



THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Albemarle, North Carolina

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June 19, 2022

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Pentecost

**GATHERING BEFORE GOD**

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*Eucharistia: Meditation on a Plainsong "Kyrie"*

G. Winston Cassler

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Nathaniel Eudy

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Mike King, liturgist

I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

**I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.**

Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

**You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy**

\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

**God of signs and wonders, you have revealed to us that Jesus Christ is your son,  
and our Savior. Strengthen our faith, that we may have life in Christ's name. Amen.**

\*HYMN 39

*"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"*

Faithfulness

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Faithful God, you have made known to us the ways of life. Yet, too often,  
we put other things above you and turn away from the ways of life and  
towards the ways of death. Forgive us and guide us back into your presence,  
that we may know the fullness of joy.**

*Silent Confession and Reflection*

\*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

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

\*RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE

*O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

hymnal page, 610

*To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given*

stanza 5

*By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven*

## THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Debbie Hahn

ANTHEM

*Laudate Dominum*

Gordon Young

*Sing praise to God, all ye nations of the earth.*

*Praise Him, ye peoples of the earth. Sing praise to God, through all the earth.*

*For His mercy is upon us, and faithful is the Lord forever,  
Glory to the Father and the Son, and the Holy Ghost.*

*Sing praise to God, all ye nations of the earth.*

*Praise Him, ye peoples of the earth. Sing praise to God, through all the earth.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Gracious God, send your Holy Spirit upon the reading of your Word, that it may serve to show us the path of life and lead us into your presence where there is fullness of joy. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

[1 Peter 1:3-9](#)

Pew Bible, page 218

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*"Horton and Faithfulness"*

Reverend Cathy S. George

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.**

\*HYMN 687

*"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"*

St. Anne

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**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.**

RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory *Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song* Michael Burkhardt

Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* hymnal page, 606

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication

**Generous God, you are our portion and our cup. In you, our hearts are glad, our souls rejoice, and our bodies rest. Bless and multiply our offerings and pledges, that they may bring the joy of your presence more deeply into the world. Amen.**

SENDING

HYMN 361 *O Christ, the Great Foundation* Aurelia

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION The Grace Richard Shepard

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, evermore. Amen.

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE *Prelude in Classic Style* Gordon Young

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**The acolyte today is** Nathaniel Eudy

**Ushers for June:** Jim Hesley, captain: Elizabeth Bryson, Ella Cumming, Jim Ivey, Myron Lowder and Lee Snuggs

**Outside Ushers for June 5:** Jim Ivey, Lee Snuggs

**Elder Greeters** Bill Jolly, Chris Whitley

**Sound:** TBD **Film:** Katherine Jolly **Nursery:** Bailey Mitchell

**Kids Care Crew:**

**There is no Children’s Church during the summer.** Children are encouraged to remain in worship.

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**We ask that you keep these people in your prayers:** The family of Helen Carpenter Williams (grandmother of Matt Carpenter), Gloria Bryson (Bethany Woods), Ann Byrd (wife of Keith Byrd broken femer- Forrest Oaks-rehab), Tim Rogers (friend of Lee and Billie Jean Snuggs,cancer), Robin Howell (home), Witt Snuggs, Doris Forte, Brayden Enzor (grandson of Gus & Pam Holbrook; 2 brain tumors, currently undergoing chemo and then radiation), Carole Yost (home), Bill Cotton (brother of Andy Cotton), Don Abernathy, Jean Rabe, Anita Gower, Nancy Jolly, Claude Harwood, Jane Scheer, Don Joines, Jane Pickler. See newsletter for complete list.

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**SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE CHANGE BEGINNING SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

Worship during the months of June, July, and August will take place at 10:00 a.m.  
There will be no Sunday School during the summer months.

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**FATHER'S DAY ARRANGEMENTS**  
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**In memory of:**

