

First Presbyterian Church

Whiteville,
North Carolina

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

Pentecost
May 23, 2021



Acts 2:1-21

Rev. Dr. Joseph D.
Washburn

Gathering Around the Word

Welcome

Prelude

Announcements

Call to Worship

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

Like them, we have gathered to praise and worship the living God.

From heaven came the sound of a rushing wind, and fire, in the shape of tongues, rested on each one.

Can we hear the wind? Are we ready for the fire?

Fill us with your Holy Spirit, O God, that we might tell your glory to all the world.

Opening Prayer

*Hymn of Praise

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

The rise of your Holy Spirit comes upon us, O God, as we echo the words of the prophet Isaiah, “Woe! We are lost! We are people of unclean lips and unclean lives.” In silence, we lift our brokenness to you.

As we confess our brokenness, you remind us that we have been baptized by water and your Spirit, that our sins are no more. In silence, fill our hearts and minds with your forgiving grace.

We have not always been open to your grace, Holy God. Wash over us again and again with your forgiveness and love, your merciful kindness, the newness of life which can only come from you, until only your Spirit-fire burns within us. In silence, we make space for you to claim us in new and deeper ways.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Proclaiming the Word

Reception of New Members

Children's Sermon

Scripture Lessons

Acts 2:1-21

This is the Word of the Lord;

Thanks be to God!

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn

“Oh, What a Day!”

Responding to the Word

*Hymn of Response

“Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness”

*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.

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.

Hymn of Commitment

“On Pentecost They Gathered”

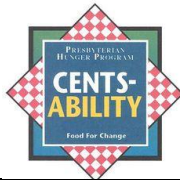
Charge and Benediction

Music in Preparation for Service in the World

Next Week:

Scripture: Acts 2:37-42

Sermon: “After Pentecost: The First Converts”



Centsability offering will be collected next Sunday.



Blessings in a Bottle
Despite the pandemic,

Living Hope Pregnancy Support Services had 683 client visits in 2020. 177 of these were first-time clients, and each one was asked about her relationship with Christ and was offered a Bible and devotional literature. The plan of salvation was presented to 27 clients, 6 of whom made first-time decisions for Christ. Please remember to fill your baby bottle to benefit this Christ-centered local ministry.



**Mona Watts Kahl
Scholarship
First Presbyterian
Church, Whiteville,
NC**

For the 2021-2022 academic year there will be 3 awards, each for \$2,000.00. Students planning to or majoring in K-12 education, a medically related field, the ministry, or Christian Education are eligible. See our website for more details: <https://fpcwhiteville.org/scholarship-information/>

Deadline is **Monday, June 7, 2021**, including receipt of transcripts.

Questions? Contact Paul Pope

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Dine-In Family Night Supper

Wednesday, May 26, 2021

6:00 pm

Fellowship Hall

The SDO committee would like to invite you to the May Dine In Family Night Supper on May 26, 2021.

Menu:

Pork Loin	Baked Beans
Cole Slaw	Roll
Ice Cream Sundaes	Tea and Lemonade

Looking forward to seeing you!

The Church Office will be closed Monday, May 31 for Memorial Day and Friday, June 4, 2021.

WELCOME! We welcome you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! May today's worship open you to God. *Your entire family is welcome*, but we do offer a nursery for children birth to 3 years of age located in the education building behind the sanctuary.

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; Sarah Anglin; Richard Blake; Michael Brown; Anne Burney; Ronnel Burney; Hugo & Paula Caesares; Matthew Coker; Billie Joe Conrad; Mary Donnan; Betty Engen Faircloth; Richard Hobgood; Shelby Hodge; Rhonda Housend; Martha & PW Jessup; Roger Kennedy; Julie Malone; Jerome McPherson; Helen Reid; Shiryl Smith; William Smith; Nancy Washburn.

Please notify the office when names can be removed.

Sound Team: May 23: Todd Burney

May 30: Caroline Smith

Flowers: May 23: Steve & Joan Dorsett

May 30: Will Scott

Nursery: May 23: Kaye Pope

May 30: Sarah & Coke Gray III

Head Usher: May: Ben Kilpatrick

- *The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Steve and Joan Dorsett.*

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, May 23:

Worship Service - 11:00 am

SDO Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 12:00 pm

Worship Committee Meeting, Parlor - 6:00 pm

Monday, May 24:

Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Wednesday, May 26:

Family Night Supper, Fellowship Hall - 6:00 pm

CLC Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 7:00 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Thursday, May 27:

Chicks with Sticks, Fellowship Hall - 11:00 am

Scout Roundtable Meeting, Scout Room - 6:30 pm

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Sunday, May 30:

Worship Service - 11:00 am

Monday, May 31:

Memorial Day - Church Office Closed

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

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Wednesday, June 2:

Chicks with Sticks, Fellowship Hall - 11:00 am

Thursday, June 3:

Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

Friday, June 4:

Church Office Closed

Contact the church office: 910-642-2253

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NEW OFFICE HOURS: 8:30-2:30- Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday

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