The Weekly Bulletin FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Albemarle, North Carolina Matt Drumheller, Pastor

Church Offices: (704) 982-2722 Website: www.fpcalbemarle.org May 23, 2021 **GATHERING BEFORE GOD** PRELUDE Prelude on 'Come, Holy Spirit' Stanley R. Scheer Frank Poolos, Oboe Beth Poolos, Windchimes LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Thora Kilde PEALING OF THE CHIMES **OPENING SENTENCES** Psalm 104: 30, 35 The Spirit of God renews the earth. Bless the name of the Lord! CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH CALL TO WORSHIP Ellen Snyder, liturgist Acts 2:1-21 Do you hear it, The sound of rushing wind beginning to fill this house? Do you see it, The glowing pillars of fire reflecting in every pair of eyes? Do you feel it, God moving in this place, calling us to worship? The Spirit has come! The church is born! Let us worship God with thanksgiving! PRAYER OF THE DAY AND THE 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. **HYMN 280** Come, O Spirit, Dwell Among Us Ebenezer Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; come with Pentecostal power; Give the church a stronger vision; help us face each crucial hour. Built upon a firm foundation, Jesus Christ, the Cornerstone, Still the church is called to mission that God's love shall be made known. We would raise our alleluias for the grace of yesteryears; For tomorrow's unknown pathway, hear, O Lord, our humble prayers. In the church's pilgrim journey you have led us all the way; Still in presence move before us, fire by night and cloud by day. Come, O Spirit, dwell among us; give us words of fire and flame. Help our feeble lips to praise you, glorify your holy name. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One: what mystery! We would sing our loud hosannas now and through eternity.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

Almighty God, you poured your Spirit upon gathered disciples creating bold tongues, open ears, and a new community of faith. You are doing a new thing, actively moving in the world. Forgive us when we act as if your stories have all been written. You hear the prayers of every language and call us to hear each other. Forgive us when we act as if your Spirit only spoke our native tongue. Wash us in your grace, O God, and illumine us with your fire.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES Reverend Drumheller Introductions Presentation Prayer of Thanksgiving

SOLO

The Gift of Love Ann Crutchfield, Soprano Fran Hal H. Hopson

Ann Crutchfield, Soprano Frank Poolos, Oboe Though I may speak with bravest fire, and have the gift to all inspire,

And have not love; my words are vain, as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.

Though I may give all I possess, and striving so my love profess, But not be given by love within the profit soon turns strangely thin.

Come, spirit come, our hearts control, our spirits long to be made whole. Let inward love guide every deed. By this we worship and are freed. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of power and grace, fill us with the wisdom of your Word and the understanding of your Spirit. May we be your church: a people with dreams and visions at work in all the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God.** Acts 2:1-21

Reverend Drumheller

Adapted from the Confession of 1967.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

SERMON

God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in human life. The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which people are reconciled to God and to one another. The Spirit enables people to receive forgiveness as they forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God as they make peace among themselves. In spite of their sin, the Spirit gives people power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and his gospel of reconciliation to all. Amen.

The Spirit

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER The Lord's Table Invitation is open to all who Words of Institution trust in Jesus Sharing the Meal Christ and to Prayer of Thanksgiving those who want to trust him more. **HYMN 769** For Everyone Born For Everyone Born For everyone born, a place at the table, for everyone born, clean water and bread, A shelter, a space, a safe place for growing, for everyone born, a star overhead. (*Refrain*) And God will delight when we are creators of justice and joy, compassion and peace: Yes, God will delight when we are creators of justice, justice and joy! For woman and man, a place at the table, revising the roles, deciding the share, With wisdom and grace, dividing the power, for woman and man, a system that's fair. (Refrain) For young and for old, a place at the table, a voice to be heard, a part in the song, The hands of a child in hands that are wrinkled, for young and for old, the right to belong. (Refrain) For just and unjust, a place at the table, abuser, abused, with need to forgive, In anger, in hurt, a mindset of mercy, for just and unjust, a new way to live. (Refrain) For everyone born, a place at the table, to live without fear, and simply to be. To work, to speak out, to witness and worship, for everyone born, the right to be free. (Refrain) CHARGE AND BENEDICTION **BENEDICTION RESPONSE** Ralph Vaughn Williams God Be With You Till We Meet Again God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide uphold you, With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

