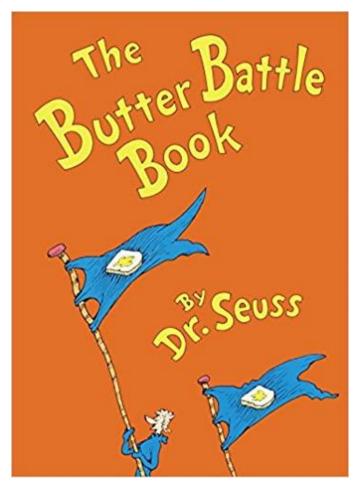
# First Presbyterian Church Albemarle, North Carolina



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# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

August 14, 2022

# 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

**GATHERING** 

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Friendship Register and pass it on

"Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" **PRELUDE** Johann Gottfried Walther

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Sophie Poplin, acolyte

Nathaniel Eudy, liturgist

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 119 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, and I will observe it to the end.

Give me understanding that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Turn my eyes from looking at vanities; give me life in your ways.

See, I have longed for your precepts; in your righteousness, give me life.

#### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, your love is at work in all that you have made. Son of God, in your likeness, we are made new. Holy Spirit, you touch our lives with hope. Receive our worship, claim us for your service, and set us free to honor you this day. Amen.

\*HYMN 403

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

UNSER HERRSCHER

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, your law shows us the way of righteousness, but we forsake your commandments. We have not provided for the poor or aided the disabled. We have not been truthful in our daily business; we've been unjust in our judgments of others. We have sought vengeance against our enemies; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us our sins and rouse us to sincere repentance. By the power of your Holy Spirit, free us to live as your holy people with Jesus Christ our lord.

Silent Confession and Reflection

# \*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

# \*RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE 418

"Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling" (stanza.3) SOFTLY AND TENDERLY O for the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me! Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me! "Come home, come home! You who are weary, come home." Earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling "O sinner, come home!"

# THE WORD

SOLO "It Is Well with My Soul" Andy Cotton, Baritone

John Ness Beck

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way, When sorrows like sea billows roll Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say. It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain: It is well with my soul, It is well with my soul,

It is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin O the joy of this glorious thought. My sin, not in part, but the whole Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more; Praise the Lord, O my soul. (Refrain) And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll; The trump shall sound and the Lord shall descend; even so, it is well with my soul. (Refrain)

# FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Kristie Bryson

# PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, by the power of your Spirit, reveal to us your Word. Let us be a holy temple built on Christ, our sure foundation. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 5:38-48

pew Bible, page #5

**SERMON** 

"The Jesus Way"

#### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

# \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From The Confession of 1967

In Jesus Christ, God was reconciling the world to himself. Jesus Christ is God with [us]. He is the eternal Son of the Father, who became man and lived among us to fulfill the work of reconciliation. He is present in the church by the power of the Holy Spirit to continue and complete his mission. Therefore, the church calls [us] to be reconciled to God and to one another. "Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

\*HYMN 753

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

#### 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.

# RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING

Offertory "Children of the Heavenly Father"

Robert Lau

\*Response 708

"We Give Thee but Thine Own" (stanza #1)

**SCHUMANN** 

We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

\*Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, by your grace, accept our offering. Make us joyful in giving, that we may grow in likeness to your supreme gift, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

# **SENDING**

\*HYMN 372 "O for a World" AZMON

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE 748

"Go with Us, Lord"

TALLIS CANON

Go with us Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day, That in your Spirit strong and true our lives may be our gift to you.

\*POSTLUDE

"Rondeau"

Jean-Joseph Mouret

\*Please stand as you are able.

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**Thank you** to Stan Scheer, Andy Cotton, Kristie Bryson and Nathaniel Eudy for their leadership in worship today.

The acolyte today is Sophie Poplin.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of Ellen Whitley given by her church family.

**Ushers for August: Wes Eudy**, captain: Cidney Eudy, Julian Eudy, Melissa Eudy, Ethan Richards and Seth Richards

Outside Ushers for August 7: Tom Norwood, John Howell

**Elder Greeters** Bill Jolly, Kim Marshall

Sound: TBD Film Andy McLeod Nursery: Bailey Mitchell Kids Care Crew: Bailey Mitchell

There is no Children's Church during the summer. Children are encouraged to remain in worship.

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Ruth Cotton-surgery, Claude Harwood-surgery, Wayne Palmer-Autum Care-Biscoe, Penny Welling (friend of the congregation), Gloria Bryson (Bethany Woods), Ann Byrd (Home), Banks Garrison (Home), Tim Rodgers, Doris Forte-Spring Arbor, Brayden Enzor (grandson of Gus & Pam Holbrook); 2 brain tumors, starting six weeks radiation in Boston), Carole Yost (home), Don Abernathy, Jean Rabe, Anita Gower, Nancy Jolly, Jane Scheer, Don Joines, Jane Pickler, Elizabeth Wilson. See newsletter for complete list.

# SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE



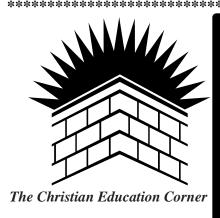
Worship in August takes place at 10:00 a.m. There will be no Sunday School during the summer months.

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Thank you to the following who provided the meal for Community Inn this month, Linda Anderson, Carol Sasser, Martha Sue Hall, and Nancy Joines. Also, thank you to Linda Anderson, Andy Cotton and Peggy Finley for serving the meal.



# Save the date for Blessing of the Backpacks, Sunday, August 28 during worship



As the summer begins to wind down, plans for a new year are in the works. We would love your input on how to make this year the best possible for you and your family. Think through these questions and email Melissa (meudy@fpcalbemarle.org) or text (704-439-6747) your ideas!

