

# *First Presbyterian Church*

**Whiteville,  
North Carolina**

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

*Fourteenth Sunday  
after Pentecost*  
**September 15, 2019**

*Building  
a Firm*



**Rev. Dr. Joseph D.  
Washburn**

**Worship Assistant  
Paul Pope**

## *Gathering Around the Word*

*Prelude*

*The Family Band*

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer and Reflection

Call to Worship

Let us gather together and grow in faith.

**Faith is the assurance of things not seen.**

Let us stay alert and prepare for the coming of  
God.

**All who wait upon God shall renew their faith.**

Let us reaffirm our status as God's children.

**We come ready to worship, we leave  
committed to serve.**

Let us worship God.

\*Hymn of Praise

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**"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"**

Call to Confession

\*Prayer of Confession

Loving God, we believe that you have begun a  
good work in each one of us. You have  
created us, giving us gifts that we are called  
to share with others. And still, so often we  
fail to remember your Spirit at work in our  
lives, let alone reflect the goodness you have  
created in each one of us. We have chosen to  
stay focused on our needs instead of your  
needs. We have been wrapped up in our ways  
instead of following your way. Forgive us, O  
Lord. Take away our sin. Set us on a new and  
right path again. Through Jesus we pray.  
Amen.

\*Song of Assurance

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**"Bless the Lord"**

\*Words of Assurance

Hear the Good News. The Lord God of Israel  
has looked favorably upon His people.

**A mighty Savior has been raised up. He has  
redeemed us.**

Salvation has come through the forgiveness of our sins.  
In the name of this Holy One, we are forgiven!

\*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.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer 35

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 "Christ is Made the Sure Foundation" Wood

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Lesson Matthew 7:24-27

This is the Word of the Lord;  
Thanks be to God!

Sermon Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn  
"Building a Firm Foundation"

### *Responding to the Word*

\*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed 35

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call for the Offering

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "How Firm a Foundation" 463  
(Congregation & Choir)

## \*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!**

### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**\*Hymn of Commitment**                      **“I Love to Tell the Story”**

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## \*Charge and Benediction

## Music in Preparation for Service to the World

Next Week:

Scripture: Acts 1:12-14

## Sermon: “Ways of Praying”

***\*Please stand if you are able.***

# Wednesdays Together Bible Study

**Wednesday evenings**  
**September 18, October 2, 9, 16, 2019**  
**6:30 pm**

Ladies Bible Study  
with Angela  
Washburn

**Thursday mornings**  
**September 19, 26, October 3,**  
**10, 17, 2019**

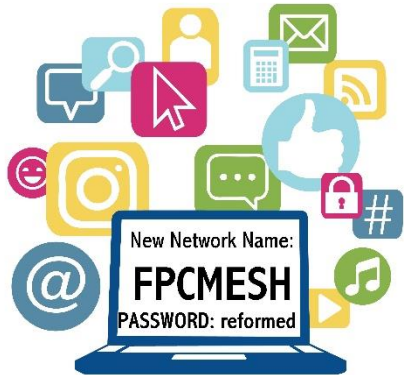
**9:00 am - 10:30 am**

Featuring the book The Daniel Prayer by  
Anne Graham Lotz



Free Concert featuring Isabel, Evans, and  
Kathryn Humphreys of The Family Band  
*Get this fall season off to a great start*  
*Come out and hear some Gospel bluegrass,*  
*Country and Americana with some originals*  
*thrown in!*

Sunday, September 22, 2019 at 4:00 pm  
First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary



**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.

**Prayer Concerns:** Geraldine Becker; John Hall; Dolores Harris; Bob High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Walter Strickland; Will Thompson.

**Assisted Care:** Arlene Blaha; Anna Jane Collier; Charlene Hinnant; Grace Palmer; Kenneth Smith.

**Friends:** Annette Caldwell; Jay Coker; Billie Joe Conrad; Shari Dutton; Shelby Hodge; Barry Housend; **Phyllis Howlett**; John Jolly; Kenneth Kelly; Roger Kennedy; C. P. Lewis; Julie Malone; Dale Manning; Daphne McLeod; Jerome McPherson; Paul Pipkin, Jr.; The family of Danny Robinson; Hollis Salyer; Michael Sellers; Shiryl Smith; Lee Trogdon; Greg Worthington.

**Please notify the office when names can be removed.**

- *The flowers today are given to the glory of God and to celebrate Shirley Logan's birthday.*

Nursery Team:	September 15: Kaye Pope	September 22: Ethan Scott
Sound Team:	September 15: Donald Hester	September 22: Josh Horne
Flowers:	September 15: Sally Medford	September 22: _____
Backpack Ministry:	September 15: Youth	September 22: MVE
Head Usher:	September: Chris Smith	October: Susan Smith

**CHURCH CALENDAR:**

Sunday, September 15:	<b>Rally Day</b>
Monday, September 16:	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm Nuts and Bolts Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 6:30 pm Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Classroom - 7:00 pm
Tuesday, September 17:	MVE Committee Meeting, Parlor - 5:30 pm
Wednesday, September 18:	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm Cub Scouts, Scout Room - 6:00 pm Wednesdays Together Bible Study, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, September 19:	Ladies Bible Study, Conference Room - 9:00 am Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Sunday, September 22:	Free Concert featuring The Family Band, Sanctuary - 4:00 pm

Contact the church office: 910-642-2253	OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm, M-F
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*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!*

**Pastor Joe will be out of the office  
Monday, September 16 through Wednesday, September 18, 2019.**