



The Weekly Bulletin
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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GATHERING BEFORE GOD

MORNING MEDITATION

Save us, Lord, from being self-centered in our prayers, and teach us to remember to pray for others. May we be so caught up in love for those for whom we pray, that we may feel their needs as keenly as our own, and pray for them with imagination, sensitivity, and knowledge. Amen.

John Calvin
(1509-1564)

PEALING OF THE BELLS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Please sign and pass the Register of Friendship during this time.

PRELUDE

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Lowell Mason

Youth Club Handbell Ensemble

arr. Margaret R. Tucker

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We give thanks, O Lord, with our whole heart;

We give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness.

Though we walk in the midst of trouble,

You preserve us, you stretch out your hand, your right hand delivers us.

The Lord will fulfill his purpose for us;

Your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

Psalm 138

*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 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

St. Denio

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

Unison

O Lord, forgive us when we fail to respond to your call with faith. Forgive us when we are shackled by our narrow understanding of discipleship and our clouded sense of purpose. Forgive us when we are frightened of the future or pull back from the demand of your calling. Forgive us when we fail to sense your presence in our past, to acknowledge your grace in the present moment, and to trust you for our future.

Luke 5:1-11

Glory to God hymnal
page 582

The congregation is encouraged to participate in the prayer with the children.

Sermons are posted on the church's website (www.fpcalbemarle.org). You can usually find the previous Sunday's sermon by Wednesday.

From
A Declaration of Faith

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, believe the good news.

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

Barbara McManus

Children will be invited to come forward. At the conclusion of the Faith Sharing with Children, parents may take preschool children to the nursery. Children in grades K-2 may go to the chapel for Children's Church.

ANTHEM

Soon and Very Soon

Andraé Crouch

By Faith

Dan Whittemore

Faith Explorers

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read, and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING [Isaiah 6:1-8; 9-13](#) Pew Bible, page 597

SCRIPTURE READING

[Luke 5:1-11](#)

Pew Bible, page 58

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

A New Way

Reverend Drumheller

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

God has not taken his people out of the world, but has sent them into the world to worship him there and serve all humankind. We serve humankind by discerning what God is doing in the world and joining him in that work. We find guidance in God's deeds in the past and promises for the future as they are witnessed in Scripture. We affirm that the Lord is at work, especially in events and movements that free people by the gospel and advance justice, compassion, and peace. Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord. Amen.

***HYMN 726**

Will You Come and Follow Me

Kelvingrove

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER

Hymn 469 *Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying* Children Praying
*This hymn will be interspersed throughout the prayer
on cue from the organ.*

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation

Offertory

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Theodore Dubois

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 821

My Life Flows On

How Can I Keep From Singing

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

May the Road Rise to Meet You

Mark Schweizer

*POSTLUDE

Festive Trumpet Tune

David German

*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.

Thanks to the Youth Club Handbell Ensemble and Faith Explorers for their musical leadership in worship today.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Maude and Jim Boysworth.

Ushers: Jill Niebler, captain; Ella Cumming, Steve Cumming, Heather Deese, Katherine Jolly, and Dona Lisk

Outside Ushers: Jim Marshall; Ronnie Michael **Elder Greeters:** Lee McLaurin; David Whitley **Nursery:**

Emily Andrew **Kids Care Crew:** Laura Beth & Kyle Marks **Children’s Church:** Lynn Poplin

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Mary Gladys (mother of Ann Crutchfield), John Taylor (international mission worker), Brinn Andrew (daughter of Kellie and Jason Andrew), Maddie McRae (daughter of Renee & Keith McRae; diagnosis & treatment for a brain tumor). **See newsletter for complete list.**

The Fellowship Committee invites you to the enjoy a cup of hot cocoa

and some cookies to be served between Sunday School and worship each Sunday in February.

Montaña de Luz Mission Trip Interest Meeting

Sunday, February 10 following worship

There will be a meeting after worship on February 10 for all those interested in the Mission Trip to Honduras this summer, July 24-31. Come and learn the latest about Montaña de Luz and what a mission trip there entails. If you cannot attend, please contact Skeet Ayscue (704-984-2883 or aayscue1@live.com) to let him know of your interest.





**Faith Explorer Outing
Sunday, February 10**

Service Project for the Stanly County Humane Society

We will gather at the church at 12 p.m. for lunch, and then head to the Humane Society. We will be donating dog toys, helping out with volunteer tasks, and spending time with the animals. They have asked that we wear clothes that could get dirty. Contact Dorothy at dhart@fpcalbemarle.org or 828-244-3824 to sign up.