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Thank you to Wiley Crutchfield and Andy McLeod for helping with audio and visual worship production this morning. Thank you to Andy Cotton, Ann Crutchfield, Beth Poolos, and Ellen Snyder for their leadership in worship this morning.

The acolyte today is Thora Kilde.

Ushers for May: John Howell (captain); Duncan Bryson; Keith Bryson; Jim Hesley

Outside Ushers for May 23: Jim Marshall; Lee Snuggs

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Kyle Barbee, Fred & Wendy McInturff (parents of Michelle Cumming), Nancy Jolly (Trinity Place), Claude Harwood, Hoy Lanning and family, Jean Rabe, Jane Scheer, Don Joines, Jane Pickler. See newsletter for complete list.

In an effort to keep the newsletter prayer list updated, please notify the church office (704-982-2722 or pknighten@fpcalbemarle.org) or Martha Sue Hall (704-985-5821 or hallmsh@hotmail.com) of changes.

2021 Flower Calendar

The 2021 flower calendar is posted in the pit stop. If you wish to put flowers in the church in honor or memory of someone or just to provide beauty to the service, please sign up on the calendar. **Flowers may be ordered from any local florist.** Contact Emily Andrew (704-322-5510 or em.andrew21@gmail.com) for more information.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Duncan Bryson, son of Kristie & Keith Bryson Judson Bullard, son of Shannon & Scott Bullard Kimbal Chapman, daughter of Anissa & Chris Chapman David Kilde, son of Heather & John Kilde Morgan Kinley, daughter of Leslie & Stephan Kinley Gray Stone Day School Gray Stone Day School Gray Stone Day School NC School of Science & Math South Stanly High School

COLLEGE GRADUATES

Holland Currie, daughter of Lisa and Patrick Currie, graduated from Western Carolina University with a B.S. in Psychology.

Carter Knighten, son of Pam and Mitch Knighten, graduated from The University of North Carolina-Charlotte with a B.S. in Business Administration with a concentration in Finance and Accounting.

Ben McLeod, son of Laura and Mike McLeod, graduated from The University of North Carolina-Charlotte with a B.S. in Computer Engineering and a minor in Computer Science.

Isabel McLeod, daughter of Laura and Mike McLeod, graduated from The Ohio State University with a B.A. in Non-Governmental Organizations and Social Change and a minor in Spanish.

Anna Wainwright, daughter of Debbie & Hugh Wainwright, graduated from The University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill with a B.A. in Sociology & History (U.S.) and a minor in Religious Studies. She will be heading to the University of California-Irvine to pursue a joint Master & PhD of Sociology.



End-of-the-Year Boxed Brunch for Central Elementary School Staff To Be Delivered on Friday, June 1

We are serving boxed brunches to Central Elementary School teachers and staff on June 1. The following items are needed:

7 volunteers to make 1 dozen muffins

Volunteers are needed to also donate fruit:

Seedless watermelon

Cantaloupe

Grapes

Blueberries Strawberries



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COOKING CAMP FOR KIDS

(COMPLETED 4th – 6th Grades)

June 21-24, 2021 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Cost: \$40.00 per child Camp Limit of 12 children



Do your children have a passion for cooking or love to help you prepare meals in the kitchen? Then perhaps a **cooking camp** is the perfect summer camp for them. This camp is offered to COMPLETED 4th-6th graders on **Monday, June 21 – Thursday, June 24 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** Young chefs expand their palates, kitchen hygiene and healthy eating habits, utensil skills, proper etiquette, cooking and baking and will experiment with flavors and ingredients. This camp will be packed with culinary excitement and tasty adventures! We will also be incorporating a field trip into the mix!

