



**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

*We Praise You, O God*

Healy Willan

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song,

**People: For God has done marvelous things.**

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;

**People: Break forth into joyful song and sing praises.**

Leader: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it,

**People: Let the floods clap their hands,**

Leader: He will judge the earth with righteousness,

**People: And all the peoples with equity.**

\*CHORAL INTROIT

*Give Praise to the Lord*

Laudate Dominum

\*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 645

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

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\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

**Unison**

**Merciful God, we confess that our lives weaken us. We do not exercise our faith as we should, and so fatigue easily. We use our voices to complain about our relationships, to shout about our disagreements, and to voice our fears rather than shouting our hosannas in praise of you. Forgive us, O God. Create in us new hearts and fill us with energy to serve. You are our hope, O Lord. Remind us how to witness to your holy name with all that we are.**

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Believe the good news,

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

\*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS



Glo-ry to God, whose good-ness shines on me, and to the Son, — whose grace has  
par-doned me, and to the Spir-it, — whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the be-gin-ning, is now and ev-er shall be. A - men.

**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. Children in grades K-2 may go to the chapel for Children's Church.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**God, may the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable and pleasing in your sight, O Lord our rock and our Redeemer. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

[Isaiah 65:17-25](#)

Pew Bible, page 654

ANTHEM

*All Creatures of Our God and King*

William E. Krape

All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing, Alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia!

Thou flowing water, pure and clear,  
make music for Thy Lord to hear, Alleluia!  
Thou fire so masterful and bright,  
Thou givest man both warmth and light, Alleluia!  
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship Him in humbleness, O praise Him! Alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, Three in One, O praise Him!  
O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL READING

[Luke 21:5-19](#)

Pew Bible, page 80

SERMON

*Don't Let It Bring You Down*

Mr. Drumheller

\*HYMN 834

*Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

Precious Lord

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Martha Sue Hall

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Brother James' Air

Dale Wood

\*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 353

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

Solid Rock

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

A Clare Benediction

John Rutter

\*POSTLUDE

Deo Gratias

John Dunstable

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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 Leah Kilde. After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

Ushers: John Howell, captain; Brad Boone, Lee Boone, Bill Hall, Robin Howell, Adam Jolly, Jack Morton, Penny Morton, and Ellen Snyder Elder Greeters: Lee McManus; Sarah Michael Nursery: Jana Sanderson Toddler Room: Samantha Wangler Preschool Partners: Melissa & Wes Eudy Nana & Papa Team: Bede & Russell Karr Children's Church: Anna Wainwright; Jacob Palmer

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Joan Belsan (recovering from a stroke; Stanly Manor), Sally Grantier (at home), Pam Medlin (cousin of Janice Abernathy; multiple health concerns), Nhia Ly, Elizabeth Howard (cousin of Mary Kesselman; health concerns), Mike Dearstyne (brother of Holly Norwood, Peripheral Neuropathy), Katie & Roy Dearstyne (parents of Holly Norwood), Carolyn Sharpe, Cam Rogers. See newsletter for complete list.

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SOMETIME SINGERS & PLAYERS



Are you interested in leading our congregation in song on occasion, but unable to make a weekly commitment to the choir? Do you have some hidden musical talent you might be able to offer to the congregation every now and then? Do you enjoy a variety of musical styles? If you answer YES to any of these questions, plan to meet briefly with Frank Poolos in the parlor following worship on Sunday, November 13.

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

Boxes are available in the pit stop.

Pack a box or two and return them to the church for dedication on November 13.



## VETERAN'S DAY FLOWERS

### IN MEMORY OF:

### GIVEN BY:

Private Soloman Burris (Revolutionary War) ..... Janice Abernathy  
Austin U. Ayscue; John F. McNair, III ..... Skeet & Elizabeth Ayscue  
Emmitt Henry Beard ..... Robbie Beard  
MSG Thomas A. Biddle ..... Cam, Hailey & Lisa Biddle  
Bill Cotton (Navy) ..... Andy & Ruth Cotton; James Cotton  
John M. Duckwall; James W. Duckwall ..... Ann Duckwall  
Richard T. Forte (U.S. Navy) ..... Doris Forte  
Capt. J.W. Hall (Spanish-American War) ..... Bill Hall  
M. Palmer Harris, Sr. (WWI-Army); ..... Martha Sue & Dan  
M. Palmer Harris, Jr. (WWII-Army); Manus Samples (WWII-Army)  
Captain Oliver Wiley ..... Linda Wiley Hamel & Bill Hamel  
John M. Hesley; Ruth W. Hesley ..... Jim Hesley  
Paul Honeycutt ..... Blue Honeycutt & Wanda Brannon  
Jim Ivey (USAF) ..... Margaret Ivey and Family  
Clegg Hall Carpenter (Staff Sgt. U.S. Army) ..... Kyle Carpenter Lambert  
Lt. Col. Edward Rutledge Liles, C.S.A. .... R.V. Liles, Jr., M.D.  
Pvt. Fulton Coleman Allen, C.S.A.; 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Thomas Erwin Allen, U.S. Army  
P.L. Burris; Paul Marshall ..... Jim & Kim Marshall  
Hugh McLaurin ..... Lee McLaurin  
Bob Palmer; William Barringer; Melvin Hatley ..... Frankie Palmer  
L.A. Pickler ..... Bill & Jane Pickler  
Joe Russell ..... Miriam Russell  
Charles Rishell Wallace USAF-CW03 ..... Connie Wallace & Ken Knight

