



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

Albemarle, North Carolina

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October 2022

From Where I Sit from Cathy

Dear Friends,

October 1 is my one-year anniversary as your Transitional Pastor. I always appreciate a good milestone so Happy Anniversary! As I look back on the year, first, I can't believe it's been a year. Second, I can't believe it's been a year full of learning and growing and challenge and some more learning...laughter, tears, a wee bit of frustration (mine? yours? God's?) much joy and then some more learning. I think of my first Sunday worship with you; my first-ever Kirkin' of the Tartans and trying hard not to weep from the pulpit at the beauty and majesty of that time of worship; I think of my terror at having to use my code to get in the building the first time (after weeks of making sure I wasn't the first one in); learning (and sometimes forgetting your names....and thank you for being so patient!); I think of joyful fun visits and visits that were hard and sad; I think especially of your deep love for our Lord and for each other, your energy in caring for needs in the world and community. I think of your great care of me during my mom's illness and the time after her death...this congregation will always be special to me for that.

It's no surprise that I'm not perfect...either as a woman, a mom, gran, or pastor. But here's the good news, this is not a perfect church...there is no such thing. We're all just doing our best to get through this life the best way we know how. For people of faith, we believe that best way to be in the fellowship and in communion with folks who remind us who we are (God's beloved children) and what we're created and called to do (glorify God and care for all of God's children). Sometimes, we get it right. Sometimes, we get it wrong. Sometimes, we manage to come close...grateful to God and each other for the grace.

At its stated meeting, the Session and I renewed our contract which means I will continue to serve with you until your next installed pastor is called. The Session has also called for a meeting of the congregation for October 16 at the close of worship for the purpose of acting on a recommendation from the Nominating Committee and the election of the Pastor Nominating Committee. Let me say many thanks to Ellen Whitley, Bill Jolly, Kim Marshall, Catherine Moeller, and Sandy Rogers for their diligent work on the Mission Study and thanks to you as you prayed for and participated in that process. Their hard work and your prayers and input made it all happen. Soon, all that work will be in the hands of the newly elected PNC. I hope you're already in prayer for that committee as you have been for whoever the next installed pastor will be and for this congregation as it continues faithfully serving in the here and now.

There are exciting and amazing things going on that need your gifts for ministry, your prayers, and your participation as we remain focused on playing our part in the building of God's kingdom in this place and in our world. And that's the view from where I sit.....



REFORMATION SUNDAY & KIRKIN OF THE TARTANS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Through familiar words and sounds, we will celebrate both our denominational Scottish heritage and the history of the Protestant Reformation. We will include the tartans that we use each year, and we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Shortbread and cider will be available in the Pit Stop after worship.



Sunday, October 2 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion/Peach & Global Witness Offering

Sunday, October 9 Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 16 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 23 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 30 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost/Reformation Sunday/ Kirkin' of the Tartans

Covid Task Force Update

With Covid here to stay and most eligible to receive vaccinations at this point, it is up to the individual to decide how they want to handle their own personal risk/exposure. Most organizations have returned to pre-pandemic norms, and here at FPC, we feel it is time to resume all usual activities. Masks will be available. Online worship will still be an option.



We will receive the Ten-Cents-A-Meal offering for hunger on October 2. This monthly offering is used by the Presbytery of Charlotte to fund hunger programs and agencies (including SCCM) throughout the presbytery.



2022 Flower Calendar

The 2022 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 Emily Andrew (704-322-5510



or em.andrew21@gmail.com) for more information and to make arrangements for the flowers to be delivered to the church on Saturday or Sunday morning before worship.



FAITH ON THE FIFTH OFFERING FOR ROY HINSON CANCER CENTER/TRIUM SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH

October is breast cancer awareness month. Funds will be used for Transportation, counseling or as needed by the center.



World Communion Sunday was established in the dark days of World War II as a way for the Christian community to recognize the value of its brothers and sisters all over the world. As we take bread and drink from the cup of salvation on this Sunday, we will be joined in this act by Christians around the world.



