

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JULY 9

Sunday, July 9
 9:00 am - First Praise Fellowship Hall
 10:00 am - Church School Combined Classrooms
 11:00 am - Worship Sanctuary
 5:30 pm - Deacon Meeting Room 300
 7:00 pm - Committee Meetings Classroom

Monday, July 10
 6:30 pm - Boy Scout Troop Committee Meeting Room 307
 6:30 pm - VBS Staff Meeting & Dinner Fellowship Hall
 6:30 pm - VBS Teen Volunteer Training Fellowship Hall
 7:00 pm - Boy Scouts Scout Building
 7:00 pm - Personnel Committee Library

Tuesday, July 11
 6:30 am - Young Dad's Group
 6:30 pm - Cub Scouts Scout Building

Wednesday, July 12
 10:00 am - VBS Decorating Fellowship Hall
 1:00 pm - MS Girls Bible Study Room 313
 1:00 pm - Prayer Meeting Library

Thursday, July 13
 6:00 pm - Fun and Fellowship Captain's Galley
 7:00 pm - Praise Band Rehearsal Fellowship Hall

Friday, July 14
 10:00 am - VBS Decorating Fellowship Hall

Sunday, July 15
 9:00 am - First Praise Fellowship Hall
 10:00 am - Church School Combined Classrooms
 11:00 pm - Worship Sanctuary
 12:30 pm - VBS Decorating Fellowship Hall
 4:00 pm - Combined PYF McIntyre's Home

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	Karen Shore	C. P. Chappell
Rog McCrea	Sue Stevens	Janice Pluer
Dot Nelson	Harry Weyer	Steve Robinson
Trent Newell		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	Fern Alexander
Assistant Usher	Chris Creech
Ushers	Lorra Lee Holshouser
Youth Usher	Landon Mauney
Greeters	Mark Auten, Sparky Hitchcock
Acolyte	Samuel Creech
Bell Ringer	Caramia Landis
Soundboard	Paul Manning



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples
 July 9, 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: *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* arr. Douglas E. Wagner
 Greg Thompson, organist

WELCOME Dave Rockness

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 103:1-5 Van Herring

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
 and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all the benefits of the Lord,
 who forgives all your sins
 and heals all your infirmities;
who redeems your life from the grave
and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness;
who satisfies you with good things,
and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

INVOCATION

God of might and mercy,
you bring us to new life each day,
and nurture us in your tender love.
Keep us far from all sinfulness,
that our lives may be a blessing to you;
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

*HYMN OF PRAISE 87: *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

*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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Lynelle Owen

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: John 13:31-35 pg. 877

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: *Breathe* arr. Derek Hakes
Chancel Choir

Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew, that I may love whatever you love, and do what you would do. This is the air I breathe...your holy presence living in me. This is my daily bread... your very word spoken to me. And I, I'm desperate for you And I, I'm lost without you. Breathe on me, breath of God, so shall I never die, but live with you the perfect life of your eternity. And I, And I, I'm desperate for you And I, I'm lost without you. Breathe on me, breath of God.

*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: 1 John 4:7-12 pg. 991

SERMON: *What is Love?* Dave Rockness

*HYMN 647: *We Have Come to Join in Worship* (vv. 1 & 2)

*INVITATION

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 647: *We Have Come to Join in Worship* (v. 3)

**Let us love our God supremely; let us love each other, too.
Let us care for all his people til our God makes all things new.
Christ will call us home to heaven; at his banquet we'll sit down;
Christ himself will rise and serve us living manna all around.**

*POSTLUDE: *Exsultate Deo*

Rosalie Bonington

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 flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the 20th wedding anniversary of Mickey and Connie Russell.

Organist Greg Thompson leaves this week for a four week stay in Salzburg, Austria where he works with the University of Miami in Salzburg. He will return on Sunday, August 13.

The anthem this morning, Breathe, arranged by Derek Hakes, is a combination of two separate pieces. It begins and ends with the well-known hymn *Breathe on Me, Breath of God*. The words were written by Edwin Hatch and first appeared in a private print in 1878. The music, written by Robert Jackson, was published in a collection in 1888. The center portion of the anthem is the contemporary song, Breathe, written by Marie Barnett. The arranger skillfully weaves these two pieces together for an effective message of God's gift of eternal life.

Vacation Bible School: Today is the last day to register for this summer's VBS, scheduled for July 17-21. Please contact Ellen Auten no later than today if you would like to register your child for VBS.

VBS Staff Meeting and Dinner: All VBS staff are encouraged to attend a staff meeting and dinner this Monday, July 10 at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Please make every effort to attend this meeting to receive information about schedules, curriculum, and important details about the VBS week. The final teen VBS training will also be held on Monday, July 10, immediately following dinner.

Saints Alive Beach Trip: The Saints Alive group is planning a trip to Island Vista in Myrtle Beach, SC, for Tuesday, October 24 – Friday, October 27. Room reservation information is in the July newsletter, as well as in the church parlor. Deposits (first night's room rate) are due on Sunday, July 23. Please contact Ellen Auten to make a reservation.

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	Shirley Crowley
Bedo & Pat Culberson	Al Culp	P. J. Decastro
Pat King	Rosemary LaBarre	Joyce Lytle
Shirley Morrow	Betty Pearce	Joyce Sloop

Friends of the Church

Charlie Ahlquist	The Allen Family	John & Connie Ammons
Amos Family	Ed Barber	Cami Barger-Jones
Mike Blizzard	Donna Buyer	Genie Carns
Becky Compton	Libby Ebert	Bill & Barbara Gepford
Jay Goodman	Mike & Candi Hawkins	Jayden Hoppel
Gordan Jenkins	Karen King	Teresa Knutsen
Ron Lane	Brian Leon	Tom McAdams
Thomas McMillan, Sr.	Anne Moore	Christine Morgan
Emily Morgan	Louis Newton	Judy Nickliss
Patt Seyller	John & Patricia Redding	Linda Rice
Joseph Ross and family	Samuel Russell	Glenn Scott
Jane Scovil	Deb Shultz	Ronnie Shultz
Beckye Smith	Kenitra Smith	Markie Smith
Isaac Sobek	Tina Swanson	Jennifer Torsiello
Linda Wilson	Dwight Windsor	Donella Wright
Ashlyn	Daniela	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	