

## CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 24

### Sunday, January 24

9:30 am	Contemporary Service	143 Broad
11:00 am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	MS PYF	143 Broad
6:30 pm	Session Meeting	Zoom
7:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall

### Monday, January 25

7:00 am	Men's Bible Study	143 Broad
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### Tuesday, January 26

2:00 pm	Sermon Study w/ Dave	143 Broad
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### Wednesday, January 27

6:30 pm	Dave's Bible Study	143 Broad
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### Thursday, January 28

7:00 pm	Ephesians Book Study with Jason	Zoom
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### Friday, January 29

	ECO Gathering	Zoom
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### Saturday, January 30

	ECO Gathering	Zoom
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### Sunday, January 31

9:30 am	Contemporary Service	143 Broad
11:00 am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	MS PYF	143 Broad
7:00 pm	HS PYF	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

#### Class of 2022

Carolyn Brawley  
Pat King  
Liz Rader  
Kendall Reid  
Ginny Swedenberg

#### Liz Rader, Associate Moderator

#### Class of 2023

Chet Carpenter  
Laura Christman  
Lucy Hastings  
Cathy Irwin

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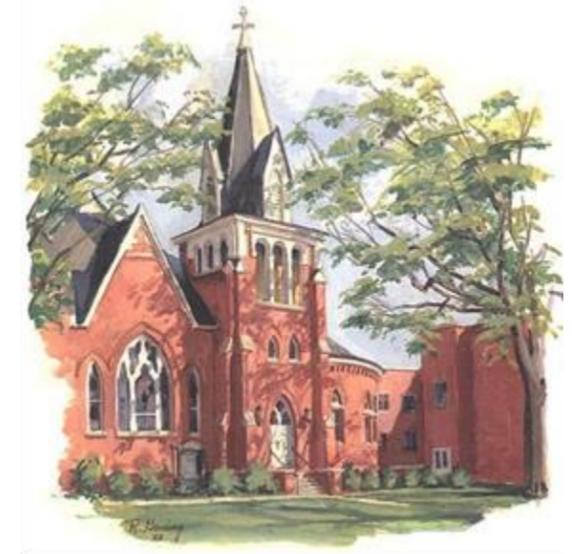
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## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples*

**January 24, 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: *"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above;

Praise his name-I'm fixed upon it-name of God's redeeming love.

Here I raise to thee an altar, hither by thy help I've come;

And I hope by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;

He, to rescue me from danger, bought me with his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!

Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;

Here's my heart, O, take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

\*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 *"Break Now the Bread of Life"*

Break now the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, as once you broke the loaves beside the sea. Beyond the sacred page I seek you, Lord. My spirit longs for you, O living Word.

Bless your own Word of truth, dear Lord, to me, as when you blessed the bread by Galilee. Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall; and I shall find my peace, my All in all!

You are the bread of life, dear Lord, to me; your holy Word the truth that rescues me. Give me to eat and live with you above; teach me to love your truth, for you are love.

O send your Spirit now, dear Lord, to me, that he may touch my eyes and make me see. Show me the truth made plain within your Word, for in your book revealed I see the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 5:1-18

“After this there was a festival of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate there is a pool, called in Hebrew Bethzatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay many invalids blind, lame, and paralyzed. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; and while I am making my way, someone else steps down ahead of me. Jesus said to him, Stand up, take your mat and walk. At once the man was made well, and he took up his mat and began to walk. Now that day was a Sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who had been cured, It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your mat. But he answered them, The man who made me well said to me, Take up your mat and walk. They asked him, Who is the man who said to you, Take it up and walk? Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had disappeared in the crowd that was there. Later Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, See, you have been made well! Do not sin any more, so that nothing worse happens to you. The man went away and told

the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. Therefore the Jews started persecuting Jesus, because he was doing such things on the Sabbath. But Jesus answered them, My Father is still working, and I also am working. For this reason the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because he was not only breaking the Sabbath, but was also calling God his own Father, thereby making himself equal to God.”

SERMON *"Signs and Statements: Four Truths"* Dave Rockness

\*HYMN: *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"*

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty, hold me with thy powerful hand;  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,  
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield,  
Be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;  
Bear me through the swelling current; land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, Songs of praises I will ever give to Thee;  
I will ever give to Thee.

\*INVITATION

\* BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE Greg Thompson

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Interested in church membership?** Please contact the church office, (704-664-5275), to set up an appointment with Pastor Dave. New members will be received in worship on February 21.

**Children's Messages:** There will be a Children's Message posted on the church website (moorevillefpc.org) at the end of each week. Click on Ministries tab, then Children tab.

**Small Groups and Classes** - We have a number of offerings for you to grow as a disciple here at the church. To register or to find out more information, please go to the website or call the office. moorevillefpc.org/small-groups-and-classes.

- Circle 1 - 2nd Monday of the month at 2 p.m.
- Circle 3 – 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
- Circle 4 - 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m.
- Circle 5 - 2nd Tuesday of the month at Noon.
- College Study – Thursdays at 8:30 p.m.
- Lost and Found Bible Study – (Women) The group meets on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Winter session has ended and will restart in the new year in February.
- Men's Bible Study - Monday Mornings at 7 a.m.
- Sermon Study with Dave - Tuesdays at 2 p.m.
- Men's Bible Study with Dave - Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- Ephesians Bible Study – Thursdays on (Zoom) at 7:00 p.m.

**Flowers:** Please contact the church office (704-664-5275) if you would like to provide flowers for worship services, in honor or memory of loved ones.

**PYF Groups Meeting Schedule:**

The MS PYF groups meet on Sundays from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

The HS PYF groups meet on Sundays from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

**2021 Offering Envelopes** are available in the Parlor on the welcoming center desk, 143 Broad building, and the church office. When you take an envelope packet, please sign your name on the envelope sheet beside that envelope number.

**Online Study of Ephesians:** Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. with Pastor Jason. The Letter from the Apostle Paul to the Ephesians speaks boldly of the wonderful work of Jesus Christ on behalf of all people and the unifying effect the Gospel message should have on the church. This nine-week study will be a deep dive into the important themes of the letter offering a time of teaching and opportunity to discuss and reflect on what God is saying to his people today through this wonderful part of the Bible. We will meet on Zoom. Meeting ID: 898 4261 8109 Passcode: 306263

## 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	Christy Floyd
Peggy Rogers		

**Bereavement- Connie Russell, in death of her mother, Jean Shultz**

**Members of the Church**

Al Culp	Bill Harris	Amy Williams
Gene Harris	Glyn Powell	Tom Trosuk
Sheri Mack	Sheryl Davis	Rusty LaBarre & Family
Carolyn Poteat & Family	Faye Wright	

**Friends of the Church**

Baxley Hoover	Jacki Rullman	Hudson Hitchcock
Dianne Haynes	Barry Davis	Tom Castilano
Patti McNeely Beamish	Larry Creech	Floyd Dinkins
Lola Ahlquist	Margie Overcash, sister to Marilyn Beaver	

**Armed Forces**

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