

# FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

First Week of September, 2020

Whiteville, NC

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



**Sunday Worship:** This Sunday we bring to a close our sermon series, "Stepping Out in Faith". Our text for Sunday is Acts 9:10-19 and revolves around a brief encounter we have with a man named Ananias, who was a Christian in Damascus who was called by God for a very special task. I believe the story of Ananias is a great ending to this fun little series. In preparation for worship Sunday morning, I encourage you to prayerfully read over the text. And don't forget...invite your friends and neighbors (of course, they could be the same!) to join us for worship as well!

## **Worship information:**

- **Scripture:** Acts 9:10-19
- **Sermon:** "Stepping Out in Faith with Ananias"
- **Hymns:**
  - "How Firm a Foundation"
  - "Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound"

**How You Can Worship:** We are now offering in-person worship. The guidelines for attending worship can be found on our web page at [www.fpcwhiteville.org](http://www.fpcwhiteville.org). But we also continue our live stream options.

1. Facebook: [www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville](https://www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville)
2. YouTube: On the YouTube site, search for "First Presbyterian Church, Whiteville, NC"
3. Twitter: @FPCWhiteville
4. Roku: First Presbyterian-Whiteville
5. Spectrum Channel 1304

**Wednesday Prayer Service:** Each week we have been offering a Prayer Service using Zoom. This is a time when we can catch up with one another and then enter into a time of prayer together. We meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 and an invitation to join us is sent out either Monday or Tuesdays with a reminder going out about 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. This gathering and praying together typically lasts about 30 minutes. Hope you will join us

**Face Masks:** Wearing face masks in public is now mandatory in NC. If you are in need of a face mask please contact me, or the office, as we have some homemade masks available. Donations are accepted.

**Hand Sanitizer:** If you are in need of hand sanitizer let me 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.

**Community Outreach:** Want to make a big difference in Whiteville and Columbus County? Here are three pretty simple, not too time-consuming ways, you can have an impact on your community!

- **Cards:** Write cards for employees at the hospital...or nursing home. You can drop these off at the church, there is a plastic shoe box beneath the carport of the Outback building, and we will deliver them for you. Jeremy Simmons, chaplain at the hospital, tells me every time I drop some off how much they mean to those who get them.
- **Snack Food:** Besides cards, I know the hospital welcomes donated snacks...homemade or store bought...for the staff. Just a little something that reminds them that they are in our thoughts and prayers. You can also drop these off at the church and we will deliver them.
- **Canned Food:** If you would like to help families in need within Columbus County, Community CPR is collecting canned food. There are collection boxes at Penn's Grill and Pharmacy on Main...or feel free to drop them off at the church and we will get them to where they need to be!

*In Christ,  
Pastor Joe*

## **Volunteers:**

**A/V:** 8/30: Justin Smith  
**Flowers:** 8/30: Sara Cartrette

9/6: Todd Burney  
9/6: Todd and Carrie Burney

9/13: Donald or Jenifer Hester  
9/13: Sally Medford

# August and September, 2020 Worship Schedule

August: Gail Crutchfield

## August 30: Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 am In-Person Worship (*no nursery or Sunday School*)

Scripture: Acts 9:10-19

Sermon: "Stepping Out in Faith with Ananias"

September: Chris Smith

## September 6: Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 am In-Person Worship (*no nursery or Sunday School*)



1- Melanie Capps, 4- Miranda Kamberger, 6 – Mary Kindschuh, 9- Andrew Scott, 10- Mandy Smith, 11- Angela Washburn, 16- Shirley Logan, 17- Emily Owens, 20- Laythan Stocks, 21- JE Thompson, 23- Luke McLean, 26- Ben Kilpatrick, 28- Mike Spivey



1- Josh Horne, 4- Don Stocks, 4- Emma Wheatley, 5- Peggy Blanchard, 8- Logan Hester, 9- Butch Blanchard, 11- Walter Strickland, 15- Kenneth Smith, 17- Betty Monds, 18- Martin Scott, 20- Emily Russ, 26- Donald Hester, 27- Fredrica Stell, 29- Sara Cartrette, 30- Zach Spivey, 31- Rick Neisler

