Presbyterian Church will be combining youth groups with Whiteville United Methodist Church this year. We will be meeting two Sundays a month.

Tentative schedule is:

September 9
September 23
October 7
October 21
November 4
November 18

BIRTHDAYS



SEPTEMBER 2018 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



OCTOBER 2018 1 - Josh Horne, 4- Don Stocks, Emma Gray Wheatley, 5- Peggy Blanchard, 8 - Logan Hester, 9 - Butch Blanchard, 9- John Krahne, 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; **Gerald Hege**; 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; 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

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 week!

WEDNESDAYS TOGETHER:

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

Saturday, September 8:

Sunday, September 9:

Monday, September 10:

Tuesday, September 11:

Wednesday, September 12:

Thursday, September 13:

Sunday, September 16:

Monday, September 17:

Tuesday, September 18:

Wednesday, September 19:

Thursday, September 20:

Sunday, September 23:

Monday, September 24:

Tuesday, September 25:

Wednesday, September 26:

Thursday, September 27:

Sunday, September 30:

Southeastern NC Genealogical Society, Fellowship Hall - 1:00 pm

Rally Day, Fellowship Hall - 9:00 am

Youth Group Kickoff, Lake Waccamaw - 1:00 pm

Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm

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

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

Wednesdays Together: Galatians, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 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

Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm

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

Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:00 am

MVE Committee Meeting, Parlor - 5:30 pm

Wednesdays Together: Galatians, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm

Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 6:00 pm

Scouts - Youth Protection Training, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am

Scout Roundtable Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm

Youth Group

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm

Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Classroom - 7:00 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:00 am

Cub Scouts Pack Meeting, Fellowship Hall - 7:00 pm

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

Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

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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UPDATE RECORDS