AUGUST 2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

GENERAL FUND

Actual:	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Budget-to-Date</u>
Total Income Received:	297,202.43	334,131.36
Total Expenses:	312,720.30	339,765.20
(Shortage)/Surplus	(15,517.87)	(5,633.84)

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

	<u>2022</u>
Pledges:	494,764
Total Income:	503,697
Total Expenses:	503,697
Weekly Amount Needed to Keep Commitments:	\$9,687
Average Weekly Amount Received in August:	\$6,874

We are behind (17,093) in pledges.
Ten-Cents-A-Meal for August: \$535

NEWS and NOTES

Memorials and Honorariums

Minister's Discretionary Fund:

In memory of Robin Howell, given by Mildred Andrew

In memory of Robin Howell, given by Mr. & Mrs. Jim Sawyer

Scholarship Endowment:

In memory of Debra Barnard, given by Mildred Andrew

SESSION NOTES

At its stated meeting on Sunday, September 18, 2022, Session discussed the formation of the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) that will conduct the search for a new pastor. The nominating committee will present their recommendations for members of the PNC at a congregational meeting that will be held on October 16. The worship committee reported that Kirkin' of the Tartans will be held on October 30. The Christian education committee reported that the Wednesday after-school program has been suspended temporarily; the committee is seeking volunteers for the program. The stewardship committee reported that pledge letters and cards will be mailed to the congregation in October, and Consecration Sunday will be on November 6. The property committee reported that the plaster work in the sanctuary is in progress; no disruptions in worship are expected. The mission committee reported that on June 30 and December 31 of each year, any money in the Faith on the Fifth Fund not due to a special offering will be donated to SCCM for use in assistance with cooling or heating. The nominating committee will present recommendations for new officers at a congregational meeting on September 25. The Mission Study Team reported that the Mission Study is complete.

Submitted by Mary N. Kesselman, Clerk of Session



Rally Day Thanks

A huge thank you to everyone who attended Rally Day! It was such a great time shared with our church family. We really showed how our church puts ALL HANDS IN when it counts! Extra special thanks to go out to these folks:

- Mean Mug Coffee Truck (<https://meanmugcoffeeco.com>)
- Keith Bryson and John Howell for cooking breakfast
- Elizabeth Bryson, Cidney Eudy, Nathaniel Eudy, Debby Johnston, Katherine Jolly, Ellie Niederer, Natalie Niederer, and Carol Sasser for helping with the stations in the gym
- Ned and Gayle Russell for building the cross we painted hands on

- All Sunday School teachers for meeting with their classes for an exceptional start to the year

We are looking forward to a fantastic year and are excited to have you all be part of it!

Thanks to: Ann Duckwall, Donna Gaither, Linda Anderson, Mildred Andrew, and Ruth Goodwin, for assisting in the church office in September.

Gina Martin, Jordan Hesley and Andy Cotton for making the Officers Bulletin Board in the pit stop.

Keith Bryson and John Howell for helping “move things around” in the church office.

FIRST FAMILY AND THIRD WEDNESDAY VOLUNTEERS-

A HUGE thanks to all these volunteers! Linda Anderson, Ruth Cotton, Michelle and Steve Cumming, Ann Duckwall, Peggy Finley, Susan Garrison, Jennifer and Jordan Hesley, Jim Hesley, Margaret Ivey, Chris Mabry, Lee McLaurin, Ronnie and Sarah Michael, Frankie Palmer, Ned and Gayle Russell, Lee Snuggs, Thomas, Holden and Madelyn Taylor . Thank you for sharing your talents, time, energy, ideas, treasures and enthusiasm! We appreciate you so much!!!

Sunday School News and Updates

ANNOUNCEMENT: We will begin serving breakfast on Sunday mornings at 10:00 in the Pit Stop. In order to make this happen, we need a group willing to help out.



Do you enjoy preparing food for others and hanging out in the kitchen? Come be a part of the Kitchen Crew Sunday School class. Contact Jane Snyder for more information or to sign up!

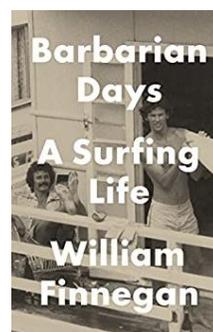
Having trouble finding a Sunday School that meets your needs? Let's talk! Email or text Melissa to discuss options or starting something new. (meudy@fpcalbemarle.org; 704-439-6747)



Sunday School Sharing Knowledge Through Stories class will continue with our second book, *Barbarian Days: A Surfing Life*, by William Finnegan. It is available in the church office. Our discussion will begin October, 9. If you have questions, please contact Courtney Niederer (980-622-7435 or ccniederer@yahoo.com) or Kim Marshall (980-621-6577 or bookworm284@live.com). Hope to see you there!

