



The Weekly Bulletin
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PEALING OF THE BELLS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

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

PRELUDE

Blessed Are They Who Rest from Their Labor

Johannes Brahms

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

People: Let us also lay aside every weight

Leader: And the sin that clings so closely,

People: And let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

All: We have come joyfully to worship God.

*CHORAL INTROIT

I Sing a Song of the Saints of God

John Henry Hopkins

*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 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Coronation

The Ten-Cents-A-Meal offering for hunger may be brought forward at this time.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

Unison

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. We confess that we are indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid. In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom your promised in Jesus Christ.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Believe the good news,

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Gloria Patri

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

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Children will be invited to come forward. At the conclusion of the Children's Greeting, parents may take preschool children to the nursery.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of mercy, you promised never to break your covenant with us. Amid all the changing words of our generation, speak your eternal Word that does not change. Then may we respond to your gracious promises with faithful and obedient lives; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Genesis 18:1-8

Pew Bible, page 13

ANTHEM

Pie Jesu from 'Requiem'

Andrew Lloyd Webber

Henry Thomas and Ann Crutchfield, Soloists

*Blessed Jesus, Lamb of God, who takes away
the sin of the world, grant them everlasting rest.*

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Hebrews 13:1-2

Pew Bible, page 213

SERMON

A Warm Welcome

Mrs. Ayscue

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Kim Marshall

COMMUNION OF THE SAINTS

Leader: In the rising of the sun and in its going down, we remember them.

People: In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter, we remember them.

Leader: In the opening of the buds and in the rebirth of spring, we remember them.

People: In the blueness of the sky and in the warmth of summer, we remember them.

Leader: In the rustling of leaves and in the beauty of autumn, we remember them.

People: In the beginning of the year and when it ends, we remember them.

Leader: When we are weary and in need of strength, we remember them.

People: When we are lost and sick at heart, we remember them.

Leader: When we have joys we yearn to share, we remember them.

People: So long as we live, they too shall live, for they are now a part of us.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

During the prayer, a bell will toll for the saints of First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle, who have entered the Church Triumphant since All Saints Day 2014. They are:

Sam Johnson	November 13, 2014	Susan Wolf	May 30, 2015
Betty Lynn Fort	December 3, 2014	Becky Carter	June 30, 2015
Sheila Flowe	December 18, 2014	Rita Whitley	July 21, 2015
Peggy Howard	December 19, 2014	Bill Palmer	September 5, 2015
Johnsie McIntyre	February 2, 2015	Fran Mabry	October 10, 2015

*HYMN 326

For All the Saints

Sine Nomine

During the singing of the hymn, the congregation is invited to place a flower in the basket in memory of the saints of their lives.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS AND 2016 PLEDGE CARDS

Offertory

Beautiful Savior

David Cherwien

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

hymnal, page 606

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

*Prayer of Dedication

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise...

Leader: ...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with all the people of faith of every time and place who forever sing to the glory of your name.

Organ

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow 'er and
 might, hea-ven and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Leader: ...Great is the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Anthem

Lamb of God

Malcolm Archer

Hymn

Let Us Break Bread Together

Let Us Break Bread

The congregation is invited to sing the hymn while communion is being served.

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees;)

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees;)

When I fall on my knees, With my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me.)

Let us drink wine together...

Let us praise God together on our knees...

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*HYMN 507

Come to the Table of Grace

Table of Grace

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

God Be in My Head

John Rutter

*POSTLUDE

O Welt ich muss dich lassen

Joahannes Brahms

*All that are able may stand.

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

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

Thanks to Henry Thomas and Ann Crutchfield for their participation in worship today.

There will be no children’s church this Sunday. All elementary aged children are encouraged to remain in worship for the Sacrament of the Lord’s Super.

We will receive the Ten-Cents-A-Meal offering for hunger on Sunday, November 1.

The Lord’s Table is open to all who trust in Jesus Christ. The elements will be passed in the pews. Gluten free bread is in a separate container on each bread tray. As a sign of our unity in Christ, we will partake of the elements as one body, on cue from the pastor.

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper on Sunday, November 1. Prepare your hearts and minds to share at the table of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Consecration Sunday is November 1. Plan to return your completed pledge card as we celebrate God’s overwhelming gifts to us.

Sunday, November 1 is All Saints Day. We will remember the members of our congregation who have entered the Church Triumphant in the past year. Additionally, each worshipper will be given a flower upon entering the sanctuary. During worship, the flower may be placed in a basket to honor the memory of one your personal saints.

