

The Weekly Bulletin FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PEALING OF THE BELLS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Please sign and pass the Register of Friendship during this time.

PRELUDE Prelude on 'Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies' June Nixon

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: In the wilderness, water brings life.

People: Seek us out, O God, and take us to the water. Leader: In the Word of God, the good news gives light.

People: Seek us out, O God, and fill us with understanding.

Leader: In the bread and the wine, the body of our Savior nourishes everyone.

People: Seek us out, O God, and give us yourself.

Leader: Here is the water of life, the word that feeds, the food of eternity.

Come and praise the vine that gives all goodness.

*CHORAL INTROIT O Risen Christ, Ascended Lord Richard Proulx

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN 1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty! Nicaea

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silent

Unison

God of grace, we know that if your love abides in us, we will keep your commandment to love one another. We confess that we are not always faithful to your word; we are afraid that we will fail as bearers of your gift of peace; we are worried that we do not know you as we ought; we are anxious and hold back from embracing others in your love. Take away our fear and lead us by your Spirit to the healing waters of baptism.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Believe the good news,

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Mr. Drumheller

Children will be invited to come forward. At the conclusion of the Children's Greeting, parents may take preschool children to the nursery. Children in grades K-2 may go the chapel for Children's Church.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Keep us faithful to your word, O God; give us grace to show our love for you. Make your home with us, and keep us from fear; open us to receive your Spirit, the One who will teach us everything in remembrance of Jesus. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 98

Pew Bible, page 521

The leader will read the odd numbered verses; the congregation will respond by reading the even numbered verses.

ANTHEM

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart!

David Schwoebel

(On cue, the congregation will sing the following stanza with the choir.)

Praise God who reigns on high, the Lord whom we adore, The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, one God forever more.

Rejoice, rejoice give thanks and sing!

NEW TESTAMENT READING

I.John 5:1-6

Pew Bible, page 227

SERMON By This We Know

Mrs. Ayscue

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: Every one who believes that Jesus is the Christ is a child of God, and every one who loves the parent loves the child.

People: For this is the love of God, that we keep God's commandments.

Leader: By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love the Lord and obey God's commandments.

People: For this is the love of God, that we keep God's commandments.

Leader: For whatever is born of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith.

People: For this is the love of God, that we keep God's commandments.

Leader: Who overcomes the world? Those who believe that Jesus is the Christ.

People: For this is the love of God, that we keep God's commandments. And God's commandments are not burdensome.

*HYMN 300

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

They'll Know We Are Christians

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Mr. Drumheller

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Andante Gordon Phillips
*Doxology Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow hymnal, page 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*HYMN 39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness Faithfulness

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE Benediction Peter Anglea

*POSTLUDE Toccata on 'Old Hundredth' Robert Lau

We rejoice that you are worshiping with us today. If you are a member of this church, please seek out those who are visiting and welcome them to this family of faith. If you are visiting and would like to know more about the church and membership here, please speak with one of the ministers following worship.

The acolyte today is Evan Johnson. After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in honor of the marriage of Meredith Hinson and Derek Moses by her parents. The wedding took place on Saturday, May 9.

Ushers: Phillip Brown, captain; Brad Boone, Lee Boone, Mandy Brown, Wes Eudy, Don Joines, Nancy Joines, and Mary Kesselman Elder Greeters: Bob Johnston; Kim Marshall Nursery: Jana Sanderson Toddler Room: Lauren Cranford Preschool Partners: Connie Wallace & Ken Knight Nana & Papa Team: Susan & Banks Garrison Children's Church: Virginia Currie

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Gloria Bryson (rehab at Trinity Place-Room F7), Barbara McManus, Anne Cyrus (aunt of Lauren Howell; stage 4 breast cancer), Anita Gower, Toby Webb, Caleb Poston (great-grandson of Joan & Roger Belsan), Becky Carter, Peter Henkenjohann, Lathan & Katherine Cox (parents of Sherrie Richards), David Sanges (brother of Nathan Sanges). See newsletter for complete list.

Scholarship Recipients will be recognized during worship on Sunday, May 10.

MUSIC AND ARTS CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Music and Arts Camp will be **June 14-18**. Volunteers are an essential part of the camp, and we need YOU to step up to the plate and help (teenagers and adults). If you would like to volunteer, contact Gina Martin (704-982-2722 or **gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org**).

