

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 9

Sunday, September 9

9:00 am	First Praise	Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Church School	Classrooms
11:00 am	Worship w/ First Kids resumes	Sanctuary
3:00 pm	Prayer Shawl Group	Thelma Vaughan's Home
4:00 pm	MS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313
5:30 pm	Deacons Mtg.	Room 300
6:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall/Room 313
7:00 pm	Committee Mtgs.	Classrooms

Monday, September 10 Newsletter Deadline

2:00 pm	Circle 1	Parlor
5:30 pm	MCM Circles	Fellowship Hall, 300 & 301
6:30 pm	Boy Scouts Mtg.	Room 307
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Personnel Mtg.	Library

Tuesday, September 11

10:00 am	Circle 4	Chloe Gildberg's Home
11:00 am	Circle 5	Anne Telford's Home
6:15 pm	Circle 3	Kim Streb's Home
6:30 pm	Cub Scouts	Room 300 & 301

Wednesday, September 12

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

Thursday, September 13

6:00 pm	Fun and Fellowship	Hong Mei Restaurant
7:00 pm	Praise Band Rehearsal	Fellowship Hall

Friday, September 14

Congregational Retreat Camp Grier

Saturday, September 15

Congregational Retreat Camp Grier

Sunday, September 16

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

Important Sept. Dates for PYF:

- September 9 - PYF regular schedule with middle school meeting from 4-6 pm and high school meeting 6-8:30 pm.
- September 12 – HS Supper Club @ 6:15 pm – Chick-Fil-a
- September 14 – 16 – Camp Grier retreat. Leaders are encouraged to volunteer and help drive that week. If you are interested, please let Bryan Cerrone know.

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 Plier
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. Jason Sentas, Associate Pastor

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The Rev. Dr. S. Edwin Lewis

The Rev. Dr. Frederick A. H. Coates

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Soundboard
Lay Reader

Beverly Chappell
Pat King
Tom Kirkland, Emily Kirkland
Kinnon Rockness
C.P. Chappell, Kathi Landis
Weston Mauney
Bennett Dame
Nate Sentas
Liz Rader



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples
September 9, 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 on "Slane"* John Barr
Greg Thompson, Organist

WELCOME Dave Rockness

CALL TO WORSHIP Jason Sentas

INVOCATION

HYMN OF PRAISE 121: *Christ Is the World's Light*

*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

Dave Rockness

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Liz Rader

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING:

Isaiah 9:6-7

pg. 555

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: *O the Deep, Deep, Love of Jesus*

Chancel Choir

arr. Gilbert Martin

O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, flowing free; rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me! Underneath me, all around me, is the current of His love, leading onward, leading homeward to that glorious rest above. O the deep, deep love of Jesus, spread His praise from shore to shore; He who loves us, ever loves us, changes never, never-more! He who died to save His loved ones, intercedes for them above; He who called them His own people, watches over them in love. O the deep, deep love of Jesus, love of every love the best; vast the ocean of His blessing, sweet the haven of His rest! O the deep, deep love of Jesus, for my heaven of heavens is He; this my everlasting glory- Jesus' mighty love for me! Amen.

*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:

John 1:1-18

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SERMON: *"The Essential Jesus: The Word Made Flesh"* Dave Rockness

HYMN 110:

We Come, O Christ, to You (vs.1-4)

*INVITATION

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE 110: *We Come, O Christ, to You*

We worship you, Lord Christ, our Savior and our King; to you our youth and strength adoringly we bring; so fill our hearts that all may view your life in us, and turn to you!

*POSTLUDE:

Sing Forth To The Land

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. 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.

Gene Harris gives the flowers in the sanctuary this morning to the glory of God and in memory of what would have been Barbara Harris 84th birthday on September 7. Gene and Barbara shared 42 years in marriage.

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

Camp Grier Congregational Retreat: Today is the deadline to register for the Camp Grier congregational retreat, scheduled for next weekend, September 14–16. Brochures are located in the fellowship hall, parlor or church office. Please contact Ellen Auten (ellen@moorevillefpc.org) or Jason Sentas (jason@moorevillefpc.org); 704-664-5275 to register.

Volunteers for Camp Grier Retreat: Harry Weyer is looking for volunteers to help prepare and cook BBQ for the Camp Grier congregational retreat. Please plan to come and prep the food for the retreat in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, Sept. 13 or Friday, Sept. 14. We will start cooking the food at 9 am on Saturday, Sept. 15. If you wish to participate, please sign-up in the office and list your availability. Thank you.

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.

First Kids Worship: First Kids Worship will resume meeting this morning. First Kids Worship is a children's worship service held during the 11:00 am worship service for children in 1st – 5th grades. Children begin worship in the sanctuary, and then convene in the fellowship hall for the remainder of the worship service. Parents pick their children up in the fellowship hall, immediately following the 11 am worship service.

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@moorevillefpc.org; 704-664-5275) to register.

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

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Sgt. Adam R. Loftin, USMC

LTJG Dylan Powell, USN

P03 Dylan McIntyre, USN

2nd LT H. Craig May, USMC

Major Ben Peacock, USAF

Maj. William Matheny, Army