Ushers: John Howell, captain; Al Andrew, Jay Andrew, Brad Boone, Lee Boone, Kalyn Caudle, Bill Hall, Robin Howell, Adam Jolly, Greg Lisk, Ben McLeod, Isabel McLeod, and Joe Snuggs **Elder Greeters:** Peggy Finley; Marshall Rogers **Nursery:** Jana Sanderson **Toddler Room:** Misty Honbarrier **Preschool Partners:** Penny & Jack Morton **Nana & Papa Team:** Carroll Sitton **No Children’s Church**

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: John McIntyre, Janet Gardner Fleming (stepdaughter of Ruth Ann Rogers; diagnosed with colon cancer), David Sanges (brother of Nathan Sanges); Struggling families. **See newsletter for complete list.**



Sundays, November 1 & 8
ENGAGE CAFÉ at 9:30 a.m.
Come early for coffee, fellowship, & treats!
ENGAGE Groups begin at 9:45 a.m.



The yellow Caring and Sharing Cups for SCCM are available for pick-up in the pit stop. Every cup, every dime, every dollar, will make a difference in the life of our community. Please return your filled cup by Sunday, November 22.

**CONSECRATION SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 1**



**DEEPENING OUR COMMITMENT
TO CHRIST
TO CHURCH
TO COMMUNITY**

Please bring your completed pledge card to Church on Nov. 1st. If you are unable to attend, please return the card to the Church office by Monday Nov. 2nd so your officers can complete the important job of preparing a 2016 budget.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES
PICK-UP A SHOEBOX IN THE PIT STOP OR
WRAP YOUR OWN SHOEBOX**

RETURN FILLED SHOEBOX TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1



**SERRV Fair Trade Bazaar
Sunday, November 8**

Bring your Christmas shopping list!
This is the place to find...

- ❖ Gifts with meaning – helps children go to school, helps with community development.
- ❖ Environmentally sensitive gifts – some organic or shade grown products which are shipped in recyclables.
- ❖ Fair trade gifts – artisan’s and farmer’s cooperatives have input in setting a fair price for their products.
- ❖ Gifts for under \$10.00 – coffee, tea, chocolates, baking cocoa, nuts, soup mix, jams, mango chutney, spice mixes, olive oil, and other food items.

Will you help support this mission?

We’ll be in the pit stop from 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
and 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 8.

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1.
REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR!**

**Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF
During Sunday School on November 1**

The children’s classes will visit the Youth Middle School Sunday School and all ENGAGE! classes with information about UNICEF and their UNICEF boxes. Please be prepared to support UNICEF and the children of First Presbyterian Church as they support the children of the world on Sunday, November 1. Your gifts make a difference!





**Time for the Homes of Hope fall...
HEARTY BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER**

Donations Accepted!

Stanly County's homeless housing program serving more than 800 since 2005.

Enjoy a Hearty Breakfast of:

**Scrambled Eggs, Cereal, Bacon, Biscuits, Pancakes, Juice,
Fruit, Coffee, Gravy, Grits, & Sausage**

6:30 a.m.– 9:30 a.m. on Friday, November 6

Central United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

172 N. Second Street, Albemarle

Homes of Hope is a United Way agency.



Backpack Food Program

Donations Needed:

Oatmeal Packets, Breakfast Cookies,

Individual Bags of Goldfish, Large Cans of Soup,

Saltine Crackers, Hamburger Helper, Snack Crackers, Pineapple or Fruit Cocktail Cups

A bin in the pit stop will receive your donation.

Backpacks will be filled on Wednesday, November 18 at 10:00 a.m.

Hurray For Breakfast Bunch!!!

- Who can come? 2nd graders & 3rd graders
- What? Breakfast...muffins, fruit, juice, etc.
- When? Sunday, November 8 at 9:00 a.m.
- Where? Media Room
- Why? To pray together & build strong community of faith

Please let Gina Martin know if you are able to join us...(ginamartin@fpcalbemarle.com) **Parents...there will be coffee & muffins for you in the parlor, so please take advantage of this opportunity to relax with other moms & dads while your children are spending quality time together each month.*

VETERANS DAY FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

On Veterans Day, the flowers in the sanctuary will be in honor/memory of veterans. Each name is \$2.00. Please mail, deliver or place in the offering plate your money with the form below no later than Sunday, November 1. Please make your check payable to *First Presbyterian Church* and designate for Veterans Day Arrangements. The names of donors and those being remembered/honored will be listed on Sunday, November 8. Any money collected over the cost of the arrangements will be donated to the Minister's Discretionary Fund.