TESTING PROCTORS NEEDED AT CENTRAL SCHOOL

EOG testing is set for May 27-June 11 at Central School. <u>Proctors are desperately needed!!!</u> If you can help, please contact Adeena East (<u>adeena.east@stanlycountyschools.org</u> or Shelly Eudy (<u>shelly.eudy@stanlycountyschools.org</u>).

^{*}All that are able may stand.

MOTHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS

IN MEMORY OF:	GIVEN BY:
Edna Anderson	Linda Anderson
Ruth Arnold	Linda Anderson
Betty Long	Al, Becky, Emily, & Jay Andrew
Margaret Keith Byrd	Mary Lou Andrew
Madge Spence Ayscue	Skeet, Elizabeth, Rebekah, & Spencer Ayscue
Inez Belsan	Joan & Roger Belsan
Lucille Maetzolb	
Sue Green	Keith & Kristie Green Bryson, Duncan & Liz
Daisy L. Cotton	Andy, Ruth, & James Cotton
Betty M. Stanhope	Ruth, Andy, & James Cotton
Nora Wood Duckwall	Ann Duckwall
Betsy Earnhardt	John & Angie Earnhardt
Ruth Huneycutt	John & Angie Earnhardt
Beverly High	Martha Sue & Dan
Juanita Vandever	Martha Sue & Dan
Myrtle Hall	Martha Sue & Dan
Mary Ratchford	Martha Sue & Dan
Carrie Hawkins	
Mae Joines	
Patricia Anne Ridenhour	Kim & Jim Marshall
My Mother, Inez Smith Burris	Polly Moose
Mrs. Eloise Morgan	Rodney & Rita Morgan
Mrs. Otis Morris	Rodney & Rita Morgan
Joyce T. Morton	•
Dortha Hatley	
Beular Ingold Palmer	
Billie Poplin	1
Doris Jean Wallace	

MOTHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS

IN HONOR OF:	GIVEN BY:
Mary Lou Andrew	
Peggy Smith	
Mildred Andrew	Her Family
Becky Andrew	Emily Andrew & Jay Andrew
Martha Fowler McNair	Elizabeth, Skeet, Rebekah, & Spencer Ayscue
Barbara H. Boyle	Elizabeth Anne Boyle
Gloria O. Bryson	Her Children, Grandkids, and Great Grandkids
Mom-mom (Gloria) Bryson	Juliana & Macarius Barnard; Autumn & Elijah Barnard;
	Ezra & Noah Tsipouroglou
Blue Honeycutt	Wanda & Bill Brannon
Katie Carpenter	Hugh & Russ
Anissa Chapman	Garrett, Kimbal, & Graham
Ruth S. Cotton	Andy Cotton & James Cotton
Michelle Cumming	Ella & Steve Cumming
	Her Children
Adrienne Averette	John & Angie Earnhardt
Melissa Eudy	
Cathryn Harwood	
Mary Eva Knight	
Brittany Mallory	Greta Mallory
Kim Marshall	Brittany, Ashley, Ginny, & Luke
	Olivia Maust
Mrs. Rita (Nana) Morgan	
Betty D. Lambert	Jack & Penny Morton
Frankie Palmer	John, Jessica, Jacob, Jackson, Kellie, Andy, & Vance
Jessica Palmer	Frankie Palmer
Kellie Cole	Frankie Palmer
Jessica Palmer	John, Jacob, & Jackson
Lynn Poplin	
Jean Rabe	Her Family
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Rita Whitley	Laura Beth, Addison, & Stella Marks; Amy Whitley

Graduate Information Needed for Graduate Recognition on Sunday, June 7. During worship on June 7, we will recognize First Presbyterian Church's high school graduates. If you have (or are) a family member graduating from high school, college, or graduate school in the spring of 2015, please contact the church office (704-982-2722 or pknighten@fpcalbemarle.org) by May 19 with pertinent information.

Prime Timers Picnic on Thursday, May 21 at Noon at City Lake Park

The Prime Timers Luncheon will be held on Thursday, May 21 at noon at City Lake Park at the double shelter closest to the lake. Come enjoy the beauty of God's creation and the fellowship of one another!

Menu:

Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Green Beans, Deviled Eggs, Fruit Salad, Dessert, & Beverages Speakers will be the birds, wind and waves!

