



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Albemarle, North Carolina

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Summer 2017

Dear Friends,

As we move into a new rhythm for summer, I am reminded of the words of the psalmist: *O taste and see that the Lord is good* (Psalm 34:8). We see the goodness of the Lord in the lives of our high school and college graduates, in the presence of new members, in the children who come to us for Music and Arts Camp, in the produce from our gardens, in the lives of children in Honduras who live with the daily reality of HIV/AIDS, in the work of Stanly Community Christian Ministry and Homes of Hope in our community, and in the presence of God's spirit every time we are together. I hope summer travels will bring joy to you and that you will remain connected to this congregation by your prayers and faithful generosity. Summer worship will provide close encounters with the twelve minor prophets of the Old Testament. Come and see what God does through them and within the community of God's people.

Grace and Peace,
Elizabeth



Music & Arts Camp Volunteers' Meeting Sunday, June 4 11:00 a.m. in the Session Room

It's not too late to volunteer. If you have some time the week of June 11-15, come join us as we sing, dance, paint and move with this adorable group of 100 children! Contact

Gina Martin (gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722) to say you will help.

Child Protection Policy Training

Sunday, June 4 at 9:00 a.m. in the Old Session Room

Child Protection Policy Training will be offered on Sunday, June 4 at 9:00 a.m. in the Old Session Room. If you are interested in volunteering with the children and/or youth at First Presbyterian Church over the summer at camps or in the fall, contact Gina Martin (gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722).



PENTECOST SUNDAY...JUNE 4

Worship on Sunday, June 4 will be a celebration of the outpouring of God's spirit on the early church. Red is the liturgical color for the day so wear your red!

WORSHIP

SUMMER WORSHIP

Session has approved the following Sunday morning schedule for the summer:

Worship at 10:00 a.m.

No Sunday School.

This schedule will be in effect from June 4-September 3.

Early worship makes it possible to enjoy more of the afternoon outside.

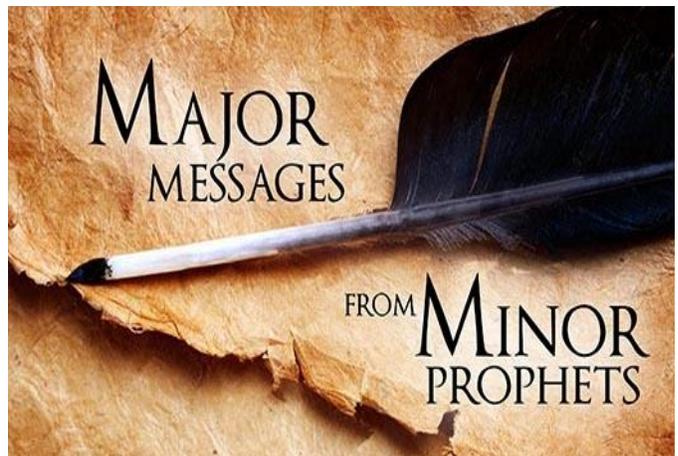
SUMMER WORSHIP NOTES

- Sunday, June 4 Pentecost Sunday
High school graduates will be recognized in worship. We will celebrate the Holy Spirit at work in the church as we participate in the Lord's Supper. We will welcome Cathy and Mike King into membership at First Presbyterian Church.
- Sunday, June 11 We will welcome Ann and Wiley Crutchfield into membership at First Presbyterian Church.
- Sunday, June 26 The choir will provide seasonal music in preparation for Independence Day.
- Sunday, August 27 We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and bless the backpacks of students of all ages who are returning to school.

SUMMER SUNDAY MORNINGS

Summer preaching texts will be taken from the minor (refers to the length of the book, not significance of the message) prophets. Each week beginning June 11, the focus will be on a single prophet. Together, we will discover the word as it was preached to a particular people and what that same word may mean for 21st century Christians.

- Sunday, June 11 Hosea
- Sunday, June 18 Joel
- Sunday, June 25 Amos
- Sunday, July 2 Obadiah
- Sunday, July 9 Jonah
- Sunday, July 16 Micah
- Sunday, July 23 Nahum
- Sunday, July 30 Habakkuk
- Sunday, August 6 Zephaniah
- Sunday, August 13 Haggai
- Sunday, August 20 Zechariah
- Sunday, August 27 Malachi



All of these books are short and you are encouraged to read each book in preparation for the Sunday it will be preached.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP CHALLENGE FOR CHILDREN'S IN KINDERGARTEN-5TH GRADE

Be able to name the 12 minor prophets in order and be able to name one fact about each one. Hint: Fun Facts about the prophet will appear in each Sunday's bulletin.



Summer Vespers & Homemade Ice Cream

7:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 25 at the home of Robin & John Howell
(20959 Old Aquadale Road, Albemarle)

5:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 20 at the home of Connie Wallace & Ken Knight
(45118 Byrd Rd., Albemarle)

We'll gather for summer vespers and ice cream (let us know what kind you're bringing).
We will sing, pray, and read scripture together.

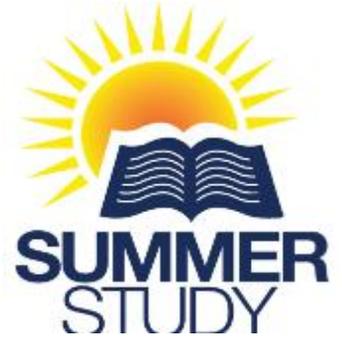
SUMMER STUDY FOR ADULTS

We will gather on two different dates to consider some of the theological concepts which define us as Christians and as Presbyterians. Each evening is a stand alone event. Come for one or come for both! Sign-up ahead of time to receive a reading packet. A light dinner will be provided each evening.

Wednesday, June 21 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, August 16 5:30 p.m.-8:30 p.m.

Some topics which will be considered are:

Grace, Justice, Predestination, Priesthood of all Believers, and the Sovereignty of God



Safety Team

Beginning this summer, we will have members of the church join a safety team. This team will be responsible for walking around the inside and outside of the building during Sunday morning worship to keep an eye on both the parking lot and the interior of our building.

If you are interested in being a part of this team, please contact Matt Drumheller (mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722).