VETERANS DAY ARRANGEMENTS

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

In memory of: _____

Given by: _____

In honor of: _____

Given by: _____

Storms & Flooding Clean-Up Buckets Collection November 1-30

These disasters raise the need for Gift of the Heart Cleanup Buckets. Supplies offer help for families as they begin the overwhelming task of storm and flood cleanup. A cleanup bucket drive is being sponsored by the Presbytery of Charlotte Community Disaster Response Team. The drive will last through the end of December. The goal is to collect 200 buckets. First Presbyteryan Church of Albemarle has a goal to fill 10 buckets. Buckets are provided. Please place your donated items in the designated bins in the pit stop.

Cleanup Buckets Needed

Storms. Tornadoes. Flooding.

These disasters raise the need for *Gift of the Heart* Cleanup Buckets. These supplies offer help for families as they begin the overwhelming task of storm and flood clean up.

Contents

- 5-gallon bucket with resealable lid
- 5 scouring pads
- 7 sponges, assorted sizes
- 1 scrub brush
- 5 dust masks
- 50 clothespins
- Clothesline, two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.
- 1 box dry laundry detergent, 50-78 oz.
- 1 pair work gloves
- 2 pair latex gloves (like Playtex®)
- 1 liquid concentrated household cleaner (like Lysol®), 12 oz.*
- 1 bottle liquid disinfectant dish soap (like Dawn®), 25 oz.*
- 1 pkg. cleaning towels (18 reusable, like Easy Wipes®)
- 24-count roll heavy-duty trash bags (33-45 gallon)
- 1 bottle insect repellent (drops or lotion, not aerosol), 6-14 oz.*

***liquids in plastic bottles only*



Photo: Roanna Wilson



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE



Photo: Barry Carlin

This clean up bucket drive is sponsored by the Presbytery of Charlotte Community Disaster Response Team. The drive will last through the end of December. Our goal is to collect 200 buckets.

When your church has completed it's drive, contact the Presbytery's Community Disaster Response Team (CDRT) at presby.disaster.response@gmail.com or by phone at 704-892-1580. We will then set up at least one collection point in every county and will email or call each church with details. Once all buckets are collected, they will be delivered to the central warehouse in Maryland for future distribution to disaster sites.

www.pcusa.org/pda

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 1

*Consecration Sunday/All Saints Day/Ten-Cents-A-Meal Offering
Trick or Treat for UNICEF/Pickup SCCM Caring & Sharing Cups
Daylight Saving Time Ends*

- 9:30 am ENGAGE Café (pit stop)
- 9:45 am *Sunday School/ENGAGE
- 11:00 am *Worship
- 12:00 pm Mission Committee
- 3:00 pm-4:30 pm SNL to Corn Maze

Monday, November 2

- 7:00 pm Circle #5 meets at the home of Polly Moose
(24875 South Business 52 Hwy., Albemarle)
- 8:30 pm Sr. High Bible Study at Elizabeth's (1611 Bellamy Circle, Albemarle)

Tuesday, November 3

- 10:00 am Covenant Bible Study

Wednesday, November 4

- 6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 12:00 pm Young Adult Lunch at Lucky Tusk (Hwy 52 North)
- 12:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs
- 3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Club
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff Ensemble (Grades K-2)
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Handbells (Grades 3-5)
- 7:00 pm *Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

Thursday, November 5

- 9:30 am *Pray & Play
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, November 6

- 6:30 am-9:30 am Homes of Hope Breakfast Fundraiser at Central United Methodist Church
(172 N. 2nd Street)

Saturday, November 7

Chancel Choir Retreat at Pfeiffer University

Sunday, November 8

Youth Cubs sing in worship/SERRV Bazaar in the Pit Stop

- 8:45 am *Diaconate
- 9:00 am Breakfast Bunch
- 9:30 am-11:00 am SERRV Bazaar in the pit stop
- 9:30 am Youth Cubs rehearse (sanctuary)
- 9:30 am ENGAGE Café (pit stop)
- 9:45 am *Sunday School/ENGAGE
- 11:00 am *Worship
- 12:00 pm Childcare Staff Luncheon (Media Room)
- 12:00 pm Adult Education Tasak Force & ENGAGE! Leaders (Old Session Room)
- 12:00 pm Prospective Member Lunch & Learn (Parlor)
- 12:00 pm-1:00 pm SERRV Bazaar in the pit stop
- 5:00 pm-6:30 pm SNL
- 6:00 pm Worship Committee
- 7:00 pm *Session

***childcare provided**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

NOVEMBER

- 01-Brody Campbell
Donna Gaither
- 03-Bailey Holshouser
Barbara Overcash
- 04-Connie Wallace
- 06-Shannon Newport
- 07-Joyce Burris

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

NOVEMBER

- 03-Matt & Katie Carpenter

SCCM NEED FOR NOVEMBER:
PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY