

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JULY 25

Sunday, July 25

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| 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 | Combined PYF | Campbell's Home |

Monday, July 26

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

Tuesday, July 27

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| 11:30 am | Saints Alive Lunch Bunch | Olive Garden |
| 7:00 pm | Screwtape Letters Bible Study | Room 222 |

Wednesday, July 28

Thursday, July 29

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| 7:00 pm | Bible Study with Andy Stanley | Zoom |
| 7:00 pm | Screwtape Letters Study | Zoom |

Friday, July 30

Saturday, July 31

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| 7:15 am | Men's Bible Study | 143 Broad |
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Sunday, August 1

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| 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 | MS PYF | Fellowship Hall |
| 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

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
July 25, 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 48: *"Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise"*

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes. Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might. Thy justice like mountains high soaring above thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all. We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree, and wither and perish but naught changest thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight. All praise we would render, O help us to see 'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

*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 51: *"How Great Thou Art"*

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds thy hands have made. I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Refrain:

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee; How great thou art, how great thou art. Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee; How great thou art, how great thou art.

When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees. When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze. *Refrain:*

And when I think that God, his Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in. That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, he bled and died to take away my sin. *Refrain:*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart. Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, "My God, how great thou art." *Refrain:*

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 121

"¹I lift up my eyes to the hills— from where will my help come? ²My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. ³He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. ⁴He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. ⁵The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand. ⁶The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. ⁷The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. ⁸The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore."

SERMON

"A Journey of Perseverance: Help"

Jason Sentas

*HYMN 354:

"Just As I Am"

Just as I am, without one plea but that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot.
To thee whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt.
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
Because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

*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:
July 25 – Living Water
August 1 – When Storms Come

Saints Alive "Lunch Bunch:" The Saints Alive group (our older adult group) is planning to go to lunch at Olive Garden on Tuesday, July 27 at 11:30 am. Olive Garden is located at 438 Talbert Road. Please contact Ellen Auten (704-664-5275; ellen@moorevillefpc.org) by Monday, July 26 to make a reservation.

PYF will meet tonight from 5-8 p.m. at Dr. Mike and Pat Campbell's home at 172 Morgan Bluff Rd. in Mooresville. Dinner will be served, there will be swimming in the lake, some games, worship and a lesson. We hope to see you there.

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.

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

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| Joan Gibson | Billie Brawley | John Westmoreland |
| Lecie Miller | Mary Mason | Kathleen Bates |
| Pat Hunter | Dot Nelson | Peggy Rogers |
| Peggy Davidson | | |

Bereavement: Jennifer Robinson, in death of her mother, Elizabeth Ebert (Libby Greene), and Meghan Seyller, Joe, Maddy & Ethan Robinson in the death of their grandmother.

Members of the Church

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| Gene Harris | Bill Harris | Amy Williams |
| Sheri Mack | Faye Wright | The Culp Family |
| Justin Foulke | Lorra Lee Holshouser | Tom Trosuk |

Friends of the Church

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| Baxley Hoover | Jacki Rullman | Patty McNeely Beamish |
| Dianne Haynes | Tom Castilano | Jim Hemphil |
| Margie Overcash, sister to Marilyn Beaver | Patti Dancoff | Bill & Connie Kruse |
| Cecilia Parker | | |

Armed Forces

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