Ten-Cents-A-Meal... We will receive the Ten-Cents-A-Meal offering for hunger on June 4, July 2, and August 6. 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!

2017 Flower Calendar... The 2017 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 local florist.** Contact Frankie Palmer (704-982-1757 or fpalmer3@carolina.rr.com) for more information and to make arrangements for the flowers to be delivered to the church on Saturday or Sunday morning before worship.

FATHER'S DAY FLOWERS

On Father's Day, the flowers 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 11**. Please make your check payable to First Presbyterian Church and designate for *Father's Day Flowers*. The names of donors and those being honored/remembered will be listed on **Father's Day, June 18**.



FATHER'S DAY FLOWERS

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

In memory of: _____

Given by: _____

In honor of: _____

Given by: _____

!!! Limited Space !!!

Contact the church office for availability in your child's grade level.

First Presbyterian Church Music & Arts Camp June 11-15, 2017



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 11 at 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.).
On June 12-15, these are the hours:

Ages 4-5 9:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.
Grades K-6 (completed) 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

WHAT ELSE?

Early Bird Registration Fee is only \$40.00 (by May 25).
Late Registration Fee is \$45.00 (after May 25).

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 *Oh Jonah* on Thursday, June 15 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 _____

Permission to Use Photograph: I grant to First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle, the right to take photographs of my child/children during the 2017 Music & Arts Camp and to use such photographs for any purpose.

I have read and understand the above:

Signature _____ Printed Name _____

of parent or guardian (if under age 18)

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)

STEWARDSHIP AND SUCH...APRIL 2017 FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND

Actual:	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Budget-to-Date</u>
Total Income Received:	176,853.00	179,904.00
Total Expenses:	<u>188,363.00</u>	<u>190,350.00</u>
(Shortage)/Surplus	(11,510.00)	(10,446.00)

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

	<u>2017</u>	
Pledges:	507,476	Weekly Amount Needed to Keep Commitments: <u>\$10,544</u>
Total Income:	548,314	Average Weekly Amount Received in April: <u>\$10,728</u>
Total Expenses:	548,314	

We are ahead \$15,278 in pledges. (\$20,488 of 2017 pledges was prepaid in 2016)

Ten-Cents-A-Meal April: \$506

Faith on the Fifth Offering: \$1,802

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering: \$1,916

A PRIVILEGE FOR EVERYONE



As summer approaches, remember the many opportunities and privileges that God has provided for you.

The church staff had reviews on May 10. The staff members always have great fun making this process out to be a worrisome, frightening experience leading up to the actual day of the review. Elizabeth often gives a few questions to staff members to answer/ponder before the review. Pam would love to tell you about these questions so do not hesitate to ask her next time you see her! Staff members enjoy conversations and comments like, who is going to get in trouble or have two weeks to pack up and get out, butter up the boss or personnel chairperson, etc. The staff is, after all, a fun bunch! It's not a secret that the church staff cares deeply for each other and the members and work of this church. This is why they work so well together. They have a common belief and know that it is a not only a blessing but a privilege to be on staff at FPC.

It is a privilege to minister here. A privilege to work, play, worship, eat and grow in faith here. A privilege to participate in missions and fellowship here. A privilege to grieve, learn, grow-up, visit, celebrate holidays and come home here. It is also a privilege to give here. Everyone has the opportunity and privilege to give time and/or financial resources, no matter how much or how little. There are many opportunities throughout each year to volunteer and give financially. It is important, that together, we acknowledge these opportunities and embrace the privilege that is ours, to return these gifts to God for our many blessings. Have a safe, fun, memorable summer. Take advantage of opportunities, and give thanks for your many blessings.

Kyle Lambert, Office Manager

NEWS and NOTES

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

Flower Fund:

- In memory of Virginia Marshall, given by Sam & Liz Davis.
- In memory of Virginia Marshall, given by Tom & Holly Norwood.

General Fund:

- In memory of Elworth Plyler, given by Teresa Rothenberger.

Minister's Discretionary Fund:

- In memory of Joan Belsan, given by Ruth Goforth.
- In memory of Joyce Burris, given by Miriam Russell.
- In memory of Joyce Burris, given by David & Ellen Whitley.
- In memory of June Johnson, given by Miriam Russell.
- In memory of Virginia Marshall, given by Banks & Susan Garrison.
- In memory of Virginia Marshall, given by Roger & Gina Martin.
- In memory of Louise Morris, given by Miriam Russell.
- In memory of Elworth Plyler, given by Ruth Goforth.
- In memory of Elworth Plyler, given by Mr. & Mrs. Cecil T. Gurganus.
- In memory of Elworth Plyler, given by Frances Schultz.
- In memory of Elworth Plyler, given by David & Ellen Whitley.
- In memory of Elworth Plyler, given by Carl & Linda Witmeyer.

NEWS and NOTES

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS (Continued)

Our Living Legacy Fund:

In memory of Roy Dearstyne, given by Banks & Susan Garrison.

Scholarship Endowment:

In memory of Annie Ruth Kelley, given by Harry & Sandy Johnson.

In memory of Virginia Marshall, given by Keith & Martha Wolf.

In memory of Elworth Plyler, given by Keith & Martha Wolf.

SYMPATHY

To Dr. Jim Marshall upon the death of his mother, Virginia Marshall, on April 28.

To the family and friends of Rev. Bill Faggart who died on May 18.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Meredith (Hinson) and Derek Moses upon the birth of their son, Tucker Jett, on May 19.

To Mary Louise and Jim Sawyer upon the birth of their grandson, Samuel Lanier Sawyer, on May 20. Parents are John and Amy Sawyer.

NEW ADDRESS

From now until mid-July:
Gus and Nancy Feather
c/o Marjorie Feather
17 Hendrickson Court
Manalapan, NJ 07726

Mid-July:
Gus and Nancy Feather
229 Ivy Road
Egg Harbor Township, NJ 08234

Session Notes

At its stated meeting on May 7, Session heard reports from several committees. The Property Committee updated us on the gym renovation project which is on schedule and looking good. We are still several thousand dollars short of our goal. If you have not pledged for our gym renovation you still can and any amount will be greatly appreciated. The Session regretfully accepted Larry Sittton's letter of resignation from the Session. Larry and Carolyn will be missed by your congregation for all they both contributed to the church. We do wish both the best on their move to the Brevard, NC area.

