

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF MAY 7

Sunday, May 7
 9:00 am - First Praise Fellowship Hall
 10:00 am - Church School Classrooms
 11:00 am - Worship Sanctuary
 5:00 pm - High School PYF Room 313
 6:00 pm - MS Beach Trip Returns
 7:00 pm - Committee Meetings (date change) Classrooms

Monday, May 8
 1:00 pm - Circle 1 Parlor
 5:30 pm - MCM- Circles Fellowship Hall, Room 300
 6:15 pm - Exaltation Ringers Music Room
 6:30 pm - Boy Scout Committee Meeting Room 307
 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts Scout Building
 7:00 pm - Personnel Committee Library
 7:00 pm - VBS Planning Room 222

Tuesday, May 9
 6:30 am - Young Dads Group Fellowship Hall
 10:00 am - Circle 4 Chloe Gildberg's home
 12:00 pm - Circle of Friends (5) Julia Grimes' home
 6:15 pm - Circle 3 Kim Streb's home
 6:30 pm - Cub Scouts Scout Building

Wednesday, May 10
 1:00 pm - Prayer Meeting Library
 6:15 pm - HS Supper Club off campus
 7:15 pm - Chancel Choir Music Room

Thursday, May 11
 6:00 pm - Fun and Fellowship Captain's Galley
 7:00 pm - Praise Band Rehearsal Fellowship Hall

Friday, May 12
 6:00 pm - Session Retreat Fellowship Hall

Saturday, May 13
 9:00 am - Session Retreat Camp Walter Johnson; Denton, NC

Sunday, May 14 Mother's Day
 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
 5:30 pm - Deacons Meeting Room 300

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

SESSION

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

DIACONATE

Chris Creech, Moderator	Scott Mauney, Associate Moderator
<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

The Rev. Dr. David Rockness, Pastor, Head of Staff dave@moorevillefpc.org

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

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ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Head Usher	Susan Poore
Assistant Usher	Maria Heilman
Ushers	Carolyn Brawley, Carol Crews
Youth Usher	Will Davidson
Greeters	Phil Heilman, Bill Brawley
Acolyte	Ian Coates
Bell Ringer	Neely Davidson
Soundboard	Jane Peterson



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

249 West McLelland Avenue
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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples
 May 7, 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.

PRELUDE: *O God of Earth and Alter* James Mansfield
 Greg Thompson, organist

WELCOME Dave Rockness

CALL TO WORSHIP Jason Sentas

INVOCATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE 40: *For the Beauty of the Earth*

*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 THE CHILDREN

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Tom Kirkland

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: John 14:8-14

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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: *Awake, Arise*
Greg Thompson

Robert J. Powell

*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: I John 1:1-10

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SERMON: *Joyful, Christian Fellowship: “Walking in the Light”*

Dave Rockness

*HYMN 496: *Leaning On the Everlasting Arms*

*INVITATION

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 393: *Blest Be the Tie That Binds* (v.1)

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

*POSTLUDE: *Postlude on Kingsfold*

David Paxton

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. **Childcare is provided for infants through kindergarten age** during both worship services. Childcare is located on the second floor of the educational building. **First graders and older children remain in the sanctuary** following the *Time With The Children*. Worship bags are available at the rear of the sanctuary for all children.

The flower calendar has an opening on May 21. If you are interested in providing flowers for worship, please call the church office (704-664-5275 or tonya@moorevillefpc.org).

The Middle School Ministry handbell choir is at the Garden City Chapel and Retreat in Garden City Beach SC this weekend. They will return this evening around 6:00 p.m. They are participating in this morning’s chapel worship service with handbell anthems. Those traveling include; Amanda Copeland, Mary Davidson, Harrison Kendall, Remington Linker, Amber and Eve Martinez, Josh McClure, John and Juliana Morrow, Kaitlyn Nelson, Sophie Poirier, Kailie Rockness, Nate Sentas, Preston Washburn and Jackson Woods. Chaperones include: Lisa Davidson, Jodi Rockness, Bryan Cerrone and Alan Sledge.

Circle of Friends (#5) will meet at the home of Julia Grimes on Tuesday, May 9 for lunch at noon. Ladies will carpool from the church parking lot on Academy St. at 11:30 a.m.

Fun and Fellowship will meet this Thursday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m. at Captain’s Galley in Mooresville. All are welcome.

Attention Young Dads: Beginning Tuesday, May 9, Pastor Rockness will begin a bi-monthly group for young dads. We will meet promptly at 6:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall and be finished by 7:30 a.m. sharp. If interested, please contact Pastor Rockness or just show up on Tuesday.

VBS Planning Committee: There will be a VBS Planning Committee meeting this Monday, May 8 at 7:15 p.m. in Room 222. Come join the fun as we plan for this summer’s Mighty Fortress VBS, scheduled for July 17-21.

VBS Registration: Registration begins today for this summer’s Mighty Fortress VBS, scheduled for July 17-21, 9:30 a.m. – noon each day. Informational brochures and registration forms are located in the church parlor and fellowship hall. Teen and adult volunteers are needed – forms are located at the VBS tables

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 McGuirt
Mary Matheson	Lecie Miller	Estelle Mott
Margaret Sanders	John & Nancy Smith	Claude Voils
John Westmoreland	Opal Westmoreland	

Members of the Church

Ray & Billie Brawley	Rosie Crouch	Bedo & Pat Culberson
Al Culp	P. J. Decastro	Christy Floyd
Briana Landis	Shirley Morrow	Dick Nelson
Betty Pearce	Pete Peterson n	Joyce Sloop

Friends of the Church

Cami Barger-Jones, sister-in-law of Debbie Lackey
Karen Buchanan, daughter of Bill and Debbie Lackey
Bob Warren’s family, friends of Pat Hunter

John & Connie Ammons	Amos Family	Ed Barber
Elsie Benfield	Mike Blizzard	Donna Buyer
Genie Carns	Richard Diedrich	Libby Ebert
Bill & Barbara Gepford	Margaret Heilman	Justin Henson
Jayden Hoppel	Gordan Jenkins	Ron Lane
Brian Leon	Tom McAdams	George McClure
Thomas McMillan, Sr.	Anne Moore	Christine Morgan
Louis Newton	Judy Nickliss	Patt Seyller
Bonnie Redding	Mary Rhodes	Samuel Russell
Glenn Scott	Jane Scovil	Deb Shultz
Ronnie Shultz	Isaac Sobek	Tina Swanson
Jennifer Torsiello	Linda Wilson	Dwight Windsor
Donella Wright Daniela	Douglas	Maureen & Madelyn

Armed Forces

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