### IN HONOR OF:

### GIVEN BY:

Richard Abernathy ..... Don & Janice Abernathy  
Andy Cotton (Navy & Airforce) ..... Ruth Cotton & James Cotton  
Bob Gaither (Army) ..... Donna Gaither  
Dennis Gower ..... Anita Gower  
Frank Green ..... Mary Green  
Dan Samples, Operation Desert Storm (USAF) ..... Martha Sue  
Daniel Samples, Afghanistan Duty (USAF)  
Toby Webb; Bubba Hesley; Jennifer Moran Hesley ..... Jim Hesley  
Daniel Hall Lambert (Staff Sgt. USAF) ..... Danny & Kyle Lambert  
Keith Maust; Bob Gaither ..... Jim & Kim Marshall  
Wade Hatley ..... Frankie Palmer  
Bill Pickler ..... Jane, Lee & Family, Kris, & Jennifer  
Toby Webb ..... Bill & Jane Pickler  
Tom Rabe ..... Jean Rabe



# CELEBRATE GENEROSITY

Think about a time when you were generous financially to the church – *Our Living Legacy Fund, Minister’s Discretionary Fund, Youth Fundraisers, Ten-Cents-A-Meal offering for hunger, tithing*)....THANK YOU!

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**Community Thanksgiving Worship  
at First Presbyterian Church  
Sunday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m.**

We are delighted to host the community Thanksgiving worship service this year. We will be joined by folks from throughout the county. The Rev. Ben Sloan, pastor of Bethany United Methodist Church will preach and other local pastors will assist in worship. A special offering will be received for a community organization. Following worship, we will host a fellowship gathering. If you can help with refreshments, set-up, or serving, contact Mark Donham (919-702-8733 or [mndonham1@nc.rr.com](mailto:mndonham1@nc.rr.com)).



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# Angel tree

The *Angel Tree* is now in the pit stop with the names of our *angels* from Central Elementary School. These children and siblings will receive Christmas gifts from our church. Each family or group of friends may select *angels* from the tree and purchase gifts for those children. The gifts are to be returned to the pit stop under the tree no later than Tuesday, November 29. They should be unwrapped and in a clear plastic bag. Please add some gift wrap for the parents.





## Community Thanksgiving Reception

First Presbyterian Church is hosting the Community Thanksgiving Worship Service for Albemarle churches on Sunday, November 20 at 7:00 p.m. As host church, we will coordinate a reception following the service. We need your assistance in bringing a dessert or two and/or a fruit dish. Please contact the church office (704-982-2722 or [klambert@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:klambert@fpcalbemarle.org)) and let them know what you want to bring (dessert and/or fruit).

## !!! IMPORTANT !!! Community Christmas Dinner

Sunday, December 25 at First Presbyterian Church



We are well on the way to hosting the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Christmas Dinner at First Presbyterian Church. Thanks to each of the following Committee Chairpersons who are working hard in their area of responsibility:



### Committees

Children's Activities  
Clean-Up  
Dining Room Management  
Food  
Food Receiving  
Logistics  
Publicity  
Set-Up  
Table Decorations  
Take-Out  
Volunteers

### Committee Chair(s)

Rebekah Ayscue  
Debbie Wainwright  
Hugh and Debbie Wainwright  
Hugh Wainwright  
Jim Hesley  
Lee Snuggs  
John & Anne Montgomery  
Lee Snuggs  
Ann Snuggs  
Skeet Ayscue  
Jim Carter and Lori Ivey

Check the bulletin board for food and volunteer sign-up opportunities. We are looking forward to food, fun, fellowship and celebration on Christmas Day. Come out and bring your family...you will be blessed by the sharing of the season!

Coordinators for this event are:

Martha Sue Hall (704-985-5821 or [hallmsh@hotmail.com](mailto:hallmsh@hotmail.com))  
Mary Kesselman (704-982-6754 or [manapier@msn.com](mailto:manapier@msn.com))  
Sandy Saunders (704-982-3845 or [swsaunders63@gmail.com](mailto:swsaunders63@gmail.com))

## **OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

### **Sunday, November 13**

*SERRV Bazaar in the Pit Stop*

*Collection of Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes*

- 8:45 am \*Diaconate
- 9:00 am \*Breakfast Bunch
- 9:30 am-11:00 am SERRV Bazaar
- 9:45 am \*Sunday School
- 11:00 am \*Worship
- 12:00 pm SERRV Bazaar
- 12:00 pm Sometime Singers & Players meet with Frank Poolos in the parlor
- 5:00 pm-7:30 pm Youth Connection
- 6:00 pm Worship Committee
- 7:00 pm \*Session

### **Monday, November 14**

- 8:00 pm-9:00 pm Lectionary Bible Study at Off the Square
- 8:30 pm High School Bible Study at Elizabeth's

### **Tuesday, November 15**

- 12:00 pm December Newsletter Deadline

### **Wednesday, November 16**

- 6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 3:15 pm-5:15 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Orff Ensemble (Grades K-2)
- 5:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Handbells (Grades 3-5)
- 7:00 pm \*Chancel Choir

### **Thursday, November 17**

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

### **Sunday, November 20**

*Thanksgiving Offering for Children's Hope Alliance*

- 9:45 am \*Sunday School
- 11:00 am \*Worship
- 12:00 pm Christian Education Meeting (Session Room)
- 3:00 pm-5:00 pm Ecumencial Youth Rake n' Run
- 7:00 pm \*Community Thanksgiving Worship (reception following)

**\*childcare provided**

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

### **NOVEMBER**

- 13-Lori Ivey
- 14-Carol Sasser
- 15-Blue Honeycutt
- 16-Reese Dombrowski
- 17-Taylor Johnston
- 18-Lee McManus
- 19-Gus Feather

## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

### **NOVEMBER**

- 17-Steve & Michelle Cumming
- Richard & Joyce Lambert
- Bounthanh & Panh Linthavong

**SCCM NEED FOR NOVEMBER:**

**Peanut Butter & Jelly**