# **FIRST NEWS**

#### First Presbyterian Church

Second Week of March, 2019

Whiteville, NC

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



**Sunday Worship**: As we enter this season of Lent, we will begin a loosely structured sermon series built around the idea that God makes all things new. This first week of Lent will focus on Jesus' call for us to come to him and receive his yoke, which he promises is easy and light. In preparation for Sunday I encourage you to read over Matthew 11:28-30.

Worship information:

- Scripture: Matthew 11:28-30
- Sermon: "Come to Me"
- Hymns:
  - o "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say
  - o "Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling"
- Choral Anthem: "Come to Me, O Weary Traveler"
- Offertory Hymn: "Come, Ye sinners, Poor and Needy" (Hymn of the Month)

**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: This coming Wednesday, March 13, "Wednesday's Together Bible Study" will kick off a Lenten Bible Study. Throughout the season of Lent, we will be in a study entitled, "The Cross of Good Friday" which is an exploration of Psalm 22. Come join us at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. Friends and guests are always welcome!

**Invite a Friend:** How do you grow a church? The simple answer (and honestly, the answer is not always simple) is that we all need to be intentional about inviting friends and neighbors to join us on Sunday mornings. Remember...86% of first-time visitors to a church attend because SOMEONE INVITED THEM!

**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 side 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.

In Christ, Pastor loe

# March, 2019 Worship Schedule

Head Usher: March: Anne Branch
March 10: First Sunday in Lent

Sermon: "Come to Me" Scripture: Matthew 11:28-30

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

March 17: Second Sunday in Lent

Sermon: "Unexpected Togetherness" Scripture: Ruth 1 (selected verses)

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

March 24: Third Sunday in Lent

Sermon: "No Condemnation" John 8:2-11 Sunday School 10:00 am | Worship 11:00 am

March 31: Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sermon: "Loving Your Neighbor As Yourself" Luke 10:25-37

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



March 10: A/V: Fuller Royal Nursery: Sarah and Coke Gray III Flowers: March 17: AN: Justin Smith **Nurserv:** Diane Scott Flowers: March 24: **A/V**: Donald Hester **Nursery:** Janet Gray Flowers: Nursery: Suzanne Blackmon March 31: A/V: Josh Horne Flowers:

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

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

1- Joe Kamberger, 3 – Sidney Gibson, 3 – Diane Scott, 3 – Mary Anne Tyndall, 4 – Steve Smith, 8 – Cooper MARCH 2019 Ware-Rudnik, 11 – Wyche McColskey, 11 – Will Neisler, 18 – Kim Smith, 18 – 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



1- Thad Thomas, 4- Greg Blackmon, 4- Anna Capps, 5- Kim Neisler, 7- Ethan Scott, 10- Judy Harritan, 11-APRIL 2019 Ellie Horne, 14- Emily Kea Gray, 17- Mark Smith, 18- Liam Scott, 19- Suzanne Blackmon, 19- Nick Logan,

22- Margaret Gray, 24- Miriam Davenport, 25- Janet Royal, 25- Rachel Smith, 30- Miriam Schulken.

- Congratulations to Ariel Thompson and Robert Treadaway on the birth of their daughter, Karen Nevaeh Treadaway on Tuesday, February 19, 2019.
- Sympathy to Gail Hedgecock and her family, upon the death of Rick Hedgecock on March 1, 2019.
- Congratulations to Josh, Mandy, Maggie, and Ellie Horne on the birth of Kenneth Tobin Horne on Saturday, March 2, 2019.
- Congratulations to Hannah and Nate Suire on the birth of their son, Charles Francis Suire, on Monday, March 4, 2019.

Prayer Concerns: Geraldine Becker; Kathryn Clark; John Hall; Dolores Harris; Bob High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Miriam Marks; Grace Palmer; Walter Strickland; Will Thompson.

