



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Albemarle, North Carolina

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September 2018

Dear Friends,

What a wonderful summer we've had – Sunday worship, vespers, weekly fellowship in the pit stop following worship, a close look at the early church as described in the book of Acts, and so much more. And now, we are poised to kick-off a new program year.

I am delighted to introduce to you the newest member of our staff. Dorothy Hart has been hired to serve as our Youth Director and Coordinator of Faith Explorers (4th & 5th graders). She has recently located to Albemarle from Hickory where she served in a similar position at The Church of the Ascension. She brings energy and creativity to her role, and I know she will quickly become a friend and leader among us. Dorothy will be with us on Wednesday afternoons and on Sundays – working about 15 hours per week.

With her hiring, Matt will relinquish some of his responsibilities with youth and take on additional Christian Education responsibilities, coordinating Sunday School and Youth Club among other things. He will work closely with Dorothy in this transition and continue his relationships with our middle and high school students through Sunday School and other activities.

I look forward to having everyone back in worship and trust you will take full advantage of new opportunities for faith formation on Sunday mornings and at other times. Let us not grow weary in loving God faithfully and loving one another.

Grace and Peace,  
Elizabeth

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Worship on Labor Day

The congregation will worship God outside at the YMCA park as we celebrate God's goodness on the unofficial last Sunday of Summer.

Gather at 9:00 a.m. in the shaded seating area beside the Y pavilion.

Dress is informal; well behaved pets are welcome.

We'll sing, pray, and read scripture as we enjoy God's wide open canopy. The Ten-Cents-A-Meal Offering for Hunger will be collected.

The Fellowship Committee will provide snacks following worship.

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Dorothy Hart, Youth Director

In Her Own Words...

I was born and raised in Hickory, NC and obtained my undergraduate degree in Psychology from Stetson University in Florida. I love music and founded an acapella group in college. I have studied abroad in Madrid, Spain and have an extensive travel bucket list. After college, I lived in Los Angeles for a year with the Episcopal Service Corps working in a charter school outside Compton. Since returning to North Carolina, I have worked as the youth director for my home church in Hickory and currently work as a Developmental Specialist for Monarch. I love long books, Grace Kelly films, and hiking. I am always up for a debate on which is the best Star Wars movie and spend far too much time planning my dog's Halloween costume. I am excited to join First Presbyterian and continue my work with youth ministry.



# WORSHIP



**Beginning September 9,  
worship returns to 11:00 a.m.**

**Sunday, September 9** Scripture: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
Worship returns to 11:00 a.m. The adult choir returns to the choir loft. Teachers and leaders in the Christian Education program will be commissioned.

**Sunday, September 16** Scripture: Mark 7:24-37

**Sunday, September 23** Scripture: Mark 8:27-38

**Sunday, September 30** Scripture: Mark 9:38-50

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### Ten-Cents-A-Meal

We will receive the Ten-Cents-A-Meal offering for hunger on September 2. This monthly offering is used by the Presbytery of Charlotte to fund hunger programs and agencies (including SCCM) throughout the presbytery. We received a total of \$326.00 for Ten-Cents-A-Meal in July.

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### 2018 Flower Calendar

The 2018 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 Frankie Palmer (704-982-1757 or [fpalmer3@carolina.rr.com](mailto:fpalmer3@carolina.rr.com)) for more information and to make arrangements for the flowers to be delivered to the church on Saturday or Sunday morning before worship.

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**What is it? An opportunity for children in Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade to experience a simple worship experience in the chapel (following Faith Sharing with Children in the sanctuary) with a related activity following.**



**Children will leave the sanctuary following Faith Sharing with the leader for the day. Parents may pick-up their child in the Educational Building at the conclusion of worship. The September leaders for Children's Church are Liz Davis and Luke Davis.**

**There are a few openings for Children's Church leaders. If you want to know more, contact Elizabeth (704-982-2722 or [eayscue@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:eayscue@fpcalbemarle.org)).**

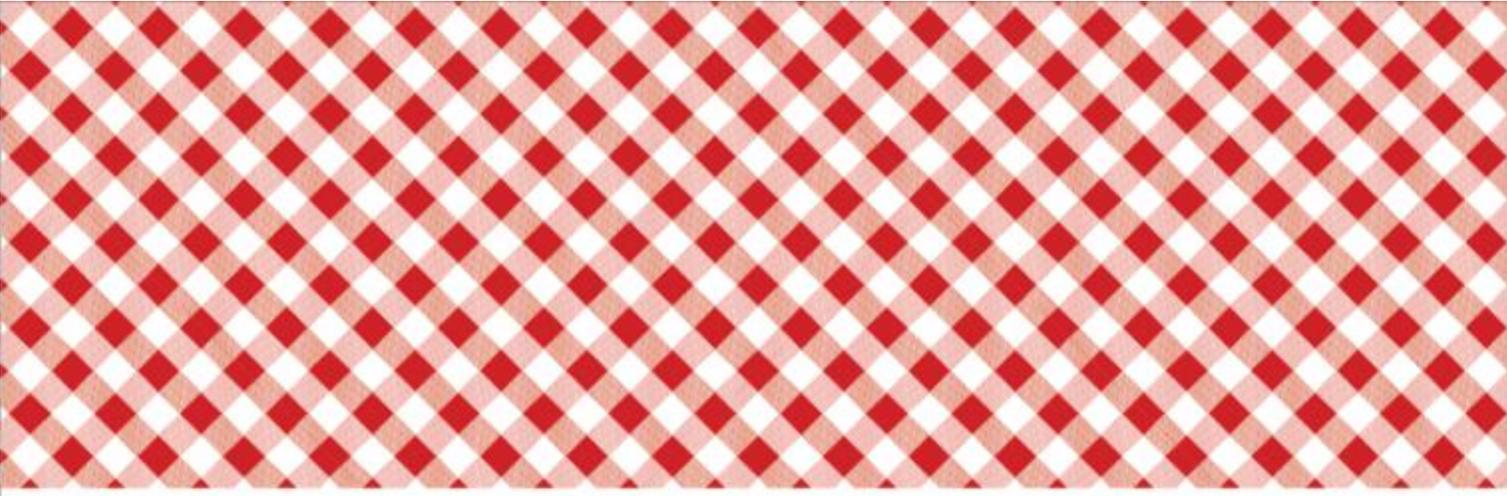
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## **Reformation Sunday/Kirkin' o' Tartans Sunday, October 28**

**We'll look forward to welcoming our Presbyterian neighbors from Locust and Norwood for worship. A combined choir, tartan processional, bagpipes, and a post-worship reception will be part of the day. The guest preacher for the morning is Rev. Dr. Jan Edmiston, new general presbyter of the Presbytery of Charlotte. Elders Dona Lisk and Jim Marshall who heard her preach at the August presbytery meeting say, *You don't want to miss an opportunity to hear her preach.***



**REFORMATION  
Sunday**



DANCING WITH YOUR FAITH

RALLY DAY

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 AT 9:30 A.M. IN THE GYM

We will praise the Lord with tambourine and dance (Psalm 150) from morning til night. The Christian Education Committee is planning a faith-filled morning to kick-off the new year in Christian Education. Games, Art, Music, & Much More!!! Come for a pancake breakfast with all the trimmings!

