



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ALBEMARLE

# Experience the Face of Jesus

March 2015

Dear Friends,

We are in the heart of the Lenten season. I hope you are finding it to be a time of *deepening*-deepening faith, deepening relationships, deepening prayer. I find Lent to be a kind of oasis – a time and place to drink of the things of God that I may be filled for the next part of the journey. I am grateful to the many of you who have committed to small group leadership and participation as I know those experiences deepen the life of faith.

Worship is central to who we are. Plan to be in worship each Sunday as together we experience the *face of Jesus*.

Grace and Peace,  
Elizabeth



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## IMPORTANT NEWSLETTER INFORMATION



We continue to look for ways to be good stewards of every gift you give. Most recently, we have made an administrative decision to discontinue mailing the monthly newsletter. This is the last newsletter which will be broadly mailed.

Beginning in April, the newsletter will be available on the church's website ([www.firstpresalbemarle.org](http://www.firstpresalbemarle.org)), in the church office and pit stop area, and it will also be emailed to everyone who has an active email address. The newsletter will continue to be mailed to a few homebound members by request. You can help make sure this works for the congregation by:

- Notifying the church of your email address if you are not currently receiving your newsletter via email.
- Stopping by the church to pick-up (& deliver) a newsletter for someone who does not often get out.

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## Gathering Around the Word

**When?**

Tuesdays at 11:45 a.m.

**Where?**

Second Street Sundries. Small Private Room. (Lunch is Dutch Treat.)

**What?**

Interested folks will gather with Matt and Elizabeth for wide-ranging discussion about the scripture for the coming Sunday.

**We'll consider images and issues in building the sermon.**

**Come when you can.**

# WORSHIP NOTES

Sunday, March 1

Second Sunday of Lent  
Mission Emphasis Sunday

Worship will give us an opportunity to learn more about our mission partnerships with the Community Care Clinic in Albemarle and Montana de Luz in Honduras. The Ten-Cents-A-Meal offering for hunger will be received.

Scripture: Mark 9:33-37

Sunday, March 8

Third Sunday of Lent

Scripture: Mark 4:35-41

Sunday, March 15

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Scripture: Mark 12:41-44

Sunday, March 22

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Scripture: Mark 3:1-6

Sunday, March 29

Palm Sunday

We will celebrate the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem with palm branches and shouts of praise.

Children will sing in worship.

Scripture: Mark 11:1-11

Each week, as we ponder the *Face of Jesus*, the scripture will be illustrated by one (or more) of our congregation's artists.

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## Ten-Cents-A-Meal

We will receive the Ten-Cents-A-Meal offering for hunger on March 1. This monthly offering is used by the Presbytery of Charlotte to fund hunger programs and agencies (including SCCM) throughout the presbytery. Ten cents per person per meal is just \$9.00 per month and helps provide people both nourishment and hope. If you don't have a Ten-Cents-A-Meal container, you can find one in the pit stop. Checks and/or coins are welcome! We received a total of \$399.00 for Ten-Cents-A-Meal in January. Our goal is to receive an average of \$600.00 per month.

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## 2015 Flower Calendar

The 2015 flower calendar is posted in the pit stop. If you wish to put flowers in the church in honor or memory of someone or just to provide beauty to the service, please sign up on the calendar. Flowers may be ordered from any florist, but are most often ordered **from Harwood's**. Contact Frankie Palmer (704-982-1757 or [fpalmer3@carolina.rr.com](mailto:fpalmer3@carolina.rr.com)) for more information.

# *Food for Body & Soul*

## *Wednesdays in Lent*

### *March 4, 11, 18, & 25*

- 5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer in the Chapel
- 5:45 p.m. Dinner prepared and served by groups in the congregation;  
Cost...Donation.
- 6:15 p.m. Classes

#### • ***That's What I Don't Like About Jesus***

Leader: Our own Pastor David Kilde.

Class Location: Adult Discussion Classroom (Basement)

*We will reflect on stories about Jesus and the early church in the context of our own experiences of prejudice. All of us view others through the lens of our own experience and belief system. Many of the stories in the New Testament challenge us to view others as Jesus would view them, brothers and sisters with us in the family of God. During our time together, we will share stories about Jesus, and stories from our own experiences as we explore what this means for us today.*

#### • ***Balancing the Christian Life***

Leader: Dan Wray, retired professor at Stanly Community College.

Class Location: Session Room (Basement)

*The Bible is a rich book full of many images and examples of faith and life. It calls us to be active participants in the life of God in Christ in a troubled world. In this study, we will mine the Scriptures for help in shaping a balanced Christian lifestyle, considering such issues as faith and reason, prayer and action, dreams and symbols.*

**\*A Homework Room with supervision will be available  
for children and youth in K-8<sup>th</sup> grades in the educational building.  
CHILDCARE PROVIDED IN THE NURSERY & PRESCHOOL AREA.**



# Daily Scripture Reading and Prayer for Lent

Whether alone or with another, you are invited to read the gospel of Mark during Lent. Suggested scripture readings for the Lenten days in March and April:

March 1	Mark 6:7-29	March 19	Mark 12:1-12
March 2	Mark 6:30-44	March 20	Mark 12:13-27
March 3	Mark 6:45-56	March 21	Mark 12:28-44
March 4	Mark 7:1-23	March 22	Mark 13:1-8
March 5	Mark 7:24-37	March 23	Mark 13:9-23
March 6	Mark 8:1-21	March 24	Mark 13:24-37
March 7	Mark 8:22-38	March 25	Mark 14:1-11
March 8	Mark 9:1-29	March 26	Mark 14:12-21
March 9	Mark 9:30-50	March 27	Mark 14:22-31
March 10	Mark 10:1-16	March 28	Mark 14:32-42
March 11	Mark 10:17-31	March 29	Mark 14:43-52
March 12	Mark 10:32-34	March 30	Mark 14:53-65
March 13	Mark 10:35-45	March 31	Mark 14:66-72
March 14	Mark 10:46-52	April 1	Mark 15:1-20
March 15	Mark 11:1-11	April 2	Mark 15:21-47
March 16	Mark 11:12-14	April 3	Mark 16:1-11
March 17	Mark 11:15-19	April 4	Mark 16:12-13
March 18	Mark 11:20-33	April 5	Mark 16:14-20

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COMMUNITY LENT WORSHIP SERVICES  
 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, ALBEMARLE  
 WEDNESDAYS, MARCH 4, 11, 18 & 25  
 AT NOON IN THE SANCTUARY  
 LUNCH FOLLOWING IN THE GYM



First Presbyterian Church is hosting the Community Lent Worship Services on Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, and 25 at noon in the sanctuary. Donations for lunch will be used for construction costs at the Community Inn.