***Barbarian Days: A Surfing Life* Reading Schedule:**

- October 9 - pages 1 - 104
- October 16 - pages 105 - 208
- October 23 - pages 209 - 322
- October 30 - pages 322 - 447





Shortbread Cookies Needed Can You Help?

We look forward to serving Mulled cider and shortbread cookies at Scottish Communion on October 30! Please notify the church office (704-982-2722 or jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org) if you could bake or supply shortbread cookies



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Boxes will be in the Pit stop October 9. They need to be returned to the sanctuary on November 6.

The cost this year to cover the shipment for a OCC shoebox is \$10. When you pick your shoebox up from the pit stop, check the inside for a "How to Pack a Shoebox" pamphlet. This pamphlet shows you how to pack a box, has boy and girl labels (to be put on the top of the box) and the envelope for the \$10 check/cash is also included.

Prayer Shawl Ministry



The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Wednesday, October 5 at 1:30 p.m. in the Parlor. Please contact Peggy Finley at 704-985-1136 or maf447@windstream.net if you have questions.



Circle will meet at 1:00 pm in the Pit Stop on Wednesday October 12, 2022. We will begin a new study book "*Celebrating Sabbath*" by Carol M Bechtel. In the introduction, she writes "God wants to give you a gift that could change your life--almost certainly for the better"



If living your life makes you feel like you are being chased by a train, come join us on this journey. The author also says "I hope you will see this not simply as a study, but also an invitation to practice Sabbath in real and practical ways".



GOD WINKS - Do you see or hear God in this world? Where? When? How? Why? We will share our God experiences and learn how to see more of God in our world. Please join Gayle Russell and Jane Snyder on Mondays at NOON in the Pit Stop through the month of October. Lunch will be served. Please let Jane Snyder know you are coming! 704-438-3358 jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org If you would like to Zoom with us, please let Jane

know ASAP so she can get the link to you.

The Nominating Committee is in the process of discerning a slate for the Pastor nominating Committee, which will be elected in October. If you would like to submit a name or names, please make sure that person will serve if elected and then pass the name on to Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Ken Knight.



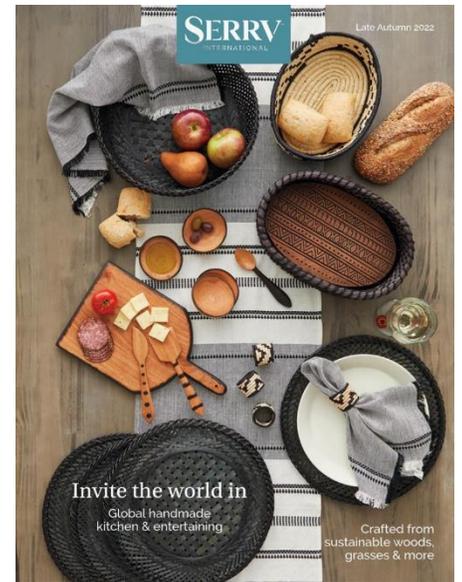
November Newsletter Deadline
Tuesday, October 18.
Early submissions are always welcome!
If you type your items in Microsoft Word, please email them as an attachment to:
bpoolos@fpcalbemarle.org.



**SERRV Bazaar on Sunday, October 16, 23 and 30
in the Pit Stop.**

SERRV is a nonprofit organization committed to fighting poverty through alternative trade. SERRV creates long-term connections with cooperatives of talented, though marginalized, artisans and farmers. Through these cooperatives, artisans and farmers are assured of receiving a fair wage, design assistance, payment in advance of the product's sale, and help with transport to market. We, the consumer, are assured of quality products at a fair price and have satisfaction from knowing that we have given a *hand up* to life a family out of poverty. Children can attend school and communities are transformed through fair trade with SERRV.

***SERRV Catalogs Available for Review & Placing of
On Sunday mornings in the Pit Stop: October 16, 23, 30, 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
Review the Fall/Christmas catalog and place your order!
Also, catalogs will be available for your review in the church office during
regular business hours.***



SCCM's CARING and SHARING CAMPAIGN



It is time for SCCM's 2022 Caring and Sharing campaign! This campaign began in 2010 and has tremendously impacted our available funds to help our neighbors Who would think that loose change and bills dropped into a little yellow cup could make such a difference? All of us working together makes the Caring and Sharing campaign so successful. In 2021 our Community Tables in Albemarle, Norwood, and Richfield served 48,537 meals. Our Food Pantry distributed 723,641 pounds of food to clients, and the Assistance Center provided \$217,505 in utility, rent and medicine assistance. This year, our campaign will kick off on **Sunday, September 25. Yellow cups are in the Pit Stop.**

Please return them by Saturday, December 31.