RALLY DAY EVENT

SQUARE DANCE & LINE DANCING FOR ALL AGES

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 AT 5:00 P.M.-7:00 P.M. IN THE GYM

Pizza & Ice Cream available for a suggested donation of \$5.00 per person/\$15.00 per family.

5:00 p.m. Dance...6:00 p.m. Dinner

All dances will be taught on the spot and will be easy to learn.

There will also be some dance demonstrations by our experienced dancers.

This will be a family friendly evening for the entire congregation.

Don't miss a minute of it!





# DANCING WITH YOUR FAITH

Commissioning of Teachers and Leaders in Christian Education

**Sunday, September 9 during worship**

On Rally Day, teachers and leaders in the Christian Education program will be commissioned during worship. Please plan to come to Rally Day (which begins at 9:30 a.m.) and worship (which begins at 11:00 a.m.) to support and encourage our 2018-2019 teachers and leaders as they begin guiding our congregation in various ways.

**Sunday School is for Everyone**

**9:45 a.m.-10:40 a.m. beginning September 16**

In the early years, parents lay the foundation for a life of faith in their children. This happens at home and through experiences the parent provides for their child(ren). Sunday School allows children to explore their faith in new ways with other adults and children.

Our Sunday School program utilizes an age appropriate curriculum called *Grace and Gratitude*.

Sunday School groupings are as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Teachers</u>
Preschool	Preschool Room	Debbie Bennett; Kate Gibson; Jill Niebler
Grades K-2	K-2 Room	Heather Deese; Melissa & Wes Eudy; Salem & Thomas Taylor
Grades 3-5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Classroom	Penny Morton; Courtney Niederer; Brett Richards
Grades 6-12	Teen Room	Matt Drumheller & Friends

6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Graders...Teen Room 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor...Our middle school and high school Sunday School classes will combine this fall to spend Sunday mornings together. We will use a resource called *The Bible Project* to explore broad themes of Scripture. Matt Drumheller will be leading this class. Youth Advisors for our youth group will be Rebekah Ayscue, Jim Hesley, and Catherine & Matt Moeller.

**Sunday Morning Adult Faith Formation**

**9:45 a.m.-10:30 a.m.**

This year there are new and returning opportunities for adults to learn and serve.

**Adult Bible Discussion**      Led by Greg Lisk      Location: Classroom 2 (Basement)

Greg Lisk will lead this casual discussion class. It will center on biblical passages and how they can be applied to contemporary life. Anyone is welcome to share in the fellowship and conversation though it is generally geared toward young and middle adults.

**Connections**      Led by Rose Saltzman      Location: Pit Stop (First Floor)

Rose Saltzman will lead this group as they make connections with scripture, each other, FPC members, and the wider community. Most weeks will find this group engaged in an *hands-on* way of letting folks know they are being prayed for. This is an easy *drop-in* group for those who aren't sure of their Sunday morning place.

**Living the Faith**      Led by Skeet Ayscue      Location: Session Room (Basement)

This discussion format will look at many issues that challenge the faith of Christians today. Topics include poverty, setting priorities, and living your faith daily. Class participants will have input on discussion topics.

**The Wired Word**      Led by Rich Schaefer      Location: Parlor (First Floor)

Join Rick Schaefer for conversation which weds current events/topics with scripture and theological reflection. Each week is a *stand alone* topic.

**The Seekers Class**      Led by Dr. Bill Jolly      Location: Old Session Room (Basement)

Dr. Bill Jolly continues a study of Presbyterian theology and practice using *A Call to Faith* by Rachel Henderlite. His rich knowledge and history in the church brings this book to light. Weekly preparation enhances class discussion.



# Fall Women's Retreat

Where? William Black Lodge  
 When? September 28-30  
 Theme: The Gift of Bread  
 Cost: \$185 double occupancy; \$240 single occupancy

Plan to spend your week-end with women from First Presbyterian Church & their friends. This is for you if you enjoy -

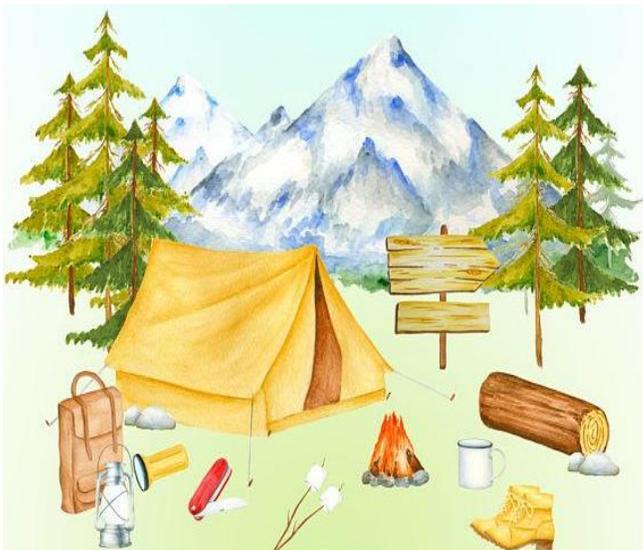
- learning with and from others,
- an opportunity to study scripture & be encouraged in the faith,
- walking in the mountains or rocking on a covered porch, or
- having someone cook for you.

Cost for the retreat includes lodging, 5 meals, and all program materials. Scholarship help is available. Sign-ups are needed by September 10.

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Join Your Friends for...

# The Congregational Retreat



**Location:** Morrow Mountain State Park

**Dates:** October 12-14

**Theme:** Faith, Family, & Friends

Come be part of this event for all ages.

We'll begin with dinner on Friday night and conclude with worship in the amphitheatre on Sunday morning.

Come for all or some of the week-end.

Commuters are welcome.

**You can expect:**

**Good food cooked over a fire**

**Laughter**

**Conversation about faith & life**

**Lively worship**

**Lots of outdoor activities**

**Opportunities to deepen friendships & to make new friends**

For details about housing, costs, and more, contact any member of the Planning Team.

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# Sharing God's Many Blessings

I invite you to pause for a few minutes and think about the many blessings you have had so far in your lifetime.

Life, itself, is a blessing from God! On top of that we have far more than most people in the world in terms of food, clothing, shelter, clean water, access to medical care, education, decent jobs, and many American freedoms. We are also blessed with our families, dear friends, and, very importantly, the amazing pastors, staff and fellow members of the First Presbyterian Church.

Yes, God has been very generous to us with His many blessings.

Our Stewardship campaign for 2019 will officially kick off on Rally Day, September 9. You will see our theme on a large banner, "Sharing God's many blessings", you will have a chance to share in what people love about our church, and you will begin to hear and read testimonials from families about what FPC has meant to them. Pledge cards will be mailed to you in mid- October. We will celebrate the end of the campaign on Consecration Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, including a festive luncheon after worship.

