



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.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Don Joines

PRELUDE

Prelude on 'Dundee'

Healey Willan

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalms 138

Leader: I am exceedingly grateful for God has heard my cries and complaints.

People: God has responded with mercy and strength.

Leader: Now my life overflows with thanksgiving

People: And my mouth is filled with praise of God.

All: We are here to worship the God of creation.

*CHORAL INTROIT

Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing

Arthur H. Messiter

*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 409

God Is Here!

Abbot's Leigh

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

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silent
Unison
Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

***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

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Presentation

Renunciation and Affirmation

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

hymnal, page 35

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Thanksgiving Over the Water

The Baptism

Introduction to the Congregation

Anthem

God, Bless the Child

Lloyd Larson

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, you promise that your voice will call to us and we will recognize it. May your Word so work in our lives that we recognize you. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Ruth 1, selected verses

Pew Bible, page 230

FAITH TESTIMONY

Luke Marshall

ANTHEM

Hear My Prayer

Moses Hogan

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Introduction

Graduation Litany

Leader: Today we recognize and celebrate these graduates who are members of our community.

People: We give thanks to you for who you are and what you have achieved.

Leader: One part of your life's journey is complete. You are preparing to begin a new phase which will take you to places yet unimagined. As you prepare to go out from this place, we hope you will remember the ones you leave behind; those who have loved and supported you since your birth.

People: We offer to you our blessing of love. We thank you for the laughter and fellowship you have shared with us and for what you have taught us.

Leader: Because you were created in the image of God, you have been blessed with free will, and you have opportunity to make your own choices and decisions.

People: We pray your decisions will be guided by your faith; that you will always rest in God's love; that you will remember that God hears, God cares, and God is with you.

All: We promise to support you with our love, counsel and prayers, and to continue to walk with you on your journey of faith.

Prayer

Homily

*Hymn 22

*Anything Can Be
God of the Sparrow*

Mrs. Ayscue
Roeder

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Our Living Legacy

Mark Mabry and Marshall Rogers

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory Anthem

Voluntary

John Stanley

*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 305

Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!

Darwall's 148th

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

A Gaelic Blessing

John Rutter

*POSTLUDE

March

Edward Elgar

*All that are able may stand.



Thanks to Owen Johnson, Ellis Johnson, and Maddox Johnson for their artwork based on the poem *Listen to the Mustn'ts* by Shel Silverstein.

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 Morgan Kinley. After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

Palmer Jacob Schultz, son of Morgan (Hall) and Peter Schultz, will receive the Sacrament of Baptism today. Elder Martha Sue Hall is participating in the baptism.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in honor of college and high school graduates and the baptism of Palmer Jacob Schultz by Martha Sue and Dan.

Ushers: Penny Morton, captain; Kim Andrew, Stephanie Campbell, Jim Carter, Jim Ivey, Dustin Jolly, Taylor Jolly, Kim Marshall, Carolyn McLaurin, Jack Morton, David Whitley, and Ellen Whitley **Elder Greeters:** Martha Sue Hall; Larry Sitton **Nursery:** Cici Ly **Toddler Room:** Lauren Cranford **Preschool Partners:** Janet & Rich Schaefer **Nana & Papa Team:** Mary Green; Teresa Taylor **Children's Church:** Rose Saltzman

We will receive the Ten-Cents-A-Meal offering for hunger today.

Following worship, there will be a time of fellowship in the parlor, along with an opportunity to ask questions of the *Our Living Legacy* committee about the exciting projects on the horizon.

Beginning June 7, worship begins at 10:00 a.m. No Sunday School.