First Presbyterian Church will host the lunch on March 25. Ann Duckwall is coordinator for the lunch. If you would like to help prepare and serve and/or provide a dessert, contact Ann (704-983-3498) or the church office (704-982-2722).

- Wednesday, March 4      Preacher: Rev. Jim Yow, Pastor of Central United Methodist Church  
                                     Worship Leader: Gary Moran, Assistant to the Pastor of Central United Methodist Church
- Wednesday, March 11    Preacher: Rev. John Futterer, Pastor of First Lutheran Church  
                                     Worship Leader: Rev. Matt Drumheller, Associate Pastor of First Presbyterian Church
- Wednesday, March 18    Preacher: Dr. Andy Jung, Pastor of First Baptist Church  
                                     Worship Leader: Rev. Dr. Jim Bernacki, Rector of Christ Episcopal Church
- Wednesday, March 25    Preacher: Rev. Elizabeth McNair Ayscue, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church  
                                     Worship Leader: Rev. Bob Gruver, Pastor of Albemarle First Assembly Church of God

# Palm Sunday Fair

Sunday, March 29, 2015

9:30 a.m.~10:45 a.m.

in the Church Gym

**Intergenerational Event for ALL!!!**

**Continental Breakfast**

**Educational stations for Children, Youth & Adults**

- \* Bread-Making for Holy Week
- \* Walk the Labyrinth
- \* Create Passports for Holy Week
- \* Fold a Palm Frond Cross
- \* Visit one of the Spirituality Centers (Adult & Intergenerational)
- \* Weaving the Cross Station
- \* Prepare Toiletry Sacks for Community Inn Guests

**Join in the celebration of the triumphant entry of  
Jesus into Jerusalem  
and  
prepare your hearts and minds for Holy Week.**



## PALM SUNDAY...MARCH 29

We will welcome Jesus to Jerusalem with palm branches and shouts of praise.

## MONDAY-FRIDAY NOON PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL (MARCH 30-APRIL 3)

Fifteen minutes of prayer and scripture will focus our minds and hearts on the meaning of the week.

## MAUNDY THURSDAY APRIL 2 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE GYM

We'll have a covered dish dinner and worship around the tables in the gym. Please bring a couple of your family's favorite dishes to share. Drinks will be provided. After dinner, we will share the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and foot and hand washing as Jesus did with his disciples. Plan to share in the evening with your church family. Childcare provided for infants and toddlers.

## GOOD FRIDAY...APRIL 3


10:30 a.m. Cross Walk (Meet outside the sanctuary on North Street). We'll follow the cross through Albemarle and pray together where people gather.

12:00 p.m. Noon Prayer in the Chapel

8:00 p.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

The choir will lead this solemn service which focuses on the declining loyalty of the disciples and the fading light of the world as Jesus departs from it. We will share the **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Childcare provided.**

# CELEBRATE EASTER



## EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE Morrow Mountain State Park Sunday, April 5 at 7:00 a.m.

We'll gather in the early dawn at the shelter at the top of the park. A roaring fire and hot coffee will greet you. Dress for the weather (blankets are welcome). Bring a flashlight and a lawn chair. A light breakfast will be available on the mountain following worship.

## EASTER WORSHIP In the Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m.

The choir will lead us in singing praise to God whose mercies are always new. We'll celebrate the power of God in raising Jesus from the dead. We will have Sunday School as usual on Easter morning.



### Toiletry Items Needed for The Community Inn

If you would like to donate toiletry items for the guests at the Community Inn, please place the following in the yellow bin in the pit stop:

- Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Chapstick, Hand Soap,
- Washcloth, Hand Lotion, Deodorant, Kleenex (travel size)

The toiletry sacks will be assembled at the Palm Sunday Fair on Sunday, March 29 at 9:30 a.m. This is a wonderful way that your family can boost morale and make a difference in the lives of those in our community who are in need of care.

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### ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING BANKS

All members (and especially those with preschool and school-age children) are encouraged to pick-up a Sharing Calendar and a One Great Hour of Sharing bank in the pit stop. Educational material and activities are provided to go along with this offering. This is guaranteed to be a hit with your children and/or grandchildren. OGHs banks will be available on Sunday, March 15. Please return your filled bank on Easter Sunday (April 5).

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### !!! SAVE THE DATE !!!

### EASTER EGG HUNT & COOKOUT ON SUNDAY, MARCH 29

4:00 P.M.-6:00 P.M. AT CITY LAKE PARK

On March 29, SNL will host the annual Easter Egg hunt and cookout at City Lake Park. All are invited to come celebrate Palm Sunday and Easter by hunting for Easter eggs, enjoying a delicious cookout, and playing outside together! Families are asked to bring a bag of chips and/or drink to share. **Anyone who would like to donate plastic eggs or bags of candy for the event, please drop off your donations in the pit stop by Sunday, March 22.** This is one of our favorite events to put on each year, so bring out the whole family for an afternoon of fun!

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Easter Egg Hunt



### Easter Lilies

Deadline: Sunday, March 29

If you would like to contribute to the purchase of Easter Lilies as an Easter Memorial or Honorarium, please fill out the form below exactly as you wish the memorial or honorarium to read, attach a check in the amount of \$20.00 and place in the offering plate or leave in the church office no later than Sunday, March 29. Checks should be payable to "First Presbyterian Church" and designated "Easter Lilies." All memorials/honorariums received by March 29 will be listed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday, April 5.

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Easter Lilies

In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given by: \_\_\_\_\_

- I plan to take my lily after worship on Easter.
- I will leave my lily for delivery to a homebound member.



**STEWARDSHIP AND SUCH...JANUARY 2015 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**GENERAL FUND**

<b>Actual:</b>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Budget-to-Date</u>
Total Income Received:	31,540.00	46,543.00
Total Expenses:	<u>62,236.00</u>	<u>45,943.00</u>
(Shortage)/Surplus:	(30,696.00)	0

**GENERAL FUND BUDGET**

**2015**

Pledges:	477,515	Weekly Amount Needed to Keep Commitments: <u>\$10,825</u>
Total Income:	562,887	Average Weekly Amount Received in January: <u>\$7,689</u>
Total Expenses:	562,887	

**We are ahead \$4,715 in pledges. (\$14,838 of 2015 pledges was prepaid in 2014)**

**January Ten-Cents-A-Meal Offering: \$399**

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**FROM THE ENDOWMENT COMMITTEE**

The Endowment Committee met on February 10. Grants totaling \$8,000 were awarded from the Gaither Endowment. Grants were awarded to:

The Christian Education Committee – Congregational Retreat Scholarships

The Property Committee & Fellowship Coordinator – Commercial Hot Water Heater; Kids Cooking Camp supplies; Tables & Supplies for church and community events.