Proceeds from this collection will be used to purchase food and supplies for the Community Tables and Food Pantry and will provide assistance with client needs.

We appreciated your help so we can continue to provide services to people in need in our community in the future.

All Saints Day...Sunday, November 6

On this day we will remember all those who have gone before us. The Worship Committee will provide an opportunity for you to remember the saints who have paved the way in faith. Flowers will be available as you enter the sanctuary which you may place in baskets located at the front of the sanctuary during designated time in worship.





**The Session has called for a meeting of the congregation for
October 16 at the close of worship for the purpose of acting on
a recommendation from the Nominating Committee and the election of the
Pastor Nominating Committee.**

Backpack Food Program Donations Needed:



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

A bin in the pit stop will receive your donation.

Next Packing Date: Wednesday, November 2 at 10:30 a.m.

Stewardship Moment
“For Such a Time As This”

In the September 2022 church newsletter, Rev. George shared the story of Queen Esther (Est 4:14c) who risked her power and authority AND her life by speaking out and intervening on behalf of the Jewish people. She saved their lives by choosing to make a difference. Her Uncle Mordecai encouraged her to action by saying, “Who knows? Perhaps you have come to royal dignity for just a time as this.”

I don’t have to tell you that people in Albemarle and surrounding area could use our intervention and help to make a difference in their lives. These are challenging times, and many are in need. Since September 11 (and continuing until October 25), our church leaders, during the Offertory, have shared individual stories of actions our Church has taken to conduct a summer youth camp program and to support Stanly Christian Community Ministry and Homes of Hope. Through October, you will hear additional stories that include how we serve each other, youth, the elderly, those in need, and the Lord.

Throughout the year, we translate your pledges and offerings into making a difference... in both direct and indirect activities and donations. Sunday, November 6 is Consecration Sunday and presents an opportunity for each of us to think about how we can make a difference. During the Sunday service, we will dedicate our gifts for 2023. Like Uncle Mordecai, we encourage you to prayerfully consider your response to “such a time as this.”

Also, please note in this newsletter, the Stewardship committee has provided a primer on how to complete a pledge card. Pledge cards will be distributed the week of October 16, along with information about church’s activities and finances and making a request to pledge.

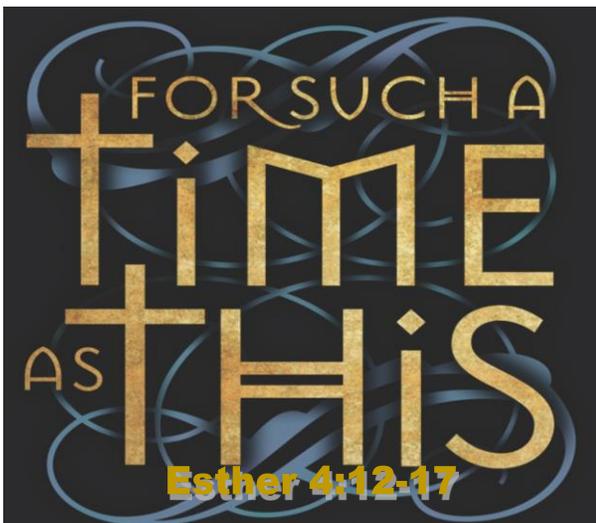
To properly fill out your pledge card

First decide on your total yearly commitment.

Write that amount as your 2023 yearly pledge (\$4,000).

**Next, decide if you will give weekly, quarterly, monthly or as a single gift to meet the pledge.
(Monthly would be \$333.33, Quarterly would be \$1,000, Weekly – 53 Sundays in 2023, would be \$75.47)**

Most importantly, don’t forget to sign your pledge card.



My/Our yearly 2023 pledge is 4,000.

I (We) expect to give:

- weekly
- quarterly
- monthly
- as a single gift

Signed Name(s):

Church Member Name

In an effort to keep the prayer list updated, we would appreciate your help. Please notify the church office (704-982-2722 or bpoolos@fpcalbemarle.org) or Martha Sue Hall (704-985-5821 or hallmsh@hotmail.com) of changes.

