

## CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 16

### Sunday, September 16

9:00 am	First Praise	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Church School	Classrooms
11:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary

### Monday, September 17

5:30 pm	MCM Circles	Fellowship Hall, 300 & 301
6:15 pm	Exaltation Ringers	Choir Room
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Vision Team Mtg.	

### Tuesday, September 18

10:30 am	Saints Alive Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	Cub Scouts	Room 300 & 301
6:30 pm	Men's Dinner	Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, September 19

1:00 pm	Prayer Meeting	Library
4:30 pm	Logos/MSM	Fellowship Hall
6:15 pm	PYF Supper Club	Chick-fil-a
7:15 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room

### Thursday, September 20

11:30 am	Ladies Who Lunch	Pomodoro's
7:00 pm	Praise Band Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall

### Friday, September 21

7:30 pm	PYF 5 <sup>th</sup> Quarter	First Baptist Church
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### Saturday, September 22

8:00 am	Logos Encounter	Fellowship Hall
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### Sunday, September 23

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

### Important Sept. Dates for PYF:

- September 19 – 6:15 pm Supper Club
- September 21 – 7:30pm – Midnight – 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter (off campus)
- September 23 – (4-6 pm) MS PYF; (6-8:30 pm) HS PYF
- September 26 – 6:15 pm Supper Club

## 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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### PASTOR EMERITI

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  
Alan Sledge, Director of Music  
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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

Beverly Chappell  
Pat King  
Tom Kirkland, Emily Kirkland  
Kinnon Rockness  
C.P. Chappell, Kathi Landis  
Weston Mauney  
Bennett Dame  
Michael Culbreth  
Sue Stevens



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

249 West McLelland Avenue  
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*Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples*  
September 16, 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: *Awake, My Heart, With Gladness* Robert J. Powell  
Greg Thompson, Organist

WELCOME Dave Rockness

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE 6: *Let the Whole Creation Cry*

\*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.**

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sue Stevens

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:

Romans 5:6-11

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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: *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*

Chancel Choir

Crosby/Doane

Jesus, keep me near the cross; there a precious fountain, free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calvary's mountain. In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, ‘till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river. Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me; help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me. In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, ‘till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

\*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:

Psalms 14:1-7

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SERMON:

*“The Need for a Savior”*

Dave Rockness

HYMN 384:

*Rock of Ages*

\*INVITATION

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE 472: *Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus*

**Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face; and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and grace.**

\*POSTLUDE:

*Rondeau in F Major*

David Lasky

## 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. **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.

**Ginny Swedenberg gives the flowers in the sanctuary this morning** to the glory of God in thanks for His many blessings.

**Essential Jesus Reading Program** - There are three Sunday school classes and two reading groups that will meet most weeks throughout the reading program to discuss the Essential Jesus readings. Those who wish to join a reading group may do so by signing up in the fellowship hall, church parlor, or church office.

- Tuesday at 2:00 pm in parlor. Facilitated by Pastor Dave Rockness - This group starts on September 18.
- Saturdays at 9:00 am in Fellowship Hall. Facilitated by Pastor Jason Sentas. This group starts on Sept. 29.
- The Men's Bible Study Class - Meets under the Sanctuary at 10 a.m. on Sunday Mornings.
- Connect Four Class - meets at 10 a.m. in Room 222 on Sunday Mornings - Facilitators - Jason Sentas and Jodi Rockness

**Saints Alive Luncheon:** The monthly Saints Alive luncheon (\$5) will be held this Tuesday, September 18 at 10:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Please note the time change and new format, beginning this month:

10:30-10:45 - Coffee and tea time

10:45 - 11:30 - Program and devotions

11:30 - 12:15 - Luncheon and visiting

This month's program will feature "Mooresville Memories," and will focus on Mooresville in days gone by. Mooresville "natives" and long-time residents are encouraged to come and share what they remember about the "olden days" in Mooresville. Bring photographs, memorabilia, décor, - anything that comes from long-ago Mooresville. We will continue our donations project - please bring new school supplies to be donated to Mooresville Christian Mission.

