

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

Invitation

Offertory *Brother James' Air* Dale Wood
Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* hymnal page, 606
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication

Generous God, you are our portion and our cup. In you, our hearts are glad, our souls rejoice, and our bodies rest. Bless and multiply our offerings and pledges, that they may bring the joy of your presence more deeply into the world. Amen.

SENDING

HYMN 761 *Called as Partners in Christ's Service* Beecher

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION *The Grace*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, evermore. Amen.

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*POSTLUDE *Toccatà in e minor* Johann Pachelbel

*All that are able may stand.



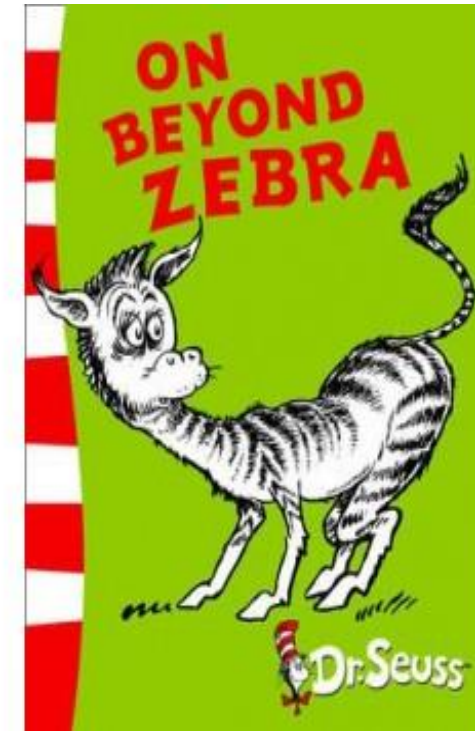
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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

June 26, 2022

3rd Sunday After Pentecost

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Friendship Register

PRELUDE *Gabriel's Oboe* Ennio Morricone

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE TBD

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 13 Nancy Joines, liturgist

I trust in your steadfast love, O God; my heart rejoices in your salvation.

I will sing praises unto you, O Lord, because you have dealt bountifully with me.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of all glory, on this first day, you began creation, bringing light out of darkness, On this first day, you began your new creation, raising Jesus Christ from the darkness of death. On this Lord's Day, grant that we, the people you create by water and the Spirit, may be joined with all your words in praising you for your great glory. Through Jesus Christ, in union with the Holy Spirit, we praise you now and forever. Amen.

*HYMN 619 *Praise My Soul, the God of Heaven* Lauda Anima

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our failure to be what you created us to be. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light and abide in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

Silent Confession and Reflection

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing* page 610 Stanza 5

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given

By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given

THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Ann Crutchfield

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Eternal God, in the reading of the scripture, may your word be heard; in the meditation of our hearts, may your word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your word be shown. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS Genesis 22:1-18

Pew Bible, page 17

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Consider

Roland E. Martin

Frank Poolos, Oboe

Consider the lilies of the field whose bloom is brief:

We are as they; Like them we fade away, as doth a leaf.

Consider the sparrows of the air of small account:

Our God doth view whether they fall or mount, He guards us too.

Consider the lilies that do neither spin nor toil,

Yet are most fair: What profits all this care and all this coil?

Consider the birds that have no barn nor harvest-weeks;

God gives them food: Much more our Father seeks to do us good.

SERMON

“On Beyond Zebra”

Reverend Cathy S. George

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From *The Confession of 1967*

The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission. His life as a man involves the church in the common life of [people]. His service to [people] commits the church to work for every form of human well-being. His suffering makes the church sensitive to all the sufferings of [humankind] so that it sees the face of Christ in the faces of [people] in every kind of need. His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on man's inhumanity to and the awful consequences of its own complicity in injustice. In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming, the church sees the promise of God's renewal of [human] life in society and of God's victory over all wrong. The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the method of its action. So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 837

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

Showalter

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Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me, Traditional liturgical text, adapt. Music © 2008, Paul M. Vasile. All rights reserved. Used by permission of the composer.

Thank you to the Chancel Choir, Frank Poolos, Stan Scheer, and Ann Crutchfield for their leadership in worship today.

The acolyte today is TBD.

Ushers for June: Jim Hesley, captain: Elizabeth Bryson, Ella Cumming, Jim Ivey, Myron Lowder and Lee Snuggs

Outside Ushers for June 26: Jim Ivey, Lee Snuggs

Elder Greeters Bill Jolly, Chris Whitley

Sound: TBD **Film:** Katherine Jolly **Nursery:** Bailey Mitchell

Kids Care Crew:

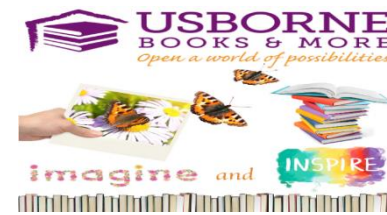
There is no Children's Church during the summer. Children are encouraged to remain in worship.

