

## CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 19

Sunday, November 19  
 9:00 am - First Praise Fellowship Hall  
 10:00 am - Church School Classrooms  
 11:00 am - Worship Sanctuary  
 3:00 pm - Middle School PYF Room 310  
 5:00 pm - High School PYF Room 313

Monday, November 20  
 Newsletter Deadline  
 9:30 am - Preschool Thanksgiving Feast Fellowship Hall  
 5:30 pm - MCM-Circles Fellowship Hall, 300, &301  
 6:15 pm - Exaltation Ringers Music Room  
 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts Scout Building

Tuesday, November 21  
 9:30 pm - Preschool Thanksgiving Feast Fellowship Hall  
 12:30 pm - Saints Alive Luncheon Fellowship Hall  
 3:00 pm - Christmas Parade Downtown Mooresville  
 6:30 pm - Cub Scouts Scout Building  
 6:30 pm - Men's Dinner Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 22  
**Church Office Closed**  
 Preschool Closed

Thursday, November 23 Thanksgiving Day  
**Church Office Closed**  
 Preschool Closed

Friday, November 24  
**Church Office Closed**  
 Preschool Closed

Sunday, November 26  
 9:00 am - First Praise Fellowship Hall  
 10:00 am - Church School Classrooms  
 11:00 am - Worship Sanctuary  
 3:00 pm - MS PYF Room 313/Fellowship Hall  
 5:00 pm - HS PYF Room 313/Fellowship Hall  
 6:30 pm - Session Meeting Room 300

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**It's that time of year again... time for the Angel Tree:** An angel tree is available in the fellowship hall and parlor today for you to select an angel (or more) to provide Christmas gifts to a needy child. With each angel, you will be provided with a local child's wishes and needs for Christmas, along with their clothing and shoes sizes.

## LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

### SESSION

<b>David Rockness, Moderator</b>		<b>Mark Auten, Clerk</b>
<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>	<u>Class of 2019</u>
Phil Heilman	Mark Auten	Bill Brawley
Sparky Hitchcock	Karen Shore	C. P. Chappell
Rog McCrea	Sue Stevens	Janice Puer
Dot Nelson	Harry Weyer	Steve Robinson
Trent Newell		John Streb

### DIACONATE

<b>Chris Creech, Moderator</b>	<b>Scott Mauney, Associate Moderator</b>
<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>
Chris Creech	Sandy Bickett
Dave Culler	Maria Heilman
Tom Kirkland	Pat King
Jane Peterson	Paul Manning
Susan Poore	Scott Mauney
Amy Williams	Tom Trosuk

### PASTOR

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 The Rev. Jason Sentas, Associate Pastor [jason@moorevillefpc.org](mailto:jason@moorevillefpc.org)

### PASTOR EMERITI

The Rev. Dr. S. Edwin Lewis      The Rev. Dr. Frederick A. H. Coates

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## PYF ANNOUNCEMENTS

**High School Mission Trip** in Jacksonville, Florida on July 7-13, 2018. The cost is \$490.00 per student. Rising 10 graders through 12<sup>th</sup> graders. Deposit details for High School Trip will be released shortly.

**Middle School Conference Trip** in Cleveland, Tennessee on June 10-15, 2018. The cost is \$450.00 per student. Current 6<sup>th</sup> graders (no rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders) through rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders. Deposit details for Middle School Trip will be released shortly.

If you are interested in helping with one of the two summer trips contact Bryan. You will be put on a wait list. Contact Bryan for any questions by email ([bryan@moorevillefpc.org](mailto:bryan@moorevillefpc.org)); church office (704-664-5275).

**Washington D.C./Bible Museum Trip:** No more slots available. Remainder balance for trip is due Sunday, January 7, 2018

**Parents' Meeting:** There will be a PYF parents' meeting on Sunday, December 3, 2017 from 4:45-5:30 p.m. in the PYF room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples*  
 November 19, 2017 ♦ 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.

WELCOME Dave Rockness

PRELUDE: *Come Ye Thankful People, Come* James Pethel

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION Jason Sentas

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 16: *The God of Abraham Praise*

PROFESSION AND 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 Braelyn Kathryn Campbell

HYMN 437: *Jesus Loves Me*

DISMISS FOR FIRST KIDS

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

ANTHEM: *The Holy Presence* arr. by Linker/McFadden  
Exaltation Ringers with organ

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Anne Telford

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Luke 19:1-10 pg. 854

## PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF 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: Nothing But the Blood of Jesus  
Robert Lowry/Courtney  
Chancel Choir

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious is the flow that makes me bright as snow; No other fount I know; nothing but the blood of Jesus. For my pardon this I see: Nothing but the blood of Jesus. For my cleansing this my plea: Nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious... This is all my hope and peace: nothing but the blood of Jesus. This is all my righteousness: nothing but the blood of Jesus. Nothing can for sin atone: nothing but the blood of Jesus. Naught of good that I have done; nothing but the blood of Jesus. O precious... Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

\*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

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Exodus 20:15 pg. 58

SERMON: *10 Words of Grace: Be Careful in Pointing the Finger!*  
Dave Rockness

\*HYMN 426: *Blessed Assurance*

\*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: *Laudate Dominum* Rosalie Bonighton

## 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. **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.

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**The flowers in the sanctuary this morning** are given to the glory of God and as an expression of thanksgiving to our Heavenly Father from Miriam McNeely for His glorious gifts of creation, of salvation, and of His Spirit that are ours without cost.

