



The Weekly Bulletin
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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PEALING OF THE BELLS

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Please sign and pass the Register of Friendship during this time.

PRELUDE

Prelude

Harold Darke

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Happy are those who follow the ways of the Lord.

People: God's ways are just and merciful.

Leader: Those who follow God's ways are continually nourished in faith.

People: In all they do, they prosper.

Leader: Come, let us open our hearts to God's compassionate love.

People: Let us celebrate God's mercy and justice.

*CHORAL INTROIT

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

John Darwall

*PRAYER OF THE DAY AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Jacob Palmer

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.

*HYMN 263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Coronation

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silent

Unison

Forgive us, O God, we do not treat people with the kindness and respect they deserve. Forgive us when we exclude others. Forgive us when we place judgment when we should not. Forgive us, O God, when we do not hear or heed Jesus' prayer for unity. Open our eyes to the truth and help us always to seek justice.

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Believe the good news,

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Mr. Drumheller

Children will be invited to come forward. At the conclusion of the Children's Greeting, parents may take preschool children to the nursery. Children in grades K-2 may go the chapel for Children's Church.

RECOGNITION OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Ruth Cotton

Prayer of Thanksgiving

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, as we listen to your holy Word, open our hearts to the power of your Spirit, call us out of darkness, and lead us into your marvelous light. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 1

Pew Bible, page 463

ANTHEM

Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing

Gordon Young

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 17:6-19

Pew Bible, page 105

SERMON

A Prayer for God's People

Mr. Drumheller

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

hymnal, page 35

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.

*HYMN 543

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

Green Tyler

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PASTORAL PRAYER

Leader: Lord in your mercy

People: ...hear our prayer.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Chorale

Johann Gottfried Walther

*Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

hymnal, page 606

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

Jacob Palmer

*HYMN 634

To God Be the Glory

To God Be The Glory

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Benediction

Peter Anglea

*All that are able may stand.

We rejoice that you are worshipping with us today. If you are a member of this church, please seek out those who are visiting and welcome them to this family of faith. If you are visiting and would like to know more about the church and membership here, please speak with one of the ministers following worship.

The acolyte today is Jacob Palmer. After extinguishing the Christ candle, the acolyte takes the light of Jesus Christ out into the world.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Steve W. Saunders by Sandy Saunders, Stacey Saunders, and Jennifer Saunders Esposito.

Thanks to Jacob Palmer for serving as liturgist today.

Ushers: Phillip Brown, captain; Brad Boone, Lee Boone, Mandy Brown, Wes Eudy, Don Joines, Nancy Joines, and Mary Kesselman **Elder Greeters:** Bob Johnston; Kim Marshall **Nursery:** Jana Sanderson (Diaconate 8:30 a.m.) **Toddler Room:** Cici Ly **Preschool Partners:** Jill Niebler; Isabel McLeod **Nana & Papa Team:** Sarah & Ronnie Michael **Children’s Church:** Virginia Currie

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: The family of Lathan Cox (father of Sherrie Richards), Linda Slimick (mother of Jana Sanderson), Gloria Bryson, Barbara McManus, Anita Gower, Caleb Poston (great-grandson of Joan & Roger Belsan), Becky Carter, Peter Henkenjohann, Katherine Cox (mother of Sherrie Richards), David Sanges (brother of Nathan Sanges). **See newsletter for complete list.**

Scholarship Recipients will be recognized during worship on Sunday, May 17.

Pentecost is on May 24. Wear red, the liturgical color for the day. We will celebrate the Holy Spirit’s presence in the early church and in the lives of God’s people everywhere and partake of the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. All those who trust in Jesus Christ are invited to come to the table. Prepare your hearts for this day.

We will receive the Pentecost Offering on May 24. This offering supports programs for at-risk children and youth.

There will be an inurnment service for Harriet Baker in the chapel on Wednesday, May 20 at 2:30 p.m. The congregation is invited to share in this brief service of worship.

MUSIC AND ARTS CAMP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Music and Arts Camp will be **June 14-18**. Volunteers are an essential part of the camp, and we need YOU to step up to the plate and help (teenagers and adults). If you would like to volunteer, contact Gina Martin (704-982-2722 or gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org).

First Presbyterian Church 2015 Scholarship Recipients

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the 2015 First Presbyterian Church Scholarship recipients.

First Presbyterian Church Scholarship recipients are:

Emily Andrew, enrolled at Wingate University. She is majoring in Communications with a focus on Public Relations.

Jacqueline Poolos, enrolled at High Point University. She is majoring in Business Administration with a minor in Marketing.

Nicole Poolos, enrolled at High Point University. She is majoring in Visual Merchandise and Design.

Laney Smith, senior at North Stanly High School. She plans to attend Central Piedmont Community College and major in Physical Therapy.

Kali Wray, senior at Gray Stone Day School. She plans to attend UNC-Pembroke and major in Social Work.

