

# FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

First Week of December, 2020

Whiteville, NC

**“To be a light in our community reflecting Christ’s love and compassion”**



- **Sunday Worship:** This Sunday we enter the season of Advent. I am excited that Jeremy Simmons, Chaplain at Columbus Regional Healthcare, will be preaching while I am out on vacation. Jeremy will actually be preaching on the first theme of this year’s Advent sermon series...hope.

**Worship information:**

- **Scripture:** Isaiah 43:14-19
- **Sermon:** “Hoping for Something New”

**Two Ways to Worship with Us!** Don’t forget that there are three 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](http://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 remember that this week we begin our new mask protocol for in-person worship: masks are required throughout the whole service.

**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!

**Community Outreach:** Want to make a difference in our community? 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*

<b>Volunteers:</b>	<b>A/V:</b>	11/29: Jonathan Medford	12/6: Donald & Jenifer Hester	12/13: Will Scott
	<b>Flowers:</b>	11/29: Todd & Carrie Burney	12/6: _____	12/13: _____



1-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



4- Will Thompson, 5 – Price Wheatley, 10- Tom Owens, 11 – Carrie Burney, 11- Chris Cook, 12 – Junius Lee III, 13 – Melena Hester, 16 – Mary Moody, 16 – Chris Smith, 18 – Kathryn Clark, 18 – Maggie Horne, 19 – Sarah Kindschuh, 19- David Smith, 20- Fran Thomas, 21 – Madison McLean, 22- Meredith McColskey, 24- Bob High, 27- Debbie Viets, 28- Natalie Royal

# November & December, 2020 Worship Schedule

Head Usher - November: Donny Viets    December: Paul Pope

## November 29: First Sunday of Advent

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

Guest Minister: The Rev. Jeremy Simmons

Scripture: Isaiah 43:14-19      Sermon: "Hoping for Something New"

## December 6: Second Sunday of Advent

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

Scripture: Malachi 3:1-4      Sermon: "Becoming People of Peace"

## December 13: Third Sunday of Advent

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

Scripture: Isaiah 12      Sermon: "Becoming People of Joy"

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

Diana Butler – friend of Jack Hooks, cancer

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 Garris – friend of Joe and Angela, cancer

Greg Goodson – friend of Jack Hooks, cancer

Shelby Hodge

Barry Housend – friend of Steve Smith, cancer

Phyllis Howlett – friend of Martin Scott, cancer

**Martha & PW Jessup** – family of Kirk Clark, COVID-19

Roger Kennedy – friend of David Trogdon - stroke

Julie Malone – cousin of Butch Row, dementia

Jerome McPherson

Carmen McQueen – friend of Janet Gray, cancer

**Steve Nelson's family** – cousin of Sydney Kilpatrick, passed away

Kim Sellers – friend of Doug Spivey, cancer

Shiryl Smith – friend of Butch Row, gallbladder issues

William Smith – friend of Sara Cartrette, stroke

Nancy Washburn - mother of Pastor Joe

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



Drive-Through Pick up Sunday, December 13, 2020  
Love Feast Kit will include a roll, candle, Moravian history, and Moravian Blessing  
Call or text Mary Anne (910-640-9837) or Joan (910-840-5468)  
to reserve a Love Feast Kit by Friday, December 11, 2020.

**Pastor Joe will be out of the office Thursday, November 26, and will return to the office Monday, December 7, 2020.**



**The Angel Tree** will be in the narthex Sunday, November 29, 2020 with 10 angels for people to "adopt". A sign-up sheet will be there to record the angel number chosen to adopt.

Gifts are due by **Sunday, December 13, 2020.**

The Church Office will be **CLOSED**

November 25 at 2:30 pm  
and will reopen  
November 30 at 8:30 am

- *The flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Scott Short.*

## CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 29:	<b>In-Person Worship Service - 11:00 am</b> <i>(masks must be worn throughout worship)</i>
Monday, November 30:	<b>Centsability Offering</b> Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, December 2:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Prayer Service, Zoom - 6:30 pm
Thursday, December 3:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Sunday, December 6:	<b>In-Person Worship Service - 11:00 am</b> <i>(masks must be worn throughout worship)</i>
Monday, December 7:	Nuts and Bolts Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 6:00 pm Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm
Wednesday, December 9:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm Prayer Service, Zoom - 6:30 pm
Thursday, December 10:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm <b>Church Office Closed</b>
Friday, December 11:	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm <b>Church Office Closed</b>
Sunday, December 13:	<b>In-Person Worship Service - 11:00 am</b> <i>(masks must be worn throughout worship)</i> <b>Angel Tree gifts due</b> Session Meeting, Fellowship Hall - 12:00 pm <b>Moravian Love Feast Drive Through Pick-Up - 12:00 pm</b> <b>Moravian Love Feast, Online Only - 7:00 pm</b>

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Live-Stream of Service: [www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville](http://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 Week of November 29- December 5, 2020:

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

### Day 41

Reading: Luke 5:33-39

Write: Luke 5:35

### Day 42

Reading: Luke 6:1-5

Question: Luke 6:5

Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath Day (Luke 6:5). How do you show that in your life?

### Day 43

Reading: Luke 6:6-11

Question: How did the Pharisees respond to Jesus healing the man? (v. 11)

### Day 44

Reading: Luke 6:12-16

Write: Luke 12:12

**UPDATE RECORDS**

Please contact the office if you would like to be on our mailing list or update your records.

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