

## The Weekly Bulletin FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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#### **GATHERING BEFORE GOD**

**PRELUDE** 

Though I May Speak

Dale Wood

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Ellie Niederer

PEALING OF THE CHIMES

**OPENING SENTENCES** 

The Lord Jesus Christ has risen to reign,

His name is above all names.

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

**CALL TO WORSHIP** 

Clap your hands, all you peoples!

Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

With praise and thanksgiving worship God,

Who reigns in majesty above the mighty waters.

We will not stand looking up toward heaven,

For God is moving in this place!

#### PRAYER OF THE DAY 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 14

For the Beauty of the Earth

Dix

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, For the love which from our birth over and around us lies:

(Refrain)

Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night, Hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light: (Refrain)

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, For the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight: (Refrain)

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, Friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: (Refrain)

For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given; For that great, great love of thine, peace on earth and joy in heaven: (Refrain)

Ephesians 1:20-21

Psalm 47

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

O God, in Christ you bore the suffering of the world and made us witnesses to your grace. In your Word you showed us your vision of peace and made us witnesses to your promises. Forgive us, O God, when we fail to work for your reign, forgetting that you have called us to bear your truth. Forgive us, O God, when we gaze up toward heaven, forgetting that you have called us to do your work on earth. Forgive us, O God, and by your forgiveness, enlighten us to recognize the resurrection all around us.

#### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

#### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

# RECOGNITION OF TEACHERS AND LEADERS IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Prayer of Thanksgiving

SOLO It Is Well with My Soul

John Ness Beck

Jane Snyder

Andy Cotton, Baritone

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)

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:44-53

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON Absent Presence Reverend Drumheller

#### AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

New life in Christ takes shape in a community in which people know that God loves them and accepts them in spite of what they are. They therefore accept themselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand except God's grace. Amen.

Adapted from the Confession of 1967.

#### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Elizabeth Bryson

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

**HYMN 300** 

They'll Know We Are Christians

We Are One in the Spirit

We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord; We are one in the Spirit; we are one in the Lord, And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

(Refrain)

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love; Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand; We will walk with each other; we will walk hand in hand, And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land: (Refrain)

We will work with each other; we will work side by side; We will work with each other; we will work side by side, And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride: (Refrain)

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come, And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son, And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one: (Refrain)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**BENEDICTION RESPONSE** 

Ralph Vaughn Williams

God Be With You Till We Meet Again
God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

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**Thank you** to Duncan Bryson and Ken Knight for helping with audio and visual worship production this morning. Thank you to Elizabeth Bryson, Andy Cotton, and Natalie Niederer for their leadership in worship this morning.

The acolyte today is Ellie Niederer.

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: The family of William Smith (father of Billie Jean Snuggs), Kyle Barbee, Fred & Wendy McInturff (parents of Michelle Cumming), Nancy Jolly (Trinity Place), Claude Harwood, Hoy Lanning and family, Jean Rabe, Jane Scheer, Don Joines, Jane Pickler. See newsletter for complete list.

In an effort to keep the newsletter prayer list updated, please notify the church office (704-982-2722 or pknighten@fpcalbemarle.org) or Martha Sue Hall (704-985-5821 or hallmsh@hotmail.com) of changes.

**Recognition of Teachers & Leaders in Christian Education** 

Elizabeth Bryson Gina Martin
Kristie Bryson Catherine M

Kristie Bryson Catherine Moeller Michelle Cumming Matt Moeller

Matt Drumheller

Melissa Eudy

Dorothy Hart

Debby Johnston

Matt Woener

Jack Morton

Penny Morton

Gayle Russell

Rich Schaefer

Kim Marshall

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As vaccines become universally available and numbers continue to look hopeful in our community, our staff members are working in the office sporadically. Though this means that the office is more consistently open, we still ask that you call (704-982-2722) before coming to make sure that the building will be open. We also ask that you continue to support and care for our staff by wearing a mask while you are in the church building and by observing all CDC recommendations.

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#### 2021 Flower Calendar

The 2021 flower calendar is posted in the pit stop. If you wish to put flowers in the church in honor or memory of someone or just to provide beauty to the service, please sign up on the calendar. **Flowers may be ordered from any local florist.** Contact Emily Andrew (704-322-5510 or em.andrew21@gmail.com) for more information.



Graduate Recognition Sunday, May 23

We will be celebrating our graduating seniors on Sunday, May 23 for Graduation Sunday. If you have not contacted the church office with graduate information, please call 704-982-2722 on Monday, May 17. Join us in wishing our graduates well as they head into the next chapter of their lives!



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COOKING CAMP FOR KIDS

(COMPLETED 4th – 6th Grades)

June 21-24, 2021 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$40.00 per child Camp Limit of 12 children

Do your children have a passion for cooking or love to help you prepare meals in the kitchen? Then perhaps a **cooking camp** is the perfect summer camp for them. This camp is offered to COMPLETED 4th-6th graders on **Monday, June 21 – Thursday, June 24 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** Young chefs expand their palates, kitchen hygiene and healthy eating habits, utensil skills, proper etiquette, cooking and baking and will experiment with flavors and ingredients. This camp will be packed with culinary excitement and tasty adventures! We will also be incorporating a field trip into the mix!