The Church Office – File Cabinets for Financials

Members of the Endowment Committee are: Kim Marshall, Chair, Debbie Bennett, Ronnie Michael, Shannon Newport, and Sandy Saunders. Ex-officio members are Bob Gaither, Lee McLaurin, treasurer, and Elizabeth Ayscue, pastor.

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**Let Your Love Light Shine update...**

*Thank you, thank you, thank you...* from the bottom of our hearts for helping us raise over \$500 for the heating and light ministry at Stanly Community Christian Ministries (SCCM) during our recent fundraising event. We learned much about the assistance program in our community, when Mrs. Heather Kilde came to Youth Club and talked with our group. It makes us feel important to know that our small fundraiser helped warm the homes of those who find on these cold days that they need help from a loving, caring community.

Faith Explorers

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**MEMORIALS**

**Faith on the Fifth Fund:**

In memory of Georgia Canon, given by Miriam Russell.

In memory of Sheila Flowe, given by Miriam Russell.

In memory of Betty Lynn Fort, given by Miriam Russell.

In memory of Peggy Howard, given by Miriam Russell.

**Minister's Discretionary Fund:**

In memory of Sheila Flowe, given by Mildred Andrew.

In memory of Betty Lynn Fort, given by Joe & Becky Carter.

In memory of Carrie Hawkins, given by Ruth Ann & Bill Rogers.

In memory of Frances Hayes, given by Ruth Ann & Bill Rogers.

**Scholarship Endowment:**

In memory of Betty Lynn Fort, given by Donald Bennett.

In memory of Carrie Hawkins, given by Nathan & Marlene Sanges.

In memory of John and Peggy Howard, given by Jerry & Sharon Parsek, Zan & Stuart.

In memory of Peggy Howard, given by Catherine & Paul Self.

**Zambia Well Project:**

In honor of Elizabeth Ayscue, given by Miriam Russell.

In honor of Matt Drumheller, given by Miriam Russell.

In honor of Mary Ann Greene, given by Bonnie & John Herring.

In honor of Joe and Ann Snuggs, given by Miriam Russell.





### SYMPATHY

To Sam Davis and family upon the death of his mother, Hazeline Davis, on January 30.  
To John McIntyre and family upon the death of his mother, Johnsie McIntyre, on February 12.  
To Becky Miller upon the death of her mother, Myra Stilwell, on February 20.

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Connie Wallace and Ken Knight upon the birth of their granddaughter, Isabella Grace, on January 30. Proud mother is Emily Burton.

### NEW ADDRESS

Hessie Clark  
c/o Becky Stafford  
4217 Landsburg Drive  
Raleigh, NC 27606-8507

### Session Notes

At its stated meeting on February 8, 2015, Session discussed the upcoming Lenten season and the small study groups and the scheduled special services. They heard reports from each of the Session committees and their plans for the next few months. The Session was excited about the potential for several new members who are interested in joining our congregation.



### DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Remember to *spring forward* one hour in the early morning hours of March 8 (or before you go to bed on March 7).

### Circle #5 Monthly Meeting

Circle #5 meets at the home of Ann Duckwall (609 N. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Albemarle) on Monday, March 2 at 7:00 p.m. Lesson #5: *Reconciliation and the Whole Creation* will be discussed.

### Muffins & More

When? Thursday, March 5 at 9:00 a.m.  
Thursday, March 19 at 10:00 a.m.  
What? An opportunity for good kitchen fellowship and to share in the joys and sorrows of the First Presbyterian Church congregation.  
Where? In the church kitchen.

Contact Gloria Bryson (704-982-8030) to find out how you can get involved.



Newsletter Deadline: The deadline for the April 2015 Newsletter is noon on Tuesday, March 17. Early submissions are always welcome! If you type your items in Microsoft Word, please email them as an attachment to: [pknighten@fpcalbemarle.com](mailto:pknighten@fpcalbemarle.com).

**SCCM NEED FOR MARCH: Canned Meat (Tuna, Chicken, Spam)**



### THANK YOU

To: Mildred Andrew, Gloria Bryson, Ann Duckwall, Donna Gaither, Ruth Goodwin, Sally Grantier, Margaret Ivey, Anne Montgomery, Judy & Tommy Murrell, Frankie Palmer, Ruth Ann Rogers, Rich Schaefer, Debbie Wainwright, Martha White, Barbara Whitley for assisting in the office during December.

### February's First Family Dinner Thank You

Thanks to all the people that make my job fun and enjoyable: Linda Anderson, Mildred Andrew, Keith Bryson, Kristie Bryson, Duncan Bryson, Elizabeth Bryson, Josh Campbell, Andy Cotton, Ruth Cotton, Michelle Cumming, Ann Duckwall, Peggy Finley, Susan Garrison, John Hahn, Debbie Hahn, Bill Hall, Margaret Ivey, Lee Johnson, Dustin Jolly and the Faith Explorers, Bryce Kimrey, Leslie Kinley, Stephan Kinley, Morgan Kinley, Merrin Kinley, Melissa Lemons, Mark Mabry, Linda Richards, Gayle Russell, Ned Russell, Sandy Saunders, Lee Snuggs, Billie Jean Snuggs, Witt Snuggs, Caroline Snyder, Lily Snyder, Ann Upchurch, Elizabeth Wilson, all those who helped break down the tables and chairs and clean up the gym and all the Youth Club volunteers that show up week after week! I depend heavily on my First Family volunteers and am so thankful for your presence. I love spending time with you!!☺



# Prayer List Connection

Do you ever see a name on the prayer list and think, *Now who is that?* Or forget what the relationship is? You are not alone as many folks have asked for help with this. The *Prayer List Connection* will refresh all our memories. Folks with chronic needs will be listed for a month in the bulletin. Following that month, we will keep them on the newsletter's *Prayer List Connection* for as long as we are requested to do so. Critical prayer concerns will be added weekly to the prayer list in the bulletin.