Circle #5

Meeting at the home of Joyce Lambert (750 Pee Dee Ave., Albemarle) on Monday, June 5 at 7:00 p.m. Lesson 8 will be discussed.

Meeting at the home of Sally Grantier (522 Avondale Ave., Albemarle) on Monday, August 28 at 7:00 p.m. Lesson 9 will be discussed.

September Newsletter Deadline...Tuesday, August 22. Early submissions are always welcome!

If you type your items in Microsoft Word, please email them as an attachment to: pknighnten@fpcalbemarle.org.



Thanks to the following people for assisting in the church office in March:

Ann Duckwall, Gloria Bryson, Donna Gaither, Ruth Goodwin, Sally Grantier, Judy & Tommy Murrell, Sandy Rogers, Ruth Ann Rogers, and Martha White.

Thanks to the following people for making various kinds of breads for the Bread for the World bread sale: Mildred Andrew, Elizabeth Ayscue, Cheryl Bristol, Gloria Bryson, Ann Duckwall, Peggy Finley, Mary Green, Robin Howell, and Shirley Welch. **Thanks also to** Linda Anderson and Gloria Bryson for setting up the bread display on Sunday morning, April 30.

Thanks to your generosity through the Faith on the Fifth offering in April, we contributed \$1,802 to the Crisis Assistance Fund in Albemarle. Working in close contact with SCCM, the Crisis Assistance Fund provides one time help for people in a crisis such as risk of eviction, mortgage foreclosure, or bed bug infestation.

Thanks to your generosity through the Mother's Day offering, we contributed \$800 to the Presbyterian Retirement Homes of North Carolina. These funds will be used to provide financial assistance to residents of these communities who have out lived their resources.

Thanks to your generosity through the Bread for the World bread sale, we contributed \$430 to SCCM to assist with community food needs.

Presbytery of Charlotte Update



At its 134th stated meeting on May 16, 2017, the Presbytery of Charlotte spent time discussing a proposal from its Strategic Planning Task Force. In June 2014, our presbytery commissioned a group of elders and pastors called the Emmaus Team to work with Presbyterian churches and members from all over Charlotte to create a new vision for the presbytery. This led to many round table conversations, including one that took place at First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle. Out of these discussions and the Emmaus Team's work came a vision for the Presbytery: **Joining Jesus the risen Christ in building, celebrating, and anticipating the kingdom of God in our seven counties and beyond.**

With the Emmaus Team's work completed, the presbytery appointed a task force to propose how we might put that vision into action. This group of people, including our very own elder Jim Carter, spent the last year creating a strategic plan for the presbytery based on the vision created by the Emmaus team. Their hard work was presented to the presbytery on May 18th, and their plan was approved, and will be implemented over the next 9 months.

This new strategic plan will primarily affect the structure of the presbytery. The presbytery will shift from top-down, committee oversight toward bottom-up, grassroots initiative. Rather than having several committees that attempt to envision ministries for our area churches, there will be one ministry resource committee. This committee will provide resources for individuals, churches, or groups of churches in the presbytery who feel called to a particular ministry field. This committee is designed to respond to God at work in individuals and churches in the presbytery, rather than seeking to direct their discernment.

God is already at work acting in our churches, and we are seeking to acknowledge, support, and facilitate one another. Please pray for us – the presbytery – as we pursue reformation and seek to partner with one another building, celebrating, and anticipating the kingdom of God in our seven counties and beyond.



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:

- Ted Biggers**, friend of Martha Sue Hall & Dan Samples.
- Margaret Brooks**, friend of Debbie Hahn; at an assisted living facility.
- Rachel Darling**, friend of Dona Lisk; battling cancer.
- Mike Dearstyne**, brother of Holly Norwood; medical concerns.
- Sara Dyer**, mother of Martha White; ongoing health concerns.
- Lindsey Efird**, daughter of Karen Efird and Mark Efird; battling MPS.
- Gay Ellington**, former co-worker of Martha White; lung cancer.
- Beth Harris**, sister-in-law of Martha Sue Hall; health concerns.
- Elizabeth Howard**, cousin of Mary Kesselman; health concerns.
- Jackie Lynn Kruis**, ten year-old great-niece of Gloria Bryson.
- Pat Long**, aunt of Roger Martin; on-going health concerns.
- Bryanna Medlin**, nine year old diagnosed with Hodgkins Lymphoma.
- Fred McInturff**, father of Michelle Cumming; vision loss.
- Meghan Niemann**, friend of Rose Saltzman; breast cancer.
- Sam & Melanie Obermiller**, friends of John & Debbie Hahn.
- Barbara Petillo**, friend of Peggy Finley; disabling health problems.
- Nick Presson**, brother of Dona Lisk; alcohol detox & recovery.
- Bruce Roney**, uncle of Dona Lisk; breast cancer.
- Karen Russell**, First Baptist Church Wee Care Teacher; breast cancer.
- David Sanges**, brother of Nathan Sanges.
- Garin Stepp**, Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.
- Caroline West**, granddaughter of Sarah & Ronnie Michael; health concerns.
- Eddie Wilson**, brother of Elizabeth Wilson; health concerns.

