

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 5

Sunday, August 5th		
9:00 am	First Praise	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Church School	Classrooms
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
4:00 pm	MS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313
6:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313
Monday, August 6th		
1:00 pm	FPC Volunteers	Soup Kitchen
5:30 pm	MCM Circles	Room 300 & 301
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	Room 300
7:15 pm	Christian Edu. Mtg.	Room 222
Tuesday, August 7th		
6:30 pm	Cub Scouts	Room 300 & 301
Wednesday, August 8th		
1:00 pm	Prayer Meeting	Library
7:00 pm	College Group	
Thursday, August 9th		
6:00 pm	Fun and Fellowship	Pomodoro's
7:00 pm	Praise Band Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, August 12th		
9:00 am	First Praise	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Church School	Classrooms
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
3:00 pm	PYF Worship Band Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall
4:00 pm	MS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313
5:30 pm	Deacon's Mtg.	Room 300
6:00 pm	PYF Parent Mtg.	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Committee Mtgs.	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

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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

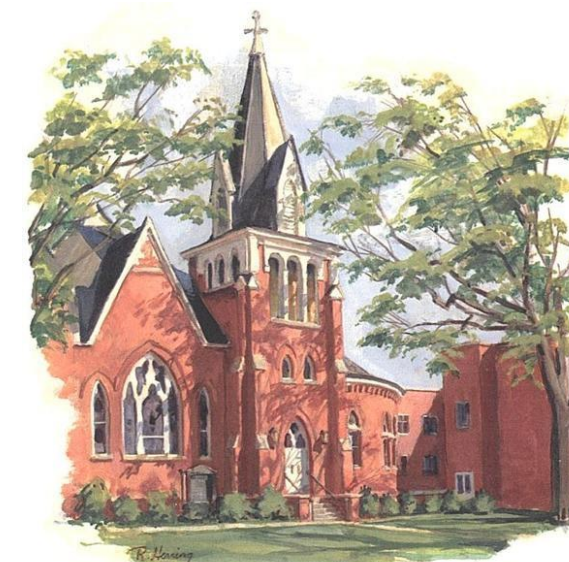
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Bryan Cerrone, Director of Youth Ministries
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Lori Stewart, Director of Preschool
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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Head Usher
Assistant Head Usher
Ushers
Youth Ushers
Greeters
Acolyte
Bell Ringer
Soundboard
Lay Reader
Guest Organist

Angie Copeland
Hillary Cole, Carol McClure
Terry Skeen, Jane Peterson
Sarah Sholar
Paul Beaver, Karen Shore
Hannah Cole
Jaden Winebarger
Jane Peterson
Kathy Ballard
Charlie Austin



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples
August 5, 2018 ♦ 11:00 A.M.

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: *Fantasie* Johann Pachelbel
Charlie Austin, Organist

WELCOME Jason Sentas

CALL TO WORSHIP (Psalm 8)
Leader: You, O Lord, are more wonderful than our lips can proclaim!
People: When we consider the awesome works of your hands,
Leader: Your love for us is more than amazing!
People: You have trusted us with the whole of the earth,
Leader: And put everything we see under the care of our hands.
People: Lord, O Sovereign Lord, the earth is filled with your glory!

INVOCATION
Almighty God, our hearts are blessed as we gather before You today, for you have given us freedom from all our transgressions and joy in exchange for heavy hearts. You are the refuge we seek when we are troubled and the courage we need when we venture into our days. Bless us today with Your steadfast love as we declare our trust in You. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE 268: *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty!*

*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.**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Kathy Ballard

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 68:28-35 pg. 461

PASTORAL PRAYER WITH SILENT CONFESSION & 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: *In the Shadow of Your Wings* John Leavitt
Chancel Choir

Gracious God be merciful, O my God be merciful. My soul is crying out to you. My only refuge Lord is you, God most High. In the shadow of your wings, 'neath the shadow of your wings. My soul finds rest from my deep distress. My heart hides there till this darkness passes by. I cry to God on High whose purpose is fulfilled for me. He reaches down to save and reproaches him who threatens me. Gracious God be merciful, O my God be merciful. My soul finds love and truth in you. No other place of safety Lord but you. In the shadow of your wings I hide, O my God most High.

*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: Acts 8:26-40 pg. 892-893

SERMON: "Church in Culture: The Conversion of a Seeker"
Jason Sentas

HYMN 669: *Jesus, Come, For We Invite You (vs. 1-3)*

*INVITATION

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 669: *Jesus, Come, For We Invite You*

Jesus, come! Surprise our dullness; make us willing to receive more than we can yet imagine, all the best you have to give: let us find your hidden riches, taste your love, believe, and live!

