

## CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 23

### 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	Stissel/Woods Dinner
6:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313

### Monday, September 24

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

### Tuesday, September 25

6:30 pm	Cub Scouts	Room 300 & 301
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### Wednesday, September 26

1:00 pm	Prayer Meeting	Library
4:30 pm	Logos/MSM	Fellowship Hall
6:15 pm	PYF Supper Club	Firehouse Subs
7:15 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room

### Thursday, September 27

9:30 am	Preschool Fire Truck Days	Fellowship Hall
9:30 am	Saints Alive Trip	Gold Hill
7:00 pm	Praise Band Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall

### Friday, September 28

9:30 am	Preschool Fire Truck Days	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	PYF Cupcake Wars	Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, September 30

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
6:00 pm	Chancel Choir	Providence Baptist Charlotte NC
6:30 pm	Stated Session Mtg.	Room 300

### Important Sept. Dates for PYF:

- September 23 – (4-6 pm) MS PYF; (6-8:30 pm) HS PYF
- September 26 – 6:15 pm Supper Club @ Firehouse Subs
- September 28 – 7:00 pm – PYF Cupcake Wars – Fellowship Hall
- September 30 – (4-6 pm) MS PYF; (6-8:30 pm) HS PYF

## 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. Dr. S. Edwin Lewis

The Rev. Dr. Frederick A. H. Coates

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Head Usher

Beverly Chappell

Assistant Head Usher

Pat King

Ushers

Tom Kirkland, Emily Kirkland

Youth Ushers

Kinnon Rockness

Greeters

C.P. Chappell, Kathi Landis

Acolyte

Weston Mauney

Bell Ringer

Bennett Dame

Soundboard

Jane Peterson

Lay Reader

Dot Campbell



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples*

September 23, 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: *Prelude* Charles Villiers Stanford  
Greg Thompson, Organist

WELCOME Jason Sentas

CALL TO WORSHIP Bryan Cerrone

INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE 56: *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

\*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 Mark Auten

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Dot Campbell

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 12:38-41 pg.793

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: *Great Is Our God*  
Chancel Choir F. Crosby/Craig Courtney

Shout with joy, all the earth. Make a joyful noise, all ye lands. Sing forth the glory of His name for great is our God! Behold the works of the Lord; His deeds on our behalf. Let the sound of His praise be heard abroad for great is our God! He has preserved our lives. He has kept our feet on dry ground. Let us rejoice in Him, rejoice in Him for great is our God! He has tested us, He has refined us as silver, for great is His love, let us rejoice in our God. To God be the glory, great things He hath done! So loved He the world that He gave us His Son, who yielded His life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that all may go in. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give Him the glory, great things He hath done! O praise Him, O praise Him, O praise the Lord!

\*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: Jonah 1:17-2:10 pg. 752

SERMON: “*The Essential Jesus: One Greater than Jonah*” Jason Sentas

HYMN 468: *Have Thine Own Way, Lord!*

\*INVITATION

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE 96: *O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing*  
**O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!  
To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.**

\*POSTLUDE: *Allegro* George F. Handel

## 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.

**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
- 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 am in Room 222 on Sunday mornings - Facilitators - Jason Sentas and Jodi Rockness

**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.

**The Chancel Choir** will travel to Providence Baptist Church in Charlotte on September 30 to participate in the Metropolitan Music Ministries Annual Worship Service. This free event titled “Seven Gifts of Christ to Believers” will begin at 6:00 p.m. and all are invited. 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. Organist Greg Thompson serves on the MMM board as Vice President. Check out metromusicministries.org for more information.

**Saints Alive Trip:** The Saints Alive group is planning a trip to historic Gold Hill, NC this 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.

**Disaster Relief –Hurricane Florence:** The devastating effects of Hurricane Florence left the greater part of North Carolina and South Carolina facing significant need. The mission committee is collaborating with Bethel Presbyterian Church to provide aid for future relief. If you wish to give now, here are a few options for immediate relief: Mooresville Soup Kitchen, New World Relief, and Salvation Army.

- Mooresville Soup Kitchen is accepting donations for Florence Relief from Wednesday, 9/19, through Thursday, 9/27, and they can accept donations Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m. Please bring donated items to the side door and specify that the items are for Florence.

- For World Renew visit - <https://www.worldrenew.net/florence> for more information on ways to help.
- For Salvation Army- visit <https://give.salvationarmyusa.org/give>

## 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	Shirley Crowley

### Bereavement

**Jennifer and Bo Robinson in the death of Bo’s father, Donnie Robinson, and to Joe, Maddy and Ethan Robinson in the death of their grandfather**

### Members of the Church - Ginny Swedenberg

Ray & Billie Brawley	Al Culp	Diane Crymes
Rosemary LaBarre	Bedo & Pat Culberson	Dick Nelson
Tom Morrow & Family	Bob Campbell	
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		