

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF MARCH 4

Sunday, March 4th – Third Sunday in Lent

9:00 am	First Praise	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Church School	Classrooms
11:00 am	Worship w/ Baptism	Sanctuary
3:00 pm	MS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313
4:00 pm	VBS Planning Meeting	Room 222
5:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313

Monday, February 5th

2:00 pm	E 100 Study Group (Ellen)	Library
5:30 pm	MCM Circles	Fellowship Hall, Room 300 & 301
6:15 pm	Exaltation Ringers	Music Room
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	Scout Building

Tuesday, February 6th

6:30 am	Young Dad's Group	Fellowship Hall
2:00 pm	E100 Study Group (Dave)	Parlor
6:30 pm	Cub Scouts	Scout Building
6:30 pm	E-100 Study Group (Men)	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	E-100 Study Group (Weyer)	Parlor

Wednesday, February 7th

1:00 pm	Prayer Meeting	Library
4:30 pm	Logos/MSM	Classrooms
6:15 pm	Supper Club	
7:15 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room

Thursday, March 8th

6:30 pm	E 100 Study Group (Women)	Parlor
7:00 pm	Praise Band Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall

Saturday, March 10th

10:00 am	E100 Study Group (All Ages)	Fellowship Hall
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Sunday, March 11th

9:00 am	First Praise	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Church School	Classrooms
11:00 am	Worship w/Gideons	Sanctuary
3:00 pm	MS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313
3:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Group	Thelma Vaughan's Home
5:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313
5:30 pm	Deacons Meeting	Room 300
7:00 pm	Committee Meetings	Classrooms

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

SESSION

David Rockness, Moderator

Class of 2018

Mark Auten
Roger Hyatt
Karen Shore
Sue Stevens
Harry Weyer

Class of 2019

Bill Brawley
C. P. Chappell
Janice Pluer
Steve Robinson
John Streb

Mark Auten, Clerk

Class of 2020

Mike Campbell
Brent Curtis
Tom Morrow
Mike Toma
Gene Vaughan

DIACONATE

Scott Mauney, Moderator

Class of 2018

Sandy Bickett
Maria Heilman
Pat King
Paul Manning
Scott Mauney
Carol McClure
Tom Trosuk

David Ramey, Associate Moderator

Class of 2019

Fern Alexander
Ross Culp
Lorra Lee Holshouser
Joyce Lytle
David Ramey

Class of 2020

Beverly Chappell
Andrew Coates
Hillary Cole
Angie Copeland
Teresa Trimble

PASTOR

The Rev. Dr. David Rockness, Pastor, Head of Staff

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The Rev. Jason Sentas, Associate Pastor

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The Rev. Dr. S. Edwin Lewis

The Rev. Dr. Frederick A. H. Coates

PROGRAM AND SUPPORT STAFF

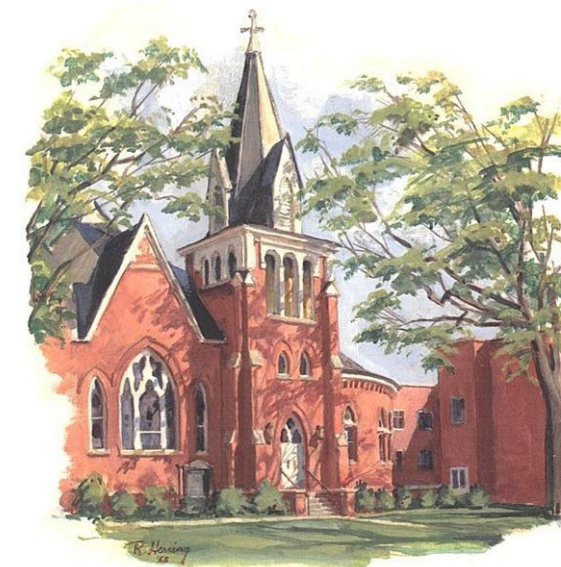
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Bryan Cerrone, Director of Youth Ministries
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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Head Usher
Assistant Usher
Ushers
Youth Usher
Greeters
Acolyte
Bell Ringer
Soundboard

Joyce Lytle
Teresa Trimble
Paul Trimble, Connie Russell
Kailie Rockness
Sue Stevens, Steve Robinson
Austin Russell
Bennett Dame
Michael Culbreth



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples

March 4, 2018 ♦ 11:00 A.M

The Third Sunday in Lent

Please complete the Friendship Pad and pass it down your pew for all to sign.

