FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

Second Week of February, 2019

Whiteville, NC

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

Sunday Worship: We are excited to have the new Stated Clerk/General Presbyter of the Presbytery of Coastal Carolina join us this Sunday for worship. The Rev. Jerrod B. Lowry will be offering this Sunday's sermon, "Why Fish? Why Me?" The text for this sermon is Luke 5:1-11.

Getting to know Rev. Lowry...

From the Pastor Before accepting the position of Stated Clerk/General Presbyter for the Presbytery of Coast Carolina, Jerrod (pronounced "Jer-odd") served as the pastor of Community of Grace PC(USA) in Sandy, Utah for 8 exciting and glorious years. He was first ordained in 2006 as a tentmaker in the Presbytery of New Hope. As a tentmaker he served as pastor to St. Paul PC in Louisburg, NC and Associate for Specialized Ministries for the Presbytery of New Hope. Jerrod is a proud graduate of Johnson C. Smith Theological Seminary (formerly a constituent seminary of the Interdenominational Theological Center of Atlanta, GA) and currently serves on the Board of Trustees. Jerrod loves football, has developed a tolerance for running, and enjoys "playing at golfing". Regrettably he is a life-

long fan of all professional Cleveland sports teams. Above all Jerrod is passionate about "equipping saints for the work of ministry" and has enjoyed studying St. Ignatius' Examen as a prayer practice and tool for discernment. Jerrod loves to explore, is willing to try, and is not afraid to fail at any

attempt to share the good news of the Gospel.

Jerrod is married to his college sweetheart, Molly (a Carolina girl). Together they have three kids - Kerryn (15), Kaleb (12), Kendle (9).

Sermon Note Sheets: Please remember that if 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.

Wednesday's Together Bible Study: Wednesdays Together Bible Study just kicked off a short study on Spiritual Disciplines. This is an introductory survey of some of the historic Spiritual Disciplines and how they can help strengthen and deepen our faith and commitment. This coming week our focus will be on prayer and fasting. Come join us at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Friends and guests are always welcome!

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.

In Christ, Pastor Joe

February, 2019 Worship Schedule

Head Usher: February: Kaye Pope

February 10 – Fifth Sunday in Epiphany Guest Minister: Rev. Jerrod Lowry

February 17 – Sixth Sunday in Epiphany

Sermon: "Promises Kept: Victory Over Death" Scripture: Isaiah 25:6-10

Sunday School 10:00 am | Worship 11:00 am

February 24 – Seventh Sunday in Epiphany

Sermon: "Who Am I... Created" Scripture: 1 Chronicles 17:16-27

Sunday School 10:00 am | Worship 11:00 am

February 10: A/V: Justin Smith **Nursery:** Joan Dorsett A/V: Donald Hester Nursery: Ben and Sydney Kilpatrick February 17:

February 24: **A/V:** Josh Horne Nursery: Ethan Scott

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

A Message From Chicks with Sticks:

The Chicks would like to bring you up to date on some of our projects.

At our Senior Luncheon, two beautiful lap blankets will be given away and several of the

favors on the tables have been made by the Chicks.

The Linus Blanket Project in Wilmington is in need of blankets, so we contributed several to them.

Our dolls, knockers, and cloths continue to be used and appreciated.

1- Beth Owens, 2- Todd Burney, 2- Don Smith, 4- Tim McColskey, 5- Gayle Kindschuh, 7-Jack Hooks, 7- Jennifer Williamson, 9- Bob Crutchfield, 12- Sara Thompson, 13 - Larry Thomas, 13- Mike Tyndall, 14- Kelly Love, 16 - Abigail Owens, 16- Bookie Trogdon, 16- Jayme Tyndall, 17- Jason Klara, 18- Erin Thompson, 19- Justin Smith, 24- McLean Thompson, 24- David Trogdon, 25 - Kathryn Scott, 28- Byrne Stocks

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- Bill Turner, 19 - Kate Meekins, 20 - Doug Spivey, 21 - Ann Coburn, 21 - Liz McLean, 23 - Coke Gray III,

23 - Barbara Grigsby, 24 - Walter Munroe, 24 - Chandler Thurston, 26 - Ginger Scott, 28 - Marty Ensley,

30 - Anne Branch

Prayer Concerns: Geraldine Becker; Kathryn Clark; Abbie Edwards; John Hall; Dolores Harris; Bob High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Miriam Marks; Tom Owens; Grace Palmer; Walter Strickland; Will Thompson; Nancy Thurston; Brent Wheatley.