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Bailey Holshouser (daughter of Terrie & Ross Holshouser; United States Marine Corps Officer Candidate School in Quantico, VA), Karen Niebler (mother of Jill Niebler; recovering from liver transplant), The family of Susan Wolf (sister of Keith Wolf), The family of Monti Bell (sister of Kim Andrew), Rita Whitley (recovering from a stroke; Trinity Place Room F4), Linda Slimick, Barbara McManus, Becky Carter, David Sanges (brother of Nathan Sanges). **See newsletter for complete list.**

The farwell reception for Jane Snyder has been postponed as she will be with us for several more months. We will honor her at the end of her service with us.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Jay Andrew Albemarle High School
William Ivey Albemarle High School
Loni Lambert North Stanly High School
Luke Marshall Albemarle High School
Hunter Matthews Gray Stone Day School
Morgan Smet Albemarle High School

COLLEGE GRADUATES

Spencer Ayscue B.A. in Hispanic Studies from Davidson College
Richard Griffin B.S. in Business Administration from The Citadel

GRADUATE SCHOOL GRADUATES

Charlie Coggins Master in Business Administration from East Carolina University
Catherine Ellen Hinson Advanced Master Specialist in Education in Educational Leadership from UNC Greensboro School of Education
Elizabeth Jordan Knight M.S. in Athletic Training from Lenoir-Rhyne University

**Music & Arts Camp Volunteers' Meeting
Sunday, June 7 at 11:00 a.m. in the Session Room**

Come hear final details about camp.

It's not too late to volunteer!

If you have some time the week of June 14-18, come join us!

For more information, contact Gina Martin at gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org.

**HELP NEEDED WITH CENTRAL SCHOOL STAFF BRUNCH
FRIDAY, JUNE 12**

Volunteers are needed to cook, set-up, and clean-up. Sign-up on the Mission bulletin board in the pit stop or contact Ruth Cotton (704-983-2481 or hugawolf@hotmail.com) or Carolyn Sharpe (704-982-2814 or carolynsharpe@live.com)

Prayer Wall...A Prayer Wall has been added to the church in the basement outside the chapel. This is a visual reminder for all to **write** about their needs and concerns and to pray for others. You are encouraged to add praise notes as well; for who God is, what God has done, and how God has answered our requests. Take a moment soon to sit by the **Prayer Wall** in quiet meditation and prayer.

**First Presbyterian Church Art Gallery presents the Summer Art Exhibit
Opening Sunday, June 14...Featured Artist, Joyce Lambert**

A collection of oil paintings by Joyce Lambert, a member of this congregation, will be exhibited in the First Presbyterian Church Art Gallery early this summer. This exhibit will feature wildlife, the Mwandu Village, several portraits and landscapes. We appreciate Joyce sharing her art work with us.

2015 Community Health Assessment...The Stanly County Health Department is partnering with Stanly Regional Medical Center to conduct the 2015 Community Health Assessment at www.stanlycountync.gov. Stanly County residents 15 and older are encouraged to complete this survey by June 14.

We are starting to pack up the kitchen in preparation for our renovation.

**We need donations of small to medium size boxes,
newspaper, and/or bubble wrap!**

Donations may be left in the kitchen.

We need volunteers to help pack!

**To volunteer, contact Jane Snyder
(jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722).**



**KITCHEN PACK DAY AT 9:00 A.M.
TUESDAY, JUNE 9 AND FRIDAY, JUNE 19**



MORNING OF MISSION

Morning of Mission

What? Saturday, June 20 beginning at 8:00 a.m.
Where? Meet at the church for breakfast
What? We will go out in the name of Jesus Christ to meet the home repair needs of a number of older adults in the community. Work is varied (yard work, small indoor & outdoor repairs, woodwork, etc.)

Sign-up by June 17 on the bulletin board in the pit stop.

If you would like to contribute to the cost of materials and supplies, you can make your check to First Presbyterian Church and note that it is for Morning of Mission. If you have questions, contact Don Joines at 704 982-0348 or 704 985-9596 or email: djoines@ctc.net.

A training class on the Child Protection Policy is available on Sunday, June 7. Following following worship. It is important that all adult volunteers who have not been trained take advantage of this opportunity.

Our Summer Sermon Series this year will incorporate a number of children's stories and poems. In coordination with this series, we are looking for elementary-aged children to create original illustrations based on these children's stories and poems. If your child would like to be involved, contact the church office (704-982-2722 or klambert@fpcalbemarle.org.)