Thank you.



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:

David & Marsha Bell, friends of Debbie & John Hahn; David has cancer.
Lindsey Clark, wife of Mark Clark, friend of Debbie Hahn; metastatic breast cancer.
Brayden Enzor, grandson of Gus & Pam Holbrook; at home.
Doris Fudo, friend of Martha Sue Hall & Dan Samples; breast cancer.
Calvin Hall, friend of Ruth Goodwin; kidney cancer – physical therapy for stroke.
Lindsey (Whitley) Harward, daughter of Carolyn & Mel Whitley.
Anna Hartsell, daughter of Janet & Gary Hartsell; colon cancer.
Ann Hatcher, mother of Ann Snuggs.
Mikayla Hege, friend of Elizabeth Bryson.
Debbie Hinson, mother of Melissa Eudy.
Denise LaBoube, half-sister of Martha White; Glioblastoma.
Anna Lashua, friend of Martha Sue Hall; breast cancer.
Donna Lehr, sister of Connie Wallace; praise - cancer free.
Molly Amelia Lowder, low immunity health concerns.
Taylor Blalock Mauldin, nurse at Atrium-Stanly; cancer.
Joyce McLeod, mother of Mike McLeod.
Wendy McInturff, mother of Michelle Cumming.
Maddie McRae, daughter of Renee & Keith McRae; diagnosis & treatment for a brain tumor.
Bryanna Medlin, Hodgkins Lymphoma.
Bern Morehead, III, son of Sally Pleasant & Dr. Bernard “Bernie” Morehead; diagnosed with brain tumor.
James Nunn, nephew of Billie Jean Snuggs; continuing health concerns.
Sally Ormand, friend of Ruth Goodwin; cancer treatment.
Susan & John Prevatte.
Tim Rodgers, cancer.
Jane Scheer, spouse of Stan Scheer; Spring Arbor.
Johnny Sharp, father of Cathy George.
Garin Stepp, Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy.

Members of the Congregation:

Don Abernathy, multiple myeloma.
Gloria Bryson, recovering from surgery of broken leg.
Doris Forte, Spring Arbor.
Anita Gower.
Claude Harwood.
Don Joines.
Nancy Jolly, Trinity Place.
Polly Moose, broken hip.
Susan Pandich, breast cancer.
Jane Pickler.
Jean Rabe, Trinity Place.
Carole Yost, home.



October

BIRTHDAYS

01- Graham Chapman
02- Joan Boling
04- Andy McLeod
05- Christine Andrew
08- Robert Land
12- Ella Cumming
21- Leo McLeod
22- Billie Jean Snuggs

24- Danny Saltzman
Martha White
26- Luke Marshall
27- Elizabeth Ayscue
28- Judson Bullard
29- Lillie Hancock
30- Teresa Taylor
31- Ruth Cotton



October

ANNIVERSARIES

05- Mary and Steven Kesselman
06- Anna and Peter Henkenjohann
Catherine and Matt Moeller
08- Kellyn Poole and Luis Luna

13- Kate and Trey Gibson
16- Keith and Kristie Bryson
19- Arthur (Art) and Sandy Rogers
25- Chris and Mark Mabry

Childcare Information



Bailey Mitchell is in our childcare every Sunday for ages birth-K. Older children are welcome to join in.

Children's Church



There will be no Children's Church during the month of October. Children in K-3 are encouraged to remain in worship. Worship bags are located in the two entrances to the sanctuary with interactive tasks to keep them engaged.

Kindergarten - Fifth Graders

Breakfast Bunch

This year Breakfast Bunch will be included in Children's Sunday School (k-5th graders). For the month of October, this will be on the 23rd. Please join us for muffins and prayer during Sunday School time (9:45 am) downstairs on Sunday, October 23.



Communion Workshop

Coming to the table is an open invitation for us all. Our Kindergarten through second graders and their families are invited to a Communion Workshop on Sunday, October 9. We will share lunch then learn about the very special sacrament centered around the table. Please let Melissa know if you can attend (meudy@fpcalbemarle.org ; 704.439.6747)

Worship Workshop

During worship on October 23, children K-5th grades will go to the chapel following Faith Sharing for a worship workshop. We will explore parts of worship and what they mean in order to better understand how to be a part of it.



Faith Explorer Sunday Outing



Let's Go For a Hike!