Members of the Congregation:

- Andy Cotton.**
- Blue Honeycutt.**
- Linda Richards.**
- Marlene Sanges.**
- Pete Smith.**



Birthdays

JUNE

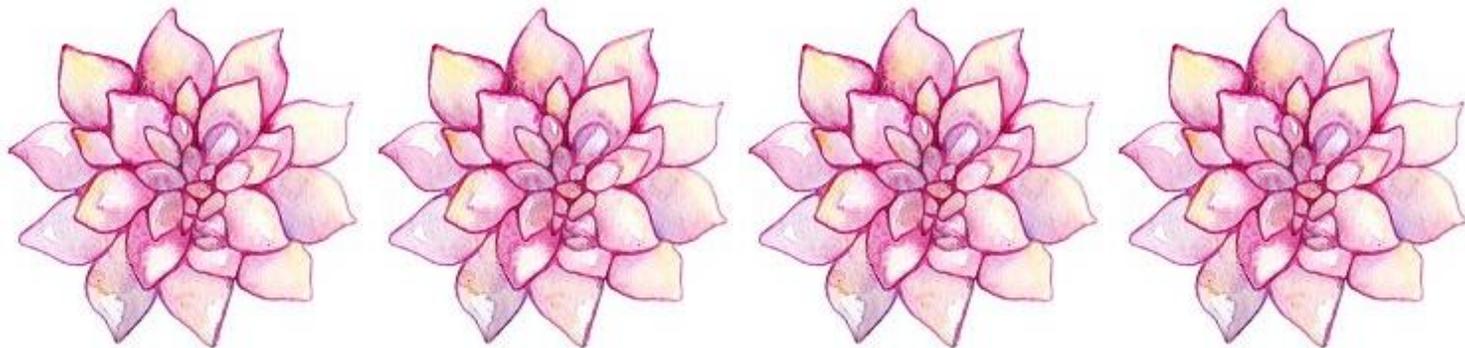
01-	Barbara Whitley	12-	Merrin Kinley	25-	Jane Lisk
02-	Iris Coggins		Richard Schaefer		Ann Snuggs
	Ben Jolly	13-	John Howell	26-	Jim Marshall
	Martha Wolf		Laura Beth Marks	27-	Elizabeth Bryson
03-	Heather Deese	16-	Janet Schaefer		Keith Bryson
	Mary Kesselman	17-	Holland Currie		Patrick Martin
04-	Ben Newport		Lynn Poplin	28-	Maddox Jolly
	Witt Snuggs		Kim Robertston		Sophie Poplin
05-	Sam Griffin	18-	Mark Mabry		Robin Lemons
	Caroline Lisk	19-	Jane Boone	30-	Anna Wainwright
	Anne Montgomery		Marshall Jolly		
	Morgan Hall Schultz		Jack Morton		
07-	Andy Cotton		Kassie Taylor		
10-	John Earnhardt	20-	Judy Kilgore		
	Jessica Palmer	22-	Maci Holshouser		

JULY

01-	Gina Martin	17-	Matt Carpenter	26-	William Ivey
	Ben McLeod		Michael Laton		Adam Jolly
03-	Addison Marks	20-	Hessie Clark	27-	Chris Chapman
04-	Don Abernathy	23-	Jackson Palmer		John Hahn
05-	Rodney Morgan	24-	Beth Poolos		Ellen Whitley
07-	Barbara Lindley		Craig Taylor		Michelle Osborne
	Stella Marks	25-	Bruce Mittendorf		Marlene Sanges
12-	Jameson Lisk			31-	James Cotton
					Dick Liles

AUGUST

01-	Michelle Cumming	12-	Banks Garrison	24-	Martha Chapman
	Madelyn Taylor	13-	Dan Samples		Adrienne Averette
03-	John McIntyre	14-	Salem Taylor	25-	Jane Hartsell
04-	Terrie Holshouser	15-	Sheryl Stewart	29-	Bede Karr
05-	Caroline McLeod	16-	Kimbal Chapman		Melissa Lemons
06-	Gabriel Beamon		Elaine Coats	30-	Myra Land
07-	Greg Lisk	18-	Sarah Michael		Alex Wolf
	Keith Wolf		Brett Richards	31-	Heather Kilde
08-	Hailey Biddle	19-	Mark Andrew		
	Leslie Carter		Don Joines		
	Martha Sue Hall	20-	Jack Boling		
	Mellanie Hendrix		Doris Forte		
09-	Hugh Wainwright		Frankie Palmer		
10-	Patty MacMurray	22-	Hannah Domenech		
	Judy Murrell		Colette Johnston		



ANNIVERSARIES

JUNE

02-	Ross & Peggy Finley Jim & Kim Marshall	15-	Hugh & Debbie Wainwright	25-	Bill & Nancy Jolly David & Ellen Whitley
04-	Connie & Adrienne Robinson	16-	Jeff & Kim Robertson	26-	David & Mellanie Morgan
06-	Dennis & Anita Gower	19-	Andy & Ruth Cotton	27-	Mike & Laura McLeod Frank & Beth Poolos
12-	Jack & Joan Boling		Claude & Cathryn Harwood Bob & Carol Sasser	28-	Wes & Melissa Eudy
14-	Frank & Mary Green Sam & Kay Griffin Marshall & Cam Rogers Bill & Barbara Lindley	23-	Ken & Laura Frazier	29-	Connie Wallace & Ken Knight
		24-	Jim & Iris Coggins Glenn & Becky Miller	30-	Dave & Patty MacMurray

JULY

10-	Don & Janice Abernathy	28-	Matt & Claire Drumheller
11-	Bryson & Michelle Osborne		John & Heather Kilde
21-	Kent & Shannon Newport		Jim & Mary Louise Sawyer

AUGUST

02-	Roger & Jane Lisk	17-	Roger & Gina Martin	23-	Ben & Liz Jolly
06-	Gus & Pam Holbrook	18-	Norman & Peggy Rogers		Bill & Jane Pickler
07-	Ross & Terrie Holshouser		Lee & Billie Jean Snuggs	25-	John & Robin Howell
10-	Al & Kassie Taylor	20-	Chris & Anissa Chapman	26-	John & Angie Earnhardt
11-	Bob & Debby Johnston			28-	Stephan & Leslie Kinley
13-	Tommy & Judy Murrell				



Summer Youth Ministry Script



Youth Connection Monday Morning Missions

Throughout the summer, our youth will gather on Monday mornings at 8:30 a.m. at the church for mission work. We will eat a light breakfast and then do a mission project somewhere in the community until about lunch time. We will get lunch together and return to the church at about 1:00 p.m. We would love to have you join in the fun! We are also looking for available adults who might be interested in helping out. Please contact Matt Drumheller (mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org).

Dates for projects are tentatively:

June 19
June 26
July 6
July 17
July 24
July 31
August 7

Please keep an eye on your email, as dates may be changed.