**Given by:**

Simeon A. Abbey-----	R. V. Dick Liles, Jr.
Gilbert Anderson-----	Linda Anderson
Edward Arnold-----	Linda Anderson
Johnny Andrew-----	his family
Preston Averette-----	Kevin, Adrienne, Ella & Maddie Averette
John William Barrett-----	Margaret B. Ivey
Ian Bryson-----	Debra, David, Ellen, Donna, Keith and Sheila
Donnie Campbell-----	Michael D. Campbell & Rachel Grace
Bill Cotton-----	Andy, Ruth and James Cotton
Grandpa Cumming-----	Ella, Steve and Michelle Cumming
Roy Dearstyne-----	Holly & Tom Norwood
John Duckwall-----	Ann Duckwall
Jerry Earnhardt-----	John & Angie Earnhardt
James Macon King-----	Donna K. Gaither
Frank Howard Gaither-----	Robert H. Gaither
Frank Green-----	Mary D. Green
Charles Harris-----	Martha Sue Hall
James Wallace Ivey-----	Margaret B. Ivey
Olin Huneycutt-----	John & Angie Earnhardt
R. V. (Bun) Liles-----	R. V. (Dick) Liles, Jr
Richard Long-----	Becky Andrew
Poppop McInturff-----	Ella, Steve and Michelle Cumming
Robert Burdett-----	Kate Gibson, Meg and Jennifer Mabry
Leonard Mabry-----	Kate Gibson, Meg and Jennifer Mabry
Rodney Mabry Morgan-----	Rita Morgan
John Curtis Morris-----	Rita Morris Morgan & Jolie Morris Fuller
W. T. "Freck" Norwood-----	Holly & Tom Norwood
M.Palmer Harris, Sr.-----	Martha Sue Hall
M. W. "Bill" Mullinix, Sr.-----	Martha Sue Hall
Rev. J.E. Ratchford-----	Martha Sue Hall
Manus Mills Samples-----	Dan Samples
Ollie Hector Armstrong-----	Dan Samples
William Elbert Smith-----	Lee, Billie Jean & Witt Snuggs
Leon Dewitt Snuggs-----	Lee, Billie Jean & Witt Snuggs
Ed Stanhope-----	Andy, Ruth and James Cotton

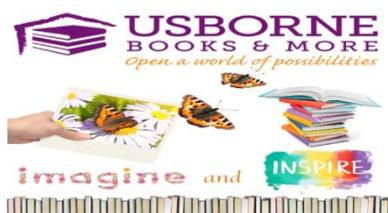
**In honor of:**

**Given by:**

Kevin Averette-----	Ella & Maddie Averette
Kevin Averette-----	John & Angie Earnhardt
Andy Cotton-----	James and Ruth Cotton
Steve Cumming-----	Michelle and Ella Cumming
John Earnhardt-----	Adrienne Averette & Kelly Lentz

Trey Gibson-----	Kate Gibson, Carter and Emma Gibson
Mark Mabry-----	Kate Gibson, Carter and Emma Gibson
Tommy Gibson-----	Kate Gibson, Carter and Emma Gibson
Bill Hall-----	Palmer, Liam, Ava & Ollie
Charles David Harris-----	Martha Sue
Charlie Lentz-----	John & Angie Earnhardt
Tom Norwood -----	Holly Norwood
Austin Samples-----	Liam & Ava Samples
Daniel Samples-----	Daniel Ollie Samples
Dan Samples-----	Palmer, Liam, Ava & Ollie
John Sharp-----	Cathy George
Leon Dewitt Snuggs II-----	Billie Jean & Witt Snuggs
Terry Morgan -----	The Kinleys and The Carters

On Monday and Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am a small, but dedicated group of First Presbyterian members gather on Zoom for prayers. We pray for our church, for individuals (by name) both in our congregation and outside our congregation, for our country, and for our world. We pray specific prayers for our country and world based on what is happening such as the shootings in Uvalde Texas and the Russian aggression in Ukraine. We share our concerns and thanks with one another. If you would like to join us and/or request prayer please email or text Deb Hahn ([hahnjdt@ctc.net](mailto:hahnjdt@ctc.net) or [wolf lady520@gmail.com](mailto:wolf lady520@gmail.com) or 704-985-9419).



**Usborne Book Facebook Party from June 1-June 30  
To Benefit the Children's Rooms at Church**

Usborne Books and More has a wide variety of fun and educational books, puzzles, and activities! All would greatly benefit the children's' rooms at church. There will be a virtual Facebook party held for those that have one, but also the option to help even without having a Facebook! **All rewards**

**from the party and shopping link will go toward purchasing books for the church.**

Are you wondering how you could help?

1. Purchase books for your children's bookshelves using the link provided.
2. Purchase books off of the wishlist for the bookshelves in the children's rooms at First Presbyterian Church.

Shopping link: <https://x11508.myubam.com/2375439> (wishlist can also be found at the top left once this link is clicked) Wishlist link: <https://x11508.myubam.com/wishlist/cea842ca-9878-48d2-a469-ae7b00f22fad>

Thanks to Teresa Samples for coordinating this opportunity for our church to get new educational books in the preschool rooms.

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**INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT MEMBERSHIP  
AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?**

Are you looking for a church home? Have you been visiting for a while and think you might like to put down roots? Are you simply interested in learning more about what it means to be a member of First Presbyterian Church? We would love to talk to you about what being a member looks like! Please contact Rev. Cathy George ([cgeorge@fpcalbemarle.org](mailto:cgeorge@fpcalbemarle.org) or 704-982-2722), or Sandy Rogers ([sandyrogers119@msn.com](mailto:sandyrogers119@msn.com) or 704-244-1191), chair of the Membership Committee!



