



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

Prelude

Frank Bridge

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I trust in you, O Lord;

People: I say, *You are my God.*

Leader: My times are in your hands.

People: Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

*CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT

Come into God's Presence

hymnal, page 413

Come into God's presence singing Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Praise the Lord together singing, Glory to God, glory to God, glory to God.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN 394

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

Westminster Abbey

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

Unison

Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

*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

Barbara McManus

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

ANTHEM

Andante from 'Partita No. 5'
Frank Poolos, Oboe

Georg Philipp Telemann

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

SCRIPTURE READING

[Isaiah 43:18-19](#)

Pew Bible, page 632

SERMON

Surprised by God

The Reverend Sharon L. Bryant

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

hymnal, page 35

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN 721

Lord, You have Come to the Lakeshore

Pescador de Hombres

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Mr. Drumheller

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Andante Cantabile

Alexandre Guilmant

*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

*HYMN 462

I Love to Tell the Story

Hankey

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Postlude

Arnold Cooke

*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.

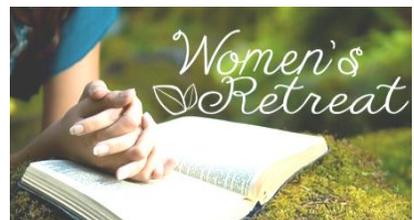
We welcome The Reverend Sharon Bryant to First Presbyterian Church today. She is a PCUSA Mission Co-worker in Thailand who will share information about what our church is doing in the world.

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

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of the marriage of Valerie Grimstead and Murphy Hall on August 13 in Wilmington by Bill, Martha Sue, Dan, Morgan, Peter, and Palmer.

Ushers: Heather Kilde, captain; Jim Carter, Michelle Cumming, David Kilde, Ben McLeod, Isabel McLeod, Mandy & Phillip Brown **Elder Greeters:** Peggy Finley; Keith Bryson **Nursery:** Jana Sanderson (Diaconate) **Toddler Room:** Misty Honbarrier (Session) **Preschool Partners:** Heather & John Kilde **Nana & Papa Team:** Bede & Russell Karr **No Children's Church**

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Carolyn Sharpe, Cam Rogers (recovering from hip replacement), Carol Pelt (friend of Doris Forte and former member of FPC; brain cancer), Anne Montgomery (auto-immunue disease), Mary Lou Andrew (at home), Jim Hesley. **See newsletter for complete list.**



Women's Retreat...September 23-25
William Black Lodge located in Montreat, North Carolina
**To make your reservation,
a \$75 deposit is requested as soon as possible.**

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HOSTS THE ANNUAL
CENTRAL SCHOOL FACULTY & STAFF LUNCHEON
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17 AT 11:30 A.M.**

On August 17, First Presbyterian Church will host a back-to-school luncheon for faculty and staff at Central Elementary School. We are planning a menu for 90-100 people. If you can help with preparation/serving/clean-up, please sign-up on the Mission bulletin board.



**Summer Vespers & Homemade Ice Cream
7:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 21
at the home of Robin & John Howell
(20959 Old Aquadale Rd., Albemarle)**

We'll gather for summer vespers and ice cream (let us know what kind you're bringing). We will sing, pray, and read scripture together.

Worship Workshop for Children on Sunday, August 28

A workshop for children in grades 3 through 5 and their parents is planned for Sunday, August 28 following worship. We will share lunch together in the pit stop, followed by activities that introduce the elements of worship and help children to participate and delight in worshipping God. The goal is to equip children to grow in the community of faith and form a deeper relationship with God through regular worship. Plans are to finish up around 1:30 p.m. Please let the church office (klambert@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722) know if you and your child plan on attending.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE COMMUNITY INN

BBQ FUNDRAISER

The Community Inn will have a BBQ fundraiser on Friday, August 19 at West Albemarle Baptist Church (336 Church Street, Albemarle). Can you help in one or more of these areas?

- Make a pound cake (un-iced & delivered to West Albemarle Baptist Church)
- Set-up and/or Clean-up
- Assemble Take Out Orders
- Assist with the Meal
- Be a Delivery Driver

Contact Skeet Ayscue (704-322-3634).

COMMUNITY INN FUNDRAISER

A Homes of Hope Program

Stanly County's homeless housing program since 2005

GOOD OLE' BOYS BBQ!