SUMMER BIRTHDAYS

06-04 Witt Snuggs
06-17 Holland Currie
06-22 Maci Holshouser
06-30 Anna Wainwright
07-01 Ben McLeod
07-26 Adam Jolly
08-16 Kimbal Chapman

Massanetta Springs Middle School Conference

June 22-25

We are attending a new middle school conference this year. This will be at a conference center in Virginia called Massanetta Springs. Using the theme, "All Together Now," our middle schoolers will be playing games, worshipping, and learning about God at work in their lives. They will be taking Steve and Michelle Cumming with them. Your prayers for safe travel and meaningful time together are greatly appreciated.



Montreat Youth Conference

July 9-15

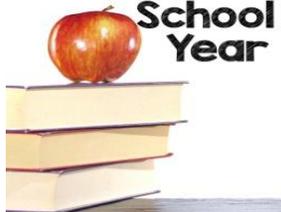
Some of our high school youth will be traveling to western North Carolina this summer to take part in the Montreat Youth Conference. From July 9 to July 15, they will explore the theme "A Missing Peace," with youth from all over our region. Our youth will spend the week singing, praying, and learning together. Matt Drumheller and Barbara McManus will spend the week trying to keep up with them. Please keep our youth in your prayers this summer as they participate in this time of growth and joy.

STANLY COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN MINISTRY FOOD CHALLENGE FOR
JUNE, JULY, & AUGUST:



- June: Boxed Pasta Meals (Hamburger Helper), Instant Potatoes, Stuffing Mix
- July: Paper Goods – Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels, Facial Tissue, Cleaning Supplies
- August: Staple Items – Flour, Sugar, Vegetable Oil, Cooking Spray, Broth

Celebrating
the end of the
School
Year



End-of-the-Year Brunch for Central Elementary School Staff Monday, June 12 at 10:00 a.m.

Sign-up sheet is on the Mission Bulletin Board.
!!! Your help is needed !!!

COMMUNITY TABLE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 17

The Mission Committee will be serving lunch at the Community Table on June 17. If you have never been a part of this experience, we would love to have you join us. Folks are needed to provide food and to work at the lunch on Saturday. You can sign-up on the bulletin board in the pit stop. If you have questions, contact Linda Anderson (704-982-3723 or laanderson70@yahoo.com).





Gardening For SCCM

The summer gardening season is upon us. Again this year, we ask that our members with gardening skills share the abundance of their produce. This will make fresh produce available to other members for a donation. Donations and excess produce will aid SCCM programs.

Special Lunch following service on June 18th! Honduras Fundraiser and Renovated Gym Review! Donations Accepted



Montaña de Luz

First Presbyterian Church is sponsoring its 12th mission trip to Montana de Luz, in El Paraiso, Honduras. We have watched many of the residents with HIV grow from small children to young men and women getting ready to venture into the world on their own, with a solid education, grounded values, and good health. Individuals and groups in our church have sponsored many of these children for years and correspond regularly.

First Presbyterian Church's financial support over the years has helped with the purchase of two trucks, many pieces of furniture and with its re-upholstery years later, the purchase of a washer and dryer, the purchase of a generator, the purchase of a lawn mower, and the purchase of screens for windows, among many other things. Volunteers making the trip have spent many hours working on the road to the campus, the building of four staff and volunteer housing in the village, repairs on campus, reworking electrical circuits, plumbing, remodeling, painting, and lots and lots of cement mixing for house foundations and sidewalks. Church members have donated tons of items that these volunteers take with them every year. And we are going again! Anna Wainwright, Alexis Poolos, and Skeet Ayscue will make the trip from First Presbyterian. They will be joined by Skeet's sister-in-law, Cherry Ayscue (for the ninth time), along with Skeet's niece, Bonnie Gatewood and her daughter Chelsea. Our group will join a group from Worthington Presbyterian Church from Ohio from July 19-26.

So come join the fun and have some good food, get a closer look at the newly renovated gym, and support First Presbyterian Church missions!

The Latest News on the Gym Renovation



The Gym Renovation is basically finished w/ just small finishing work to be completed. At this time, I would like to thank the gym renovation committee, John Earnhardt, Ellen Snyder, Al Andrew, and Stan Scheer for their help in getting this project from beginning to end. Also, would like to thank the Legacy Committee for their long-range planning to get our church facility upgraded. Along with all of these folks, the last group that needs to be thanked is our church family by making this all possible by providing the financial funds for this project.

Feel free to check the gym out!

Submitted by: Bob Johnston, Property Committee Chairperson



Beginning June 4 when Sunday worship will start at 10:00 a.m., the choir will meet for rehearsal in the choir room at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings. The choir will continue to sing for Sunday services through June 25. During July and August, the choir will take a well-deserved break. The fall rehearsal schedule will commence on Wednesday, September 6, and the choir will return to the loft on Sunday, September 10.

Chancel Choir Retreat
Save the Date
Saturday, November 4
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Henry Pfeiffer Chapel
Pfeiffer University



The Chancel Choir will
present the music of Advent
on Sunday, December 17.





SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT

The Kirkin' o' Tartans and Scottish Communion, generally held in July, will be held on Reformation Sunday, October 29. Plan to share in this occasion as we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

Graduate Recognition

Sunday, June 4



High school graduates will be recognized in worship on June 4.

Holland Currie, daughter of Lisa & Patrick Currie, graduates from Carolina Christian Academy. She will attend Western Carolina University.

Samantha (Sam) Holshouser, daughter of Terrie and Ross Holshouser, graduates from North Stanly High School. She will attend Appalachian State University.

Ben McLeod, son of Laura & Mike McLeod, graduates from Gray Stone Day School. He will attend the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Anna Wainwright, daughter of Debbie & Hugh Wainwright, graduates Albemarle High School. She will attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

College Graduates:

Emily Andrew, daughter of Becky and Al Andrew, received her Bachelor of Science in Communications from Wingate University.

Bailey Holshouser, daughter of Terrie and Ross Holshouser, received her Bachelor of Science in Mathematical Sciences with a minor in Computer Information Systems from Pfeiffer University. She departs September 11 to attend the Basic Training School with the United States Marine Corps.

Ginny Marshall, daughter of Kim and Jim Marshall, graduated in December of 2016 from Appalachian State University and received her Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology and plans to attend graduate school in the fall.

