

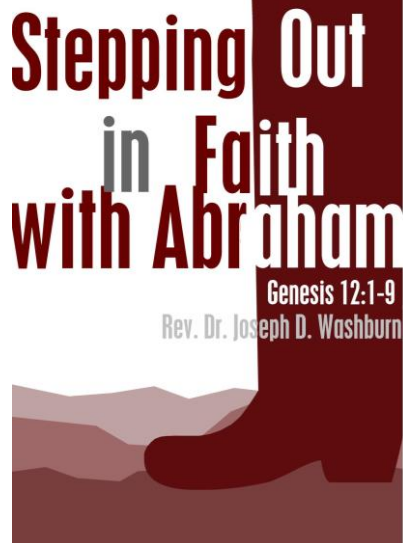
First Presbyterian Church

Whiteville,
North Carolina

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

*Tenth Sunday after
Pentecost*

August 9, 2020



Rev. Dr. Joseph D.
Washburn

Gathering Around the Word

Welcome

Prelude

Announcements

Call to Worship

It is good to sing praises to our God. God is gracious and a song of praise is fitting.

**Great is the Lord, and abundant in power,
whose understanding is beyond measure.**

Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God with the lyre.

**You take pleasure in those who fear you and
hope in your steadfast love.**

Let us worship God!

Instrumental Hymn of Praise

"If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee"

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, you heal the brokenhearted; save us from sin when we inflict pain on our neighbors. We bear grudges against those who deceive us. We seek revenge on those who hurt us. Some we judge inferior since they don't meet our standards. Others we deem unworthy of our respect and support. Jesus had compassion upon all who were afflicted. Forgive us, O God, when our hearts are hardened against neighbors in need. We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

*Words of Assurance

The assurance of our pardon resides in Christ, "who, though he was in the form of God ... emptied himself, taking the form of a slave. Today, he intercedes on behalf of human weakness before the great throne of God. Therefore, let every knee bow, and let every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. Therein lies our assurance that we are forgiven!

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Sermon

Scripture Lesson

Genesis 12:1-9

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. Abram took his wife Sarai and his brother's son Lot, and all the possessions that they had gathered, and the persons whom they had acquired in Haran; and they set forth to go to the land of Canaan. When they had come to the land of Canaan, Abram passed through the land to the place at Shechem, to the oak of Moreh. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. Then the LORD appeared to Abram, and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built there an altar to the LORD, who had appeared to him. From there he moved on to the hill country on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; and there he built an altar to the LORD and invoked the name of the LORD. And Abram journeyed on by stages toward the Negeb.

This is the Word of the Lord;

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn

"Stepping Out in Faith with Abraham"

Responding to the Word

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

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 to Offering

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

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.

Instrumental Hymn of Commitment “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”

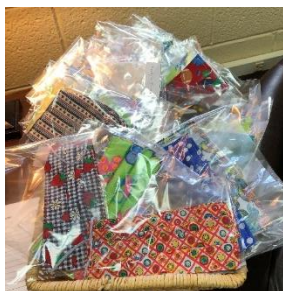
Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service to the World

NEXT WEEK:

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38

Sermon: “Stepping Out in Faith with Mary”



Face Masks: Wearing face masks in public became mandatory in NC. We encourage you to please wear one as we work together to put this Covid-19 down. If you are in need of a face mask, please contact Pastor Joe, or the office, as we have some homemade masks available.

Hand Sanitizer: If you are in need of hand sanitizer let Pastor Joe or the office know. Alex Munroe and Cape Fear Distillery have donated some of their “DistilliSan”. We can gladly refill your container! Just let me know and we will get together.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
WHITEVILLE, NC

NEW!

OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY - 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

TUESDAY - 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY - 2:00 PM - 5:30 PM

THURSDAY - 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

FRIDAY - 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM

WELCOME! We welcome you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! May today's worship open you to God.

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

Assisted Care: Anna Jane Collier; Charlene Hinnant; Kenneth Smith.

Friends: Pat Allen; Michael Brown; **Ronnel Burney**; Hugo & Paula Caesares; Matthew Coker; Billie Joe Conrad; Betty Engen Faircloth; Frank Frione; Rev. Ben Garriss; Patty High; Shelby Hinson; Shelby Hodge; Barry Housend; Phyllis Howlett; Roger Kennedy; Julie Malone; Jerome McPherson; Carrie Palmer; Sheryl Smith; Mike Spradley; William Smith; Christy Stoops; Nancy Washburn; Joe Youngblood.

Please notify the office when names can be removed.

Sound Team: August 9: Todd Burney

August 16: Donald or Jenifer Hester

Flowers: August 9: _____

August 16: Thurston Family

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 9:

In-Person Worship Service - 11:00 am

Session Meeting - 12:00 pm

Fellowship Hall Reserved - 2:00 pm

Monday, August 10:

Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm

Wednesday, August 12:

Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm

Thursday, August 13:

Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm

Sunday, August 16:

In -Person Worship Service - 11:00 am

Monday, August 17:

MVE Committee Meeting - 6:00 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm

Wednesday, August 19:

CLC Committee Meeting - 6:00 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm

Thursday, August 20:

Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm

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