Please RSVP to the church office by noon on Monday, May 18
(704-982-2722 or klambert@fpcalbemarle.org)
to sign-up and/or if you need transportation.



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

COOKING CAMP FOR KIDS

(completed $4^{th} - 6^{th}$ Grades)

June 22-25 (Monday-Thursday)

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30.00 per child Camp Limit of 12 children

Contact Jane Snyder for more information and to register (704-438-3358 or jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org).

First Presbyterian Church
Spring Art Gallery Exhibit presents
Our Great State of North Carolina

Featuring Artwork from the Children of Central School

!!! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COOKING CAMP !!! JUNE 22-25

We will need volunteers to work every day from 8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. with the campers and 6 volunteers everyday (these 6 volunteers do not have to be the same ones everyday) from 1:00 p.m. until around 3:00 p.m. to help clean up and set-up for next day.

<u>For more information, contact Jane Snyder at 704-982-2722/704-438-3358 or jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org).</u>



The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit

First Presbyterian Church Music & Arts Camp June 14-18, 2015

Children and adults will delight in the exciting story of David and Goliath, where the message of the story comes alive in a fresh, new way. There is plenty of humor in the musical comedy, *Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit*, by Allen Pote & Tom Long, with the timeless power of the message: *Our great God is worthy of trust, and His power is victorious if we trust Him with every challenge*. Music & Arts Camp promises to provide a funfilled week of entertainment for the camper and volunteers!

FOR WHOM?

For you if you are age 4 (must turn 4 before June 30) or older - - all the way through completed 6^{th} grade AND if you love to create, sing and have fun with others. Everyone is welcome.

WHAT WILL WE DO?

We'll sing and dance, create sets, play percussion instruments, study the Bible in new ways, act and play. It will be a full and exciting week.

WHEN WILL WE DO IT? It all begins on Sunday, June 14 at 2:00 p.m. ('til 5:00 p.m.). On June 15-18, these are the hours:

Ages 4-5 Grades K-6 (completed) 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

WHAT ELSE?

Early Bird Registration Fee is only \$30.00 (by May 29). **Late Registration Fee is** \$35.00 (after May 29).

Children who have completed grades K-6 should bring a lunch each day. Drinks will be provided.

The camp's grand finale will be a performance of on Thursday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m. (Ice Cream follows)

Name	Age	_ & Grade Completed (as of June 10)
Address		
Phone	Email Addro	ess
Parent's Name		
Emergency Contact during hours of Music &	Arts Camp	
Food or other allergies		
T Shirt Size: YX-Small (2-4) YSmall (6-8) Adult S M L XL	YMedium(10-12)	YLarge (14-16)
Other things we should know about this child		

Return registration form to: First Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 1578 126 West North Street Albemarle, NC 28002 Questions? (704) 982-2722 or email Gina Martin (gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org)

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 10

Mother's Day

9:45 am *Sunday School

11:00 am *Worship

4:45 pm-7:45 pm SNL

Monday, May 11

8:30 pm Senior High Bible Study at Elizabeth's

Tuesday, May 12

12:00 pm Summer Newsletter Deadline 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Confirmation Class (Session Room)

Wednesday, May 13

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

9:30 am *Pray & Play

7:00 pm *Chancel Choir Rehearsal

8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

Thursday, May 14

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Sunday, May 17

Scholarship Recipient Recognition

8:45 am *Diaconate

9:45 am *Sunday School

11:00 am *Worship

5:00 pm SNL End-of-the-Year Dinner

7:00 pm *Session

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! MAY

11-Spencer Ayscue Elizabeth Boyle

Debby Johnston

12-Skeet Ayscue Drew Sasser

Alix Stewart 13-Laura Frazier

15-Stephan Kinley

16-Roger Martin

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! MAY

12-Rob & Catherine McIntyre Keith & Martha Wolf

14-Greg & Dona Lisk Keith & Ashley Maust

NEWSLETTERS AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP

May newsletters are available for pick-up in the narthex, pit stop, and the common area outside the church office. Newsletters are available for those without email addresses. One per family, please. Pick up your copy today!

SCCM NEED FOR MAY: TOILETRIES

Shampoo, Toothpaste, Soap, Deodorant, Personal Hygiene Items

*childcare provided