Alexis Maria Poolos, daughter of Beth and Frank Poolos, received her Bachelor of Arts in Graphic Design and Bachelor of Arts in Music Instrumental Studies from High Point University.

Jacqueline Neal Poolos, daughter of Beth and Frank Poolos, received her Bachelor of Arts and Science in Business Administration with a minor in Marketing from High Point University.

Nicole Leah Poolos, daughter of Beth and Frank Poolos, received her Bachelor of Science in Visual Merchandising Design from High Point University.

Mackenzie Smet, daughter of Ellen Snyder, received her Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Hannah Guy Smith, daughter of Courtney Smith and Pete Smith, graduated in December of 2016 from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and received her Bachelor of Arts in Communications Studies.

Kendall Leann Taylor, daughter of Kassie and Al Taylor, received her Bachelor of Science in Exercise Physiology from East Carolina University.

Graduate School:

Jordan Elizabeth Davis, daughter of Liz and Sam Davis, received her Masters in Literacy Education from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The Endowment Committee will accept applications for grants from the Gaither Endowment until **July 13**. Applications are available in the church office. If you have questions, contact the church office (704-982-2722 or klambert@fpcalbemarle.org). Applications may be submitted by individual church members or committee chairpersons. Once funding requests are received, the Endowment Committee will review the applications and determine which requests will be funded. Personal interviews may be

Endowment Committee Grants

requested if further information is needed regarding a funding request.

If you have questions about the application process, please contact the office. Endowment Committee members include: Patrick Currie, Chair; Bob Gaither, Ronnie Michael, Sandy Saunders, Martha Wolf, Elizabeth Ayscue, ex-officio, and Lee McLaurin, ex-officio.



GUIDING THE CHRISTIAN FORMATION OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away... Acts 2:39

The Pentecost Offering is devoted to nurturing and guiding young people as they lay the foundation for their futures – providing opportunities to deepen their faith, find the joy in serving others, and seek God’s will for their lives. Also, caring mentors to help guide them and a supportive community helps ground them in faith for their whole lives. Forty-percent of this offering is designated for local use and will be used to provide scholarships for the YMCA’s summer day camp. When you give to the Pentecost Offering, this is what you are supporting...a foundation of faith for a more promising future for our young people. Please share gladly and give generously.

The 2017 Pentecost Offering will be received on Sunday, June 4.

AROUND THE CLOCK CLASSIC

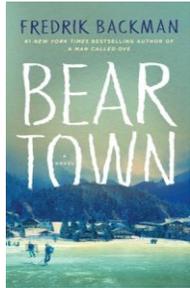
**BENEFITING THE JOHN P. MURRAY COMMUNITY CARE CLINIC AND ALBEMARLE PARKS AND REC
SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT AT ROCK CREEK PARK
FRIDAY, JUNE 2 (6:00 P.M.)- SATURDAY, JUNE 3 (6:00 P.M.)**



Join First Presbyterian friends for a fun 24-hour softball tournament benefiting the John P. Murray Community Care Clinic and Albemarle Parks and Rec! The tournament will take place from 6:00 p.m. Friday, June 2 – 6:00 p.m. Saturday, June 3 at Rock Creek Park. FPC plays at 7:00 p.m. on Friday and at Noon and 2:00 p.m. on Saturday.

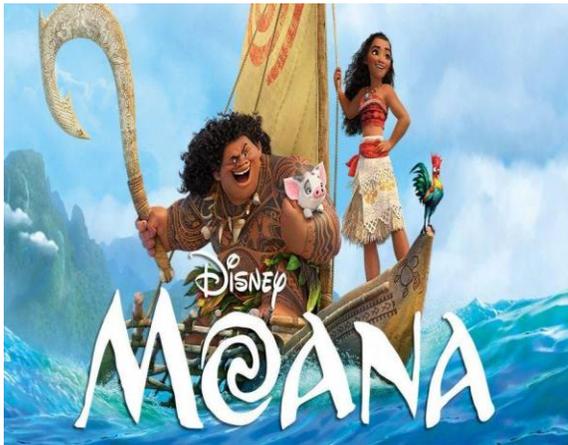
FPC needs players for our team and lots of cheerleaders! The What-A-Burger food truck will be at the event along with other carnival-food- concessionaires and a portion of all food purchases will be donated to the Clinic and AP&R. So, whether you are a player or just someone who enjoys a good burger, sno-cone, funnel cake or cotton candy – it all helps the cause!

Questions? Email jane.boone@carolinas.org



**June Book Study Conversation
Monday, June 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parlor
Books are available in the church office.
Cost: \$15.00**

Beartown is a tiny community nestled deep in the forest. It is slowly losing ground; its hope resting on their junior ice hockey team. With sly humor and carefully drawn characters, Fredrik Backman explores the hopes that bring a small community together, the secrets that tear it apart, and the courage it takes for an individual to go against the grain.



**Summer Movie Night
Wednesday, June 28
7:00 p.m. in the Gym**

From Walt Disney Animation Studios comes a family friendly-adventure set in the ancient Polynesian Islands.

Bring the entire family out to enjoy a movie with friends, popcorn, candy & drinks...

***Bring a chair or blanket and plan to relax and laugh out loud!!!**

Summer Art Exhibit

Watch for details in future church bulletins!



*First Presbyterian Church
Women's Retreat 2017
September 22-24*



Join women from First Presbyterian Church and their friends for this week-end of study, worship, fellowship, and relaxation. We will gather in Montreat at the William Black Lodge. Cost for the week-end is:

\$241.00 (single room occupancy)

\$183.00 (double room occupancy)

Contact Elizabeth (eayscue@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722) for scholarship assistance. Deposits of \$75.00 must be received by August 31.



Save the Date for...
RALLY DAY 2017

**Sunday, September 10
9:30 a.m.**

**Plan to kick off the new year in Christian Education
with a morning of food & fellowship...**

Al-Anon Family Groups

Al-Anon Family Groups, sixty years of hope for the families and friends of problem drinkers.