## Friends of the Congregation:

**Chrissy Adams**, friend of Shannon & Kent Newport; Hodgkin's disease.  
**Sheila Kirkland Breisch**, sister-in-law of Gloria Bryson; Atrial fibrillation.  
**Amy Brinson**, friend of Doris Forte.  
**Margaret Brooks**, friend of Debbie Hahn; at an assisted living facility.  
**Millie Campbell**, friend of Melissa Lemons; receiving treatment for breast cancer.  
**Rachel Darling**, friend of Dona Lisk; ovarian cancer.  
**Rich Drye**, nephew of Barbara Whitley; Hodgkin's Lymphoma.  
**Sara Dyer**, mother of Martha White; continuing health concerns.  
**Barbara Earnhardt**, friend of Shannon & Kent Newport; battling ALS.  
**Lindsey Efird**, daughter of Karen Efird and Mark Efird; battling MPS.  
**Sandra Helms**, friend of Sarah Michael; Crohn's disease.  
**Herman Hinson**, father of Carolyn McLaurin; cancer.  
**Tonia Icenhour**, friend of Kim Caudle; lymphoma.  
**Jeannette Isenhour**, sister of Frankie Palmer; COPD.  
**Randall Kimrey**, father of Bryce Kimrey.  
**Jackie Lynn Kruis**, seven year old great-niece of Gloria Bryson.  
**Bryanna Medlin**, nine year old diagnosed with Hodgkins Lymphoma.  
**Louise Medlin**, mother of Dona Lisk; diagnosed with squamous cell carcinoma.  
**Charles Miller**, battling cancer.  
**Craig Morgan**, recovering from heart surgery.  
**Shannon Newton**, diagnosed with cancer; friend of the Johnston family.  
**Sam & Melanie Obermiller**, friends of John & Debbie Hahn.  
**Barbara Petillo**, friend of Peggy Finley; disabling health problems.  
**Brian Rogers**, son of Jane Rogers.  
**Karen Russell**, First Baptist Church Wee Care Teacher; breast cancer.  
**David Sanges**, brother of Nathan Sanges; receiving bone marrow transplant for Acute Myloid Leukemia.  
**Charles Schinck**, brother-in-law of Peggy Finley; recurrence of cancer.  
**Garin Stepp**, Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.  
**Claudine Stone**, friend of Laura Wheeler.  
**Lachlann Tannery**, 2 year old with JMML (a rare form of leukemia); friend of Shannon & Kent Newport.  
**Ashley Teeter**, niece of Robin Howell; diagnosed with breast cancer.  
**Ethel White**, sister-in-law of Lynn White; diagnosed with mesothelioma.

## Members of the Congregation:

**Becky & Joe Carter.**  
**Hessie Clark**, (in Raleigh recuperating from surgery).  
**Banks Garrison**, (recovering from knee replacement).  
**Anita Gower.**  
**Peter Henkenjohann.**  
**Blue Honeycutt.**  
**June Johnson.**  
**Fran Mabry.**  
**Ed Myers.**  
**Bill Palmer.**  
**Pete Smith.**  
**Rita Whitley.**



## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

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|-----|-----------------|-----|--------------------|
| 02- | Al Andrew       | 16- | Steve Coats        |
|     | Jordan Davis    | 17- | Bob Gaither        |
|     | Luke Davis      |     | Frank Green        |
|     | Ellen Snyder    |     | Rita Whitley       |
| 04- | Joan Belsan     | 18- | Kendall Taylor     |
| 05- | Becky Andrew    | 19- | Catherine McIntyre |
|     | Vanhna Sydalack |     | Chris Whitley      |
| 06- | Keith Andrew    | 20- | Bo Andrew          |
|     | Robert Ivey     |     | Lee McLaurin       |
| 07- | Chris Mabry     | 21- | Sherrie Richards   |
| 09- | Cidney Eudy     |     | Laney Smith        |
|     | Ginny Marshall  | 22- | Jane Hartsell      |
|     | David Whitley   | 24- | Sam Holshouser     |
| 10- | Russ Carpenter  | 25- | Souvanna Sydalack  |
|     | Joe Carter      | 26- | Philip Welch       |
| 11- | Jim Carter      | 27- | Lachlann Currie    |
|     | Nancy Jolly     | 29- | Claude Harwood     |
| 12- | Morgan Kinley   | 31- | Mandy Brown        |
| 14- | Leah Kilde      |     |                    |
| 15- | Kate Melone     |     |                    |

## MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

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|-----|--------------------------|
| 10- | David & Carroll Holbrook |
| 13- | Bill & Ruth Ann Rogers   |
| 20- | David & Lillie Hancock   |
| 24- | Nathan & Marlene Sanges  |
| 28- | Larry & Carroll Sitton   |

# YOUTH

## SNL SCRIPT

The season of Lent has begun! I encourage you to make SNL a part of your Lent season. We are going to be meeting throughout March doing a lot of fun things. Please join us and bring a friend!

Sunday, March 1	SNL	4:45 p.m.-7:45 p.m.
Sunday, March 8	SNL	4:45 p.m.-7:45 p.m.
Sunday, March 15	Set-up for Youth Breakfast	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 22	Trivia Night	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 29	Easter Egg Hunt	3:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

06-Robert Ivey                      24-Sam Holshouser  
12-Morgan Kinley                27-Lachlann Currie

## SNL Recap

On January 30 & 31, five youth and 2 adults went on a ski trip to Winterplace, West Virginia. The group spent Friday night at Blacksburg Presbyterian Church and arrived at Winterplace early Saturday morning. Everyone had a great time skiing and snowboarding and returned home safely.

## Recap Souper Bowl Co-Petition

On February 1, the congregation came together in a co-petition to collect cans of food and money for Stanly Community Christian Ministries. While those who collected tomato soup gathered the most cans, the whole congregation collected over 600 cans of food along with over \$800.00! What a great success!

## Recap of Asheville Youth Mission

Over the weekend of February 13-15, eight youth from First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle joined twenty eight youth from First Presbyterian Church, Concord for a mission trip to Asheville, North Carolina. We worked with an agency called Asheville Youth Mission (AYM) based out of First Presbyterian Church, Asheville. While there, we spent time working with veterans, cleaning a homeless care facility, and helping out at a community center. We also spent time learning about the struggles homeless people face. It was an eye-opening experience for everyone!

## Confirmation

Our confirmation class has begun meeting and is determined in spite of setbacks due to weather. We have 7 confirmands this year along with their 7 partners: Lee Boone with John Howell, Lachlann Currie with Beth Poolos, Robert Ivey with Ellen Snyder, Evan Johnson with Kristie Bryson, Jacob Palmer with David Kilde, Grace Richards with Connie Wallace, and Witt Snuggs with Jim Carter. Please keep these youth and their confirmation partners and teachers in your prayers throughout this spring as they learn and grow in their faith.

