

# FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

Third Week of October, 2020

Whiteville, NC

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



**Sunday Worship:** This week is our second week explore the idea of a Biblical view/understanding of unity. We will actually be using two main passages this week... Galatians 5:13-15 & Ephesians 4:1-6. I encourage you read over these passages...and pray through them...in preparation for worship this Sunday.

**Worship information:**

• **Scripture:** Galatians 5:13-15 & Ephesians 4:1-6

- **Sermon:** "Loving Your Neighbor"
- **Hymns:**
  - "God of Grace and God of Glory"
  - "The Church's One Foundation"

**Two Ways to Worship with Us!** Don't forget that there are two ways you can join us in worship on Sunday morning.

1. First is our live stream of the 11:00 service. We livestream on four platforms: Facebook

([www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville](https://www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville)); YouTube (First Presbyterian church—Whiteville); Twitter (@FPCWhiteville); Roku (First Presbyterian Church—Whiteville). We are also (usually) on Spectrum Channel 1304.

2. 11:00 In-person worship. Please see our website ([www.fpcwhiteville.org](http://www.fpcwhiteville.org)) for more information on our policy for in-person worship).

**Sunday School:** Be sure to check out our children's and youth Sunday School offerings! For the children there is a weekly video...the link is in this newsletter as well as the worship reminder email that goes out on Saturday evening. For the youth we have a list of Bible readings and questions. It is also included in this newsletter as well as the worship reminder email on Saturday!

**Spiritual Retreat:** Next week I will be out of the office on a Spiritual Retreat. This personal Spiritual Retreat is something I have been trying to do annually as one of my weeks of Continuing Education. This year I will be spending a week of solitude on a sailboat just outside Savannah, GA. (I will be tied to the dock the whole time...not out sailing or cruising!) Each day begins and ends with a service of prayer and worship, along with my daily devotional and scripture readings. Each day also has a different prayer focus that will guide my prayers, reflection, and writing for that particular day. During the week I will also be reading a book by Andrew Murray, Absolute Surrender as well as 5 podcasts on leadership by John Maxwell. I would ask that while I am away you lift prayers that this would truly be a time renewal for me...spiritually, emotionally, and physically.

In Christ,  
Pastor Joe

<b>Volunteers:</b>	<b>A/V:</b>	10/18: Will Scott	10/25: Justin Smith	11/1: Todd Burney
	<b>Flowers:</b>	10/18: Todd Burney	10/25: _____	11/1: Paula & Steve Smith

## October, 2020 Worship Schedule

Head Usher - October: Susan Smith

October 18: Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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

Scripture: Galatians 5:13-15

Sermon: "Loving Your Neighbor"

October 26: Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

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

Guest Minister: Rev. Jeremy Simmons



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



2- Scott Caperton, 5- Sarah Gray, 5- Carrie Medford, 6- Carroll Branch, 7- Gail Crutchfield, 7- Sydney Kilpatrick, 14- Charlene Hinnant, 16- Ri Love, 17- Jeff Kindschuh, 25- Jenifer Hester, 27- Jean Lee, 27- Don Viets

Prayer Concerns: Geraldine Becker; John Hall; 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

Rev. Ben Garriss – friend of Joe and Angela, cancer

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

Benny McBride -family of David Trogdon

Jerome McPherson

Carmen McQueen – friend of Janet Gray, cancer

Juda Millman – family of Charlene High, COVID-19

Kim Sellers – friend of Doug Spivey, 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

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



### How to Help!

Halloween is quickly approaching, and we need your help to offer our kids a safe way to celebrate. We will host a drive-through Trunk-or-Treat on Saturday, October 31, 2020 from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.

### Ways you can help:

1. Bring some pre-packaged candy and drop it off by October 18th. There will be a plastic tote, marked Trunk or Treat, under the outback for you to drop off candy. We will make treat bags to give out during the event.
2. Decorate a trunk and help pass out candy! Volunteers are needed to decorate their trunks, wear a costume and mask, and pass out candy. Goodie bags will be pre-assembled for you to pass out as parents drive past the trunks.

We would like to have a minimum of 5 trunks for families to drive by and see.

-Angela Washburn and the SDO Committee

### Operation Christmas Child

As Christmas is quickly approaching, we have an opportunity to share the love of Jesus through gifts placed in a shoebox and prayed over. If you would like to participate in this easy and important ministry to children all over the world, you can fill your shoeboxes and drop them off at the church by Sunday, November 15th or if you don't feel comfortable doing the shopping, Angela will happily shop for you if you would like to make a monetary donation. There are shoeboxes available at the church if you would like to pick one up along with a pamphlet that has instructions as to how to prepare the box. If you would like these items brought to you, please let Angela know.



## CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, October 18:  
Monday, October 19:

Wednesday, October 21:

Thursday, October 22:

Sunday, October 25:

Monday, October 26:

Wednesday, October 28:

Thursday, October 29:

Saturday, October 31:

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

MVE Committee Meeting, Parlor - 5:30 pm

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Prayer Service, Zoom - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Women's Bible Study, Zoom - 10:00 am

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

**In -Person Worship Service with Jeremy Simmons - 11:00 am**

**Centsability Offering**

Worship Committee Meeting, Parlor - 6:00 pm

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

**Drive Thru Family Night Supper - Fish Fry - 6:00 pm**

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

**Drive-Thru Trunk or Treat - 6:00 pm**

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

Website: [www.fpcwhiteville.org](http://www.fpcwhiteville.org)

**NEW OFFICE HOURS:** 8:30-2:30pm - Mondays, Tuesdays,  
Thursdays, and Fridays

Karen: [karen@fpcwhiteville.org](mailto:karen@fpcwhiteville.org)



## First Presbyterian Church

Sunday School Lessons:

Pre-K - 5<sup>th</sup> grade:

A video lesson for Pre-K through 5th graders at First Presbyterian Church in Whiteville, NC

<https://youtu.be/TQB8KuctMml>

<https://app.box.com/s/24z27crxlee24rd7t5rcte46emn0hs75>

### Middle & High Class (6th -12th Grades)

Week of Oct 11 – Oct 17

#### Day 17

**Reading:** Luke 2:21-24

**Write:** What does Jesus mean? (v. 21; Matthew 1:21)

#### Day 18

**Reading:** Luke 2:25-32

**Write:** Luke 2:30

#### Day 19

Reading: Luke 2:33-38

Write: Luke 2:38

#### Day 20

Reading: Luke 2:39-45

Write: Luke 2:40

Join us at First Presbyterian Church  
for a drive-through Trunk-or-Treat on  
**October 31st from 6:00 – 7:00 pm**



Wear your costumes and don't forget to bring your  
Trick-or-Treat bags.

Drive through our parking lot to see decorated  
trunks while volunteers bring the treats to you!