Who: Faith Explorers (4th-5th graders)

When: Sunday, October 2 after worship

What: Bring your lunch. After eating, we will travel to Morrow Mountain to hike.

Bring money to stop at Moonset General Store on the way back!

RSVP to Kate Gibson (336) 301-4564 or katherine.e.gibson@gmail.com

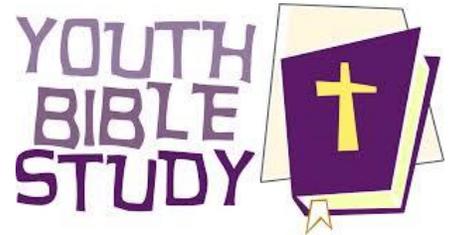
YOUTH NEWS

- Oct 2 SNL 6-8pm
- 9 S'mores night with the Congregation 6:30-8:00pm
- 11 Help with Senior Center Volunteer Banquet 5:30pm
- 16 SNL 6-8pm
- 23 SNL 6-8pm
- 30 Fall Carnival at YMCA Park



Monday Night Bible Study

It's back! Monday night Bible Study begins at 8:30pm on September 12 for youth in grades 9-12. Join Debby Johnston and Steve Cumming at Debby's home (1212 Heritage Drive). Come join in scripture and fellowship. Let Debby or Steve know if you need a ride.





S'mores Night with Austin Coats

Join us Sunday, October 9 from 6:30-8pm for S'mores night at Morrow Mountain! Come explore new varieties of S'mores—or the classic—while listening to the musical talent of Austin Coats. Bring a chair and a friend. We'll have the fires ready!

FPC T-SHIRT FUNDRAISER

Help the youth with Montreat expenses for the year by purchasing a tee shirt. Sign up for the color and size you want in the Pit Stop or email Melissa neudy@fpcalbemarle.org.

- Adult and Youth sizes available.
- Short-sleeved \$20, Long-sleeved \$25
- Color samples available in the Pit Stop.

Volunteers Needed

Would you be willing to share a story or message during Faith Sharing with Children on Sunday mornings? You can come up with the content, or we can help you! Please let Melissa know if you are interested in more information.

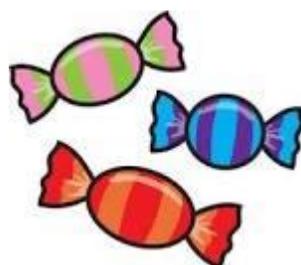
Fall Carnival



Who: All children up to 5th grade
What: Trunk-or-Treating, games, face painting
When: Sunday, October 30, 4-6pm
Where: YMCA Park

Wear your costume and bring your candy bag!!
This is a collaborative event between First Presbyterian, First Lutheran,
First Baptist, and Central Methodist.

WAYS TO HELP WITH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Candy Needed

We are in need of bags of candy for our Fall Festival on Sunday, October 30. Please consider donating a bag or two to the bin in the Pit Stop.



MEMBERSHIP AT FPC

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 or 704-982-2722), or Sandy Rogers (sandyrogers119@msn.com or 704-244-1191), chair of the Membership Committee!

Prayer & Bible Study Opportunities



Morning Prayer on Mondays and Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m. via Zoom

Morning Prayer via Zoom meets on Monday and Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am. If you have prayers of thanks or prayers of concerns/needs please email Deb Hahn at wolf lady520@gmail.com or text her at 704 985-9419.

We are a small group and welcome any who wish to join us for a single day or for as long as you wish. Anyone who needs the URL for the Zoom meeting please either email or text Deb Hahn.

Bible Study and Conversation via Zoom on Thursdays from 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.

Matt and Catherine Moeller continue to lead Bible study on Thursdays from 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. on Zoom. Each week, we discuss the Scripture that will be used as the basis for the sermon the following weekend. We analyze the Scripture reading itself and discuss how to apply it in our lives. We also have a time in prayer. Please join us. If you have any questions, please contact Matt and Catherine (mattandcatherine@hotmail.com or 509-539-9482).





HIKING AT MORROW MT WITH KEN & CONNIE

Please join us for a hike at Morrow Mountain on Sunday, October 9 at 3:00 pm.

Contact Ken Knight to let him know you are coming 704-438-4686 or email KBKNIGHT17@gmail.com.

Looking for Kyle?

She has moved into her own office! She is now in the office next to Jane and across from the Media Center.



ADULT HANDBELLS



If you are interested in playing in an adult handbell group, please email or call/text

Frank Poolos at fpoolos@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-985-3115.