- What kind of Sunday School class would YOU like to have?
- How can we make our children's ministry on Wednesdays the most effective?
- What is something you have always wanted to see done at FPC Albemarle?
- Do you have an awesome idea for the youth group to participate in service or fun?
- Would you be interested in a small group that meets year-round? (cooking, hiking, dinner out, etc.)
- Would you like to provide a meal or host the youth one Sunday night? Mark your calendars for Rally Day on September 11! If you would like to help be on the planning committee, let Melissa or Kim Marshall (bookworm284@live.com or 980-621-6577) know.

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# **Zoom Morning Prayer**

There will be no Zoom Morning Prayer on August 8th, 10th, 15th and 17th, but our group of will continue to pray for our church, its members and family members, others outside our church, our country and our world. Please send any prayer requests to Deb Hahn either by text (704 985-9419) or email (wolflady520@gmail.com).

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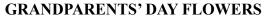
# CENTRAL SCHOOL LUNCH FOR TEACHERS & STAFF ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

We will be serving lunch to Central Schools Staff on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at noon. in FPC gym. We need volunteers to make 17 salads and 10 desserts. If you would like to help provide either, please call/ text Ruth Cotton (704-942-1381 or hugawolf@hotmail.com).

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USHERS

There will be usher training today, August 14 and August 21 following worship.





Given

On Grandparents' Day, the flowers in the sanctuary will be in honor/memory of grandparents. Each name is \$2.00. Please mail, deliver, or place in the offering plate your money with the form below **NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.** Please make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church and designate for *Grandparents' Day Flowers*. The names of donors and those being honored/remembered will be listed on **Grandparents' Day, September 11**.

GRANDPARENTS' DAY FLOWERS

Please print below the information exactly as it is to appear in the bulletin.

In memory of:

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# Central Elementary School Supplies List

The 2022-2023 school year will be here soon and school supplies are in stores ready for purchase. Please take the list below and begin shopping for much needed supplies for our partner school, Central Elementary.

# BRING YOUR DONATION OF SCHOOL SUPPLIES TO THE CHURCH AND DROP-OFF IN THE DESIGNATED BIN IN THE PIT STOP

# **Student Supplies**

Crayons – 16 or 24 count Crayola brand only Zipper Pencil Pouch or Plastic

Pencil Box

Elmer's brand Glue Sticks

#2 Pencils

Pocket folders with prongs

#2 Beginner Jumbo Pencils (for Kindergarten students) Pencil top erasers Composition Hard Cover Wide-Ruled books (not spiral bound) Highlighters

(packs)

70-sheet wide-ruled 1-subject composition books Crayola brand Colored Pencils

Scissors (child & youth sizes)

Playdoh brand play-doh

Pink Pearl Eraser

Crayola Markers

Clipboards

Ear Buds

Card Stock Paper Headphones

Expo Dry Erase Markers (large & small size) Small Pencil Sharpener

Notebook Paper (wide-ruled & regular-ruled) Sticky Notes

# **Classroom Supplies Needed Include:**

Lysol or Clorox Wipes, Kleenex, Copy Paper, Hand Sanitizer, Band-aids, and Ziplock Sandwich Bags (Quart and Gallon)

# **Acolyte Training**



Being an acolyte is an opportunity for 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade students to participate in worship. The responsibility of the acolyte is to bring the light of Christ into the sanctuary and to send the people out with the light at the end of service. Youth interested in serving as acolyte for the coming year are invited to attend acolyte training and refresher

course on Sunday, August 21 after worship. Following training, we will have pizza and travel to play laser tag together for fun and fellowship. Bring \$20 to help cover costs. Please contact Melissa (meudy@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-439-6747) to sign up.



The Monday Night Book Discussion Group is now a part of the Sunday School Sharing Knowledge Through Stories class. We hope you will join us on Rally Day and pick up our first book, Memphis by Tara M. Stringfellow. If you are unable to attend on Rally Day, books will be available in the church office. Our discussion of Memphis will begin September 18. If you have questions, please contact Courtney Niederer (980-622-7435)

or <u>ccniederer@yahoo.com</u>) or Kim Marshall (980-621-6577 or <u>bookworm284@live.com</u>).

Hope to see you there!

#### **OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

# Sunday, August 14

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

8:45 am Diaconate Meeting

10:00 am \*Worship

11:00 am Usher Training

Tuesday, August 16

12:00 pm September Newsletter Deadline

Wednesday, August 17

6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Thursday, August 18

4:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Catherine & Matt Moeller

Saturday, August 20

9:30 am Presbytery Meeting at Trinity Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 21

11th Sunday after Pentecost

8:45 am Session Meeting

10:00 am \*Worship

11:00 am Acolyte Training & Outing

11:00 am Usher Training

\*childcare provided

# **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

# August

15-Sheryl Stewart

16-Kimbal Chapman

Elaine Coats

18-Sarah Michael

**Brett Richards** 

19-Mark Andrew

Don Joines

20-Doris Forte

Frankie Palmer

#### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

# August

15-Bubba & Jennifer Hesley

17-Roger & Gina Martin

18-Billie Jean & Lee Snuggs

20-Chris & Anissa Chapman

#### **Elders**

Al Andrew, John Earnhardt, Bill Jolly, Mary Kesselman, Mike King, Ken Knight, Kim Marshall, Andy McLeod, Catherine Moeller, Sandy Rogers, Ellen Snyder, Chris Whitley, Ellen Whitley

# **Deacons**

Emily Andrew, Keith Bryson, Shannon Bullard, Michelle Cumming, Wes Eudy, Martha Sue Hall, Lillie Hancock, Jim Hesley, Liz Jolly, Myron Lowder, Laura McLeod, Lee Snuggs

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