

FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

First Week of January, 2021

Whiteville, NC

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



Worship information:

Scripture: Matthew 2:9-23

Sermon: "After the Party's Over"

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); 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 we began 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!

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.

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*

Volunteers: A/V:

1/3: Donald and Jenifer Hester

1/10: Will Scott

1/17: Justin Smith

January, 2021 Worship Schedule

Head Usher for January: Todd Burney

January 3: Second Sunday of Christmas

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

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January 10: Baptism of the Lord

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



2- Jayne Smith, 2- Jennifer Yoder, 3- Randy Yoder, 5- Jackson Cook, 11- Janna Neisler, 12- Mary Louise Bannerman, 14- Greg Williamson, 15- Hillary Kindschuh, 15- Berry Love, 16- Wes Gray, 17- Olivia Smith, 17- Tripp Thompson, 18- Emily Hooks, 21- Paul Pope, 22- Geraldine Becker, 27- Jenny Meekins, 28- Jolie Burney



1- Beth Owens, 2- Todd Burney, 4- Tim McColskey, 5- Gayle Kindschuh, 7- Jack Hooks, 9- Bob Crutchfield, 12- Donald Hester Sr., 12- Sara Thompson, 13- Larry Thomas, 13- Mike Tyndall, 14- Kelly Love, 16- Abigail Owens, 16- Bookie Trogon, 16- Jayme Tyndall, 16- Pastor Joe, 17- Jason Klara, 17- Erin Thompson, 19- Justin Smith, 24 – McLean Thompson, 24- David Trogon

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 Trogons, 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 Trogon - stroke

Julie Malone – cousin of Butch Row, dementia

Jerome McPherson

Carmen McQueen – friend of Janet Gray, cancer

Helen Reid – grandmother of Jonathan Medford, COVID-19

Shiryl Smith – friend of Butch Row, gallbladder issues

William Smith – friend of Sara Cartrette, stroke

Emmett & Sylvan Tedder – friends of Charlene High, COVID-19

Nancy Washburn - mother of Pastor Joe

Michael Ann Williamson - friend of Emily Owens

Please notify the office when names can be removed.

Ladies Bible Study

On Thursday, January 14, at 10:00 am over Zoom, we will begin a winter study of the book of James. This study was written by Rev. Gene Ensley, whose daughters are our own Jenny Meekins and Marty Ensley. Jenny and Angela will be teaching this study together. We will send out some "homework" to be done before we meet each week so if you are interested, let Angela know soon so she can include you in the email with the homework as well as the link to join us on January 7.

Joeandangelawashburn@gmail.com We look forward to a wonderful study.

**Pastor Joe
will return to the office Monday,
January 4, 2021.**

CHURCH CALENDAR

Friday, January 1:

Sunday, January 3:

Monday, January 4:

Wednesday, January 6:

Thursday, January 7:

Saturday, January 9:

Sunday, January 10:

New Year's Day - Office Closed

In-Person Worship Service - 11:00 am

(masks must be worn throughout worship)

Spiritual Development/Outreach Committee Meeting - 12:00 pm

Worship Committee Meeting - 6:00 pm

Nuts & Bolts Committee Meeting - 6:00 pm

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Prayer Service, Zoom - 6:30 pm

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Southeastern North Carolina Genealogical Society, Fellowship Hall

In-Person Worship Service - 11:00 am

(masks must be worn throughout worship)

Session Meeting, Fellowship Hall - 12:00 pm

Contact the church office: 910-642-2253

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

Website: www.fpcwhiteville.org

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

Karen: karen@fpcwhiteville.org

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Sunday School Lessons Week of January 3 - January 10, 2021:



Pre-K - 5th grade:

Video: <https://youtu.be/c3h5r3AVJI4>

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

Day 61

Reading: Luke 7:36-39

Question: What did the woman use to wipe Jesus' feet? (v. 38)

Day 62

Reading: Luke 7:40-43

Question: Who loves most? (v. 42)

Day 63

Reading: Luke 7:44-50

Write: Luke 7:48

Who should you take your tears to? (Luke 7:13)

Day 64

Reading: Luke 8:1-3

Question: What did Jesus preach? (v. 1)