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: The family of Charles Wayne Marks (father of Kyle Marks) who died on June 17. The family of Sharan Hess (sister of Connie Wallace) who died on June 18. Gloria Bryson (Bethany Woods), Ann Byrd (Home), Banks Garrison (Home), Robin Howell (Home), Tim Rogers (friend of Lee and Billie Jean Snuggs, cancer), Doris Forte, Brayden Enzor (grandson of Gus & Pam Holbrook; 2 brain tumors, currently undergoing chemo and then radiation), Carole Yost (home), Bill Cotton (brother of Andy Cotton), Don Abernathy, Jean Rabe, Anita Gower, Nancy Jolly, Claude Harwood, Jane Scheer, Don Joines, Jane Pickler. See newsletter for complete list.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE



Worship during the months of June, July, and August will take place at 10:00 a.m. There will be no Sunday School during the summer months.



Usborne Book Facebook Party from June 1- June 30

To Benefit the Children's Rooms at Church

Usborne Books and More has a wide variety of fun and educational books, puzzles, and activities! All would greatly benefit the children's' rooms at church. There will be a virtual Facebook party held for those that have one, but also the option to help even without having a Facebook! **All rewards from the party and shopping link will go toward purchasing books for the church.**

Are you wondering how you could help?

1. Purchase books for your children's bookshelves using the link provided.

2. Purchase books off of the wishlist for the bookshelves in the children's rooms at First Presbyterian Church.

Shopping link: <https://x11508.myubam.com/2375439> (wishlist can also be found at the top left once this link is clicked)

Wishlist link: <https://x11508.myubam.com/wishlist/cea842ca-9878-48d2-a469-ae7b00f22fad>

Thanks to Teresa Samples for coordinating this opportunity for our church to get new educational books in the preschool rooms.

INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT MEMBERSHIP

AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

Are you looking for a church home? Have you been visiting for a while and think you might like to put down roots? Are you simply interested in learning more about what it means to be a member of First Presbyterian Church? We would love to talk to you about what being a member looks like! Please contact Rev. Cathy George (cgeorge@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722), or Sandy Rogers (sandyrogers119@msn.com or 704-244-1191), chair of the Membership Committee!

Congregational Gathering

There will be a Congregational Gathering on Sunday, June 26th after worship for the purpose of receiving feedback from all members and regular visitors. Come by and have lunch let us hear your memories and expectations for First Presbyterian Church.

The Surveys Are Here

The Congregational Surveys are here and we would like for each member and regular visitor to complete one. They will be available in the Pit Stop beginning Monday, June 27. You can complete a paper copy there or you can find it online at <https://surveys.pcusa.org/s3/USCVS-Care-Generations>

The 2022 Nominating Committee welcomes your suggestions of persons to be considered for service as Deacon or Ruling Elder. In thinking of folks who may be qualified to serve, please consider the following: worship attendance, participation in church activities, service rendered to the church, Christian living in daily life, and ability to work cooperatively with others. Please check with your nominee(s) to confirm he/she is willing to serve if elected. Terms are for 3 years. Refer to the lists on the back of the bulletin and newsletter for current officers.



Suggestions for Deacon

- 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Suggestions for Ruling Elder

- 1. _____
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Lemonade on the Lawn Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to sign-up for Lemonade on the Lawn. Lemonade on the Lawn hosts provide a nice refreshment following worship during the summer months. If you are interested in hosting with cookies and lemonade, contact Michelle Cumming (704-984-4035 or michellecumming85@yahoo.com) and sign-up in the Pit Stop on the Bulletin Board next to the Church Parlor.





Everyone is invited to join us on the first and last Wednesday of each month for a splashing good time in Christian Education this summer!

Water is such a powerful substance. It keeps us alive, helps grow foods we eat, and allows us times of enjoyment.

What better theme for a summer of growth in Christian Education. As we enjoy the ability to come back together as a unified church family, please make note of the events in your Summer Newsletter.



Join us Thursday, June 30 (NOTE DATE CHANGE) as we learn about how water sustains us. We will meet at 10am at Spring Lake Farms for a tour of their facility and learn how they use aquaponics to grow crops. After, we will go to Second Street Sundries for lunch. Bring \$5 for the tour and money for lunch. Please RSVP to Melissa so we know how many we will have (meudy@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-439-6747).

Book Discussion Group

The Book Discussion Group will meet at Jalepeno's at 6pm on Monday, June 27. We will be discussing Conjure Women by Atakoria Afia. Please email Courtney Niederer (cniederer@yahoo.com) if you plan to attend. The group will not meet

in July . Our next meeting will be August 22. We will be discussing *The Island* by Victoria Hislop. The location and time will be announced soon.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 26

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 am *Worship

11:00 am Congregational Gathering with the Mission Study T
with a light lunch (Gym)

Monday, June 27

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10:00 am Youth Mission Monday

6:00 pm Book Discussion Group-Jalepeno's

Wednesday, June 29

6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

5:00 pm-7:00 pm Summer Splash Garden Event
at Spring Lake Family Farm

6:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, June 30

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

Friday, July 1

6:00 pm Community Inn Meal

Sunday, July 3

4th Sunday after Pentecost

Ten Cents a Meal Offering for Hunger

10:00 am *Worship

***childcare provided**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

JUNE

26-Jim Marshall

27-Elizabeth Bryson

Keith Bryson

28-Maddox Jolly

Sophie Poplin

July 01-Gina Martin

03-Addison Marks

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

JUNE

26-David & Mellanie Morgan

27-Mike Laura McLeod

Frank & Beth Poolos

28-Wes & Melissa Eudy

29-Ken Knight & Connie Wallace

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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