It is our hope that many of you will be able to increase your pledge for 2019 so that we may not only continue our exceptional programs and mission work, but also give our paid staff an increase as their compensation has been flat for the past three years.

## How We Are Blessed

When our family arrived in North Carolina twenty years ago, we were a family of four. We did not have a single relative in the state and knew only a handful of people. We quickly learned that a favorite question was, *What church do you attend?* First Presbyterian was mentioned to us in passing by the few people we did know, and we decided to give it a try. To this day, we can recall Anne Montgomery's welcoming words and smile as we walked through the doors. Over the intervening years, our family has grown, and we were able to find a *family* that has been a blessing to us in more ways than we can ever say.

Just like a real family, our church family has shared our joy in the births of three more children, and shared our sorrow over two miscarriages. Our church family has prayed for us and supported us when Laura's mother died. Meals have been prepared for us following surgeries and births. Pastors and church members have prayed with us and for us. We in turn have prayed for and supported friends and fellow congregation members during times of celebration and grief.

Our children have been raised knowing an entire congregation cares for them, loves them, and prays for them. Their milestones have been celebrated and recognized. We have watched other children grow up in our congregation to be come babysitters and go on to later become parents themselves. Friendships have developed from our time at First Presbyterian that we know will last a lifetime.

First Presbyterian has served as our family, friends, teachers, and counselors through the years. Life in Albemarle would be so very different if we had not walked through the doors of this church twenty years ago. We feel blessed and grateful for this special place. Our time here goes beyond worship. The relationship we have with our church helps define who we are, what is important to us, comforts us, and guides us.

---Laura & Mike McLeod

Consecration Sunday is November 4  
with lunch following worship

# STEWARDSHIP AND SUCH...JULY 2018 FINANCIAL REPORT

## GENERAL FUND

<b>Actual:</b>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Budget-to-Date</u>
Total Income Received:	263,374.00	321,697.00
Total Expenses:	<u>312,724.00</u>	<u>329,162.00</u>
(Shortage)/Surplus	(\$49,350.00)	(\$ 7,465.00)

<b>GENERAL FUND BUDGET</b>	<b><u>2018</u></b>
Pledges:	509,141
Total Income:	556,481
Total Expenses:	556,481

Weekly Amount Needed to Keep Commitments: \$10,701

We are behind \$3,717 in pledges.

Average Weekly Amount Received in July : \$6,797

Ten-Cents-A-Meal for July: \$326

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## NEWS and NOTES

### MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

#### Minister's Discretionary Fund:

In memory of Ginny Connell, given by Martha & Marc Cox.  
In honor of Rev. Elizabeth McNair Ayscue, given by Rita Morgan.  
In honor of John Hahn & Jim Sawyer, given by Jim Hesley.

#### Music Fund:

In honor of the Chancel Choir, given by Rita Morgan.

#### Scholarship Endowment:

In memory of Rodney Morgan, given by Rita & Bryan Cox.  
In memory of Rodney Morgan, given by Gus & Pam Holbrook.  
In memory of Rodney Morgan, given by Margaret Ivey.  
In memory of Rodney Morgan, given by Don & Lisa Long.  
In memory of Rodney Morgan, given by Mary & John Pikunas.  
In memory of Rodney Morgan, given by Michele Salamon.  
In memory of Rodney Morgan, given by Ann Upchurch.  
In memory of Anna Wilson Parry, given by Keith & Martha Wolf.  
In memory of Alice Wilder, given by Keith & Martha Wolf.  
In honor of Rev. Matt Drumheller, given by Rita Morgan.

### SYMPATHY

To Miriam Russell upon the death of her sister, Melba Faircloth, on June 30.  
To Rev. Elizabeth Ayscue and family upon the death of her uncle, Gene Jones, on July 5.  
To Rev. Harold McKeithan and family upon the death of his wife, Charlene, on July 12.  
To the family and friends of Virginia (Ginny) Connell upon her death on July 27.  
To Rita Morgan and family upon the death of her husband, Rodney Mabry Morgan, on August 3.  
To Betty Crook upon the death of her sister, Patty Jarrett Brame, on August 4.  
To Elizabeth Boyle upon the death of her mother, Barbara Boyle, on August 26.  
To Jean Rabe and family upon the death of her husband, Tom Rabe, on August 30.

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Gayle & Ned Russell upon the birth of their granddaughter, Cora Layne Russell, on July 30. Parents are Shay & Grant Russell.  
To Barbara & Chris Whitley upon the birth of their granddaughter, Lily Catherine Hampton, on July 31. Parents are Catherine & Ben Hampton.  
To Susan Pandich upon the birth of her grandson, Beckett Cary Brossman, on August 4. Parents are Taylor and Kurt Brossman.  
To Kelly and Charlie Lentz upon the birth of their daughter, Lanie Elizabeth Lentz, on August 21. Proud grandparents are Angie & John Earnhardt.  
To Mark Mabry upon his retirement from Mabry Insurance on July 6.

### New Addresses

Hessie Clark	Polly Moose
c/o Buster Clark	c/o Brookdale (Chandler Place) Senior Living
1420 Fairfax Woods Drive	745 Dilworth Lane, Apt. 124
Apex, NC 27502	Rock Hill, SC 29732
(temporary address)	Phone: 803-372-8002

# NEWS and NOTES

## SESSION NOTES

At its stated meeting on August 19, 2018, Session heard reports from Worship, Christian Education, Personnel, Stewardship Interpretation and Finance, Property, Mission, Nominating and Endowment committees. The Worship committee reminded everyone that on Sunday, September 2, worship will be held at the YMCA park at 9 a.m. The Christian Education committee is preparing for Rally Day on September 9; Youth Club will begin on September 12; volunteers are needed for after-school programs on Wednesdays beginning September 12. The Personnel committee will meet with a candidate for the Christian Education position on Tuesday, August 21. The Stewardship committee reported that stewardship season will begin soon; the theme this year is "Sharing God's Many Blessings." Letters will be sent to the congregation in October and will ask members to increase pledges for the coming year, as fixed expenses are expected to increase. Consecration Sunday will be held on November 5. The Property committee reported that Dun Rite Pro cleaned interior and exterior windows in July, and discussions about resolving the acoustics problem in the gym are still in progress. The Mission committee would like to thank everyone who participated in the Circle the Sanctuary for SCCM; the amount of food donated was approximately 500 pounds. The committee also thanked everyone who helped with the Community Inn fund-raiser on August 17. The committee will sponsor a luncheon for staff and teachers of Central School on August 20 and will present the teachers with the school supplies that were donated by members of the congregation. The Mission committee recommended to Session that the September 30 Faith on the Fifth offering be designated for the Habitat for Humanity project; Session approved the recommendation. The Nominating committee is reviewing nominations for Deacons and Elders for the class of 2021; a congregational meeting will be called on October 21 to elect the slate of officers. The Endowment committee met in July and approved applications for Gaither grants. Grants were awarded for cleaning of church windows, new carpet for the minister's office, communion supplies, money for Youth Club, scholarships for the women's and congregational retreats, and kitchen supplies. Dona Lisk and Jim Marshall reported on the Presbytery meeting that was held in Charlotte on August 18. Ministers' report stated that a committee has been formed for the Habit for Humanity project; pledge cards may be sent to the congregation for this project. The Greater Albemarle Ministerial Association (GAMA) has scheduled a workday for September 29; work will be done in local schools, beginning at 8 a.m. GAMA is also sponsoring a Unity Walk on World Communion Sunday, October 6. Two representatives from Session will attend the Presbytery meeting in Monroe on October 23. REMINDERS: the women's retreat will be held on September 28-30; the congregational retreat will be held at Morrow Mountain October 12-14.