Possible rehearsal time would be 9:00 am on Sundays.

FIRST FAMILY GATHERING

**WEDNESDAY, October 5
DINNER at 6:00 in the Gym**



- **FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH IN-PERSON**
- **THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH DRIVE-THROUGH**

Menu: Chicken Pot Pie, Green Beans, Mixed Fruit, Homemade Rolls, Assorted Desserts, Tea, Coffee, Water and Lemonade.

Contact the church office 704-982-2722 or klambert@fpcalbemarle.org by noon on Tuesday, October 4 to say you're coming.

Due to the cost of food our Suggested Donation is \$6 per person....

Maximum of \$20 per immediate family.

Please come with correct change or a check written to First Presbyterian Church.

KID'S ACTIVITIES- We will have activities for the kids after dinner!

Volunteer's Needed for IN-PERSON First Family Gathering

Tuesday Morning Crew: October 4 @ 9:30am

Wednesday Morning Crew: October 5 @ 9:30am

Final Prep Crew: Wednesday, October 5 @ 5:00pm

Clean-up crew: Wednesday, October 5 @ 6:45pm

Please call Jane Snyder at the church 704-982-2722 or on her phone 704-438-3358 or email her at jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org if you would like to help☺





**DRIVE-THRU MEAL
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19
FROM 5:00 P.M.– 6:00 P.M.
RSVP BY 2:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 17
PICK-UP OR DELIVERY OF THE MEAL**

Take a break from cooking on the **THIRD WEDNESDAY** of every month and just **DRIVE-THRU** the church parking lot and pick up a plate of food! Please **RSVP** by Monday, October 17 by 2:00 p.m. Let Jane Snyder know if you would like to volunteer in any capacity. This will not work without volunteers!

We will have your meal ready for pick-up between 5:00-6:00 pm

Menu:

Teriyaki Chicken, Rice, Broccoli, Caesar Salad, and Chocolate Chip Cookies

Due to the cost of food our Suggested Donation is \$6 per person....

Maximum of \$20 per immediate family.

Please come with correct change or a check written to First Presbyterian Church.

All we need you to do is:

call Anne Montgomery at 704-982-7823 or email Anne at johnandannemontgomery@yahoo.com and let her know:

- how many plates you need
- if you would like dessert
- if it will be a pickup or delivery (include address and any special instructions)



**First Presbyterian Church
Lunch Outing to Tiffany's at the Boardroom
Thursday, October 13 at 11:00am**

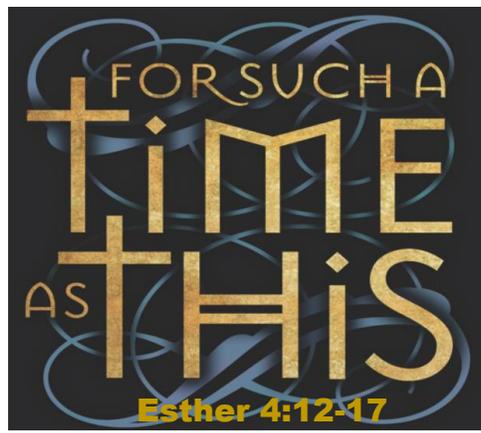
Let's get together for lunch – Dutch Treat! We will meet at Tiffany's at 11:30 am.

Let us know if you can join us! Jane Snyder 704-438-3358

**Consecration Sunday is November 6
with lunch following worship.**

**November 6 for All Saints Day November 1
November 6 is Consecration Sunday
November 20, Community Thanksgiving Service 7:00 pm
at First Presbyterian Church**





Consecration Sunday ***November 6***

You will have an opportunity to return your pledge cards during worship on Consecration Sunday. Following worship, everyone is invited to a luncheon provided by the Fellowship Committee. We hope you will plan to stay and enjoy fellowship and delicious food.

On the Menu:

Roast Beef with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes,
Green Beans, Glazed Carrots, Rolls, Desserts,
Tea, Coffee, and Water

Freezer Fest

Date: Saturday, November 5, 9:30 a.m. in the church kitchen hosted by Kristie Bryson
We will make Sausage Muffins, Ham Biscuits and Spinach Balls that you can put in your freezer to get a jump-start on holiday treats.

Cost: \$30.00 Limit: 10 people

Bring 3 large containers or freezer bags to transport your goodies home and into the freezer.