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



First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle Sunday, June 13-Thursday, June 17, 2021 *SPACE IS LIMITED. *KINDERGARTEN-6TH GRADE ONLY *REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 1, 2021

FOR WHOM?

For you if you have completed Kindergarten all the way through completed 6th grade. Space is limited due to COVID19: Kindergarten-1St Grade: Maximum of 10 Children 2nd-3rd Grade: Maximum of 10 Children 4th-6th Grade: Maximum of 20 Children

WHEN WILL WE DO IT? It all begins on Sunday, June 13 at 2:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. On June 14-17, the hours are 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

WHAT ELSE?

Registration Fee: \$20.00 Snacks & drinks will be provided. Everyone should be masked and socially distanced. The final performance will be filmed for people to watch at home.

Name	Age & Grade Completed (as of June 13)
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) Y-Small (6/8)	Y-Medium (10/12) Y-Large (14/16) Y-XLarge (18/20)
Adult S M L XL	
Other things we should know about this child	d
Permission to Use Photograph: I grant to	o First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle, the right to take 021 Music & Arts Camp and to use such photographs for any
Signature	Printed Name
of parent or guardian (if under age 18)	
Return form to: Q First Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 1578 126 West North Street Albemarle, NC 28002	Questions? Contact the church office at (704) 982-2722 or email klambert@fpcalbemarle.org
	For Office Use Only Date Received Staff Initials



Pentecost Sunday on May 23

Worship on Sunday, May 23 will be a celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit for the church. Red is the liturgical color for the day, so wear your red! We will also celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

VENTECOST Sunday, May 23 SPECIAL OFFERINGS CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

With our gifts to the Pentecost Offering, we join together to build God's house with our children, youth, and young adults. The Pentecost Offering helps our youth begin life with a strong start – a solid foundation of faith formed in the years from childhood through young adulthood. Our congregation is joining the whole church in building for our future and building individual lives of faith. Let's build God's house together!

Ways to give:

Mail to: **First Presbyterian Church P.O. Box 1578** Albemarle, NC 28002

PENTECOST to 91999

Text:

Give online at: pcusa.org/donatepentecost to learn more or donate

May Book Conversation Book: The Obituary Writer by Ann Hood Monday, May 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Pit Stop Masks required & 2 people max per table

If you are not attending in-person and wish to join via Zoom, contact Courtney Niederer (ccniederer@yahoo.com) for the Zoom link.



OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 23

Pentecost/Pentecost Offering The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper Graduate Recognition

9:45 am-10:30 am Adult Sunday School via Zoom

- 10:15 am Children & Youth Sunday School via Zoom
- 11:00 am Worship

Monday, May 24

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

- 7:00 pm May Book Conversation with Courtney Niederer (Pit Stop/Zoom)
- 8:00 pm Monday Night Bible Study with Matt
- 8:30 pm High School Bible Study with Debby Johnston & Jack Morton

Wednesday, May 26

- 6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
- 11:00 am Staff Meeting

Thursday, May 27

4:00 pm-5:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Catherine & Matt Moeller

Sunday, May 30

Trinity Sunday

- 9:45 am-10:30 am Adult Sunday School via Zoom
- 10:15 am Children & Youth Sunday School via Zoom

11:00 am Worship

Your on-going support of First Presbyterian Church is essential to the mission and ministry of the church and to the well-being of our ministry partners, locally and globally. Thank you for your generosity.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! MAY

23-Laura Mittendorf26-Chris McLaurin27-Gerald Poplin28-Rebekah Ayscue30-Jackson Lisk

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! MAY

22-Mike & Cathy King29-Lenny & Rose Saltzman30-Al & Becky AndrewDan Samples & Martha Sue Hall