Submitted by: Mary N. Kesselman, Clerk of Session

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## THE UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE



*The Upper Room* magazine's mission is to provide a model of practical Christianity, accessible in varied formats, to help people feel invited and welcomed into God's presence to:

- listen to scripture as God's personal message, linking their stories to God's story.
- commune with God in prayer.
- see their daily choices and small acts of obedience as part of God's work.
- realize our connection through Christ as a universal family of believers.
- encounter the living Christ and be transformed into Christ's likeness.

*The Upper Room* devotional guide is available for your use. Daily readings will help focus your prayer and study.

*The Upper Room* can be found in the pit stop, the church office, and the narthex.

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## NEED TO BORROW DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT?

Did you know the church maintains a closet of gently used medical equipment for your use?

You can find: Wheelchairs, Walkers, Crutches, Canes, Bedside commodes

If you need to borrow any of these items, contact Kyle (704-982-2722 or [klambert@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:klambert@fpcalbemarle.org)).

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## Table Fellowship...

Enjoying meals together is one way we get to know each other better following a pattern established by Jesus in scripture. Most of our meals are paid for by donation only. Please note that complete meal costs are rarely (if ever) covered by donations.

Minimum suggested donation is:

\$5.00 adult/teen

\$3.00 child

\$15.00 family maximum

Thanks for your generosity.

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## Karaoke Set Needed

Woodhaven Assisted Living is in need of a karaoke machine/set. If you would like to donate one, please contact Martha Wolf (704-983-3505 or [mywolfmail@gmail.com](mailto:mywolfmail@gmail.com)).



# NEWS and NOTES

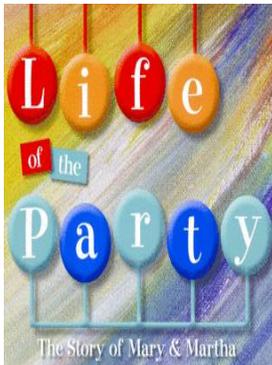


**October Newsletter Deadline on Tuesday, September 18.**

**Early submissions are always welcome!**

**If you type your items in Microsoft Word, please email them as an attachment to:  
pknighten@fpcalbemarle.org.**

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## Thank You for Your Help with... Life of the Party 2018 Music & Arts Camp

Thanks to the following folks who helped make this year's camp a success: Janice Abernathy, Linda Anderson, Rebekah Ayscue, Skeet Ayscue, Leah Beamon, Duncan Bryson, Keith Bryson, Kristie Bryson, Tim Carter, McKinlee Coble, Teresa Copper, James Cotton, Michelle Cumming, Ann Crutchfield, Ann Duckwall, Angie Earnhardt, Melissa Eudy, Donna Gaither, Ruth Goodwin, Sally Grantier, Martha Sue Hall, Betsy Grantier Hernandez, Jim Hesley, Margaret Ivey, Mary Kesselman, David Kilde, Leah Kilde, Chris Mabry, Sarah Michael, Jacob Palmer, Alexis Poolos, Beth Poolos, Frank Poolos, Kim Robertson, Sandy Rogers, Rose Saltzman, Sandy Saunders, Jim Sawyer, Mary Louise Sawyer, Jillian Scardina, Stan Scheer, Carolyn Sharpe, Harold Sharpe, Jackson Shedd, Caroline Snyder, Jack Snyder, Jane Snyder, Gracie Stinnett, Salem Taylor, Teresa Taylor, Ann Upchurch, and Martha White.

Thanks to Richard Lambert, Jeff Robertson, Rich Schaefer, Joe Snuggs, and David Whitley for painting the handrails on the church property.



Thanks to the following volunteers who assisted with Cooking Camp 2018: Kyle Barbee, Andy Cotton, Ruth Cotton, Steve Cumming, Ann Duckwall, Melissa Eudy, Wes Eudy, Susan Garrison, Sally Grantier, Tyler Horton, John Howell, Debby Johnston, Mary Kesselman, Greg Lisk, Anne Montgomery, Polly Moose, Barbara Overcash, Frankie Palmer, Jeff Robertson, Kim Robertson, Gayle Russell, Sandy Saunders, Janet Schaefer, and Martha Wolf.

Thanks for your donations during Circle the Sanctuary! We collected 491 pounds of assorted food items for SCCM to distribute to those in need. Also, SCCM received another check for 10 cents a meal for \$1570. Those monies help us pay the bills for the purchase of food and supplies at the Community Tables. We appreciate your support of this program.

We would like to thank the following people for helping at the Central Elementary School Lunch on August 20: Ann Duckwall, Peggy Finley, Debby Johnston, Joyce Lambert, Kim Robertson, Gayle Russell, and Sandy Saunders. We would like also to thank the following people for bringing either a salad or dessert: Linda Anderson, Ann Duckwall, Debby Johnston, Liz Jolly, Mary Kesselman, Kyle Lambert, Kim Robertson, Sandy Rogers, Gayle Russell, Sandy Saunders, Ann Snuggs, and Elizabeth Ayscue for her wonderful bread that we all enjoyed.

Thank you from Ruth Cotton, and Carolyn Sharpe

Thank you all who brought school supplies for Central Elementary School. The teachers were very grateful.

Thanks to the following people for helping clean-up the kitchen:

Andy Cotton, Ann Duckwall, Peggy Finley,

Susan Garrison, Debbie Hahn, John Hahn,

Frankie Palmer, Jim Sawyer, Mary Louise Sawyer, and Janet Schaefer.

Thanks to Cidney & Nathaniel Eudy for testing all the markers; to Kristie Bryson & Elizabeth Bryson for organizing the art/craft supplies; to Connie Wallace & Ken Knight and to Robin & John Howell for hosting vespers during the summer; to Barbara McManus for hosting the staff retreat; to summer soloists Andy Cotton, Ann Crutchfield, Craig Taylor, and Frank Poolos.





Do you ever see a name on the prayer list and think, *Now who is that?* Or forget what the relationship is? You are not alone as many folks have asked for help with this. The *Prayer List Connection* will refresh all our memories. Folks with chronic needs will be listed for a month in the bulletin. Following that month, we will keep them on the newsletter's *Prayer List Connection* for as long as we are requested to do so. Critical prayer concerns will be added weekly to the prayer list in the bulletin.

