



**The Weekly Bulletin**  
**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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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 SONGS

Hymn 15

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

stanzas 1 and 4

Hymn 14

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

stanzas 1 and 2

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Zephaniah 3:14-15

Leader: Sing aloud, O daughter Zion;

**People: Shout, O Israel!**

Leader: Rejoice and exult with all your heart,

**People: The Lord has taken away the judgments against you.**

**All: You shall fear disaster no more.**

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

\*HYMN 611

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Hymn to Joy

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

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

Unison

**Merciful God, we confess to you our faults and our shortcomings. We have not lived into the hope that you have given us. Instead, we have given into fear. We have not rejoiced in your saving power. Instead, we have struggled with one another. We have not walked into your light. Instead, we have preferred the darkness. Please forgive us, gracious God.**

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.**

**Amen.**

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Mike McLeod

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

SOLO

*Steal Away*  
Andy Cotton, Baritone

Harry T. Burleigh

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Almighty God, reveal yourself to us in your Word. Holy Spirit, move in our midst and open our hearts. Jesus Christ, teach us to live and love as your disciples. Amen.**

A WORD FROM ZEPHANIAH

Jeff Robertson

OLD TESTAMENT READING

[Zephaniah 3:8-15](#)

Pew Bible, page 826

SERMON

*On That Day*

Mr. Drumheller

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Scots Confession*

**We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to whom alone we must cleave, whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship, and in whom alone we put our trust. By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence for such end as his wisdom, goodness, justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of his own glory. Amen.**

\*HYMN 744

*Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

Festal Song

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Elizabeth Bryson, Thora Kilde, Merrin Kinley

PASTORAL PRAYER 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.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

*Adagio*

Benedetto Marcello

\*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 687

*Our God, Our Help in Ages Past*

St. Anne

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

*Psalm XIX*

Benedetto Marcello

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\*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 Andy McLeod.** After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

**Thanks to Jeff Robertson** for his portrayal of the prophet Zephaniah and to Andy Cotton for sharing his musical talent.

**The flowers in the sanctuary** are given to the glory of God and in memory of Helen Mount.

**The prophet for August 13 is Haggai.** Take some time to read this two chapter book of the Old Testament in preparation for worship next week.

**The rose in the sanctuary** is given by grandparents Barbara and Chris Whitley and in honor of the birth of Atticus Benjamin Hampton, son of Catherine and Ben Hampton, who was born on July 28.

**Ushers:** Jim Hesley, captain; Duncan Bryson, Keith Bryson, Banks Garrison, Sandy Saunders, Harold Sharpe  
**Outside Ushers:** Steve Coats; Stephan Kinley **Elder Greeters:** Keith Bryson, Ellen Snyder **Nursery:** Jana Sanderson **Toddler Room:** Samantha Wangler **Preschool Partners:** Heather Deese; Anna Henkenjohann  
**Nana & Papa Team:** Mary Kesselman; Debby Johnston

**There is no Children's Church** in August. School-aged children are encouraged to remain in worship.

**We ask that you keep these people in your prayers:** Don Joines, Elizabeth Knight (daughter of Ken Knight; thyroid cancer), Nic Presson (alcohol rehab; brother of Dona Lisk), Marlene Sanges (undergoing chemotherapy for breast cancer), Rowena Warren, Eddie Wilson (brother of Elizabeth Wilson). **See newsletter for complete list.**

**We are in need of a couple of part-time childcare providers.** If you can recommend someone (reliable, kind, good with children, 18 years of age or older) who may be interested in working a few hours per week (Sundays and other times), please contact Kyle (704-982-2722 or klambert@fpcalbemarle.org).

**If there are hymns you would like to sing during the summer as part of the *Gathering Songs*,** please note them on the register of friendship or email them to Pam Knighten (pknighten@fpcalbemarle.org). We will include as many as possible.

**The 10 cents a meal offering for hunger** will be received on Sunday, August 6.

**Thanks to your generosity,** we collected 533 pounds of food for SCCM during Circle the Sanctuary.

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**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HOSTS THE ANNUAL  
CENTRAL SCHOOL FACULTY & STAFF LUNCHEON  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16 AT 11:30 A.M.**

On August 16, First Presbyterian Church will host a back-to-school luncheon for faculty and staff of Central Elementary School. We are planning a menu for 90-100 people. If you can help with preparation/serving/clean-up, sign-up on the Mission bulletin board.

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**Lemonade & Cookies Social in the Pit Stop  
Sunday, August 6  
Following 10:00 a.m. worship**





**Would You Like To Be A Silent Partner?**

First Presbyterian Church has 19 students who will be in college for the 2017-2018 school year. We will need 19 people to serve as a Silent Partner to these college students. The Silent Partner remains anonymous to the student but maintains contact by sending cards, and/or small packages of helpful college items such as favorite snacks, small school supplies, or gift cards for fast food or coffee, etc.

The feedback each year from the college students is very positive. The students are appreciative being remembered in prayer and enjoy receiving cards/packages on holidays, birthdays, during exams and in between. It's quite a treat!

Contact the church office at 704-982-2722 if you would like to be a Silent Partner. It will not be long before these students will be going off to school! Let's get them all matched up with a Silent Partner before they leave.