## Middle School Conference

Our middle schoolers are invited to attend the Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference. The dates are June 23 through June 26, and all rising 6th through rising 9th graders are welcome to join. This will be a conference full of fun, worship, recreation, and learning. Please see Matt for further details.

## Montreat Youth Conference

High schoolers are invited to attend the Montreat Youth Conference. The dates for this conference are July 12-18. All rising 9th graders through graduating seniors are welcome to come on this trip. This is a highlight of the summer every year, so don't miss it. Please see Matt for more details.



**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE PARLOR  
FEEL FREE TO BRING A BAG LUNCH**

**For more information, contact Miriam Russell (704-982-3025).**

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Our Young Adult Lunch for the month of March will be moved to the first Thursday of March (5<sup>th</sup>). Please join us at noon at El Ranchito for lunch together.



**Next Date & Location: Thursday, March 5 at Noon at El Ranchito (Hwy. 52)**

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**PrimeTimers Luncheon**  
**Thursday, March 12 at Noon**

**Guest Speaker:**  
**Mr. William Caudill**

**Menu:**  
 Corned Beef, Red Potatoes,  
 Carrots, Cabbage, Irish Soda Rolls  
 and Lime Sherbet.

The Senior Care Committee of First Presbyterian Church would like to invite all church seniors and others who might be interested to a Saint Patrick Day's theme luncheon on March 12<sup>th</sup> at noon. The speaker will be Mr. William Caudill from Saint Andrews University in Laurinburg, North Carolina. Mr. Caudill is curator of the Scottish Heritage Museum at Saint Andrews, an instructor at Saint Andrews, and a professional bagpipe player and judge for piping competitions. His area of expertise is migration of Scots to North Carolina. Please contact the church office or indicate your attendance on the church roster by March 5<sup>th</sup>. For questions please call Debbie Hahn at 704-983-1067.

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**SERRV SALE  
SUNDAY,  
MARCH 15**

SERRV items will be available in the pit stop before and after worship on March 15. Look for jams & chutneys, chocolates, coffee, tea, and nuts to fill your Easter baskets!



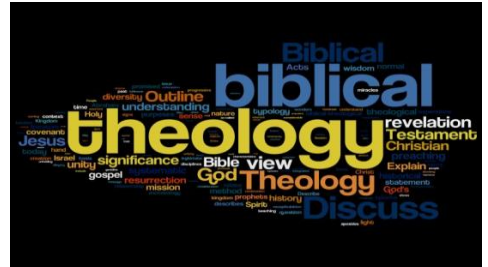
# Youth Breakfast March 16-20, 2015 6:30 a.m.-7:30 a.m. First Presbyterian Church Gym

The Stanly County Youth Breakfast begins the week of March 16. The theme for the youth breakfast this year is *Unity*. We will explore the way we are all united by our faith in Jesus Christ. Youth are invited to gather in the gym at 6:30 a.m. each morning of that week for breakfast, fellowship, music, and time to reflect on God. Invite your friends to come join us for the fun! It promises to be a wonderful week of good food and good fun!

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## Theology Lite...Thursday, March 19 at 8:00 p.m. at Little Tokyo on Hwy. 52

Our next Theology Lite gathering will take place on Thursday, March 19. We will gather in the back room of the Little Tokyo on Hwy. 52. Young adults are invited to gather together to discuss faith and life as a Christian in our changing world. Please feel free to bring a friend!



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The first Morning of Mission for 2015 will be on Saturday, March 21, starting with breakfast at the church at 8:00 a.m. and followed by a short devotional before the teams head out to the work sites. We will again be partnering with the Stanly County Senior Center to do home repairs and yard work that the county residents

can't do for themselves because of age, health, or financial issues.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the Pit Stop or you can contact Don Joines at [djoines@ctc.net](mailto:djoines@ctc.net) or H:704982.0348; C: 704.985.9596. It is very important that we know how many volunteers will be working on Saturday, March 21 since homeowners must be contacted prior to the workday and work teams formed and tools and materials gathered.

If you are unable to join one of the work teams but would still like to help, contributions are always welcome. Make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church and note that it is for Morning of Mission.

Not only are we providing needed help for our brothers and sisters in Stanly County, but these work mornings always provide a time of fellowship and fun.

*And what does the Lord require of you  
But to do justice, to love kindness,  
And to walk humbly with your God?*

Micah 6:8

# SUNDAY, MARCH 22 6:00 P.M. IN THE GYM Sponsored by SNL



On Sunday, March 22, SNL will hold its second Trivia Night at 6:00 p.m. in the gym. This is a fundraising event for the entire congregation to benefit our youth programs. Tickets will be available for an individual or a team. Members of SNL will serve you dinner and you will compete with your table or team in a trivia challenge. The questions will cover a broad range of topics and the prizes are going to be well worth the effort. Come test your trivia knowledge and support our youth!

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## First Fellowship on Sunday, March 29 In the Pit Stop between 10:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Come straight from Sunday School or arrive for worship a few minutes early for First Fellowship on Sunday, March 29. Enjoy a beverage and a savory bite to eat while sharing conversation with friends. The Fellowship Committee looks forward to visiting with you in the pit stop between 10:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.!

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## From the Scholarship Committee...

The Scholarship Committee will be hard at work over the next few months. Scholarship applications and information packets were mailed to Stanly County high schools plus Stanly Community College and Pfeiffer University on February 19. Applications are also available on the counter in the common area outside the church office. **The deadline to return completed applications is Thursday, April 9.** If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask a scholarship committee member. Committee members for 2015 are: Ruth Cotton, Chair, Phillip Brown, Heather Deese, and Lee McLaurin, ex-officio.

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**Easter Eve Camping at Morrow Mountain on April 4**  
Some folks are interested in camping at Morrow Mountain on Easter Eve (April 4). If you would like to be part of this group, contact Ken Knight (704-985-6277 or [kbknight17@gmail.com](mailto:kbknight17@gmail.com)). We'll have a great evening of fellowship and trek to the sunrise service together.



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## NECKLACE MINISTRY

Necklaces (of a variety of colors) are available on the Necklace Ministry table in the basement. Necklaces are \$5.00 each. If you wish another color that is not displayed, please fill out a form and your order will be filled. Proceeds from the sale of necklaces support *Formula for Life*, a program to fund infant formula for HIV-negative babies in Mwandia, Zambia. If you have any questions about a necklace, contact Ruth Cotton (704-983-2481 or [hugawolf@hotmail.com](mailto:hugawolf@hotmail.com)).