#### Friends of the Congregation:

**Doug Archer**, cancer.  
**Dale Benson**, brother of Ann Crutchfield.  
**Ted Biggers**, friend of Martha Sue Hall & Dan Samples.  
**Margaret Brooks**, friend of Debbie Hahn; at an assisted living facility.  
**Joan Bunn**, friend of Gina Martin; health concerns.  
**Michelle Honeycutt Cole**, friend of Katie Carpenter; in remission-stage 2 Hodgkins Lymphoma.  
**Jack Dickerson**, father of Susan Pandich.  
**Sara Dyer**, mother of Martha White; ongoing health concerns.  
**Lindsey Efird**, daughter of Karen Efird and Mark Efird; battling MPS.  
**Glenn Fowler**, possible nerve damage and failed rotator cuff surgery.  
**Veronica Fraser**, friend of Debby Johnston; pancreatic cancer.  
**Kathy Miles Gordon**, friend of Ruth Goodwin; pancreatic cancer.  
**Marty Goforth**, treatment for melanoma.  
**Conor Granger**, nephew of Laura McLeod; mental health issues.  
**Jennie Green**, sister of Kristie Bryson; recovering from fall.  
**Calvin Hall**, kidney cancer.  
**Elizabeth Howard**, cousin of Mary Kesselman; health concerns.  
**Ben Kierstead**, nephew of Leslie Carter.  
**Jackie Lynn Kruis**, eleven year-old great-niece of Gloria Bryson.  
**Denise LaBoube**, half-sister of Martha White; diagnosed with brain cancer-Astrocytoma.  
**Junior Lambert**, uncle of Danny Lambert; stage 4 lung cancer.  
**Molly Amelia Lowder**, continuing health concerns.  
**Diane Marks**, mother of Kyle Marks; treatment for breast cancer.  
**Bryanna Medlin**, nine year old diagnosed with Hodgkins Lymphoma.  
**Sam & Melanie Obermiller**, friends of John & Debbie Hahn.  
**Frank Osborne**, brother of Lillie Hancock.  
**Karen Russell**, First Baptist Church Wee Care Teacher; breast cancer.  
**David Sanges**, brother of Nathan Sanges.  
**Betty Stancik**, sister of Bill Hall; continuing health concerns.  
**Garin Stepp**, Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.  
**Sally Warburton**, friend of Debbie & John Hahn.  
**Eddie Wilson**, brother of Elizabeth Wilson; health concerns.

#### Members of the Congregation:

**Hessie Clark**.  
**Sally Grantier**, at home.  
**Blue Honeycutt**.  
**Dick Liles**, sciatica pain.  
**Polly Moose**.  
**Judy Murrell**, at home.  
**Tommy Murrell**.  
**Holly Norwood**, at home recovering from shoulder surgery.  
**Linda Richards**.  
**Pete Smith**.



# September

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

### BIRTHDAYS

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|-------------------|---------------------|
| 01- Frank Poolos  | 19- Becky Miller    |
| 02- Betty Crook   | 20- Angus Currie    |
| 03- Wayne Palmer  | Brent Lisk          |
| 04- Margaret Ivey | Grant Lisk          |
| 06- Laura McLeod  | 21- Ben Andrew      |
| 10- Bryce Kimrey  | Oliver Henkenjohann |
| Grace Richards    | 22- Jake Whisnant   |
| 11- Kelly Lentz   | 25- Kristie Bryson  |
| Ned Russell       | 27- Carter Gibson   |
| 13- Jane Pickler  | Caroline West       |
| Carolyn Sharpe    | 28- Ruth Goforth    |
| 15- Jim Hesley    | 30- Kennady Atwater |
| 16- Kyle Marks    | Hannah Martin       |
| David Morgan      | Jordan Morgan       |
| 17- Peggy Rogers  |                     |
| 18- Sam Davis     |                     |
| Nathaniel Eudy    |                     |

### ANNIVERSARIES

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| 03- Miller and Teryn Morgan    | 16- Don and Sheryl Stewart  |
| 05- Jim and Leslie Carter      | 26- Joe and Ann Snuggs      |
| 10- Richard and Janet Schaefer | 27- John and Jessica Palmer |
| 15- Banks and Susan Garrison   |                             |



# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY PRESBYTERIAN BUILD !!! HELP US BUILD A HOUSE !!!



Presbyterian churches from around Stanly County are teaming up this fall to work with Stanly County Habitat for Humanity on their next build. First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle, Norwood First Presbyterian Church, and Locust Presbyterian Church are going to be pulling together their resources

to support this project. Through two Faith on the Fifth offerings and an Advent Brunch fundraiser we have already begun our fundraising.

On Rally Day, we will have a construction project going on in the gym. You will be able to help us put it together and fill out a commitment card for this important project. No matter what your skills and abilities are, we can use your help!

We do not have a firm start date for the build, but once the ground breaking is set, we will combine our Presbyterian powers to change lives in Stanly County!



### *The Little Yellow Cup*

The SCCM Caring and Sharing Campaign will begin on Sunday, September 23 and run through Sunday, October 21. Your loose change and bills dropped into a little yellow cup have a tremendous impact on the SCCM programs. All Caring and Sharing funds received are used to purchase food and supplies for the Community Tables, Food Pantry, and to provide rent and utility assistance for our neighbors.

### **Quarter Ministry for The Mary & Martha Center for Women & Community Care**

Thank you so much for your continued support of our Quarter Ministry. Your gifts have enabled us to help many women in our community. The glass jars that you so generously fill with quarters allow us to provide laundry needs (machine operation and also detergents) to those of us who are less fortunate. Most recently, a young woman came to the center to ask for help. She was homeless and living in her vehicle with her one and two year old children. She had made some connections and was working to improve her situation with employment, but desperately needed clean clothing for herself and her children. Through the support of First Presbyterian Church and other churches in our community, we were able to help this woman and hopefully make some difference in her life.



When we look at a simple quarter, we do not always see anything more than a mere 25 cents, but to us and those we assist, it is an opportunity that can make a world of difference. Thank you again for your commitment to our cause. Our mission to provide disadvantaged women in Stanly County with a place of kindness and compassion would not be possible without you.

Submitted by: Kim Marshall, Secretary of The Mary & Martha Center for Women & Community Care, Inc.



### **Youth Mission**

Our youth engaged in a variety of mission projects throughout Albemarle this summer. On a variety of Monday mornings throughout June and July they cleaned our children's toys, baked cookies for hospital nurses, created art projects for our worship services, and made cards for another Presbyterian church that lost one of its youth in a car wreck this summer. This is one of the ways the youth in our church work to make our community and our world a better place.

### **Montaña De Luz Mission Trip: July 24-31, 2019!**

**Put it on your calendar today!**

One of the two foreign mission programs that First Presbyterian Church Mission Committee has chosen to support over the years is Montaña de Luz, an orphanage in Honduras for children with HIV. First Presbyterian Church has sponsored 12 trips to MDL since 2005 and its 13<sup>th</sup> trip is being planned for 2019. Many have said they have always wanted to go on this mission trip, but have never signed up when it got time to do so. Others have gone and had a great experience, but have not been back in a number of years. We hope this year we can take a large group from First Presbyterian Church and fill out the entire trip! These trips consist of various maintenance tasks that help keep the main campus and several houses in the village in good repair. The best part of every day is playing with the children in the afternoon and early evening. And you don't have to know any Spanish to have a great time! There is also time for reflection each night of the day's activities and devotions in the morning with the children. On Sunday there is a day trip to see some of the country, eat in a nice restaurant, and shop for souvenirs. There is a sign-up sheet on the Mission Board in the pitstop. Please sign if you are interested and want to know more about it and we will plan to meet sometime this fall. Don't put it off any more!