Meetings: Annunciation Catholic Church

Family Life Center

416 N. Second St.

Albemarle, NC

Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:00 p.m.

www.alanon.org



JUNE

Thursday, June 1

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, June 2

Church Office Closed

Around the Clock Softball Tournament

Saturday, June 3

Around the Clock Softball Tournament

Sunday, June 4

*Pentecost/Pentecost Offering/The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper/
Graduate Recognition/Reception of New Members/Ten-Cents-A-Meal*

9:00 am *Chancel Choir Rehearsal

9:00 am *Child Protection Policy Training (Old Session Room)

10:00 am *Worship

11:00 am Mission Committee (Old Session Room)

11:00 am Music & Arts Camp Volunteers' Meeting
(Session Room)

Monday, June 5

7:00 pm Circle #5 meets at the home of Joyce Lambert
(750 Pee Dee Ave., Albemarle)

Wednesday, June 7

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, June 8

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, June 9

Church Office Closed

Sunday, June 11 *Reception of New Members/Deadline for Father's
Day Flowers Form*

8:45 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

Monday, June 12

9:00 am-11:30 am Music & Arts Camp (Ages 4-5)

9:00 am-2:00 pm Music & Arts Camp (Grades K-6)

10:00 am End-of-the-Year Brunch for Central School Staff
at Central School

Tuesday, June 13

9:00 am-11:30 am Music & Arts Camp (Ages 4-5)

9:00 am-2:00 pm Music & Arts Camp (Grades K-6)

7:00 pm Stewardship Committee Meeting

Wednesday, June 14

9:00 am-11:30 am Music & Arts Camp (Ages 4-5)

9:00 am-2:00 pm Music & Arts Camp (Grades K-6)

Thursday, June 15

9:00 am-11:30 am Music & Arts Camp (Ages 4-5)

7:00 pm *Music & Arts Camp Finale Performance with Ice
Cream Social following in the gym

Friday, June 16

Church Office Closed

Saturday, June 17

Community Table

***childcare provided**

Sunday, June 18

Father's Day

9:00 am *Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am *Worship

11:00 am Honduras Fundraiser
Luncheon (Gym)

Monday, June 19

8:30 am-1:00 pm Youth Connection Monday Morning Mission

9:00 am-1:00 pm Cooking Camp

Tuesday, June 20

9:00 am-1:00 pm Cooking Camp

Wednesday, June 21

9:00 am-1:00 pm Cooking Camp

5:30 pm-8:30 pm Summer Study for Adults

Thursday, June 22

9:00 am-1:00 pm Cooking Camp

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, June 23

Church Office Closed

Sunday, June 25

9:00 am *Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:00 am *Worship

7:00 pm Summer Vespers & Homemade Ice Cream at the
home of Robin & John Howell
(20959 Old Aquadale Road, Albemarle)

Monday, June 26

8:30 am-1:00 pm Youth Connection Monday Morning Mission

Wednesday, June 28

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

7:00 pm Summer Movie Night (Gym)

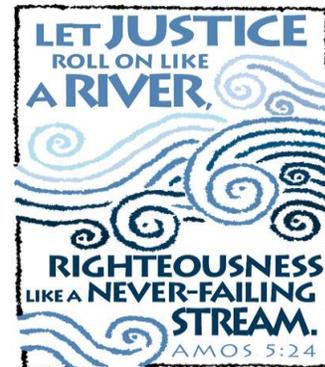
Thursday, June 29

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, June 30

Church Office Closed

***childcare provided**



**Massanetta Springs
Middle School Conference
June 22-25
Theme: All Together Now**



Sunday, July 2

Ten-Cents-A-Meal Offering for Hunger
10:00 am *Worship

Tuesday, July 4

Independence Day
Church Office Closed

Wednesday, July 5

No Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, July 6

8:30 am-1:00 pm Youth Connection Thursday Morning Mission
10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, July 7

Church Office Closed

Sunday, July 9

10:00 am *Worship

Wednesday, July 12

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, July 13

Deadline for Gaither Endowment Grant Forms
10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, July 14

Church Office Closed

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Sunday, July 16

10:00 am *Worship

Monday, July 17

8:30 am-1:00 pm Youth Connection Monday Morning Mission

Wednesday, July 19

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, July 20

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, July 21

Church Office Closed

Sunday, July 23

10:00 am *Worship

Monday, July 24

8:30 am-1:00 pm Youth Connection Monday Morning Mission

Wednesday, July 26

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, July 27

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, July 28

Church Office Closed

Sunday, July 30

10:00 am *Worship

Monday, July 31

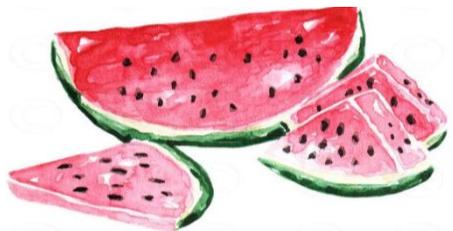
8:30 am-1:00 pm Youth Connection Monday Morning Mission

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... and what does the LORD require of you but to DO JUSTICE, and to LOVE KINDNESS, and to WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD?

Micah 6:8, NRSV



August

Wednesday, August 2

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, August 3

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, August 4

Church Office Closed

Sunday, August 6

Ten-Cents-A-Meal Offering for Hunger

10:00 am *Worship

11:00 am Mission Committee (Session Room)

Monday, August 7

8:30 am-1:00 pm Youth Connection Monday Morning Mission

Wednesday, August 9

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, August 10

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, August 11

Church Office Closed

Sunday, August 13

8:45 am *Diaconate

10:00 am *Worship

6:00 pm Worship Committee

7:00 pm *Session

Wednesday, August 16

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

5:30 pm-8:30 pm Summer Study for Adults

Thursday, August 17

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, August 18

Church Office Closed

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**Sunday, August 20**

10:00 am *Worship

5:00 pm Summer Vespers & Homemade Ice Cream at the home of Connie Wallace & Ken Knight (45118 Byrd Rd., Albemarle)

Tuesday, August 22

12:00 pm Deadline for September Newsletter Articles

Wednesday, August 23

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, August 24

10:00 am Staff Meeting

Friday, August 25

Church Office Closed

Sunday, August 27

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper/Blessing of the Backpacks

10:00 am *Worship

Monday, August 28

7:00 pm Circle #5 meets at the home of Sally Grantier (522 Avondale Ave., Albemarle)