**Saints Alive Trip:** The Saints Alive group is planning a trip to historic Gold Hill, NC on Thursday, September 27. Gold Hill is a restored 1840s gold mining village, with a wide variety of village shops, historic tours and trails. The group plans to leave at 9:30 am, tour the village and shops, and have lunch in the area before returning to Mooresville. Please contact Ellen Auten to make a reservation.

**Newsletter transition:** Newsletters will only be available digitally by way of email and the Website. In an effort to reduce costs and increase quality, we are scaling back the print copies to only those that request them. If you still wish to have a hard copy of the Newsletter please contact Marian or Tonya in the office.

**Logos Encounter:** Members of our congregation are encouraged to attend the Logos Encounter Training, an all-day training workshop led by national Logos leadership, on Saturday, September 22. The workshop is a wonderful opportunity to experience the 4 parts of Logos and learn from other congregations involved in Logos ministry. The event is free of charge; advance reservation is essential. Childcare will be provided with advance reservations. Please contact Ellen Auten (ellen@mooresvillefpc.org; 704-664-5275) to register.

**Men’s Dinner:** The men will gather in fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday 9/18 for a meal of Mrs. J's Mexican Casserole with Mexican Rice, chips, and salsa. Our guest speaker for the evening will be Tom Kirkland. Please RSVP to the office by phone or email office@mooresvillefpc.org.

**This morning the Chancel Choir** sings “*Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*”, a text written by the great writer Fanny Crosby. She is credited with well over 8000 hymns written under this name, several pen names as well as her married name, Frances Van Alstyne. Her texts were paired with many of the greatest gospel musicians of the late 1800’s including William Doane, William Bradbury and Ira Sankey. Blind from birth, Fanny had a tremendous ability to paint a vivid scene with her words. “*Near the Cross*” captures the hope and joy of heaven as is characteristic of a Fanny Crosby text: “Till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.”

**The Chancel Choir** will travel to Providence Baptist Church in Charlotte on September 30 to participate in the Metropolitan Music Ministries Annual Worship Service. The event is titled “Seven Gifts of Christ to Believers” and will begin at 6:00 p.m. This ministry is a Christian service organization of volunteers committed to sharing the gifts of music to the community for the Glory of God by awarding scholarships to aspiring church musicians and presenting programs of music and devotionals. Greg Thompson serves on The MMM board as Vice President. Check out metromusicministries.org for more information.

## 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

Lois Kirk

Ellen McGuirt

Lecie Miller

Margaret Sanders

Estelle Mott

John Westmoreland

Mary Fortanbury

### Members of the Church

Ray & Billie Brawley

Al Culp

Diane Crymes

Rosemary LaBarre

Bedo & Pat Culberson

Dick Nelson

Tom Morrow & Family

Bob Campbell

**Shirley Crowley**

Lynelle Owen

### Friends of the Church

Glenn Scott

Maureen & Richard

Ronnie Shultz

Judy Nickliss

Teresa Knutsen

Jenny Wheeler

Jane Scovil

Christine Morgan

Ken & Ginny Lawton

Joseph Ross and family

Paul Sharp

Becky Smith

Wanda Cravens

Jeff Kelly

Sharp Family

Dick Wall

Abby

Jack Esala

Matt Childers

Asa Thurston McNeely

John Redding

Mason Swanson

Ryder Woeckener

Lois Carns

Amanda Hall

Linda Rice

Jacob Cameron

Doug Vinez

Judith McLean

Louis Newton

Shirley Abele

Karen Ketchie

### Armed Forces

LTC David Dennison, Army

Sgt. Adam R. Loftin, USMC

LTJG Dylan Powell, USN

P03 Dylan McIntyre, USN

2<sup>nd</sup> LT H. Craig May, USMC

Major Ben Peacock, USAF

Maj. William Matheny, Army