Assisted Care: Arlene Blaha; Anna Jane Collier; Charlene Hinnant; Grace Palmer; 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 Shari Dutton - friend of Bookie and David Trogdon Betty Faircloth - friend of Janet Gray

Melinda Gavasto - Jason Klara's aunt, upon the death of her husband.

Shelby Hodge

Barry Housend - friend of Steve Smith, cancer Daphne McLeod - friend of Butch Row, cancer

Jerome McPherson

Gail Move

Buddy Pipkin - friend of David Trogdon, stroke Dottie Robinson - friend of Bookie and David Trogdon

Hollis Salyer - friend of the church, cancer 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 Willie Wilkins - friend of David Smith Please notify the office when names can be

removed

#### CHURCH CALENDAR

Saturday, March 9: Southeastern NC Genealogical Society, Fellowship Hall - 1:00 pm

Sunday, March 10: Daylight Saving Time starts - Spring Forward

Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm Monday, March 11:

Nuts and Bolts Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 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

Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm

Wednesdays Together: "The Cross of Good Friday", Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Whiteville Rotary, Fellowship Hall - 5:00 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

St. Patrick's Day

Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:30 pm

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm SDO Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 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

MVE Committee Meeting, Parlor - 5:30 pm

Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm

Conference Room Reserved - 6:00 pm

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

Karen: karen@fpcwhiteville.org

Wednesdays Together: "The Cross of Good Friday", Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Whiteville Rotary, Fellowship Hall - 5:00 pm

Scout Roundtable Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Contact the church office: 910-642-2253

Pastor Joe: pastorjoe@fpcwhiteville.org Cell: 910-625-8023

Tuesday, March 12:

Wednesday, March 13:

Thursday, March 14:

Sunday, March 17:

Monday, March 18:

Tuesday, March 19:

Wednesday, March 20:

Thursday, March 21:

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

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Wednesday, March 13 & 20, April 3 & 10

Adult Bible Study, Fellowship Hall



Please consider taking a Sunday for placing flowers, a plant, or a vase of greenery!



# Lenten Services 2019

511 North Thompson Street Whiteville, NC 28472 fpcwhiteville.org | 910-642-2253

#### Wednesday, March 6:

Ash Wednesday 6:00 pm

Westminster Presbyterian Church
307 South Franklin Street Whiteville, NC

#### Thursday, April 18:

Maundy Thursday 6:00 pm First Presbyterian Church

#### Friday, April 19:

Good Friday 6:00pm

Westminster Presbyterian Church

307 South Franklin Street Whiteville, NC

#### Sunday, April 21:

Sunrise Service 7:00 am (Outside)
Easter Breakfast after service
Sunday School 10:00 am
Easter Celebration 11:00 am (Sanctuary)

# Wednesdays Together Bible Study

Wednesday Evenings at 6:30 pm Lenten Study: "The Cross of Good Friday" Beginning Wednesday, March 13

# Lenten Services 2019

Whiteville Community

#### Whiteville United Methodist Church

902 Pinckney Street Whiteville, NC 28472 whitevilleumc.org | 910-642-3376

Worship 12:00 pm | Lunch 12:30 pm

#### Wednesday, March 13:

Rev. Justin DuBose, Pastor Missionary Alliance Church, Whiteville NC

### Wednesday, March 20:

Rev. Andy Anderson, Pastor

Pastor of Father's Cup Overflow Ministries, SC

#### Wednesday, March 27:

Dr. Darrin K. Moore, Pastor
New Hope Baptist Church, Whiteville NC

### Wednesday, April 3:

Rev. Joseph J. Yaeger, Pastor Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, Whiteville NC

#### Wednesday, April 10:

Dr. Joseph D. Washburn, Pastor
First Presbyterian Church, Whiteville NC

# Wednesday, April 17:

Rev. Bob Hankins, Pastor Hallsboro United Methodist Church, Hallsboro, NC



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

The office has been updating our records and trying to make everything as accurate as possible. Please take the time to make sure all phone numbers, email addresses, and birthdays, etc. are in the church database. Thank you!