Or, you can donate some of your goodies to the Christmas Kitchen.

You must RSVP to Jane Snyder by Tuesday, November 1

(jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org or 704-438-3358).





!!! ATTENTION !!!
DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS
ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6.
REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR!

**Sunday, October 2**

17th Sunday after Pentecost

World Communion Sunday

Peace & Global Witness Offering & Ten Cents a Meal Offering

9:45 am *Sunday School*

11:00 am *Worship

6:00 pm SNL

Monday, October 3

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

12:00 pm God Wink

8:30 pm High School Bible Study –home of Debby Johnson

Wednesday, October 5

6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

6:00 pm First Family Gathering Dinner in Gym

6:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 6

10:00 am Staff Meeting

4:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Catherine & Matt

Sunday, October 9

18th Sunday after Pentecost

8:45 am Diaconate Meeting

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am *Worship

12:00 pm Communion Workshop

6:30 pm -8:00 pm S'mores Night w/Austin Coats- Morrow Mt.

Monday, October 10

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

12:00 pm God Wink

8:30 pm High School Bible Study –home of Debby Johnson

Wednesday, October 12

6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast Zoom Meeting

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

6:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 13

4:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Catherine & Matt Moeller

11:30 am Lunch Outing -Tiffany's at the Boardroom

Sunday, October 16

19th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 am Session Meeting

9:00 am SERRV Catalogs Pit Stop

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am *Worship

12:00 pm Congregational meeting

6:00 pm SNL

Monday, October 17

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

12:00 pm God Wink

8:30 pm High School Bible Study –home of Debby Johnson

Wednesday, October 19

6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

5:00 pm Drive Thru Meal

6:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 20

10:00 am Staff Meeting

4:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Catherine & Matt Moeller

Sunday, October 23

20th Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 am SERRV Catalogs Pit Stop

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am *Worship

6:00 pm SNL

Monday, October 24

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

12:00 pm God Wink

8:30 pm High School Bible Study –home of Debby Johnson

Wednesday, October 26

6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast Zoom Meeting

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

6:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 27

4:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Catherine & Matt Moeller

Sunday, October 30

21st Sunday after Pentecost

Reformation Sunday & Kirkin' of the Tartans

Faith on the Fifth

9:00 am SERRV Catalogs Pit Stop

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am *Worship

6:00 pm Fall Carnival at YMCA Park

Monday, October 31

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

12:00 pm God Wink

8:30 pm High School Bible Study –home of Debby Johnson

***childcare provided**

THOSE WHO SERVE IN OCTOBER

Ushers: John Howell (captain), Derrick Huneycutt, Ken Knight, Natalie Neiderer, Chris Whitley, David Whitley.

Elder Greeters: Ellen Whitley, Ken Knight

Acolytes:

- October 2: Carter Gibson
- October 9: Emily Deese
- October 16: Melanie Hendrix
- October 23: Ashley Deese
- October 30: Seth Richards

Outside Ushers:

- October 2: Steve Cumming, Jim Marshall
- October 9: John Howell, Wes Eudy
- October 16: Tom Norwood, Jack Morton
- October 23: Chris Whitley, Ronnie Michael
- October 30: John Earnhardt, Lee Snuggs

Sound:

- October 2: Evan Sanges
- October 9: Evan Sanges
- October 16: Evan Sanges
- October 23: Evan Sanges
- October 30: Evan Sanges

Filming:

- October 2: Leo McLeod
- October 9: James Cotton
- October 16: Elizabeth Bryson
- October 23: Jackson Palmer
- October 30: Andy McLeod

Nursery for September:

- October 2: Bailey Mitchell
- October 9: Bailey Mitchell
- October 16: Bailey Mitchell
- October 23: Bailey Mitchell
- October 30: Bailey Mitchell

VETERANS DAY FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

On Veterans Day, the flowers in the sanctuary will be in honor/memory of veterans. **Each name is \$2.00.** Please mail, deliver or place in the offering plate your money with the form below **no later than Sunday, November 6.** Please make your check payable to *First Presbyterian Church* and designate for Veterans Day Arrangements. The names of donors and those being remembered/honored will be listed on Sunday, November 13. Any money collected over the cost of the arrangements will be donated to the Minister's Discretionary Fund.



VETERANS DAY ARRANGEMENTS

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

In memory of: _____

Given
by: _____

In honor of: _____

Given
by: _____

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

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