



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.

GATHERING SONG

I Danced in the Morning

hymn 157, vv 1, 3, & 5

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Anna Wainwright

Leader: God calls us to service,

People: rather than honor.

Leader: God calls us to love the unknown,

People: rather than the familiar.

Leader: We come to this time of worship,

People: trusting in the grace of Jesus Christ,

Leader: who is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

*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 687

Our God, Our Help, in Ages Past

St. Anne

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

Unison

God of goodness and truth, we have failed to seek after your wisdom and have followed paths that have led away from you. Forgive our foolish ways, and lead us in your truth, that we may live in the fullness of life you intend through Christ our Lord.

*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
AND BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Matt Drumheller

Children will be invited to come forward. At the conclusion of this conversation, parents may take preschool children to the nursery.

Children's Litany

Unison Prayer

Holy God, we celebrate this time of new beginnings. As these children and youth return to school, we ask that you bless these backpacks which carry books and notebooks, markers, pens, pencils, hopes, and fears. We ask also your blessing upon teachers, assistants, and administrators. Make them fair and merciful as they lead with grace and compassion. And we pray loving God, that you will bless our cherished children whom we have promised to love and nurture since their baptism. Give them energy and encouragement, keep them safe, and remind them daily that you are with them. Amen.

SOLO

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Adam Jolly, piano

Robert D. Vandall

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of wisdom, open us to the work of your Spirit, that we may hear and faithfully respond to your holy word. Amen.

GOSPEL READING

[Luke 14:1, 7-14](#)

Pew Bible, page 72

HOMILY

Who's Invited?

Mrs. Ayscue

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. Amen.

*HYMN 175

Seek Ye First

Lafferty

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation

Ella Cumming

Offertory

*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

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*HYMN 515

I Come with Joy

Dove of Peace

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*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 Angus Currie. After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

Thanks to Ella Cumming, Adam Jolly, and Anna Wainwright for their contribution in worship today.

Ushers: Heather Kilde, captain; Jim Carter, Michelle Cumming, David Kilde, Ben McLeod, Isabel McLeod
Elder Greeters: Debbie Bennett; Keith Bryson **Nursery:** Caroline Snyder **Toddler Room:** Cora Harrison
Preschool Partners: Angie Earnhardt; Adrienne Averette; Kelly Lentz **Nana & Papa Team:** Chris Mabry
No Children's Church

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Heather Kilde, Georgia Roney (grandmother of Dona Lisk; diagnosis of small cell carcinoma), Addison Cord (nephew of John & Debbie Hahn; arm surgery), 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), Jim Hesley. **See newsletter for complete list.**

We will celebrate the Sacarament of the Lord's Supper on Sunday, August 28. The Lord's Table is open to all those who love Jesus Christ and to those who want to love him more.

The rose in the sanctuary is in honor of the birth of Colette Lee Johnston, daughter of Lisa and Taylor Johnston, on August 22.

Blessing of the Backpacks on Sunday, August 28

The Blessing of the Backpacks will take place in worship on Sunday, August 28. Students of all ages are invited to bring their backpack and participate in this ritual as they return to school.



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.**

Worship Workshop for Families 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 and activities that introduce the elements of worship. We will conclude at 1:30 p.m. Please let the church office (klambert@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722) know how many in your family will attend.

CELEBRATE GENEROSITY

Reflect about a time when you shared your talent(s) with the church...and yes, everyone has at least one talent they have shared with the church.

NEWSLETTERS AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP

September newsletters are available for pick-up in the narthex, pit stop, and the common area outside the church office. **Newsletters are available for those without email addresses.** One per family, please. Pick up your copy today!

First Family Gathering
Wednesday, September 7
Evening Prayer at 5:45 p.m. in the Chapel
Dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the Gym

We are gearing up for our FIRST FAMILY meal in September!!
BUILD YOUR OWN BOWL!

You will choose a starch (white rice, brown rice or Mexican rice), a protein (chicken, pork, black beans), toppings (avocado, tomato, corn, cilantro, shredded cheese, jalapeno, broccoli, cucumber, carrot, scallions, sour cream) and a sauce (salsa, garlic yogurt, peanut sauce, ginger sauce, southern white sauce).

There will be 3 stations: Thai Rice Bowl, Southern Barbeque Bowl and Mexican Bowl. We will also have fresh fruit, Peanut Butter and Jelly Sandwich Station, Assorted Desserts, Tea, Coffee, Water and Lemonade.

Contact the church office (704-982-2722 or klambert@fpcalbeamarle.org) to make reservations.

Volunteers Needed for next First Family Gathering

- Meat and Salad Crew: Tuesday, September 1 at 10:00 a.m.
- Set up crew: Tuesday, September 1 at 4:00 p.m.
- Decorating crew: Tuesday, September 1 at 4:30 p.m.
- Final Touches crew: Wednesday, September 2 at 5:00 p.m.
- Clean-up crew: Wednesday, September 2 at 6:45 p.m.

Before and after the First Family Gathering is a great time for fellowship. We have so much fun in the kitchen. I would love to have some new folks join us this year! I have really missed our kitchen fellowship time this summer! Contact Jane Snyder (704-438-3358 or jsnyder@fpcalbeamarle.org) if you would like to volunteer.

Thanks to the people that helped with the Central School Lunch on Wednesday August 17. Andy Cotton, James Cotton, John Hahn, and Bill Hall for setting up tables and chairs and taking tables and chairs down. Thanks to my GREAT help in the kitchen Linda Anderson, Ann Duckwall, Debbie Hahn, Debby Johnston, Lynn Poplin, Carroll Sitton, and Elizabeth Wilson.