For more information, to register for camp, or to volunteer contact Jane Snyder at 704-982-2722/704-438-3358 or jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OUTDOOR VOLUNTEER RECEPTION THURSDAY, MAY 20 FROM 4:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M. RSVP by Monday, May 17 to

Pam Knighten (pknighten@fpcalbemarle.org) or Kyle Lambert (klambert@fpcalbemarle.org) or call the church office (704-982-2722).



## We Need You to Volunteer for Music & Arts Camp

We will have our annual Music and Arts Camp in person at the church from June 13 to the 17. We will be limiting the number of children participating and the amount of time they will spend at the church, but we are still in need of volunteers. Musical and artistic ability NOT required! If you are available and would like to help out, contact Penny Morton (call/text:704-985-8239 or mortonpen@gmail.com).



#### **Backpack Food Program Donations Needed:**

Oatmeal Packets, Breakfast Cookies, Individual Bags of Goldfish, Large Cans of Soup, Saltine Crackers, Tuna Helper, Snack Crackers, Pineapple, or Fruit Cocktail Cups

Donations may be dropped off at the church. Packing Date: Wednesday, May 19 at 10:30 a.m.

#### REGISTRATION FORM



First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle Sunday, June 13-Thursday, June 17, 2021 \*SPACE IS LIMITED. \*KINDERGARTEN-6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ONLY

\*REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2021

#### FOR WHOM?

For you if you have completed Kindergarten all the way through completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Space is limited due to COVID19:

Kindergarten-1<sup>St</sup> Grade: Maximum of 10 Children

2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Maximum of 10 Children 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade: Maximum of 20 Children

#### WHEN WILL WE DO IT?

It all begins on Sunday, June 13 at 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. On June 14-17, the hours are 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

#### WHAT ELSE?

Registration Fee: \$20.00 Snacks & drinks will be provided. Everyone should be masked and socially distanced.

The final performance will be filmed for people to watch at home.

Name	Age & Grade Completed (as of June 13)	
Address		
Phone	Email Address	
Parent's Name		
Emergency Contact during hours of Music & Arts Camp		
Food or other allergies		
T-Shirt Size: YX-Small (2/4) Y-Small (6/8)	Y-Medium (10/12) Y-Large (14/16) Y-XLarge (18/20)	
Adult S M L XL		
Other things we should know about this child		
Permission to Use Photograph: I grant to	First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle, the right to take	
photographs of my child/children during the 202	1 Music & Arts Camp and to use such photographs for any	
purpose.		
I have read and understand the above:		
Signature	Printed Name	
of parent or guardian (if under age 18)		

Return form to: First Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 1578 126 West North Street Albemarle, NC 28002 Questions? Contact the church office at (704) 982-2722 or email klambert@fpcalbemarle.org

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Date Received	
Staff Initials	



## Pentecost Sunday on May 23

Worship on Sunday, May 23 will be a celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit for the church. Red is the liturgical color for the day, so wear your red! We will also celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.



With our gifts to the Pentecost Offering, we join together to build God's house with our children, youth, and young adults. The Pentecost Offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start – a solid foundation of faith formed in the years from childhood through young adulthood. Our congregation is joining the whole church in building for our future and building individual lives of faith. Let's build God's house together!

Ways to give:

Mail to: First Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 1578 Albemarle, NC 28002 Text:
PENTECOST
to 91999

Give online at: pcusa.org/donatepentecost to learn more or donate

**May Book Conversation** 

Book: *The Obituary Writer* by Ann Hood Monday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Pit Stop Masks required & 2 people max per table

If you are not attending in-person and wish to join via Zoom, contact Courtney Niederer (ccniederer@yahoo.com) for the Zoom link.



#### **OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

## Sunday, May 16

Recognition of Teachers & Leaders in Christian Education

8:30 am Session Meeting In-Person & Via Zoom

9:45 am-10:30 am Adult Sunday School via Zoom

10:15 am Children & Youth Sunday School via Zoom

11:00 am Worship

## Monday, May 17

10:00 am-4:00 pm Registration for In-Person Worship

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

8:00 pm Monday Night Bible Study with Matt

8:30 pm High School Bible Study with Debby Johnston &

Jack Morton

## Tuesday, May 18

10:00 am-4:00 pm Registration for In-Person Worship

12:00 pm June Newsletter Deadline

## Wednesday, May 19

6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast 10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom 10:30 am Backpack Food Program

## Thursday, May 20

4:00 pm-5:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Catherine & Matt Moeller

4:00 pm-6:00 pm Outdoor Volunteer Reception

## Sunday, May 23

Pentecost/Pentecost Offering

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Graduate Recognition

9:45 am-10:30 am Adult Sunday School via Zoom

10:15 am Children & Youth Sunday School via Zoom

11:00 am Worship

Your on-going support of First Presbyterian Church is essential to the mission and ministry of the church and to the well-being of our ministry partners, locally and globally.

Thank you for your generosity.

Tithes and offerings may be mailed to:
First Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 1578
Albemarle, NC 28002

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! MAY

16-Roger Martin

17-Liz Jolly

Ken Knight Art Rogers

18-Jackson Shedd

19-Jim Sawyer Natalie Taylor

20-Jim Ivey, III Bill Lindley

21-Kristen Laton

Quinton Wainwright

22-Richard Lambert

23-Laura Mittendorf

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! MAY

17-Tom & Holly Norwood

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