# WINTER ART GALLERY EXHIBIT

## *Mind Meets Hand*

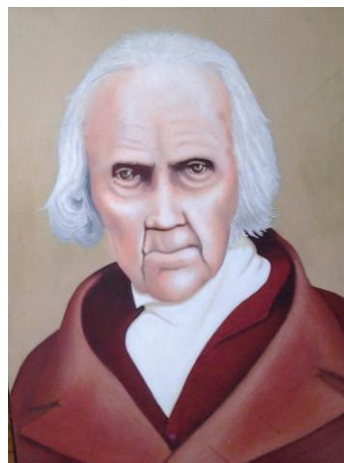
### FEATURING ARTIST

### WAYNE PALMER

Inspired by a senior level art class while attending Florida State, member of First Presbyterian Church, Wayne Palmer began creating artworks through a variety of art techniques, styles and mediums. This collection of paintings, carvings and sketches are a lovely display of his lifelong passion for creating...where mind meets hand. Through a technique called "glazing" putting color on by layers until the desired intensity of color is achieved, Wayne has created a softness in many of the watercolor and acrylic paintings in this collection. He has captured the subject's raw emotion in his mind and reveals it to the onlooker through his gift of artistic expression.

The three dimensional relief carvings are created using basswood, which is a soft wood and popular for hand carving. It has little grain and looks good when painted. Special woodcarving tools enable the artist to remove the wood in certain places, while leaving raised surfaces and texture to express depth in an art piece.

The pencil sketches in this exhibit were displayed in 1982 at the World's Fair Expo in Knoxville, Tennessee.



# Youth Club

## Youth Club Experiences Lent...

As the month of March leads us through the season of Lent, the children will be encouraged to think about walking with Jesus as they go throughout this church season. They will all be preparing to sing to the glory of God during worship on Palm Sunday, March 29.

**Trusty Travelers (K-3<sup>rd</sup> graders)** will learn of the many ways Jesus was led and his call to help others, keeping our focus on our year long theme of "Grounded & Growing with a healthy twist." The scripture comes from the gospel of Luke as Jesus calls his first Disciples to become fishers of men, Feeds the 5000, Heals a blind man and dines with Zaccheaus, leading to his change of heart. Jesus used these miracles to show us how great his power is and what He can do when we have faith. The children will be asked the question, "What is faith?" and learn that faith is believing that God is real. God can do amazing things in our lives when we have faith as well. They will also be asked, "What kind of things can God help you to do in your life?" During their Lenten journey, the children will be asked to participate in "Growing & Changing for Jesus," adding a promise leaf to the tree in the pit stop. This "adding on" and "taking away" time encourages each child to spend time building a stronger relationship with God.

**Faith Explorers:** This year, Youth Club is focusing on the theme Grounded & Growing. The youth memorized the inspirational traits found in Galatians 5:22, *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.* In March, the Faith Explorers will focus on 1 Corinthians 13:4, *Love is patient, love is kind.* We will explore the theme of kindness and track ways that embody the trait through a spiritual growth art project. For the monthly outing, the Faith Explorers will visit Annunciation Catholic Church in Albemarle for worship on Sunday, March 15th and eat lunch at Second Street Sundries. If weather permits, we will head to the YMCA park for some outdoor games or to the church gym.

## YOUTH CUBS

Valentine's Day provided a great time to talk about the kind of love God has for us and how to spread it. Books, games and art activities were all a part of the afternoon. From the story of David and Goliath, we learned that the God we serve is capable of detecting any *giants* in our lives - fear, sadness, etc. if we have faith. The children took turns acting out a part of the story as David fights the giant while reciting, *My God is stronger than you!* Noah showed us an obedient and faithful life in his willingness to follow without question the commands regarding the building of the ark. A game played involved children taking turns pretending to be a dove and searching to find the *hidden* leafy branch and take it to Noah. March will be devoted to the Easter Story.  
Submitted by: Lynn Poplin



## Hurray For Breakfast Bunch!!!



**Who can come?** 2<sup>nd</sup> graders & 3<sup>rd</sup> graders  
**What?** Breakfast...muffins, fruit, juice, etc.  
**When?** Sunday, March 8 at 9:00 a.m.  
**Where?** Media Room  
**Why?** To pray together & build a strong community of faith  
Please let Gina Martin know if you are able to join us...(ginamartin@fpcalbemarle.org)  
\*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.



## Faith Explorers

Sunday, March 15

Worship at Annunciation Catholic Church, Albemarle

Lunch at Second Street Sundries

Outdoor Games at the YMCA Park following lunch

Contact [gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org) to sign up your Faith Explorer today!

# MISSION NEWS...



... we have been approved  
by God to be entrusted with  
the message of the gospel ...

1 Thessalonians 2:4, NRSV

## MISSION SUNDAY MARCH 1

During worship on March 1, we will focus on agencies that this congregation supports through the mission budget and other endeavors. Ruth De Yoe, Service Team Director, will share with us news from Montana de Luz and how our support helps fulfill their mission. Chris Vaughn, Executive Director, will update us on the work of the Community Care Clinic.

## CENTRAL SCHOOL BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM

First Presbyterian Church, in conjunction with other downtown churches, is sponsoring the Central School Backpack Food Program. **First Presbyterian Church is responsible for filling backpacks with food on Wednesday, March 18 at 2:00 p.m.**



**Items needed are: Large Cans of Soup, Hamburger Helper, Fruit Cups, Breakfast Cookies/Granola Bars.**

A bin in the pit stop will receive your donations. **If you would like to volunteer to help pack the backpacks, contact Debby Johnston (704-982-6006 or [debbyjohnston@hotmail.com](mailto:debbyjohnston@hotmail.com)).**



## **BREAD FOR THE WORLD** **LETTER WRITING ON SUNDAY, APRIL 26**

Focus: U.S. Child Nutrition Programs

Nearly 16 million children in the United States – one in five – live in households that struggle to put food on the table. Many of the child nutrition programs will end September 30, 2015. Congress must review and re-authorize nutrition programs by that time.

We need to urge Congress to view child nutrition programs as investments in our children and the future of this nation.

Join us on Letter Writing Sunday...April 26!