*POSTLUDE: *Dialogue sir Les grand jeux* Francois Couperin

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 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. **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 Ellen Auten, staff, volunteers, participants, and others for a very rewarding VBS.

We welcome guest organist Charlie Austin to our worship service this morning. Greg Thompson is away on vacation and will return on August 12.

First Kids Worship: Children's worship will not be held during June, July and August. First Kids Worship will resume meeting on Sunday, September 9.

Prayer concerns: If you know of someone who has been on the prayers list and is doing better and no longer needs to be on the list, please contact the church office at (704-664-5275). Thank you.

2018 Flower Calendar dates available: We have openings for flowers for the sanctuary for anyone who would like to sign up to provide flowers to enhance worship. The available dates are Sept 2, 16, & 23. This is a wonderful way to mark a special occasion or honor a loved one. Your flowers can also encourage someone who is ill or homebound if you wish to leave them to be used by our flower ministry volunteers. Your arrangement will be used to create smaller bouquets that will be distributed on Mondays to brighten someone's day.

Saints Alive Beach Trip: The Saints Alive group is planning a trip to Island Vista in Myrtle Beach, SC for Tuesday, October 23 - Friday, October 26. Deposits are due as soon as possible. The deposit is the first night's room rate. Please contact Ellen Auten for more information and to sign up for the trip.

Volunteers for Camp Grier Retreat: Harry Weyer is looking for volunteers to help prepare and cook BBQ for the Camp Grier congregational retreat. Please plan to come and prep the food for the retreat in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, Sept. 13 or Friday, Sept. 14. We will start cooking the food at 9 am on Saturday, Sept. 15. If you wish to participate, please sign-up in the office and list your availability. Thank you

Important July/August Dates for PYF:

- Sunday, August 12 - Rising sixth Graders are officially able to join MS PYF. The MS PYF gathering will be held 4-6 pm in Fellowship hall!

- Sunday, August 12 - PYF Parents Meeting at 6pm in Fellowship Hall. We will fill out the 2018-2019 release forms, go over the calendar for the rest of 2018, talk about the new format for PYF that begins the last Sunday of August, go over the High School meal calendar, and answer any questions you may have!

- Sunday, August 12 - PYF Band Rehearsal at 3pm in the Fellowship Hall.

- Sunday, August 19 - Combined PYF Pool Party at the Waugh Home from 4-8 pm.

- Sunday, August 26 - PYF regular schedule with middle school meeting from 4-6 pm and high school meeting 6-8:30 pm.

Our opening hymn this morning is *Ride On, Ride On in Majesty*, normally associated with Palm Sunday. The text was written in 1827 by Henry Milman while serving as Professor of Poetry at Oxford University. The theme throughout is "Majesty", and Milman presents the Passion of Christ with royalty and sees the cross in terms of victory rather than defeat. It is an effective presentation of the dual themes: meekness and majesty, sacrifice and conquest, suffering and glory. Our scripture text this morning from the book of Acts presents a reading from the Old Testament book of Isaiah, where these same themes are first presented.

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

Bedo Culberson

Joan Gibson

Lecie Miller

Estelle Mott

Mary Fortanbury

Margaret Carrigan

Frances Howie

Lois Kirk

Ellen McGuirt

Margaret Sanders

John Westmoreland

Members of the Church

Ray & Billie Brawley

Rosemary LaBarre

Dick Nelson

Al Culp

Bobby Lytle

Paul Manning

Diane Crymes

Bedo & Pat Culberson

Tom Morrow & Family

Friends of the Church

Abby, friend of Cindy Hitchcock

Jacob Cameron, nephew of Howard & Ellen Nudi

Libby Ebert

Louis Newton

Glenn Scott

Ronnie Shultz

Jenny Wheeler

Daniela

McKenzie Graham

Wanda Cravens

Jeff Kelly

Matt Childers

Mason Swanson

Amanda Hall

David Childers

Judy Nickliss

Jane Scovil

Ken & Ginny Lawton

Becky Smith

Becky Starnes

Paul Sharp

Keith Zimmerman

Tom McAdams

Jack Esala

Brandy & Chris Cottrell

Lois Carns

Maureen & Richard

Teresa Knutsen

Christine Morgan

Joseph Ross and family

Patt Seyller

Dick Wall

Sharp Family

John Redding

William Merrill

Ryder Woekener

Asa Thurston McNeely

Armed Forces

LTC David Dennison, Army

P03 Dylan McIntyre, USN

Maj. William Matheny, Army

Sgt. Adam R. Loftin, USMC

2nd LT H. Craig May, USMC

LTJG Dylan Powell, USN

Major Ben Peacock, USAF