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

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

### Friends:

Pat Allen – *friend of Butch Row, Alzheimer's*  
Michael Brown – *friend of Carrie Burney, cancer*  
Ronnel Burney - *Todd Burney's father*  
Hugo & Paula Caesares – *friends of the Trogdons, mission trip*  
Matthew Coker – *friend of Pastor Joe, heart transplant*  
Billie Joe Conrad  
Betty Engen Faircloth – *friend of the church, cancer*  
Frank Frione – *son of Charlene High, car accident*  
Rev. Ben Garris – *friend of Joe and Angela, cancer*  
Patty High – *family of Bob & Charlene High, COVID-19*  
Shelby Hinson – *friend of Sara Cartrette, heart surgery*  
Shelby Hodge  
Barry Housend – *friend of Steve Smith, cancer*  
Phyllis Howlett – *friend of Martin Scott, cancer*  
Roger Kennedy – *friend of David Trogdon - stroke*  
Julie Malone – *cousin of Butch Row, dementia*  
Jerome McPherson  
Carmen McQueen – *friend of Janet Gray, cancer*  
Carrie Palmer - *friend of the church, cancer*  
Shiryl Smith – *friend of Butch Row, gallbladder issues*  
William Smith – *friend of Sara Cartrette, stroke*  
Mike Spradley – *friend of the church, cancer*  
Nancy Washburn - *mother of Pastor Joe*  
Joe Youngblood - *friend of the church, cancer*

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

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- *The flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Jerry L. Cartrette by Sara W. Cartrette and family.*

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 30:  
Monday, August 31:  
Wednesday, September 2:  
Thursday, September 3:  
Sunday, September 6:  
Monday, September 7:

Wednesday, September 9:  
Thursday, September 10:

### In -Person Worship Service - 11:00 am

Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm  
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### Office Closed - Labor Day

Nuts and Bolts Meeting, Conference Room - 6:00 pm  
Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm  
Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm  
Women's Bible Study, Zoom - 10:00 am  
Alcoholics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall - 8:00 pm

Contact the church office: 910-642-2253

NEW OFFICE HOURS: 8:30-2:30pm, Mon, Thur, Fri & 2:00-5:30pm Tues & Wed

Pastor Joe: [pastorjoe@fpcwhiteville.org](mailto:pastorjoe@fpcwhiteville.org)

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Live-Stream of Service: [www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville](https://www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville), Twitter, YouTube, Spectrum Channel 1304, and Roku



On Thursday, Sept. 10th at 10am, we will begin a 7-week Bible study called **Me, Myself, and Lies** by **Jennifer Rothschild**. If you would like to join us, the member books are \$20 and you will need to let Angela know as soon as possible if you want one ordered for you.

"Words are powerful. Especially the words women speak to themselves. All too often, what they say to themselves when they lie in bed at night or look in the mirror in the morning is not even close to the words God wants them to speak to their souls. According to Rothschild, what we think about often has a ripple effect on nearly every area of our lives.

*Me, Myself, and Lies: A Thought Closet Makeover* - Member Book provides a personal study experience five days a week plus viewer guides for the group video sessions of this women's Bible study. Based on Jennifer Rothschild's book. *Self Talk, Soul Talk*, the study encourages women to clean out the junk in their minds and replace hidden negative thoughts with positive truths from God's word."



We have received word concerning a family with students in Whiteville City Schools who are in need of some assistance. This family, who is homeless, has three students and they are in need of school uniforms. If you would like to help, you may send donations through First Presbyterian Church.

Donations will be accepted through:

Online

Giving <http://fpcwhiteville.org/onlinegiving>,

by mail 511 North Thompson Street,  
Whiteville, NC 28472

or in the offering plate this Sunday, August  
30, 2020.

*Thank you for your help!*