# *The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit*

## **Music & Arts Camp June 14-18, 2015**

Children and adults will delight in the exciting story of David and Goliath, where the message of the story comes alive in a fresh, new way. There is plenty of humor in the musical comedy, *Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit*, by Allen Pote & Tom Long, with the timeless power of the message: *Our great God is worthy of trust, and His power is victorious if we trust Him with every challenge.*

Registration forms available soon...  
*For children ages 4 years through 6<sup>th</sup> grade!*

Contact Gina Martin to volunteer for this Musical Hit!!! [gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org)

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### **!!! SAVE THE DATE !!!**

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COOKING CAMP FOR KIDS**

**(completed 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> Grades)**

**June 22-25 (Monday-Thursday)**

**9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.**

**Cost: \$30.00 per child**

**Camp Limit of 12 children**

**Contact Jane Snyder (704-438-3358 or [jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org))**

**for more information and/or to sign-up.**

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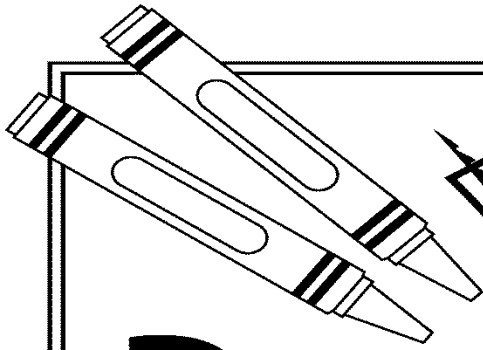


*Stanly County Chorale presents...*

# **An Evening on Broadway**

*Thursday, April 30 at 7:00 p.m. at the Stanly County Agri-Civic Center*

The Stanly County Chorale will present their Spring concert, *An Evening on Broadway*, featuring a collection of Broadway show tunes. They will perform under the direction of Angela Chestnut Moore with Zoey Brouthers as accompanist. The Concert is scheduled for Thursday evening, April 30, at the Stanly County Agri-Civic Center at 7:00 pm. Admission is free. Donations are accepted.



# PUZZLE

## POWER OF PRAYER

When life gets crazy, worry creeps in. But God tells us exactly what to do — any time and anywhere.

**Directions:** Circle the word in each group that doesn't belong. Then write those words on the numbered lines below.

**1**  
apple  
anxious  
artichoke

**2**  
every  
eagle  
emu

**3**  
purple  
pink  
prayer

**4**  
Paul  
petition  
Peter

**5**  
taste  
touch  
thanksgiving

**6**  
rest  
requests  
relax

**7**  
God  
George  
Greg

**8**  
puddle  
peace  
pond

**9**  
transcends  
train  
truck

**10**  
unusual  
unique  
understanding

**11**  
guard  
giraffe  
gorilla

**12**  
hearts  
hold  
held

**13**  
many  
minds  
more

**14**  
Philadelphia  
Pennsylvania  
Philippians

“Do not be \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup> about anything, but in  
 \_\_\_\_\_<sup>2</sup> situation, by \_\_\_\_\_<sup>3</sup> and  
 \_\_\_\_\_<sup>4</sup>, with \_\_\_\_\_<sup>5</sup>,  
 present your \_\_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> to \_\_\_\_\_<sup>7</sup>. And  
 the \_\_\_\_\_<sup>8</sup> of God, which \_\_\_\_\_<sup>9</sup>  
 all \_\_\_\_\_<sup>10</sup>, will \_\_\_\_\_<sup>11</sup>  
 your \_\_\_\_\_<sup>12</sup> and your \_\_\_\_\_<sup>13</sup>  
 in Christ Jesus.” \_\_\_\_\_<sup>14</sup> 4:6-7, NIV

Answers: 1. anxious, 2. every, 3. prayer, 4. petition, 5. thanksgiving, 6. requests, 7. God, 8. peace, 9. transcends, 10. understanding, 11. guard, 12. hearts, 13. minds, 14. Philippians

# MAR 2011

**Sunday, March 1** *Second Sunday of Lent/Ten Cents a**Meal/Mission Emphasis Sunday*

- 9:45 am \*Sunday School
- 11:00 am \*Worship
- 12:00 pm Mission Luncheon (Gym)
- 4:45 pm-7:45 pm SNL
- 6:00 pm Small Group at Elizabeth's (1611 Bellamy Circle)

**Monday, March 2**

- 10:00 am Small Group with Debby Johnston (parlor)
- 7:00 pm Circle #5 meets at the home of Ann Duckwall (609 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Albemarle)
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Connie Wallace & Ken Knight (32034 Valley Drive)
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Billie Jean Snuggs at Ly Cuisine (807 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Albemarle)
- 8:30 pm Senior High Bible Study at Elizabeth's

**Tuesday, March 3**

- 11:45 am Gathering Around the Word (Second Street Sundries)
- 6:30 pm Small Group with Greg Lisk (kitchen)
- 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Confirmation Class (Session Room)

**Wednesday, March 4**

- 6:00 am Small Group with Elizabeth (parlor)
- 6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 9:30 am \*Pray & Play
- 12:00 pm Community Lent Worship at FPC
- 12:30 pm Community Lent Lunch (gym)
- 2:00 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (Parlor)
- 3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff/Handbells Ensembles
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Service (Chapel)
- 5:45 pm Lent Dinner
- 6:15 pm-7:15 pm Lent Classes
- 7:15 pm \*Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

**Thursday, March 5**

- 9:00 am Muffins & More
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm Young Adult Lunch at El Ranchito (Hwy. 52)
- 2:00 pm Small Group with Mary Kesselman (parlor)

**Friday, March 6**

- 12:00 pm Small Group with Matt Drumheller (Old Session Room)

**Sunday, March 8** *Third Sunday of Lent*

- 8:45 am \*Diaconate
- 9:00 am Breakfast Bunch
- 9:45 am \*Sunday School
- 11:00 am \*Worship
- 4:45 pm-7:45 pm SNL
- 6:00 pm Worship Committee
- 6:00 pm Small Group at Elizabeth's (1611 Bellamy Circle)
- 7:00 pm Session

**\*childcare provided****Monday, March 9**

- 10:00 am Small Group with Debby Johnston (parlor)
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Connie Wallace & Ken Knight (32034 Valley Drive)
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Billie Jean Snuggs at Ly Cuisine (807 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Albemarle)
- 8:30 pm Senior High Bible Study at Elizabeth's

**Tuesday, March 10**

- 11:45 am Gathering Around the Word (Second Street Sundries)
- 6:30 pm Small Group with Greg Lisk (kitchen)
- 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Confirmation Class (Session Room)

**Wednesday, March 11**

- 6:00 am Small Group with Elizabeth (parlor)
- 6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 9:30 am \*Pray & Play
- 12:00 pm Community Lent Worship at FPC
- 12:30 pm Community Lent Lunch (gym)
- 3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff/Handbells Ensembles
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Service (Chapel)
- 5:45 pm Lent Dinner
- 6:15 pm-7:15 pm Lent Classes
- 7:15 pm \*Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