Friday, August 19th

11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

West Albemarle Baptist Church Family Life Center

336 Church Street, Albemarle

BBQ Plate – BBQ, slaw, chips, bread, dessert - \$8

BBQ Pound container - \$8

BBQ Tray 6½ lbs. - \$48 (½ pound free)

Drive-thru. Delivery. Dine-In.

Will deliver within Stanly County with minimum order of 5 plates.

Checks made payable to: *The Community Inn*



**United Way
of Stanly County**

Homes of Hope is a United Way agency.

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE



The 2016-17 school year is drawing near and school supplies are the shelves retail stores ready for purchase. Please take the list below and begin shopping for much needed supplies for our partner school, Central Elementary. We want to help equip students with tools needed to succeed in the upcoming school year. A designated bin in the pit stop will receive your donation.

Uniform shirts for youth are \$7.50 (these are plain polo shirts).

Donations for 1 or more shirts would be greatly appreciated.

**Make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and in the memo put:
CES uniform donation**

Your donations are needed in the pit stop by Sunday, August 14.

**If you shop at OfficeMax/OfficeDepot,
Central Elementary School will receive 5% back.
At checkout, present ID number 70060235.**

Student Supplies

Crayola Crayons – 8 pk, 16 pk, 24 pk (Crayola brand only)

Glue Sticks

#2 Pencils

Pencils for Kindergarteners – Big Fat Pencils

Composition Books Hard Cover Wide-Ruled (not spiral bound)

Scissors (Child-size), Scissors (Youth-size)

Pink Pearl Erasers

Dry Erase Markers – small size

Notebook Paper (wide-ruled)

Notebook Paper (regular-ruled)

Small Zipper Pencil Pouch or Pencil Box

Dividers with pockets

Spiral Notebooks with pockets

Plain Solid 2-pocket folders

Pocket folders with prongs

2” – 3 Ring Binders

Pencil top erasers

1 pk. Highlighters

Colored Pencils

Colored Paper

Card-stock Paper

Index Cards (3x5)

Ear Buds

Ear Phones

Small Pencil Sharpener

Sticky Notes

Classroom Supplies Needed Include:

Lysol or Clorox Wipes, Kleenex, Baby Wipes, Hand Sanitizer, Paper Towels,
Ziploc Bags (sandwich, quart, gallon), & Band-aids

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 14

Lemonade on the Lawn

- 9:00 am *Diaconate
- 10:00 am *Worship
- 6:00 pm Worship Committee
- 7:00 pm Session

Tuesday, August 16

- 12:00 pm September Newsletter Deadline

Wednesday, August 17

- 6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

Thursday, August 18

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, August 19

Summer Friday – Church Office Closed

- 11:00 am-6:00 pm Community Inn BBQ Fundraiser
at West Albemarle Baptist Church
(336 Church Street, Albemarle)

Sunday, August 21

- 10:00 am *Worship
- 7:00 pm Summer Vespers at the home of
Robin & John Howell
(20959 Old Aquadale Rd., Albemarle)

***childcare provided**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

AUGUST

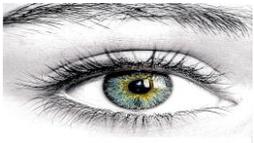
- 14-Salem Taylor
- 15-Sheryl Stewart
- 16-Kimbal Chapman
Elaine Coats
- 18-Sarah Michael
Brett Richards
- 19-Mark Andrew
Yolanda Johnson
Don Joines
- 20-Jack Boling
Doris Forte
Frankie Palmer
- 21-June Johnson

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

AUGUST

- 16-Johnny & Lauren Howell
- 17-Roger & Gina Martin
- 18-Norman & Peggy Rogers
Lee & Billie Jean Snuggs
- 20-Chris & Anissa Chapman

**SCCM NEED FOR AUGUST:
Canned Vegetables**



**Visit the First Presbyterian Church Summer Art Gallery Exhibit featuring
The Art of Photography by Lachlann Currie
(Located in the church basement.)**

GARDENING FOR SCCM

!!! ATTENTION VEGETABLE GARDENERS !!!

As you tend your summer vegetable garden, please share some of the fruits of your labors with members of our congregation as well as the clients at SCCM. Bring your harvest to the table in the pit stop on Sunday mornings so that folks can have an opportunity to make a purchase. The donations will be given to SCCM. Vegetables remaining will be taken to the SCCM food pantry.