Submitted by: Skeet Ayscue



As many of you already know, we have new leadership this fall! Dorothy Hart, the newest member of our First Presbyterian Church staff, will be taking over leadership of the youth group. Dorothy is excited to get to meet all of you and to get things started for this fall. Take a look at our schedule for the first month and plan to get involved!

Sunday, September 9	5:00 p.m.	Church-wide Dance
Sunday, September 16	5:00 p.m.	Dinner at the Moeller's
Friday, September 21	6:00 p.m.	Youth Group Lock-In
Sunday, September 30	5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.	Youth Group

## Orientation Dinner

Before our official kick-off with the beginning of the year lock-in, come find out what we are up to this fall! Catherine & Matt Moeller will host us at their house (1301 Prestwick Place, Albemarle) on September 16 at 5:00 p.m. where we will talk about the fall, eat dinner, and hang-out. Please contact Matt ([m drumheller@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:m drumheller@fpcalbemarle.org)) by September 9 if you will be coming so dinner plans can be made accordingly.



## Youth Group Lock-In

Over the night of Friday, September 21 to Saturday, September 22, we will gather as a youth group to spend the night together. We'll go out for dinner and to try our hand at a breakout room. Then, we'll come back and do all sorts of fun things here in Albemarle, including games, a movie, and of course, snacks! Bring yourself, some money for dinner and the breakout room, and your favorite snack to share. Sign-up with Matt by Sunday, September 9.

### High School Conference Recap

From July 8 through July 14, Peyton Hatley, Adam Jolly, Jacob Palmer, and Anna Wainwright joined together with several youth from Norwood First Presbyterian church to spend a week in Montreat, NC. Along with Matt Drumheller and Tiffany Jones from Norwood, they participated in the 2018 Montreat Youth Conference. They explored the theme, **Lift Every Voice**. The group spent the week laughing, learning, singing, and growing together as they experienced fantastic worship, keynotes, recreation, and small groups. You helped make this trip possible for our youth, and they are grateful for your support. We look forward to returning for this conference next year!

### Middle School Conference Recap

Elizabeth Bryson, Leah Kilde, Lily Snyder, and Natalie Taylor participated in the Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference from June 26 to 29 with Matt Drumheller and Kristie Bryson. The theme of the conference was **Y'all Are Mine**, and we spent the week exploring how we are created, claimed, and called by God. The group had a great time, playing games, meeting new people, and worshipping in the mountains of Virginia. Thank you for supporting this group and supporting the spiritual education of our youth!



**!!! High School Bible Study is Coming Soon on Monday Nights !!!**  
**Watch for details about an early October start. Questions?**  
**Contact Elizabeth ([eayscue@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:eayscue@fpcalbemarle.org)).**



**SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

09-10 Grace Richards

09-20 Angus Currie

09-20 Brent Lisk

09-20 Grant Lisk



# PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

WEDNESDAYS, BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 5 AT 12:00 P.M. IN THE PARLOR  
FEEL FREE TO BRING A BAG LUNCH

For more information, contact Miriam Russell (704-982-3025).

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## First Family Dinner

Wednesday, September 5

Evening Prayer at 5:45 p.m. in the Chapel...Dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the Gym

Menu: Country Style Steak, Rice, Pinto Beans, Mixed Green Salad, Rolls,  
Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Station, Assorted Desserts, Tea, Coffee, Water, & Lemonade  
Healthy Meal Alternative: Mixed Green Salad

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### Volunteers Are Needed for First Family Gathering

- Dessert Crew: Tuesday, September 4 at 10:00 a.m.
- Set up crew: Tuesday, September 4 at 12:00 p.m.
- Sides crew: Wednesday, September 5 at 1:00 p.m.
- Final Touches Crew: Wednesday, September 5 at 5:15 p.m.
- Clean-up crew: Wednesday, September 5 at 6:45 p.m.



Please call Jane Snyder at the church 704-982-2722 or on her phone 704-438-3358 if you would like to help!

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We will be continuing our Young Adult Lunches during the Fall. We will try to visit a variety of restaurants throughout the Fall. If you have any requests, let Matt know (mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org). Plan to meet at noon on the first Thursday of every month:

- September 6 at Ly Cuisine
- October 4 at the Goody Shop Cafe
- November 1 at El Ranchito

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## Monday Evening Bible Study with Matt

Continuing on September 10, Matt will host a weekly Bible study on Monday evenings at 8:00 pm at Off the Square. We will spend time exploring Scripture, eating good food and talking about life and faith. Anyone is welcome to join Matt for this ecumenical study.



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**ACOLYTE TRAINING**  
**FOR WHOM? 5<sup>TH</sup>, 6<sup>TH</sup>, 7<sup>TH</sup>, & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS**  
**WHEN? SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 AFTER WORSHIP**  
**WHERE? AT THE FRONT OF THE SANCTUARY**

Join Dr. Marshall and Elizabeth for about 30 minutes as they prepare you for the important role of bringing the light of Christ into our worship space on Sunday mornings.

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## New This Fall...Fun, Light, Easy Exercise

- What is it?** A seated stretching exercise class. All exercises can be easily modified to benefit every fitness level.
- When?** Tuesdays & Thursdays at 11:15 a.m. beginning September 11
- Where?** In the gym
- Instructor?** Our own Kim Robertson will lead the group.  
Relax & de-stress while improving flexibility and muscle tone.





# Prime Timers' Luncheon

Thursday, September 13 at Noon in the Pit Stop

Topic: Programs & Volunteer Opportunities with Central Elementary School

Lunch will be served prior to the program.

Menu: Sandwiches, Salads, fruit, Desserts, & Beverages

Please RSVP by Monday, September 10 to Kyle (704-982-2722 or klambert@fpcalbemarle.org).

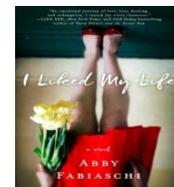
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## Fall Book Study Conversation

*I Liked My Life* by Abby Fabiaschi

Monday, September 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the church parlor

Books are available in the church office. Cost: \$12.00



This debut novel has been described like this: *as absorbing as it is illuminating, and as witty as it is heartbreaking.* It is a story of loss, love, healing, and redemption. Enjoy the read and come share conversation as we find moments of grace and God's presence in the joy and sorrow of the story.

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## Attention College Students & Parents

Please contact the church office

(klambert@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722)

with college mailing address and email address.

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## Would You Like To Be A Silent Partner?