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE COMMUNITY INN**  
**BBQ FUNDRAISER**

The Community Inn will have a BBQ fundraiser on Friday, August 25 at West Albemarle Baptist Church (336 Church Street, Albemarle). Can you help in one or more of these areas? Sign-up on the Mission bulletin board.

- 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 at Homes of Hope (704-982-3634).**

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**COMMUNITY INN FUNDRAISER**

**A Homes of Hope Program**

**\*Stanly County's homeless housing program since 2005\***

**GOOD OLE' BOYS BBQ!**

**Friday, August 25**

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

**West Albemarle Baptist Church Family Life Center**

**336 Church Street, Albemarle**

**-purchase tickets before August 25<sup>th</sup> for best price!**

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

**BBQ Pound container - \$8**

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

**\*Day of BBQ Prices\*: BBQ plate or pound - \$10; BBQ Tray - \$55**

**Drive-thru \* Delivery \* Dine-in**

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

Checks made payable to: *The Community Inn*

Call or text 704-985-8798 with orders or questions

**CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHOOL SUPPLIES LIST**

The 2017-18 school year is drawing near and school supplies are in the retail stores ready for purchase. Please take the list below and begin shopping for much needed supplies for our partner school, Central Elementary. A designated bin in the pit stop will receive your donation.

**Uniform shirts for youth are \$10.00 (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 13.**

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

**Student Supplies**

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Pencil Box                    | 3 Subject Notebook Hard Plastic Cover |
| Zipper Pouch Pencil Holder    | Hard Cover Composition Books          |
| #2 Pencils                    | 3-prong folders                       |
| Lead Pencils                  | 2 pocket folders                      |
| Pencil Sharpener              | Expo Dry Erase Markers/Erasers        |
| 24 pack Crayola               | Colored Pencils Pencil Erasers        |
| 24 pack Crayola Crayons       | Pink Block Erasers                    |
| Highlighters                  | Scissors                              |
| Glue Sticks                   | Post-It Notes                         |
| Elmer's Glue                  | Small Index Cards                     |
| Wide-Ruled Notebook Paper     | Headphones                            |
| 1 Subject Spiral Notebook     | Earbuds                               |
| Spiral Notebooks with pockets |                                       |

**Classroom Supplies Needed Include:**

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| Kleenex              | Hand Sanitizer | Ziploc Bags (Sandwich/Gallon) |
| Anti-Bacterial Wipes | Band-Aids      | Paper Towels                  |

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**The Personnel Committee is actively seeking new leadership for our Christian Education program.** If you know of anyone who may be interested in working with our children and volunteer in providing innovative educational programming, please contact any member of the Personnel Committee.

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Martha Sue Hall        | hallmsh@hotmail.com      |
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| Mary Kesselman         | manapier@msn.com         |
| Sarah Michael (ad hoc) | scmichael@windstream.net |
| Lynn White             | g_lynn_white@yahoo.com   |

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**Summer Vespers & Homemade Ice Cream**  
**7:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 20 at the home of**  
**Connie Wallace & Ken Knight**  
**(45118 Byrd 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.

## OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

### Sunday, August 6

*Ten-Cents-A-Meal Offering for Hunger  
Lemonade & Cookies Social in the Pit Stop*

- 10:00 am \*Worship
- 11:00 am Mission Committee (Session Room)
- 11:00 am Worship Committee

### Monday, August 7

8:30 am-1:00 pm Youth Connection Monday Morning Mission

### Wednesday, August 9

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

### Thursday, August 10

10:00 am Staff Meeting

### Friday, August 11

*Church Office Closed*

### Sunday, August 13

- 8:45 am \*Diaconate
- 10:00 am \*Worship
- 7:00 pm \*Session

**\*childcare provided**

## SCCM CHALLENGE AUGUST:

Staple Items  
Flour, Sugar, Vegetable Oil,  
Cooking Spray, Broth

**First Presbyterian Church  
Summer Art Gallery Exhibit is  
Theme: *Creativity...No Age Limit***



### Gardening for SCCM

Bring extra garden produce to the Pit Stop on Sunday mornings. All donations and extra produce will be donated to SCCM.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

### AUGUST

- 06-Gabriel Beamon
- 07-Greg Lisk  
Keith Wolf
- 08-Leslie Carter  
Martha Sue Hall  
Mellanie Hendrix
- 09-Hugh Wainwright
- 10-Patty MacMurray  
Judy Murrell
- 12-Banks Garrison
- 13-Dan Samples

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

### AUGUST

- 06-Gus & Pam Holbrook
- 07-Ross & Terrie Holshouser
- 10-Al & Kassie Taylor
- 11-Bob & Debby Johnston
- 13-Tommy & Judy Murrell



Join women from First Presbyterian Church and their friends for this week-end of study, worship, fellowship, and relaxation. We will gather in Montreat at the William Black Lodge. Cost for the week-end is:

\$241.00 (single room occupancy)

\$183.00 (double room occupancy)

Contact Elizabeth ([eayscue@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:eayscue@fpcalbemarle.org) or 704-982-2722) for scholarship assistance. Deposits of \$75.00 must be received by **August 28.**