Summer Sermon Series begins on June 7 at 10:00 a.m. Together we will consider Our Stories as we experience God in life, literature, and the Word.

FATHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS



On Father's Day, the arrangements in the sanctuary will be in honor/memory of fathers. Each name is \$2.00. Please mail, deliver, or place in the offering plate your money with the form below NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, JUNE 14. Please make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church and designate for Father's Day Arrangements. The names of donors and those being honored/remembered will be listed on Father's Day, June 21. Any money collected over the cost of the arrangements will be donated to the Minister's Discretionary Fund.

FATHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENT

Please print below the information exactly as it is to appear in the bulletin.

In memory of: _____

Given by: _____

In honor of: _____

Given by: _____

The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit

First Presbyterian Church
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.* Music & Arts Camp promises to provide a fun-filled week of entertainment for the camper and volunteers!

FOR WHOM?

For you if you are age 4 (must turn 4 before June 30) or older - - all the way through completed 6th grade AND if you love to create, sing and have fun with others. Everyone is welcome.

WHAT WILL WE DO?

We'll sing and dance, create sets, play percussion instruments, study the Bible in new ways, act and play. It will be a full and exciting week.

WHEN WILL WE DO IT? It all begins on Sunday, June 14 at 2:00 p.m. ('til 5:00 p.m.). On June 15-18, these are the hours:

Ages 4-5	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Grades K-6 (completed)	9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

WHAT ELSE?

Early Bird Registration Fee is only \$30.00 (by May 29).

Late Registration Fee is \$35.00 (after May 29).

Children who have completed grades K-6 should bring a lunch each day. Drinks will be provided.

**The camp's grand finale will be a performance of on Thursday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m.
(Ice Cream follows)**

Name _____ Age _____ & Grade Completed (as of June 10) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email Address _____

Parent's Name _____

Emergency Contact during hours of Music & Arts Camp _____

Food or other allergies _____

T Shirt Size: YX-Small (2-4) YSmall (6-8) YMedium(10-12) YLarge (14-16) YXLarge(18-20)

Adult S M L XL

Other things we should know about this child _____

Return registration form to:
First Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 1578
126 West North Street
Albemarle, NC 28002

Questions? (704) 982-2722
or email Gina Martin
(gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org)

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 7

Graduate Recognition

The Sacrament of Baptism

Ten-Cents-A-Meal Offering

- 9:00 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 am *Worship
- 11:00 am Information Session for *Our Living Legacy* Campaign (Parlor)
- 11:00 am Meeting for Music & Arts Camp Volunteers (Session Room)
- 12:00 pm Child Protection Policy Training
- 11:00 pm Mission Committee (Old Session Room)

Wednesday, June 10

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

Thursday, June 11

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, June 12

Church Office Closed – Summer Friday

- 9:30 am Central School Staff Brunch at Central School

Sunday, June 14

Opening of the First Presbyterian Church Summer Art Exhibit featuring Joyce Lambert

- 9:00 am Diaconate
- 9:00 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 am *Worship
- 2:00 pm-5:00 pm Music & Arts Camp
- 6:00 pm Worship Committee
- 7:00 pm *Session

***childcare provided**

Summer Fridays

The church office will be closed on Fridays during June, July, and August.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

JUNE

- 07-Andy Cotton
- 10-John Earnhardt
Jessica Palmer
- 11-Carolyn McLaurin
- 12-Merrin Kinley
Richard Schaefer
- 13-John Howell
Johnny Howell
Laura Beth Marks

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

JUNE

- 09-Jim & Margaret Ivey
- 12-Jack & Joan Boling

SCCM NEED FOR

JUNE:

Soup & Crackers



ATTENTION VEGETABLE GARDENERS!!!

As you tend your summer vegetable garden, please remember to plant a little extra so that you can share some of the fruits of your labors with members of our congregation as well as the clients at the Stanly Community Christian Ministry. Bring your harvest to the table in the pit stop on Sunday mornings so that folks can have an opportunity to make a purchase. The donations will be sent to SCCM. Whatever vegetables remain will be transported to the SCCM food pantry.