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The 2022 Nominating Committee welcomes your suggestions of persons to be considered for service as Deacon or Ruling Elder. In thinking of folks who may be qualified to serve, please consider the following: worship attendance, participation in church activities, service rendered to the church, Christian living in daily life, and ability to work cooperatively with others. Please check with your nominee(s) to confirm he/she is willing to serve if elected. Terms are for 3 years. Refer to the lists on the back of the bulletin and newsletter for current officers.



Suggestions for Deacon

Suggestions for Ruling Elder

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or email committee members:

Ken Knight, Chair  
 Bob Johnston  
 Gayle Russell  
 Lee Snuggs  
 Ellen Snyder

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**Lemonade on the Lawn Volunteers Needed**



We need volunteers to sign-up for Lemonade on the Lawn. Lemonade on the Lawn hosts provide a nice refreshment following worship during the summer months. If you are interested in hosting with cookies and lemonade, contact Michelle Cumming (704-984-4035 or michellecumming85@yahoo.com) and sign-up in the Pit Stop on the Bulletin Board next to the Church Parlor.

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**We Need Volunteers for the *Amazingly Created* Camp**



If you have some time the week of June 20-24, come join us as we love and share how *Amazingly Created* these adorable group of children are! For more information, contact Melissa Eudy (704-439-6747 or the5eudys@gmail.com) or Adrienne Averette (704-428-2866 or adrienne.earnhardt@gmail.com).

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**Child Protection Training on Wednesday, June 15 from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Those in need of Child Protection Training (anyone involved with the leadership of Christian Education) will meet Wednesday, June 15 from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Light dinner provided. Please let Melissa know if you plan to attend (704-439-6747 or the5eudys@gmail.com).



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Everyone is invited to join us on the first and last Wednesday of each month for a *splashing good time in Christian Education this summer!*

Water is such a powerful substance. It keeps us alive, helps grow foods we eat, and allows us times of enjoyment. What better theme for a summer of growth in Christian Education. As we enjoy the ability to come back together as a unified church family, please make note of the events in your Summer Newsletter.

**Lunch Out**

Join us for lunch out in downtown Concord at **Gianni's Trattoria** for some authentic Italian food and fellowship on **Thursday, June 23**. After lunch feel free to stroll through nearby Memorial Garden or grab some yummy ice cream at Cabarrus Creamery across the street. Meet in the church parking lot at 11:00 am to carpool. Please let Gina Martin (704-244-0186) or Stan Scheer (704-322-0455) know if you will attend.

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**THANK YOU!!!**

A special *Thank You* to the following people for your help with the Central Elementary School Brunch:

Peggy Finley, Ann Duckwall, Linda Anderson, Debbie Bennett, Susan Garrison, Joyce Lambert, Myron Lowder, Margaret Ivey, Matha Sue Hall, Andy and Ruth Cotton

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**Your on-going support of First Presbyterian Church is essential to the mission and ministry of the church and to the well-being of our ministry partners, locally and globally. Thank you for your generosity.**

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through the church's website  
([www.fpcalbemarle.org](http://www.fpcalbemarle.org)).

**OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, June 19**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost/Father's Day*

- 8:30 am Session Meeting
- 9:00 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 am \*Worship

**Monday, June 20**

- 9:00 am-2:00 pm Kid's Camp
- 10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

**Tuesday, June 21**

- 9:00 am-2:00 pm Kid's Camp

**Wednesday, June 22**

- 9:00 am-2:00 pm Kid's Camp
- 10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

**Thursday, June 23**

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 9:00 am-2:00 pm Kid's Camp
- 4:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Catherine & Matt Moeller

**Friday, June 24**

- 9:00 am-2:00 pm Kid's Camp

**Sunday, June 26**

*3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

- 9:00 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 10:00 am \*Worship
- 11:00 am Congregational Gathering with the Mission Study Team with a light lunch (Gym)

**\*childcare provided**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**JUNE**

- 19-Jane Boone
- Marshall Jolly
- Jack Morton
- 20-Judy Kilgore
- 22-Maci Holshouser
- 25-Ann Snuggs
- 26-Jim Marshall

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

**JUNE**

- 19-Andy & Ruth Cotton
- Bob & Carol Sasser
- 24-Jim & Iris Coggins
- Glenn & Becky Miller
- 25-Bill & Nancy Jolly
- David & Ellen Whitley
- 26-David & Mellanie Morgan

**Elders**

Al Andrew, John Earnhardt, Bill Jolly, Mary Kesselman,  
Mike King, Ken Knight, Kim Marshall, Andy McLeod,  
Catherine Moeller, Sandy Rogers, Ellen Snyder,  
Chris Whitley, Ellen Whitley

**Deacons**

Emily Andrew, Keith Bryson, Shannon Bullard,  
Michelle Cumming, Wes Eudy, Martha Sue Hall,  
Lillie Hancock, Jim Hesley, Liz Jolly, Myron Lowder,  
Laura McLeod, Lee Snuggs

**SERMON NOTES**