Thanks to all who made a salad or a dessert: Linda Anderson, Mildred Andrew, Rebekah Ayscue, Gloria Bryson, Liz Davis, Ann Duckwall, Peggy Finley, Donna Gaither, Ruth Goodwin, Sally Grantier, Mary Green, Debbie Hahn, Robin Howell, Debby Johnston, Mary Kesselman, Kyle Lambert, Jane Lisk, Laura McLeod, Lynn Poplin, Ruth Ann Rogers, Carroll Sitton, Shirley Welch, Debbie Wainwright, and Elizabeth Wilson.

Ruth Cotton, Mission Committee

Labor Day Worship
YMCA Park

Sunday, September 4 at 10:00 a.m.

We'll worship together at the YMCA park and revel in the sights and sounds of God's good creation. Following worship, the Fellowship Committee will provide light breakfast refreshments.

Worship will focus will be on the places we've seen and/or experienced the work of God and the presence of the Holy Spirit during the summer.



Pray & Play

What is it? A gathering for preschoolers & their parents.
When? Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.
What happens? Parents will meet in the parlor for prayer and study while children are supervised in the childcare areas. And then, parents and children will play together in the gym.
Starting Date: Thursday, September 15

Invite friends and neighbors to share in this morning together.



Faith Explorers (4th & 5th graders)
 Sunday, September 11
 Noon-3:00 p.m.
 At the home of Penny & Jack Morton
 Cook out burgers and hotdogs!
 Bring swim suit, towel and sunscreen!
 (transportation from church to Morton's home provided)
 Please let Gina Martin (gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org)
 know that you are coming
 by Wednesday, September 7.

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 6**. Please make your check 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 11**. Any money collected over the cost of the arrangements 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: _____



CELEBRATE GENEROSITY AT YOUTH CLUB

What is Youth Cubs/Clubs?

*An afternoon of Christian Education adventures
for children ages 3-5th grade.*

First Day of Youth Cubs/Youth Club is

**Wednesday, September 14 from
3:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.**

**Orff (percussion) instruments for K-2nd graders led by Daniel Dickens
5:15 p.m. -5:45 p.m.**

Location: Adult Discussion Classroom Basement

**Handbells for 3rd-5th graders led by Frank Poolos
5:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.**

Location: Choir Room

***Childcare provided for preschoolers until 5:45 p.m.**

For more information, contact Gina Martin

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

Everything DOTS Rally Day 2016

**Sunday, September 11
9:30 a.m. in the gym**

**The Christian Education Committee is planning a DOT filled morning to
kick off the new year in Christian Education.**

Come prepared to hear of ways you can **Do One Thing to make God's world
better.**

Games, Art, Music, & More...

Pancake Breakfast with all the trimmings...



Please take the list below and begin shopping for supplies for our partner school, Central Elementary. 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**

Donations may be placed in the pit stop through Sunday, August 28.

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

Student Supplies

Crayola Crayons – (<u>Crayola brand only</u>)	Plain Solid 2-pocket folders
Glue Sticks	Pocket folders with prongs
#2 Pencils	2” – 3 Ring Binders
Big Fat Pencils	Pencil top erasers
Scissors (Child-size)	1 pk. Highlighters
Scissors (Youth-size)	Colored Pencils
Pink Pearl Erasers	Colored Paper
Dry Erase Markers – small size	Card-stock Paper
Notebook Paper (wide-ruled)	Index Cards (3x5)
Notebook Paper (regular-ruled)	Ear Buds
Small Zipper Pencil Pouch or Pencil Box	Ear Phones
Dividers with pockets	Small Pencil Sharpener
Spiral Notebooks with pockets	Sticky Notes
Composition Books Hard Cover Wide-Ruled (<u>not spiral bound</u>)	

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 28

- 9:00 am *Christian Education Committee
- 10:00 am *Worship
- 11:00 am *Worship Workshop
- 11:00 am Planned Giving Task Force

Monday, August 29

- 7:00 pm Circle #5 meets at the home of Sally Grantier (522 Avondale Ave., Albemarle)

Wednesday, August 31

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

***childcare provided**

**SCCM NEED FOR AUGUST:
Canned Vegetables**

Attention College Students & Parents

Please contact the church office
(klambert@fpcalbemarle.org or
704-982-2722)
with your college mailing address
and email address.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

AUGUST

- 28-Loni Lambert
- 29-Bede Karr
Melissa Lemons
- 30-Myra Land
Alex Wolf
- 31-Heather Kilde

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

AUGUST

- 28-Stephan & Leslie Kinley

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

SEPTEMBER

- 01-Frank Poolos
- 02-Betty Crook
- 03-Evan Johnson
Wayne Palmer
- 04-Margaret Ivey
- 05-Braden Taylor
- 06-Laura McLeod
- 08-Sarah Paynter
- 10-Bryce Kimrey
Grace Richards
- 11-Kelly Lentz
Ned Russell

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

SEPTEMBER

- 03-Miller & Teryn Morgan
- 05-Jim & Leslie Carter
- 10-Richard & Janet Schaefer
Peter & Morgan (Hall) Schultz

!!! TIME IS RUNNING OUT!!

**Visit the Art Gallery
Summer Exhibit
Before It's Gone**

**FEATURING
THE ART OF PHOTOGRAPHY
BY
LACHLANN CURRIE**