Francys and Jake Jacobs Scholarship recipients are:

Jay Andrew, senior at Albemarle High School. He plans to attend the UNC-Chapel Hill majoring in Business.

Shawn Baldwin, senior at Albemarle High School. He plans to attend the UNC-Wilmington majoring in Communications.

Joshua Copeland, enrolled at Lenior-Rhyne University. He is majoring in Religious Development.

Michelle Cumming, enrolled at Stanly Community College. She is majoring in Medical Assisting.

Jacob Davis, enrolled at North Carolina State University. He is an Engineering major.

Maddie Lowder, senior at Gray Stone Day School. She plans to attend the UNC-Wilmington.

Whitley McDaniel, senior at West Stanly High School. She plans to attend Stanly Community College and major in Physical Therapy.

Cole Mullis, enrolled at North Carolina State University. He is majoring in Poultry Science.

Rachel Slack, enrolled at Pfeiffer University. She is majoring in Biology.

Maude Boysworth recipient is:

Jana Sanderson, enrolled at Gardner-Webb University. She is working on a double major in Criminal Justice and Human Services.

Helen L. Mount Scholarship recipient is:

Morgan Smet, senior at Albemarle High School. She will attend the University of Virginia.

Daniel Mann Whitley recipient is:

Alexis Poolos, enrolled at High Point University. She is majoring in Music and Graphic & Design Imaging.

A big thank you to the Scholarship Committee: Ruth Cotton, Chair, Phillip Brown, Heather Deese, and Lee McLaurin, ex-officio.

MAY BOOK STUDY
MONDAY, MAY 18 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE PARLOR
Book: The Storied Life of A.J. Fikry by Gabrielle Zevin
Books are available in the church office for \$12.00
Come join the conversation!

Theology Lite on Thursday, May 21
at 8:00 p.m. at Off the Square

On **May 21**, young adults are invited to **Theology Lite** at Off the Square (114 S. 2nd St, Albemarle). Matt will host a conversation over your choice of drink about a topic of theology. We will gather at 8:00 p.m. Please feel free to invite friends (members or non-members) to join in the conversation!

First Fellowship on Sunday, May 31
in the Pit Stop between 10:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Come straight to the pit stop from Sunday School or arrive for worship a few minutes early for First Fellowship on Sunday, May 31. Enjoy a beverage and a savory bite to eat while sharing conversation with friends.

COMMUNITY TABLE ON SATURDAY, JUNE 6...First Presbyterian Church will serve lunch at the Community Table on June 6. Contact Linda Anderson (704-982-3723) for more information and/or if you can help.

Music & Arts Camp Volunteers Meeting
Sunday, June 7 at 11:00 a.m. in the Session Room

Come hear final details about camp:
It's not too late to volunteer!

If you have some time the week of June 14-18, come join us!

For more information, contact Gina Martin at gmartin@fpcalbemarle.com.

CENTRAL SCHOOL BRUNCH ON FRIDAY, JUNE 12 AT 9:30 A.M.

We will celebrate another successful school year with the staff at Central School by hosting brunch on Friday, June 12 at 9:30 a.m. at Central School. Volunteers are needed to cook, set-up, and clean-up. Look for a sign-up sheet on the Mission bulletin board in the pit stop if you are interested in helping. For more information, contact Ruth Cotton (704-983-2481 or hugawolf@hotmail.com) or Carolyn Sharpe (704-982-2814 or carolynsharpe@live.com).

2015 Community Health Assessment

The Stanly County Health Department is partnering with Stanly Regional Medical Center to conduct the 2015 Community Health Assessment. A public opinion survey is a key component of this assessment. Stanly County residents 15 and older are encouraged to complete this survey. It can be accessed at www.stanlycountync.gov through June 14, 2015. It will take 15 minutes or less to complete a survey.

Please let your voice be heard. Your opinion is very important. The results from the survey are used to assist in developing action plans to address priority community health concerns for the next three years. This information is, also, used by agencies and organizations to obtain grants. If you would like a program on the community health assessment to be presented to an organization, group, etc., please contact Debbie Bennett at 704-986-3016 to schedule one.

Graduate Information Needed for Graduate Recognition on Sunday, June 7. During worship on June 7, we will recognize First Presbyterian Church's high school graduates. If you have (or are) a family member graduating from high school, college, or graduate school in the spring of 2015, please contact the church office (704-982-2722 or pknighten@fpcalbemarle.org) by May 19 with pertinent information.

Prime Timers Picnic

Thursday, May 21 at Noon at City Lake Park

The Prime Timers Luncheon will be held on Thursday, May 21 at noon at City Lake Park at the double shelter closest to the lake. Come enjoy the beauty of God's creation and the fellowship of one another! (In case of rain, we will meet in the pit stop at the church.)

Menu:

**Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Green Beans,
Deviled Eggs, Fruit Salad, Dessert, & Beverages**

Everyone please come prepared to share your favorite summer story!