*Please stand as you are able.

Please turn off your cell phones or place them on "vibrate."

Words printed in **bold** are said by the congregation.

PRELUDE: *Arioso* Alexander Schreiner
Greg Thompson, organist

WELCOME Dave Rockness

CALL TO WORSHIP Jason Sentas

INVOCATION AND OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE 31: *I Sing the Almighty Power of God*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost;

born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate;

was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell;

the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

John Mack Robinson

ANTHEM: *By the Rivers of Babylon* Mary Lichlyter
Exaltation Ringers

DISSMISSAL OF CHILDREN

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Ginny Swedenberg

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Corinthians 12: 6-10 pg. 943 - 944

PASTORAL PRAYER, SILENT CONFESSION, AND LORD’S PRAYER
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING AND OFFERTORY: *The Lord Is Listening* Pepper Choplin
Chancel Choir

The Lord is listening, He has heard me. He delivered me from all my fears. I called and the Lord answered. He stayed with me through all my trials. Through the trials, when the righteous cry out, the Lord hears them. He will deliver them from their troubles. The Lord is close to the broken hearted and saves the wounded spirit. The Lord is listening... The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, His ears are open, open to their cry. All who look to Him are radiant, their faces will not be ashamed. The righteous cry out and the Lord hears them. He will deliver them from their troubles. The Lord is close to the broken hearted and saves the wounded spirit. The Lord will save the wounded spirit. I will bless the Lord forever, His praise shall always be within my mouth. O magnify the Lord with me together praise His name, come praise His wondrous name. The Lord is listening. The Lord will hear.

*THE DOXOLOGY 34: *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE READING: Judges 16:23-27 pg. 204 - 205

SERMON: *“Between Two Pillars”* Dave Rockness

*HYMN 502: *Be Thou My Vision*

INVITATION

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 43: *Majesty*
Majesty, worship his majesty; unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise. Majesty, kingdom authority flow from his throne unto his own, his anthem raise. So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus; magnify come glorify Christ Jesus, the King. Majesty, worship his majesty; Jesus, who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

*POSTLUDE: *Rigaudon* Andre Campra

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are our guest today, welcome! We’re so glad you’re here. For more information on FPC, please indicate your interest on the Friendship Pad. **You can become a FPC member** by your profession or reaffirmation of faith or transfer of membership. Please speak with our pastor following the service for information. **Large print bulletins** are available from the ushers. The sanctuary is equipped with a hearing loop. **Assisted listening devices** are also available from the sound console at the back of the sanctuary

Preschool and elementary children during worship: Childcare is provided for infants through kindergarten age during all Sunday morning activities. Childcare is located on the second floor of the educational building. **First graders through fifth grade children** are invited to participate in First Kids’ Worship following the *Time With The Children*. The service is designed as an age-appropriate worship service for elementary age children and is held in the fellowship hall; parents will pick their children up in the fellowship hall. **Worship bags** are available at the rear of the sanctuary for all children.

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Pat McLaughlin on her birthday today by John Robertson.

Charles & Lindsey Robinson invite you to share in the joy and witness as their son John Mack Robinson receives the Sacrament of Baptism today. John’s grandparents are Steven and Lynda Robinson.

Save the Date! May 4-6th: Join us for the FPCM Ladies Spring Beach Retreat at Fort Caswell on Oak Island. A \$90.00 deposit is due by Mar. 28th to reserve your space. Watch for more details and plan to relax in the Son!

All Women and Friends are invited to attend the FPCM Spring Awakening Sat. April 14th, from 11am-1pm. A delicious potluck salad lunch will be served and childcare is provided. This event is free; however, reservations are required. For more information contact Sandy Bickett at: Sandy.h.bickett@gmail.com or call the church office at: (704) 664-5275.