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

Friends:

Pat Allen - friend of Butch Row, cancer Sara and Rob Armstrong Annette Caldwell Jay Coker - friend of Pastor Joe, cancer Billie Joe Conrad Louise Cox - mother of Angela Washburn, surgery Shari Dutton - friend of Bookie and David Trogdon Betty Faircloth - friend of Janet Gray Rick Hedgecock - former member of FPC, cancer Shelby Hodge Barry Housend - friend of Steve Smith, cancer

Daphne McLeod - friend of Butch Row, cancer Jerome McPherson Gail Move Angie Pinkston - friend of Bookie and David Trogdon Dottie Robinson - friend of Bookie and David Trogdon Hollis Salyer - friend of the church, cancer Barbara Shepherd - sister of Julie Stocks, hospice Ken Smith - friend of Butch Row, cancer Tori Tarro - friend of Mandy Smith, cancer Ronnie Thayer - friend of David Trogdon, cancer Melba Ward - mother of Janet Royal, stroke Please notify the office when names can be removed!

CHURCH CALENDAR

Friday, February 8: Fellowship Hall Reserved - 5:00 pm Saturday, February 9: Fellowship Hall Reserved - 7:00 am Fellowship Hall Reserved - 4:00 pm Sunday, February 10: Senior Valentine Luncheon, Fellowship Hall - 12:00 pm Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm Monday, February 11: Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Room - 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:00 am Tuesday, February 12: Wednesday, February 13: Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm Wednesdays Together: Intro. to Spiritual Disciplines - 6:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Thursday, February 14: Valentine's Day Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am Whiteville Rotary, Fellowship Hall - 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Sunday, February 17: Session Meeting, Conference Room - 8:30 am Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm Monday, February 18: President's Day Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Room - 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Tuesday, February 19: Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:00 am Wednesday, February 20: Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm Wednesdays Together: Intro. to Spiritual Disciplines - 6:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am Thursday, February 21: Whiteville Rotary, Fellowship Hall - 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Sunday, February 24: Centsabilty Offering Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm Monday, February 25: Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Room - 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Tuesday, February 26: Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:00 am Cub Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm Wednesday, February 27: Family Night Supper, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm Worship Committee, Parlor - 7:00 pm Congregational Life Committee, Conference Room - 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Contact the church office:910-642-2253OFFICE HOURS:8:30 am - 1:30 pm, M-FPastor Joe:pastorjoe@fpcwhiteville.orgKaren:karen@fpcwhiteville.orgCell:910-625-8023Website:www.fpcwhiteville.org

Live-Stream of Service: www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville or Channel 1304 (Spectrum)

Check us out on Twitter @FPCWhiteville or Facebook @fpcwhiteville



For information on Online Giving through the Presbyterian Foundation, go to https://fpcwhiteville.org/giving/ to sign up for automatic drafts, one-time donations, and more!

Scout Stew is available in the freezer in the kitchen for \$6 per container.

Proceeds benefit Boy Scout Troop 512.



Introduction to Spiritual Disciplines

Adult Bible Study Wednesdays at 6:30 pm Worth Fellowship Hall

February 13 & 20, 2019



Sunday, February 10, 2019

After Worship Worth Fellowship Hall



Centsability Offering February 24, 2019



Family Night Supper February 27, 2019

The **Worship Committee** has placed in the Narthex a calendar where you can sign up to put flowers in the church. Flowers can be placed to the glory of God and in memory of or in honor one someone special to you. **Please consider taking a Sunday for placing flowers**, a plant, or a vase of greenery!