First Presbyterian Church college students will soon begin the 2018-2019 school year. We need people to serve as a Silent Partner to these college students. Contact the church office at 704-982-2722 to sign-up to be a Silent Partner.

shhh...  
it's a secret

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## INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT MEMBERSHIP AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

If you have been visiting this congregation for a while (or just showed up) and want to know more about the privilege and responsibility of ministry, plan to join Matt and members of the Membership Committee for a very brief meeting.

When?

Following worship on Sunday, September 23

Where?

In the Parlor

Can't make the meeting?

Contact Matt Drumheller (704-982-2722 or mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org).

We'll share brief conversation and set a date to talk about the Presbyterian Church and this congregation specifically.

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## GRANDPARENT'S DAY FLOWERS



On Grandparent's 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 4.** Checks may be made payable to First Presbyterian Church and designate for *Grandparent's Day Flowers*. The names of donors and those being honored/remembered will be listed on **Grandparent's Day, September 9.** Any money collected over the cost of the flowers will be donated to the Minister's Discretionary Fund.

## GRANDPARENT'S DAY FLOWERS

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

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_



**Youth Club/Youth Cubs 2018-2019**  
**begins Wednesday, September 12**  
**3:15 p.m.-5:15 p.m.**  
**3 & 4 year olds (Cubs)**  
**Kindergarten-3<sup>rd</sup> grade (Trusty Travelers)**  
**4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade (Faith Explorers)**

Youth Club Trusty Travelers...Parents should park in the back parking lot to bring their children in and to pick-up.

Schedule

3:15 p.m.-5:15 p.m.	Snack, Bible Study, Art, Recreation, Drama, & Music
5:15 p.m.-5:45 p.m.	ORFF (percussion) for K-2 <sup>nd</sup> graders...led by Daniel Dickens
5:15 p.m.-5:45 p.m.	Handbells for 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> graders...led by Frank Poolos

This year's lessons will focus on prayer and the great stories of the Old & New Testaments. Stories will be experienced through word, art, music, and drama. Matt Drumheller will serve as coordinator for the program. Questions and registration forms should be directed to him (704-982-2722 or mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org).

Youth Club Faith Explorers...Parents should park in the back parking lot to bring their children in and to pick-up. Faith Explorers will meet together on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor where much of their afternoon will be spent. Their time together will be interactive and outward focused as they focus on living out their faith in the world. Leaders: Dorothy Hart & Terri West

Schedule

3:15 p.m.-5:15 p.m.	Music, Art, Conversation, Prayer, Drama, & Recreation
5:15 p.m.-5:45 p.m.	Handbells for 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> graders...led by Frank Poolos

Youth Cubs

Parents should drop-off and pick-up children in the preschool area of the Educational Building. Each week, the children will explore biblical stories through art, drama, music, and word. They will pray, play, and sing together. Questions about the program may be directed to Matt (704-982-2722 or mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org).



**Communion Workshop for Children on Sunday, September 30**

**Noon-2:30 p.m.**

We will have our annual communion workshop for children grades K-2 and their parents on September 30 after worship. Children and families will learn more about the Lord's Supper and symbols of this sacrament. Please plan to stay for lunch and conversation!



**Hurray For Breakfast Bunch!!!**

Who can come? 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> graders  
 What? Breakfast...muffins, fruit, yogurt, milk, juice, etc.  
 When? Sunday, October 7 at 9:00 a.m.  
 Where? Media Room  
 Why? To pray together & build strong community of faith  
 Please let Jill Niebler (jniebler@gmail.com) know if you are able to join us.



**Faith Explorers**

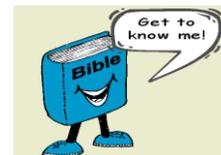
**Our 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders will enjoy monthly outings during the school year, as well as a clearly defined program during Youth Club on Wednesdays.**

**First Outing: Sunday, September 16**  
**Pool Party & Pizza after worship**  
**at the home of Penny & Jack Morton**

**Bring your bathing suit, towel, and sunscreen to church as we'll head over to the pool after worship.**

**Pick-up time: 3:00 p.m. at the Morton's home**  
**(40313 Hoops Court, Albemarle)**

**POOL PARTY**



**Presentation of Bibles for Third Graders**

By third grade, most children are ready to move beyond a Bible storybook to reading the Bible for themselves. As an expression of our baptism vows, the congregation at First Presbyterian Church gives a Bible to each third grader and encourages participation of each child and parent in a *Getting to Know Your Bible* workshop.

**Date: Sunday, October 21**

**Bibles will be presented in worship, and parents and third graders will spend the afternoon with Matt and Elizabeth getting acquainted with the new Bible.**

**Mugs, Mingling, & Muffins**

**Tuesday, October 9 at 9:30 a.m. in the church kitchen**

**Come join Jane for a mug of coffee, some fun mingling, and making muffins!**

You choose in what way you would like to participate:

- 1. Bake muffins on Tuesday, October 9 at 9:30 a.m. **OR**
- 2. Bake & Take the muffins to those in our church and community. **OR**
- 3. Deliver the muffins to those in our church and community.



**Contact Jane Snyder (704-438-3358-call/text or jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org) to say you want to participate.**

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**Save the Date**

**Sunday, October 28**

**5:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.**

On October 28, the youth group will host the annual Fall Carnival for the church. Everyone is invited to join us for an evening of costumed fun, games, and candy! We will have treats and games for all ages.

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**Summer Sermons:  
A Look Back**

Thanks to the many folks who shared in worship as writer, storyteller, or soloist, as we built a cross using what we learned from the early church in the book of Acts.



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**Gaither Endowment Grants Awarded**

At its meeting in July, the Endowment Committee responded to the grant requests which were submitted. The amount distributed from the Gaither Endowment was \$10,118. Funds were distributed to:

**The Youth Ministry** for the assistance of youth attending Summer Youth Conference.

**The Property Committee** for new carpet in the minister's office; professional cleaning of all church windows.

**The Christian Education Committee** for scholarships for the Women's Retreat; scholarship assistance for the Congregational Retreat; the December Christmas Party at SK8City for Youth Club children; Youth Club Faith Explorers' Sunday Outing to a play in Charlotte.

**The Worship Committee** for communion supplies.

**The Fellowship Committee** for kitchen supplies.

**The Pickleball Group** for new pickleballs.



# Stanly County Dancing with the Stars

## Duos vs. Trios

at the Stanly County Agri-Civic Center on Saturday, September 8

Show begins at 7:00 p.m.

Tickets are available at Starnes Jewelers.

Balcony: \$20 Mezzanine: \$30

All proceeds benefit the Butterfly House Children Advocacy Center. Read more and vote for your favorite dancers at [www.stanlydancingstars.com](http://www.stanlydancingstars.com) or call 980-323-4103 for additional information.

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### First Presbyterian Church

### Fall Art Gallery Exhibit

### GHA Autism Supports

### Creative Arts Program

### Presents: *FACE OFF 2018*

This year, the GHA Creative Arts Program's Annual Art Show is entitled "FACE OFF", modeled after the popular reality television series in which a group of prosthetic makeup artists compete against each other to

create facial prostheses such as those found in science fiction and horror films.

