

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 8

Sunday, August 8

9:30 am	Contemporary Service	143 Broad
10:00 am	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	PYF Leaders Training	Fellowship Hall

Monday, August 9

7:00 pm	BSA Troop 166 – B	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	BSA Troop 1166 – G	Parlor

Tuesday, August 10

6:00 pm	MCM Circles	Fellowship Hall
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Wednesday, August 11

Thursday, August 12

7:00 pm	Bible Study with Andy Stanley	Zoom
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Friday, August 13

Saturday, August 14

7:15 am	Men's Bible Study	143 Broad
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Sunday, August 15

9:30 am	Contemporary Service	143 Broad
9:45 am	Grades 1 st – 5 th Sunday School Class	Room 322
10:00 am	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
12:15 pm	Chancel Choir Luncheon	Fellowship Hall
5:00 pm	PYF Leaders Training	Fellowship Hall

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

SESSION

David Rockness, Moderator

Class of 2021

Mike Campbell
Brent Curtis
Tom Morrow
Mike Toma
Gene Vaughan

Class of 2022

Phil Heilman
Zach Miller
Trent Newell
Bill Omohundro
Mickey Russell

Mark Auten, Clerk

Class of 2023

Mark Auten
Chris Creech
Ross Culp
Scott Mauney
Sue Stevens

DIACONATE

Andrew Coates, Moderator

Class of 2021

Beverly Chappell
Andrew Coates
Hillary Cole
Angie Copeland
Debbie Lackey
Jane Peterson
Teresa Trimble

Liz Rader, Associate Moderator

Class of 2022

Carolyn Brawley
Pat King
Liz Rader
Kendall Reid
Ginny Swedenberg

Class of 2023

Chet Carpenter
Laura Christman
Lucy Hastings
Cathy Irwin

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples
August 8, 2021 ♦ 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: Greg Thompson, organist

WELCOME Jason Sentas

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE 513: *“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”*

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, you soldiers of the cross, lift high his royal banner, it must not suffer loss. From victory unto victory his army shall he lead, till every foe is vanquished and Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the trumpet call obey. Forth to the mighty conflict in this his glorious day. You that are brave, now serve him against unnumbered foes; Let courage rise with danger, and strength to strength oppose.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, stand in his strength alone. The arm of flesh will fail you you dare not trust your own. Put on the gospel armor, each piece put on with prayer, where duty calls, or danger, be never wanting there.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the strife will not be long; this day the noise of battle, the next, the victor's song. To those who conquer evil a crown of life shall be; they with the King of glory shall reign eternally.

*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.**

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.

SONG OF WORSHIP 589: *"O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee"*

O Master, let me walk with thee in lowly paths of service free.
Tell me thy secret; help me bear the strain of toil, the fret of care.

Help me the slow of heart to move by some clear, winning word of love.
Teach me the wayward feet to stay and guide them in the homeward way.

Teach me thy patience still with thee in closer, dearer company,
In work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in trust that triumphs over wrong.

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way,
In peace that only thou canst give, with thee, O Master, let me live.

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 129

"Often have they attacked me from my youth" let Israel now say ²"often have they attacked me from my youth, yet they have not prevailed against me. ³The plowers plowed on my back; they made their furrows long."
⁴The LORD is righteous; he has cut the cords of the wicked. ⁵May all who hate Zion be put to shame and turned backward. ⁶Let them be like the grass on the housetops that withers before it grows up, ⁷with which reapers do not fill their hands or binders of sheaves their arms, ⁸while those who pass by do not say, "The blessing of the LORD be upon you! We bless you in the name of the LORD!"

SERMON *"A Journey of Perseverance: Patience"* Dave Rockness

*HYMN 561: *"Christ for the World! We Sing"*

Christ for the world, we sing; the world to Christ we bring
With loving zeal the poor and them that mourn, the faint and
over borne, Sin sick and sorrow worn, for Christ to heal.

Christ for the world, we sing; the world to Christ we bring
With fervent prayer the wayward and the lost, by restless passions
Tossed, Redeemed at countless cost from dark despair.

Christ for the world, we sing; the world to Christ we bring
With one accord with us the work to share, with us reproach to dare,
With us the cross to bear, for Christ our Lord.

Christ for the world, we sing; the word to Christ we bring
With joyful song the new born souls whose days, reclaimed from
error's ways, Inspired with hope and praise, to Christ belong.

*INVITATION

* BENECTION

*POSTLUDE

Greg Thompson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Are you a first time visitor? If so, please make sure to check-in at the welcome table in the church parlor after the service. We want to make sure you have the opportunity to connect and address any questions you may have about our church community.

Adult Sunday School: We are offering an in-person Sunday School class at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall. The class is led by John and Judy Daniel, and uses the Ray Vander Laan DVD series, "That the World May Know."
Upcoming class sessions include these topics:
August 8 – Piercing the Darkness
August 15- Gates of Hell – Caesarea

Children's Sunday School: We will be offering Sunday School for children in 1st – 5th grades beginning next Sunday, August 15, from 9:45-10:45 a.m. in Room 322.

Camp Grier Day Retreat: Make plans to join the church family at Camp Grier in Old Fort, NC, for a Day Retreat on Saturday September 4. Activities will be held from 10:00 am – 8:00pm – come for all or part of the day. Information may be found in the church parlor, the church office, and in the 143 Broad building. Register online at www.moorevillefpc.org. Please contact Ellen Auten (ellen@moorevillefpc.org) or Jason Sentas (jason@moorevillefpc.org) if you have any questions about the retreat.

Perspective's Class Available: If you have a heart for or growing interest in Missions and would like to learn more about how to take part in God's work around the world, there is a Perspective's class taking place in Huntersville that does it all. Information about the class can be found at www.perspectives.org/charlottenc. If you have any questions about the class please reach out to Pastor Jason at jason@moorevillefpc.org.

Chancel Choir News: We would like to announce a fantastic opportunity to anyone who has an interest in good singing and taking part in a special Christmas concert. A fabulous orchestra will accompany us in presenting the music of John Rutter and Leroy Anderson. This invitation is extended to both church congregations, the wider Mooresville community and friends of our church, far and wide. If you can commit to the weekly rehearsal schedule, we would love to see you!

Join us for a friendly and informative luncheon on Sunday, August 15 at 12:15pm. You will hear more about the plans and a chance for us to get to know each other. Don't be shy! Let's get back together. Box lunches will be ordered from McAlister's. If you plan to come, please email your order to jason@moorevillefpc.org before noon on Thursday, August 12.

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. **Prayer concerns will remain for six weeks. If you wish people to remain longer, please contact the church office and ask to have the period extended.** 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	Billie Brawley	John Westmoreland
Lecie Miller	Mary Mason	Kathleen Bates
Pat Hunter	Dot Nelson	Peggy Rogers
Peggy Davidson		

Members of the Church

Gene Harris	Bill Harris	Amy Williams
Sheri Mack	Faye Wright	The Culp Family
Lorra Lee Holshouser	Tom Trosuk	The Robinson & Seyller Family

Valerie Mauney & Family

Friends of the Church

Baxley Hoover	Jacki Rullman	Patty McNeely Beamish
Cecilia Parker	Tom Castilano	Bill & Connie Kruse
Margie Overcash, sister to Marilyn Beaver	Patti Dancoff	Aldo Martinez

Armed Forces

LTC David Dennison, Army	Sgt. Adam R. Loftin, USMC	LTJG Dylan Powell, USN
Major Ben Peacock, USAF	Maj. William Matheny, Army	LTC Rodney Tatum