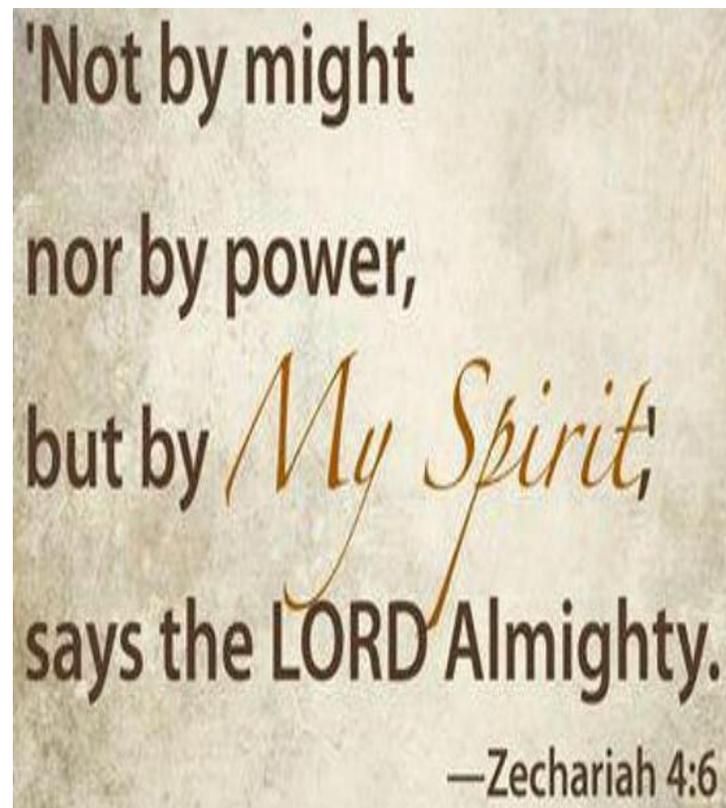
Wednesday, August 30

6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast

Thursday, August 31

10:00 am Staff Meeting

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THOSE WHO SERVE IN JUNE

Ushers: Taylor Jolly, captain; Leah Beamon, Cameron Biddle, Lee Boone, Heather Deese, Adam Jolly, Dona Lisk, Jack Morton, Penny Morton, Ellen Snyder

Elder Greeters for June: Bob Johnston; Lee McLaurin

Nursery Room:

June 4: Jana Sanderson

June 11: Samantha Wangler

June 18: Jana Sanderson

June 25: Cora Harrison

Nana & Papa Team:

June 4: Mary Kesselman; Debby Johnston

June 11: Mary & Frank Green

June 18: Gayle & Ned Russell

June 25: Chris Mabry

Acolytes:

June 4: Natalie Taylor

June 11: Ethan Richards

June 18: Andy McLeod

June 25: Leah Kilde

Toddler Room:

June 4: Samantha Wangler

June 11: Brianna Little

June 18: Brianna Little

June 25: Samantha Wangler

Preschool Partners:

June 4: Heather Deese; Anna Henkenjohann

June 11: Stephanie & Josh Campbell

June 18: Dona & Greg Lisk

June 25: Angie Earnhardt; Adrienne Averette; Kelly Lentz

Children's Church for June:

June 4: *No Children's Church*

June 11: Liz Jolly; Katherine Jolly; Jacob Palmer

June 18: Laura McLeod

June 25: Jacob Palmer; TBA

THOSE WHO SERVE IN JULY

Ushers: Brett Richards, captain; Judy Kilgore, Jim Marshall, Mike McLeod, Grace Richards, Billie Jean Snuggs, Lee Snuggs

Elder Greeters: Al Andrew; Debbie Wainwright

Nursery Room:

July 2: Jana Sanderson

July 9: Samantha Wangler

July 16: Jana Sanderson

July 23: Cora Harrison

July 30: Jana Sanderson

Nana & Papa Team:

July 2: TBA

July 9: Susan & Banks Garrison

July 16: Sarah & Ronnie Michael

July 23: Teresa Taylor; Shirley Welch

July 30: Bede & Russell Karr

Acolytes:

July 2: Kimbal Chapman

July 9: Angus Currie

July 16: Katherine Jolly

July 23: Blake Taylor

July 30: Ethan Richards

Toddler Room:

July 2: Samantha Wangler

July 9: Brianna Little

July 16: Brianna Little

July 23: Samantha Wangler

July 30: Cora Harrison

Preschool Partners:

July 2: Penny & Jack Morton

July 9: Melissa & Wes Eudy

July 16: Jill Neibler; Isabel McLeod

July 23: Leah Beamon; Rose Saltzman

July 30: Laura McLeod; Ben McLeod

No Children's Church for July

THOSE WHO SERVE IN AUGUST

Ushers: Jim Hesley, captain; Duncan Bryson, Keith Bryson, Banks Garrison, Sandy Saunders, Harold Sharpe

Elder Greeters: Keith Bryson; Ellen Snyder

Nursery Room:

August 6: Jana Sanderson

August 13: Samantha Wangler

August 20: Jana Sanderson

August 27: Cora Harrison

Nana & Papa Team:

August 6: Mary Kesselman; Debby Johnston

August 13: Mary & Frank Green

August 20: Chris Mabry

August 27: Gayle & Ned Russell

Acolytes:

August 6: Andy McLeod

August 13: Leah Kilde

August 20: Graham Chapman

August 27: Angus Currie

Toddler Room:

August 6: Samantha Wangler

August 13: Brianna Little

August 20: Brianna Little

August 27: Samantha Wangler

Preschool Partners:

August 6: Heather Deese; Anna Henkenjohann

August 13: Stephanie & Josh Campbell

August 20: Dona & Greg Lisk

August 28: Angie Earnhardt; Adrienne Averette; Kelly Lentz

No Children's Church for August



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This summer newsletter is an attempt to pull together information about many of the goings-on of the church during June, July, and August. However, more information will be forthcoming in weekly bulletins. Contact Pam (pknighten@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-982-2722) with your email address to receive the current church bulletin or visit the bulletin link on the website at www.fpcalbemarle.org.

Great is the Lord,
and greatly to be praised,
and His greatness is
unsearchable.

—Psalm 145:3