This congregation was organized on November 13, 1875 after Concord Presbytery granted permission following a petition from several residents in the new town of Mooresville. This sanctuary was completed in the spring of 1899.

May we remember with thanksgiving today the many boys and girls, youth, women and men who have been a part of this fellowship. May God be glorified as we worship Him in Spirit and Truth.

**Joseph & Melissa Campbell** invite you to share in the joy and witness as their daughter Braelyn Kathryn Campbell receives the Sacrament of Baptism today. Braelyn’s Godparents are Sydney O’Connor and Chris Buzas.

**If you did not have an opportunity to turn in your pledge and Time and Talent** survey last week, please place them in the offering plate today. Extra pledge cards, envelopes, and surveys are available in the pews.

**The handbell anthem this morning** combines the timeless hymn “Holy, Holy, Holy” (NICAEA) with the hymn “Surely the Presence.” The NICAEA theme is stated first by the organ, repeated by the bells, immediately moving to the tune “Surely the Presence.” Listen carefully in the middle section as choir members switch between handbells and chimes for the repeated NICAEA melody. This piece utilizes all 5 octaves of bells (61 bells) plus 2 octaves of chimes.

**The offertory anthem** this morning was written in 1876 by Philadelphia born author and composer Robert Lowry. “Nothing But the Blood” has all the earmarks of a classic gospel song. It focuses on a single theme and hammers it home. The singer will repeat the text, “nothing but the blood of Jesus” twelve times if he or she sings all four stanzas. Hebrews 9:22 appeared originally above the hymn in the original publication by Lowry and William Doane entitled *Gospel Music* (1876). The passage reads: “Without the shedding of blood there is no remission of sin.” The use of the word “blood” in the hymn is not in a gory or gratuitous sense, but as a synonym for grace, clearly equating the shedding of Christ’s blood with mercy and love. -Dr. C. M. Hawn

**Saints Alive Luncheon:** The monthly Saints Alive luncheon (\$4) will be held this Tuesday, November 21 at 12:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The program will be presented by Mark Auten, featuring “Flora and Fauna,” and will focus on a wide variety of flowers, trees and wildlife. The monthly donation for November is to bring canned/non-perishable food to donate to the Mooresville Soup Kitchen.

**Advent Workshop:** Volunteers are needed to help with the Advent Workshop, scheduled for Sunday, December 3, from 10:00-10:45 a.m. Volunteers are needed for the following:

- Provide a plate of refreshments (muffins, cookies, fruit, etc.)
- Help with a craft table
- Help with Advent wreath assembly
- Provide fresh greenery for wreaths
- Help with clean up

Please contact Ellen Auten (704-664-5275; ellen@mooresvillefpc.org) if you are available to help.

## 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

Willie Allison	Margaret Carrigan	Mary Fortanbary
Joan Gibson	Lois Kirk	Ellen McGuiert
Lecie Miller	Estelle Mott	Margaret Sanders
John Westmoreland		

### Members of the Church

Ray & Billie Brawley	Bedo & Pat Culberson	Al Culp
Shirley Crowley	Diane Crymes	Becky Deal
P. J. Decastro	Bill Harris	Cathy Irvin
Rosemary LaBarre	Shirley Morrow	Joyce Sloop

### Friends of the Church

#### McKenzie Graham, student of Kathi Landis

John & Connie Ammons	Amos Family	Ed Barber
Donna Buyer	Genie Carns	David Childers
Becky Compton	Libby Ebert	Rick Ervin
Barbara Gepford and family		Mike & Candi Hawkins
Jayden Hoppel	Darren Jones	Jade Knittel
Teresa Knutsen	Ava Lawrence	Brian Leon
Mitchell Mack	Mandee Mann & Family	
George McClure	Christine Morgan	Louis Newton
Judy Nickliss	Robb Parker	Linda Rice
Joseph Ross and family	Glenn Scott	Jane Scovil
Dick Scovil	Patt Seyller	Deb Shultz
Ronnie Shultz	Becky Smith	Markie Smith
Becky Starnes	Tina Swanson	Jennifer Torsiello
Joseph Unrue	Voils Family	Jenny Wheeler
Linda Wilson	Jan Zamudio	Ashlyn
Daniela	Douglas	Maureen & Richard

### Armed Forces

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