**Thursday, March 12**

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm PrimeTimers Luncheon
- 2:00 pm Small Group with Mary Kesselman (parlor)

**Friday, March 13**

- 12:00 pm Small Group with Matt Drumheller (Old Session Room)

**Sunday, March 15***Fourth Sunday of Lent**SERRV Sale in the Pit Stop before & after worship**Faith Explorers worship at Annunciation Catholic Church then go to the YMCA Park*

- 9:45 am \*Sunday School
- 11:00 am \*Worship
- 5:00 pm SNL set-up for Youth Breakfast
- 6:00 pm Small Group at Elizabeth's (1611 Bellamy Circle)

**Monday, March 16**

- 6:30 am-7:30 am Youth Breakfast (Gym)
- 10:00 am Small Group with Debby Johnston (parlor)
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Connie Wallace & Ken Knight (32034 Valley Drive)
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Billie Jean Snuggs at Ly Cuisine (807 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Albemarle)
- 8:30 pm Senior High Bible Study at Elizabeth's

**\*childcare provided**

# MAR 2021

## Tuesday, March 17

- 6:30 am-7:30 am Youth Breakfast (Gym)
- 11:45 am Gathering Around the Word  
(Second Street Sundries)
- 12:00 pm April Newsletter Deadline
- 6:30 pm Small Group with Greg Lisk (kitchen)
- 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Confirmation Class (Session Room)

## Wednesday, March 18

- 6:00 am Small Group with Elizabeth (parlor)
- 6:30 am-7:30 am Youth Breakfast (Gym)
- 9:30 am \*Pray & Play
- 12:00 pm Community Lent Worship at FPC
- 12:30 pm Community Lent Lunch (gym)
- 2:00 pm Backpacks for Central School
- 3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff/Handbells Ensembles
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Service (Chapel)
- 5:45 pm Lent Dinner
- 6:15 pm-7:15 pm Lent Classes
- 7:15 pm \*Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

## Thursday, March 19

- 6:30 am-7:30 am Youth Breakfast (Gym)
- 10:00 am Muffins & More
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 2:00 pm Small Group with Mary Kesselman (parlor)
- 8:00 pm Theology Lite at Little Tokyo (Hwy. 52)

## Friday, March 20

- 6:30 am-7:30 am Youth Breakfast (Gym)
- 12:00 pm Small Group with Matt Drumheller  
(Old Session Room)

## Saturday, March 21

### *Morning of Mission*

- 8:00 am Morning of Mission breakfast & prayer
- 9:00 am Morning of Mission Service in the Community

## Sunday, March 22

### *Fifth Sunday of Lent*

- 9:45 am \*Sunday School
- 10:30 am-11:00 am First Fellowship (pit stop)
- 11:00 am \*Worship
- 6:00 pm Trivia Night
- 6:00 pm Small Group at Elizabeth's (1611 Bellamy Circle)

## Monday, March 23

- 10:00 am Small Group with Debby Johnston (parlor)
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Connie Wallace & Ken Knight  
(32034 Valley Drive)
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Billie Jean Snuggs at  
Ly Cuisine (807 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Albemarle)
- 8:30 pm Senior High Bible Study at Elizabeth's

\*childcare provided

## Tuesday, March 24

- 11:45 am Gathering Around the Word  
(Second Street Sundries)
- 6:30 pm Small Group with Greg Lisk (kitchen)
- 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Confirmation Class (Session Room)

## Wednesday, March 25

- 6:00 am Small Group with Elizabeth (parlor)
- 6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 9:30 am \*Pray & Play
- 12:00 pm Community Lent Worship at FPC
- 12:30 pm Community Lent Lunch (gym)
- 3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff/Handbells Ensembles
- 5:30 pm Evening Prayer Service (Chapel)
- 5:45 pm Lent Dinner
- 6:15 pm-7:15 pm Lent Classes
- 7:15 pm \*Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

## Thursday, March 26

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 2:00 pm Small Group with Mary Kesselman (parlor)

## Friday, March 27

- 12:00 pm Small Group with Matt Drumheller  
(Old Session Room)

## Sunday, March 29

### *Palm Sunday*

### *Deadline for Easter Lilies*

- 9:30 am \*Palm Sunday Fair (gym)
- 10:30 am-11:00 am First Fellowship (Pit Stop)
- 11:00 am \*Worship
- 4:00 pm-6:00 pm Easter Egg Hunt & Cookout at City Lake  
Park
- 6:00 pm Small Group at Elizabeth's  
(1611 Bellamy Circle)

## Monday, March 30

- 10:00 am Small Group with Debby Johnston (parlor)
- 12:00 pm Noon Prayer in the Chapel
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Connie Wallace & Ken Knight  
(32034 Valley Drive)
- 7:00 pm Small Group with Billie Jean Snuggs at  
Ly Cuisine (807 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> St., Albemarle)
- 8:30 pm Senior High Bible Study at Elizabeth's

## Tuesday, March 31

- 12:00 pm Noon Prayer in the Chapel
- 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Confirmation Class (Session Room)

\*childcare provided

## THOSE WHO SERVE IN MARCH

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, Barbara McManus, Joe Snuggs

Elder Greeters: Peggy Finley; Lee McManus

### Nursery Room:

March 1: Cici Ly

March 8: Caroline Snyder

March 15: Jana Sanderson

March 22: Jana Sanderson

March 29: Jana Sanderson

### Nana & Papa Team:

March 1: Debby Johnston; Joyce Lambert

March 8: Susan & Banks Garrison

March 15: Sarah & Ronnie Michael

March 22: Teresa Taylor; Shirley Welch

March 29: Kyle & Danny Lambert

### Acolytes:

March 1: Owen Johnson

March 8: Morgan Kinley

March 15: Kimbal Chapman

March 22: Witt Snuggs

March 29: Lee Boone

### Toddler Room:

March 1: Lauren Cranford

March 8: Lauren Cranford

(Diaconate 8:45 a.m.)]

March 15: Cici Ly

March 22: Salem Taylor

March 29: Caroline Snyder; Salem Taylor

### Preschool Partners:

March 1: Penny & Jack Morton

March 8: Connie Wallace & Ken Knight

March 15: Jill Niebler; Isabel McLeod

March 22: Anissa & Chris Chapman

March 29: Laura McLeod; Ben McLeod

### Children's Church for March:

March 1: Sheryl Stewart

March 8: TBA

March 15: Sheryl Stewart

March 22: TBA

March 29: No Children's Church (Palm Sunday)

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