

## CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 10

**Sunday, October 10** No PYF  
 9:30 am Contemporary Service 143 Broad  
 9:45 am Sunday School Room 301 & 309  
 10:30 am Fellowship Time Fellowship Hall  
 10:45 am Sunday School Classrooms  
 11:00 am Traditional Worship Sanctuary

**Monday, October 11** Preschool- Fall Break  
 2:00 pm Circle 1 143 Broad  
 7:00 pm BSA Troop 166 – B Fellowship Hall  
 7:00 pm BSA Troop 1166 – G Parlor

**Tuesday, October 12** Preschool – Fall Break  
 10:00 am Circle 4 143 Broad  
 12:00 pm Circle 5 Daniel’s Home  
 6:00 pm MCM Circles Kitchen/Room 300&301  
 6:00 pm Cub Scouts Fellowship Hall  
 7:00 pm Circle 3 143 Broad

**Wednesday, October 13**  
 Preschool – Fall Break  
 No Logos/MSM

**Thursday, October 14** Preschool – Fall Break  
 7:00 pm 1 John Bible Study Zoom  
 7:00 pm Screwtape Letters Bible Study

**Friday, October 15** Preschool – Fall Break

**Saturday, October 16**  
 8:30 am NC Presbytery 143 Building

**Sunday, October 17**  
 9:30 am Contemporary Service 143 Broad  
 9:45 am Sunday School Room 301 & 309  
 10:30 am Fellowship Time Fellowship Hall  
 10:45 am Sunday School Classrooms  
 11:00 am Traditional Worship Sanctuary  
 5:00 pm MS PYF Fellowship Hall  
 7:00 pm HS PYF Fellowship Hall

## ANNOUNCEMENTS CONT...

**Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall:** Join us for Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall from 10:30 – 10:45 am. We’ll enjoy light refreshments, coffee, lemonade, and a great opportunity to visit, talk and connect with our church family.

**Childcare is available** for infants through Kindergarten age during all services and activities on Sunday mornings from 9:15 am – 12:15 pm. Nurseries are located on the second floor of the Education Building.

**Circle 5** will be meeting at the home of Judy Daniel on Tuesday, October 12 at noon. We will carpool from the Academy St parking lot at 11:30 am.

## 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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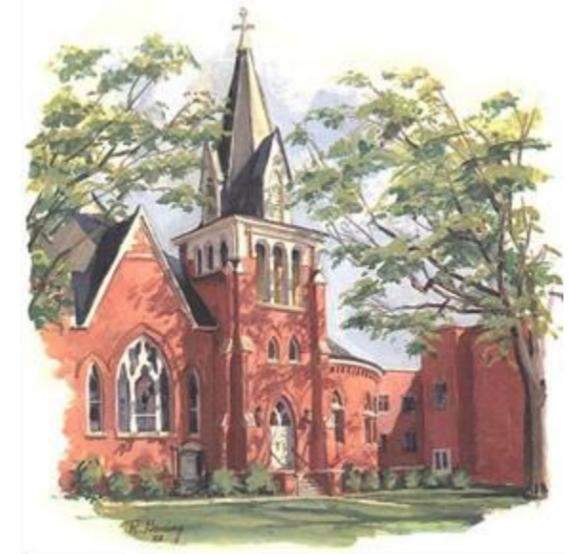
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## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples*

**October 10, 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 Dave Rockness

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

\*HYMN OF PRAISE 21: *“This Is My Father’s World”*

This is my Father’s world, and to my listening ears all nature sings,  
 and round me rings, the music of the spheres. This is my Father’s  
 world, I rest me in the thought of rocks and trees, of skies and seas- his  
 hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father’s world; O let us not forget that though the wrong is  
 great and strong, God is the ruler yet. He trusts us with his world, to  
 keep it clean and fair. All earth and trees, all skies and seas, all  
 creatures everywhere.

This is my Father’s world; he shines in all that’s fair, in the rustling  
 grass I hear him pass, He speaks to me everywhere. This is my Father’s  
 world, why should my heart be sad? The Lord is King, let heaven ring!  
 God reigns; let earth be glad.

\*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 466: *"Take My Life and Let It Be"*

Take my life and let it be consecrated Lord, to thee.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love, at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King, always, only, for my King.

Take my lips and let them be filled with messages for thee.

Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold, not a mite would I withhold.

Take my love, my God, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.

Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

SCRIPTURE READING

Nehemiah 7:1-5, 66-73

Now when the wall had been built and I had set up the doors, and the gatekeepers, the singers, and the Levites had been appointed, <sup>2</sup>I gave my brother Hanani charge over Jerusalem, along with Hananiah the commander of the citadel for he was a faithful man and feared God more than many. <sup>3</sup>And I said to them, "The gates of Jerusalem are not to be opened until the sun is hot; while the gatekeepers are still standing guard, let them shut and bar the doors. Appoint guards from among the inhabitants of Jerusalem, some at their watch posts, and others before their own houses." <sup>4</sup>The city was wide and large, but the people within it were few and no houses had been built. <sup>5</sup>Then my God put it into my mind to assemble the nobles and the officials and the people to be enrolled by genealogy. And I found the book of the genealogy of those who were the first to come back, and I found the following written in it: <sup>66</sup>The whole assembly together was forty two thousand three hundred sixty, <sup>67</sup>besides their male and female slaves, of whom there were seven thousand three hundred thirty seven; and they had two hundred forty five singers, male and female. <sup>68</sup>They had seven hundred thirty six horses, two hundred forty five mules <sup>69</sup>four hundred thirty five camels, and six thousand seven hundred twenty donkeys.

<sup>70</sup>Now some of the heads of ancestral houses contributed to the work. The governor gave to the treasury one thousand darics of gold, fifty basins, and five hundred thirty priestly robes. <sup>71</sup>And some of the heads of ancestral houses gave into the building fund twenty thousand darics of gold and two thousand two hundred minas of silver. <sup>72</sup>And what the rest of the people gave was twenty thousand darics of gold, two thousand minas of silver, and sixty seven priestly robes. <sup>73</sup>So the priests, the Levites, the gatekeepers, the singers, some of the people, the temple servants, and all Israel settled in their towns.

SERMON *"Restoring the Impossible: Repair Beyond Brick and Mortar"*

Dave Rockness

\*HYMN 496: *"Leaning On the Everlasting Arms"*

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms.

What a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

*Refrain*

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms,

Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way, leaning on the everlasting arms.

O how bright the path grows from day to day, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

What have I to dread, what have I to fear, leaning on the everlasting

arms? I have blessed peace with my Lord so near, leaning on the everlasting arms. *Refrain*

\*INVITATION

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

Greg Thompson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The flowers in the sanctuary** are to the glory of God and Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior by Rick and Rose Sheppard.

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.

**Saints Alive "Lunch Bunch:"** The Saints Alive group (our older adult group) is planning to meet for lunch at Julia's Talley House in Troutman on Tuesday, October 19 at 11:30 am. The Talley House is located at 305 N. Main Street in Troutman. Please contact Ellen Auten (704-664-5275; [ellen@moorevillefpc.org](mailto:ellen@moorevillefpc.org)) by Monday, October 18 to make a reservation.

### Wednesday Night Together

**Gospel of Luke Bible Study-** Our fall bible study, led by Pastor Dave, is on Wednesday nights (6-7pm) in the 143 building. It includes a short video presentation, guided group discussion, and pastoral insight. Dinner is available from 5:30-6pm (\$5/per person). The study is available for all ages and does not require advance notice. However, please contact the church office if interested in dinner.

**"Lost & Found" Women's Bible study-** A woman's study will be offered as well and is entitled *What Happens When Women Say Yes to God* by Lysa Terkeurst. This study will be led by Jodi Rockness. Those attending can register for dinner as well. **Those interested in dinner-** Please register at the welcome booth after the service or through our church's website ([moorevillefpc.org](http://moorevillefpc.org)). Dinner will include pizza, salad, and drinks for \$5/per person.

**Adult Sunday School:** We are currently offering 3 options for adult Sunday School:

9:45 – 10:30 am

- Upper Room Class – Teachers: **John and Judy Daniel**; meets in Room 301  
Uses the Ray Vander Laan DVD series, "That the World May Know"

- Covenant Bible Class – Teacher: **Bob Amon**; meets in Room 309  
Uses the International Sunday School Lessons

10:45 – 11:30 am

- Essential Scriptures – Teacher: **Zach Miller**; meets in 143 Broad  
Currently studying the book of Job

**Online Study of 1 John** - On Thursday nights the church is offering a Zoom study of the book of 1 John. With an emphasis on fellowship, Jonathon Snodgrass will walk the group through a twelve week verse by verse study of John's letter. The study is open to all. To register, please sign up on the [website](http://website) or send an email to [jason@moorevillefpc.org](mailto:jason@moorevillefpc.org).

## 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

Kathleen Bates

Lecie Miller

Mary Mason

Peggy Rogers

Pat Hunter

Dot Nelson

Peggy Davidson

### Bereavement – To the family of John White Westmoreland

#### Members of the Church

Gene Harris

Bill Harris

Amy Williams

Sheri Mack

Faye Wright

Adonna Dickerson

Lorra Lee Holshouser

Tom Trosuk

Jane Abernathy Family

Becky McIntyre & family

Russell Borkowsky

#### Friends of the Church

Baxley Hoover

Jacki Rullman

Patty McNeely Beamish

Cecilia Parker

Tom Castilano

Bill & Connie Kruse

Margie Overcash,

Patti Dancoff

Tom Thetga

sister to Marilyn Beaver

Aldo Martinez

Sibyl Newton

#### 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