For this exciting art exhibit, the GHA Creative Arts Program explored the world of cultural and ceremonial masks. To prepare for this project, each individual explored the history of masks and how they were represented in a variety of ways throughout history. The use of masks symbolizes ancient cultural practices around the world. Masks were often worn for protection during hunting, sports, wars, during feasts and celebrations, or simply used as ornamentation.

In this year's art display, GHA individuals selected from a variety of masks representing African, Asian, and Mexican cultures to gain inspiration in creating their own masterpieces. By using traditional costume masks, various everyday objects, such as cardboard, paint, and old jewelry, each individual was able to create a one-of-a-kind piece of art.

In addition to studying the art of cultural masks throughout history, individuals also explored the world of make-up and prosthetic art.



"GHOST"  
By:  
Andy B.

**The congregation of First Presbyterian Church is invited to meet the GHA artists at the Art Gallery Reception Tuesday, September 11 from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. in the church common area**

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### **Another Afternoon with John Denver Part of New London United Methodist Church Music and Missions Series**

**Sunday, September 16  
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM.**

### **Donations Accepted...No Charge to Attend**

Rod Almond and friends will once again present an hour and a half of John's music, recreating a typical concert from before Denver's untimely passing 21 years ago. All proceeds will benefit Homes of Hope, Inc., a non-profit organization working to reduce homelessness in Stanly County through transitional housing, emergency housing, case management, resource connections, and skill acquisition that will enable individuals and families in need to gain independence and become successful community members. Please join us for 90 minutes of music and memories.



# September

## Sunday, September 2

9:00 am Worship at the YMCA Park/ Ten-Cents-A-Meal  
Offering for Hunger/Light Refreshments  
(115 CB Crook Dr., Albemarle)

## Monday, September 3

*Labor Day/Church Office Closed*

## Tuesday, September 4

*Deadline for Grandparents' Day flower form*

10:00 am First Family Dessert Crew  
12:00 pm First Family Set-up Crew

## Wednesday, September 5

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast  
12:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (Parlor)  
1:00 pm First Family Sides Crew  
5:00 pm Youth Club Volunteer Meeting (Session Room)  
5:15 pm First Family Final Touches Crew  
5:45 pm Evening Prayer (Chapel)  
6:00 pm First Family Dinner  
6:45 pm First Family Clean-up Crew  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, September 6

10:00 am Staff Meeting  
12:00 pm Young Adult Lunch at Ly Cuisine

## Sunday, September 9

*Rally Day/Commissioning of Teachers & Leaders in Christian Education/Grandparent's Day*

8:45 am \*Diaconate  
9:30 am \*Rally Day (Gym)  
11:00 am \*Worship  
12:00 pm Mission Committee Meeting  
12:00 pm Acolyte Training  
5:00 pm-7:00 pm Line Dancing & Square Dancing Fellowship

## Monday, September 10

8:00 pm Monday Evening Bible Study w/Matt at Off the Square

## Tuesday, September 11

11:15 am Light Exercise (Gym)  
1:00 pm-3:00 pm Art Gallery Reception

## Wednesday, September 12

*First Day of Youth Club*

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast  
3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club  
5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff Ensemble (Grades K-2)  
5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Club Handbells (Grades 3-5)  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, September 13

10:00 am Staff Meeting  
11:15 am Light Exercise (Gym)  
12:00 pm PrimeTimers' Luncheon

\*childcare provided

## Sunday, September 16

8:30 am \*Session  
9:45 am \*Sunday School  
11:00 am \*Worship  
12:00 pm Faith Explorers' Pool Party  
5:00 pm Youth Group Dinner at the Moeller's

## Tuesday, September 18

11:15 am Light Exercise (Gym)  
12:00 pm October Newsletter Deadline

## Wednesday, September 19

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast  
3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club  
5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff Ensemble (Grades K-2)  
5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Club Handbells (Grades 3-5)  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, September 20

10:00 am Staff Meeting  
11:15 pm Light Exercise (Gym)

## Friday, September 21

*Youth Group Lock-in*

## Saturday, September 22

*Youth Group Lock-in*

## Sunday, September 23

9:45 am \*Sunday School  
11:00 am \*Worship  
12:00 pm Prospective Members (parlor)

## Monday, September 24

7:00 pm Book Conversation (Parlor)

## Tuesday, September 25

11:15 am Light Exercise (Gym)

## Wednesday, September 26

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast  
3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club  
5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff Ensemble (Grades K-2)  
5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Club Handbells (Grades 3-5)  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, September 27

10:00 am Staff Meeting  
11:15 am Light Exercise (Gym)

## Friday, September 28

*Women's Retreat at William Black Lodge (Montreat, NC)*

## Saturday, September 29

*Women's Retreat at William Black Lodge (Montreat, NC)*

8:00 am Greater Albemarle Ministerial Association  
Community Workday

## Sunday, September 30

*Women's Retreat at William Black Lodge (Montreat, NC)*

*Faith on the Fifth Offering for Habitat for Humanity Faith Build*

9:45 am \*Sunday School  
11:00 am \*Worship  
12:00 pm-2:30 pm Communion Workshop (K-2<sup>nd</sup> & Parents)  
5:00 pm-7:30 pm Youth Group

\*childcare provided

**THOSE WHO SERVE IN SEPTEMBER**

**Ushers:** Jill Niebler, captain; Steve Cumming, Heather Deese, Nancy Joines, Katherine Jolly, Ken Knight, Andy McLeod, Shelley Shedd

**Elder Greeters for September:** Joyce Lambert; Rich Schaefer

**Nursery:**

**September 2:** Worship at the YMCA Park

**September 9:** Kaitlyn Massey

**September 16:** Grayson Harris

**September 23:** Grayson Harris

**September 30:** Kaitlyn Massey

**Acolytes:**

**September 2:** Worship at the YMCA Park

**September 9:** Natalie Taylor

**September 16:** Grant Lisk

**September 23:** Jackson Palmer

**September 30:** Elizabeth Bryson

**Outside Ushers:**

**September 2:** Worship at the YMCA Park

**September 9:** John Howell; Kyle Marks

**September 16:** Wes Eudy; Ronnie Michael

**September 23:** Steve Coats; Stephan Kinley

**September 30:** Lee McManus; Greg Lisk

**Children's Church for September:**

**September 2:** Worship at the YMCA Park

**September 9:** Liz Davis; Luke Davis

**September 16:** Liz Davis; Luke Davis

**September 23:** Liz Davis; Luke Davis

**September 30:** Liz Davis; Luke Davis

**Diaconate Meeting**  
**Sunday, September 9**

Kaitlyn Massey

**Session Meeting**  
**Sunday, September 16**

Grayson Harris

**Kids Care Crew:**

**September 2:** Worship at the YMCA Park

**September 9:** Jack & Penny Morton

**September 16:** Sarah & Ronnie Michael

**September 23:** Debby Johnston; Carol Sasser

**September 30:** Laura & Mike McLeod

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