RECIPE EXCHANGE

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13
TIME: 5:00 P.M.
WHERE: PIT STOP

QUESTIONS:

CALL, TEXT OR EMAIL JANE SNYDER
(704-438-3358 or jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org)

Are you tired of making the same meals? Do you need some more meal ideas? Let's get together and exchange recipes! Bring two of your favorite 30-minute meal recipes, one with meat and one vegetarian. (If possible, bring a sampling of your recipe.) We will make copies and you can take home a new set of meal ideas.



Recipe for: _____



You are invited to the First Presbyterian Church Volunteer Reception

Thursday, February 14 from 10:00 a.m.-Noon in the church parlor

RSVP to Pam Knighten (pknighten@fpcalbemarle.org) or

Kyle Lambert (klambert@fpcalbemarle.org) or

call the church office (704-982-2722).

FROM CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL...REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

The Central Elementary School Administration and Staff are requesting donations of:

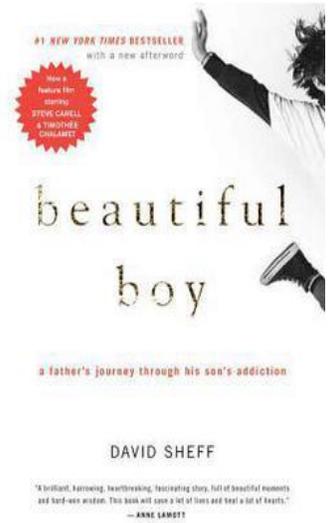
- Dial Liquid Soap (Individual & Refill sizes)
- Soft Soap Liquid Soap (Individual & Refill sizes)
- Paper Towel Rolls

in an effort to provide the necessary tools for handwashing during cold & flu season. All donations would be greatly appreciated.

The Opioid Task Force invites you to participate in an
all church read of the book

Beautiful Boy: A Father's Journey Through His Son's Addiction

By David Sheff



This memoir is brilliant, fascinating, and enlightening. It provides a window into addiction and its effects on families and communities. It will broaden personal understanding and challenge stereotypes.

Book Conversations (choose one) will take place at the following times:

Sunday, February 17 at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, February 24 at 5:00 p.m.

Choose a date and join in the conversation as we learn and think together about the role of the gospel in the lives of those held captive by addiction.

Books are available in the church office for \$12.00 and will be available in the Pit Stop before and after worship on Sundays, February 10 and 17.



COMMUNITY LUNCH AND LEARN

TOPIC: THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC

First Presbyterian Church's Opioid Task Force has been meeting together for several months focusing particular attention on educating themselves and our congregation about this widespread problem and its effect on individuals, families, churches, and the community. Now they are ready to move out and provide opportunities for others to learn more.

JOIN US TO LEARN MORE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19 FROM NOON-1:00 P.M.

IN THE PIT STOP

Bring Your Lunch & A Friend...Drinks & Dessert Provided

Speaker: Jennifer Layton, Health Educator at the Stanly County Health Department

Jennifer will provide an overview of the issue, with particular attention to Stanly County. Questions? Call the church office (704-982-2722).

many thanks

The Souper Bowl of Caring netted 466 cans of soup (359 lbs.)...265 chicken noodle; 182 tomato; 19 miscellaneous and \$267. SCCM and our neighbors are the big winners! Thank you for your generosity!

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, February 10

Handbell Ensemble rings & Faith Explorers sing in worship

8:45 am *Diaconate

9:45 am *Sunday School

11:00 am *Worship

12:00 pm Montaña De Luz, Honduras Mission Trip Meeting

12:00 pm Faith Explorers' Lunch/Stanly County Humane Society

5:00 pm-7:30 pm Youth Group

Monday, February 11

8:00 pm Bible Study w/Matt

Wednesday, February 13

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

3:15 pm-5:45 pm Youth Cubs/Youth Club

5:00 pm Recipe Exchange

7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

8:00 pm-9:30 pm Confirmation Class

Thursday, February 14

10:00 am-12:00 pm Volunteer Reception (parlor)

Sunday, February 17

Trusty Travelers sing in worship

8:30 am Session

9:45 am *Sunday School

11:00 am *Worship

5:00 pm *Beautiful Boy* Book Conversation

5:00 pm-7:30 pm Youth Group

***childcare provided**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

FEBRUARY

10-Susan Pandich

11-Davis Fort

Katherine Jolly

12-Karen Hinkle

14-Hunter Matthews

15-Emily Deese

Richard Griffin

Pete Smith

16-Miller Morgan

17-Amy Whitley

SCCM CHALLENGE FOR FEBRUARY

Canned Soup & Crackers

Backpack Food Program

Donations Needed:

Oatmeal Packets, Breakfast Cookies, Individual Bags of Goldfish, Large Cans of Soup, Saltine Crackers, Tuna Helper, Snack Crackers, Pineapple, or Fruit Cocktail Cups

A bin in the pit stop will receive your donation.

Next Backpacking Date:

Wednesday, February 27 at 10:30 a.m.