Rescheduled Habitat Work Day: Saturday, March 17 from 7:15 am to 1:00 pm. Signups available in parlor and fellowship hall.

E100 Reading Groups: The Bible study groups will continue to meet each week. Those who wish to join a group may do so as there are spots available. Listed below are the schedules of each class meeting.

- Monday, February 12 – May 7, 2:00 pm in church library. Facilitated by Ellen Auten
- Tuesday, February 13 – May 8, 2:00 pm in church library. Facilitated by Pastor Dave Rockness
- Tuesday, February 13 – May 8, 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Facilitated by Zoot McClure (Men’s Group)
- Tuesday, February 13 – May 15, 7:00 pm in Parlor. (Harry Weyer) Facilitated by Margaret Auten
- Thursday, February 15 – May 10, 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Facilitated by Carol McClure (Women’s Group)
- Saturday, February 17 - May 12, 10:00 am in Fellowship Hall and the Sentas home. Facilitated by Jason and Stephanie Sentas

Easter Lily Dedication: On Easter Sunday, the sanctuary and fellowship hall will be decorated with fresh lilies. The flowers provide an opportunity to remember or honor someone you love. For a donation of \$10, the name of your loved one will be listed on a bulletin insert on Easter Sunday. The proceeds of your contributions will be used to fund local mission projects.

There will be Easter Lily Dedication Forms in the bulletins on the three Sundays preceding Easter. Please complete the form and return it to the church office by Monday March 26 with your check made payable to First Presbyterian Church with “Easter Lily” written on the memo line.

Interested in becoming members: Our next members group will be received April 15. If interested, please contact the main office at (704) 664-5275, to setup an appointment with Pastor Dave.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please contact the church if you, a family member, or a friend faces illness, hospitalization, bereavement, or some other concern. Please do not assume the church office knows. If the concern is confidential, please let us know and we will honor your wish for privacy. Names in **bold** indicate new concerns.

Members in Hospitals, Care Facilities, or Homebound

Joan Gibson	Margaret Carrigan	Ellen McGuirt
Lecie Miller	Mary Fortanbary	Margaret Sanders
Estelle Mott	Lois Kirk	John Westmoreland
Eddie Nelson		

Members of the Church

Ray & Billie Brawley	Joyce Sloop	Al Culp
Shirley Crowley	Diane Crymes	Shirley Morrow
P. J. Decastro	Bedo & Pat Culberson	Becky Rader
Rosemary LaBarre	Larry Putnam	

Friends of the Church

**Carol Anne Herring, wife of Ralph Herring, Jr.
John Redding**

Donna Buyer	Amos Family	Ed Barber
Barbara Gepford & family	Libby Ebert	David Childers
Darren Jones	Maureen & Richard	Shirley Abele
Ava Lawrence	Teresa Knutsen	Jayden Hoppel
Judy Nickliss	Brian Leon	Jade Knittel
Linda Rice	Christine Morgan	Louis Newton
Joseph Ross and family	Glenn Scott	Robb Parker
Ronnie Shultz	Dick Scovil	Jane Scovil
Jennifer Torsiello	Becky Smith	Patt Seyller
Jenny Wheeler	Becky Starnes	Deb Shultz
Ashlyn	Linda Wilson	Tina Swanson
Mike & Candi Hawkins	Daniela	Voils Family
Diane Church	McKenzie Graham	Jan Zamudio
Claire & Manny Fontaina	Wanda Cravens	Douglas
Mary & Bill Clowney	Jeff Kelly	Norton Turner
Norton Turner	Matt Childers	Maddy McCoy
Sharp Family	Brandy & Chris Cottrell	Paul Sharp

Armed Forces

LTC David Dennison, Army	Sgt. Adam R. Loftin,USMC	LT James B. Eilers, USN
LSSN Dylan McIntyre, USN	2 nd LT H. Craig May,USMC	Ens Dylan Powell, USN
Maj. William Matheny, Army	Major Ben Peacock, USAF	