

FIRST NEWS

First Presbyterian Church

Fourth Week of July, 2021

Whiteville, NC

"To be a light in our community reflecting Christ's love and compassion"



Sunday Worship: Well, the last Sunday in July is here and that means we will be bringing our sermon series, "The Secrets of the Kingdom" to a close. This series has explored the parables of Jesus. So, we saved what may be the most difficult for last...stewardship. Looking at these parables of Jesus we receive instruction on how stewardship is not just about church budgets and bills, but is about drawing close to God and being faithful to His call in our lives.

Worship information:

- Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30, Luke 12:42-48
- Sermon: "Secrets of the Kingdom: Stewardship"
- Hymns:
 - "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"
 - "O Jesus, I Have Promised"
 - "Take My Life"

Giving: There are three ways you can use to keep current with your church giving.

1. If you attend in-person worship, there are collection plates at each entrance/exit.
2. Online giving is an option, simply go to our web page (www.fpcwhiteville.org) and follow the link to on-line giving.
3. Or you can mail/drop off a check to the church office.

Hymns: Do you have a favorite hymn, or two, that you love to sing? Well, we would love to know. Over the summer, we will be trying to sing some of our favorite hymns so we would like your help. Let us know what your favorite hymns are. In the bulletin will be a form you can fill out and place in the offering plate. But you can also email me (pastorjoe@fpcwhiteville.org) or text me at (910) 625-8023.

July 18 Worship Livestream: Unfortunately, we lost our internet access for some reason this past week. This meant that we were not able to livestream, but we were able to record the service. If you tried to join us for the livestream, please know that the video is posted on both YouTube and Facebook. And...we have tested the internet and it is working again!

In Christ,
Pastor Joe

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| Volunteers: | A/V: | 7/25: Caroline Smith | 8/1: Caroline Smith | 8/8: Justin Smith |
| | Nursery: | 7/25: Kaye Pope | 8/1: _____ | 8/8: Diane Scott |

July, 2021 Worship Schedule

Head Usher for July: Joan Dorsett

July 25: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 am In-Person Worship

(no children's Sunday School) [Nursery now available!](#)

Scripture: Matthew 25:14-30, Luke 12:42-48

Sermon: "Secrets of the Kingdom: Stewardship"

August, 2021 Worship Schedule

Head Usher for August: Gail Crutchfield

August 1: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 am In-Person Worship

(no children's Sunday School) [Nursery now available!](#)

Guest Minister Rev. Dr. Jay Coker



1- Elizabeth Turner, 2- Kaye Pope, 5- Jonathan Medford, 6- Mary Janet Maxwell, 7- Kirk Clark, 7- Laura McNeill, 8- Annette Powell, 8- John Thompson, 11- Janet Gray, 12 – Clark Owens, 14- Kathryn Thompson Davenport, 15- Mark Bannerman, 17- Julie Stocks, 18- Fred Meekins, 19 – Ariel Thompson, 20- R.L. Lewis, 20- Julia Smith, 22- Matthew McLean, 25- Kyle Ramey, 28- Matthew Thomas, 31- Lacey Hooks.



1- Judy Nelson, 2- Mandy Horne, 4- Tom Caperton, 7- Samuel McColskey, Brent Wheatley, 11- Rick Maxwell, 11- Taylor Smith, 12- Judi Thompson, 18- Robert Nelson, 19- Debra Gibson, 22- Charlene High, 22- Nancy Thurston, 23- Kathryn Humphreys, 24- Laura Spivey, 26- Jacob Washburn, 30- Joan Dorsett

Prayer Concerns: Geraldine Becker; John Hall; Bob High; R. L. Lewis; Butch Row; Walter Strickland.

Assisted Care: Charlene Hinnant; Kenneth Smith.

Friends:

Pat Allen - *friend of Butch Row, Alzheimer's*
 Sarah Anglin - *family of Todd Burney, stroke*
 Richard Blake-*friend of David Trogdon, back & spine surgery*
 Jack Branch - *friend of Donald & Judy Hester, cancer*
 Hugo & Paula Caesares-*friends of the Trogdons, mission trip*
 Matthew Coker - *friend of Pastor Joe, heart transplant*
 Billie Joe Conrad
 Family of Betty Faircloth-*friend of the church, passed away*
 Richard Hobgood - *Kathryn Clark's brother, burns*
 Shelby Hodge
 Rhonda Housend - *friend of Steve Smith, health issues*
 Martha & PW Jessup - *family of Kirk Clark, COVID-19*

Family of Roger Kennedy-*friend of David Trogdon, passed away*
 C.P. Lewis - *friend of Steve & Joan Dorsett, health issues*
 Julie Malone - *cousin of Butch Row, dementia*
 Jerome McPherson
 Helen Reid - *grandmother of Jonathan Medford, COVID-19*
 Thetus Sessions - *mother of Janet Gray, age related issues*
 Shiryl Smith - *friend of Butch Row, gallbladder issues*
 William Smith - *friend of Sara Cartrette, stroke*
 Melba Ward - *Janet Royal's mother, fall*
 Nancy Washburn - *mother of Pastor Joe*

Please notify the office when names can be removed.

- Congratulations to Greg and Suzanne Blackmon on the birth of their grandson on July 11.
- The flowers today are given to the glory of God in honor of the birth of Keplar Strickland Blackmon from Greg and Suzanne Blackmon.

CHURCH CALENDAR

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| Sunday, July 25: | Worship Service - 11:00 am Centsability Offering Vacation Bible School - 2:00 pm |
| Monday, July 26: | Worship Committee Meeting, Parlor - 6:00 pm Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Room - 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm |
| Wednesday, July 28: | Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm Wednesdays Together Bible Study, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm |
| Thursday, July 29: | Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 11:00 am Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm |
| Saturday, July 31: | Forty Day Prayer Challenge begins |
| Sunday, August 1: | Worship Service - 11:00 am |
| Monday, August 2: | Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Room - 7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm |
| Wednesday, August 4: | Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm |
| Thursday, August 6: | Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 11:00 am Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm |

Contact the church office: 910-642-2253

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NEW OFFICE HOURS: 8:30-2:30pm - Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays

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Live-Stream of Service: www.facebook.com/fpcwhiteville, Twitter, YouTube, Spectrum Channel 1304, and Roku

Pastor Joe will be out of the church office beginning Friday, July 30, 2021 and will return Monday, August 9, 2021.

Karen will be out of the church office beginning Monday, August 9, 2021 and will return Monday, August 16, 2021.

First Presbyterian Church Vacation Bible School



**Sunday, July 25, 2021
2:00 pm–6:00 pm**



**Beginning
Saturday, July 31, 2021**



**Bible Study begins weekly on Wednesdays
July 28, 2021 | 6:30 pm
Fellowship Hall**



Centsability Offering collected this Sunday!