Please RSVP to the church office by noon on Monday, May 18

(704-982-2722 or klambert@fpcalbemarle.org)

to sign-up and/or if you need transportation.



**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
COOKING CAMP FOR KIDS**

(completed 4th – 6th Grades)

June 22-25 (Monday-Thursday)

9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$30.00 per child

Camp Limit of 12 children

**Contact Jane Snyder for more information and to register
(704-438-3358 or jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org).**

First Presbyterian Church Spring Art Gallery Exhibit presents

Our Great State of North Carolina

Featuring Artwork from the Children of Central School

!!! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR COOKING CAMP JUNE 22-25 !!!

We will need volunteers to work every day from 8:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. with the campers and 6 volunteers everyday (these 6 volunteers do not have to be the same ones everyday) from 1:00 p.m. until around 3:00 p.m. to help clean up and set-up for next day.

For more information, contact Jane Snyder at 704-982-2722/704-438-3358 or jsnyder@fpcalbemarle.org.

TESTING PROCTORS NEEDED AT CENTRAL SCHOOL

EOG testing is set for May 27-June 11 at Central School. Proctors are desperately needed!!! If you can help, please contact Adeena East (adeena.east@stanlycountyschools.org) or Shelly Eudy (shelly.eudy@stanlycountyschools.org).



The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit

First Presbyterian Church

Music & Arts Camp

June 14-18, 2015

Children and adults will delight in the exciting story of David and Goliath, where the message of the story comes alive in a fresh, new way. There is plenty of humor in the musical comedy, *Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit*, by Allen Pote & Tom Long, with the timeless power of the message: *Our great God is worthy of trust, and His power is victorious if we trust Him with every challenge.* Music & Arts Camp promises to provide a fun-filled week of entertainment for the camper and volunteers!

FOR WHOM?

For you if you are age 4 (must turn 4 before June 30) or older - - all the way through completed 6th grade AND if you love to create, sing and have fun with others. Everyone is welcome.

WHAT WILL WE DO?

We'll sing and dance, create sets, play percussion instruments, study the Bible in new ways, act and play. It will be a full and exciting week.

WHEN WILL WE DO IT? It all begins on Sunday, June 14 at 2:00 p.m. ('til 5:00 p.m.). On June 15-18, these are the hours:

Ages 4-5

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Grades K-6 (completed)

9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

WHAT ELSE?

Early Bird Registration Fee is only \$30.00 (by May 29).

Late Registration Fee is \$35.00 (after May 29).

Children who have completed grades K-6 should bring a lunch each day. Drinks will be provided.

**The camp's grand finale will be a performance of on Thursday, June 18 at 7:00 p.m.
(Ice Cream follows)**

Name _____	Age _____	& Grade Completed (as of June 10) _____
Address _____		
Phone _____	Email Address _____	
Parent's Name _____		
Emergency Contact during hours of Music & Arts Camp _____		
Food or other allergies _____		
T Shirt Size: YX-Small (2-4) YSmall (6-8) YMedium(10-12) YLarge (14-16) YXLarge(18-20)		
Adult S M L XL		
Other things we should know about this child _____		

Return registration form to:
First Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 1578
126 West North Street
Albemarle, NC 28002

Questions? (704) 982-2722
or email Gina Martin
(gmartin@fpcalbemarle.org)

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 17

Scholarship Recipient Recognition

- 8:45 am *Diaconate
- 9:45 am *Sunday School
- 11:00 am *Worship
- 5:00 pm SNL End-of-the-Year Dinner

Monday, May 18

- 5:30 pm Session
- 7:00 pm May Book Study Discussion

Tuesday, May 19

- 7:00 pm-8:30 pm Confirmation Class
(Session Room)

Wednesday, May 20

- 6:30 am Toby Webb Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 9:30 am *Pray & Play
- 10:30 pm Backpacks for Central School
- 7:00 pm *Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 8:30 pm Pick-up Basketball

Thursday, May 21

- 10:00 am Muffins & More
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting
- 12:00 pm PrimeTimers Picnic at City Lake Park
- 8:00 pm Theology Lite at Little Tokyo (Hwy. 52)

Sunday, May 24

Pentecost/Pentecost Offering

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

No Children's Church

- 9:45 am *Sunday School
- 11:00 am *Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

MAY

- 17- Liz Jolly
Ken Knight
Art Rogers
- 19- Piper Campbell
Jim Sawyer
- 20- Jim Ivey, III
Bill Lindley
- 21- Joe Kluttz
Kristen Laton
Quinton Wainwright

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

MAY

- 17- Tom & Holly Norwood
- 18- Jordan & Amanda Morgan
- 21- Brett & Sherrie Richards
- 22- Lee & Yolanda Johnson
Rodney & Rita Morgan

SCCM NEED FOR MAY:

TOILETRIES

Shampoo, Toothpaste, Soap, Deodorant, Personal Hygiene Items

*childcare provided