

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 23

Sunday, January 23	Officers’ Ordination & Installation	
9:30 am	Contemporary Service	143 Broad
9:45 am	Sunday School/First Kids	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
6:30 pm	Called Session Meeting	Zoom
7:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall

Monday, January 24		
7:00 pm	BSA Troop 166 – B	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	BSA Troop 1166 – G	Parlor

Tuesday, January 25		
6:00 pm	MCM Circles	Kitchen/Room 300 & 301
6:00 pm	Cub Scouts	Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 26		
1:00 pm	Prayer Meeting	Library
4:30 pm	Logos/MSM Starts	Fellowship Hall/Classrooms
4:45 pm	Logos Parent Meeting	Fellowship Hall
5:30 pm	Wed. Night Together Dinner	143 Broad
6:00 pm	Bible Study/Dave	143 Broad

Thursday, January 27		
7:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal	143 Broad

Friday, January 28

Saturday, January 29		
7:15 am	Men’s Bible Study	143 Broad

Sunday, January 30		
9:30 am	Contemporary Service	143 Broad
9:45 am	Sunday School/First Kids	Room 301 & 309
10:30 am	Fellowship Time	Fellowship Hall
10:45 am	Sunday School	Classrooms
11:00 am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
12:15 pm	Congregation Meeting	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	MS PYF	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH
SESSION

David Rockness, Moderator	Mark Auten, Clerk	
<u>Class of 2021</u>	<u>Class of 2022</u>	<u>Class of 2023</u>
Mike Campbell	Phil Heilman	Mark Auten
Brent Curtis	Zach Miller	Chris Creech
Tom Morrow	Trent Newell	Ross Culp
Mike Toma	Bill Omohundro	Scott Mauney
Gene Vaughan	Mickey Russell	Sue Stevens

DIACONATE

Andrew Coates, Moderator	Liz Rader, Associate Moderator	
<u>Class of 2021</u>	<u>Class of 2022</u>	<u>Class of 2023</u>
Beverly Chappell	Carolyn Brawley	Chet Carpenter
Andrew Coates	Pat King	Laura Christman
Hillary Cole	Liz Rader	Lucy Hastings
Angie Copeland	Kendall Reid	Cathy Irwin
Debbie Lackey	Ginny Swedenberg	
Jane Peterson		
Teresa Trimble		

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples
January 23, 2022 ♦ 11:00 A.M.

*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, piano

WELCOME Jason Sentas

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE 603: *“In Christ There Is No East or West”*
In Christ, there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In him shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find; his service is the golden cord close binding humankind.

Join hands, disciples of the faith, what’e’er your race may be! Who serves my Father as his child is surely kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west; in him meet south and north; all Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

*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.**

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS
Allen Brawley, Judy Daniel, Garrett Howard, Tom Kirkland, Liz Rader,
Lynda Robinson, Karen Shore, and Ken Stissel

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.**

*HYMN 428: *“When Peace Like a River”*
When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows
roll, whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, “It is well, it is well
with my soul.”

Refrain
It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest
assurance control; that Christ has regarded my helpless estate, and has
shed His own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

My sin, O, the bliss of this glorious thought, my sin, not in part, but the
whole, is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more: Praise the Lord, praise
the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled
back as a scroll, the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend:
Even so, it is well with my soul! *Refrain*

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 1:1-14
“**1** Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are
in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: ²Grace to you and peace from
God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.³Blessed be the God and Father
of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual
blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴just as he chose us in Christ before the
foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵He
destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to
the good pleasure of his will, ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace that he
freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷In him we have redemption through
his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his
grace ⁸that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹he has made
known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he
set forth in Christ, ¹⁰as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things

in him, things in heaven and things on earth. ¹¹In Christ we have also
obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of
him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, ¹²so that
we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of
his glory. ¹³In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the
gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the
seal of the promised Holy Spirit; ¹⁴this is the pledge of our inheritance
toward redemption as God’s own people, to the praise of his glory.”

SERMON *“Unity in Christ: Praise Be to God!”* Dave Rockness

*HYMN 426: *“Blessed Assurance”*
Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine! Heir
of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain
This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long; this
is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my
sight; angels descending, bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of
love. *Refrain*

Perfect submission, all is at rest, I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his
love. *Refrain*

*INVITATION Dave Rockness

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE: Greg Thompson, piano

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of
Pat Hunter by Allen and Connie Brawley.

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.

Officers-elect will be ordained and/or installed today. Ordination is the act by
which the church sets apart persons to be ministers, elders and deacons, and is
accompanied with prayer and the laying on of hands. The office of elder and
deacon is perpetual; therefore, those previously ordained to their office will
only be installed.

Our elder nominees for the Class of 2022: Liz Rader
Our elder nominees for the Class of 2023: Lynda Robinson
Our elder nominees for the Class of 2024: Allen Brawley, Judy Daniel,
Garrett Howard, Tom Kirkland, Karen Shore, and Ken Stissel

Congregation Meeting: There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday,
January 30, after the 11am service for the purpose of presenting the 2022
budget approved by our session.

Wednesday Night Together (WNT)- Pastor Dave will be leading a 12-week
Bible study on the Book of Acts, beginning Wednesday, January 26 in the 143
building. It will meet weekly (6-7pm) and is open to men and women of all age
groups. Pizza and salad will be available for dinner (5:30-6pm) for a suggested
donation of \$5 per/person. If interested in dinner, please contact
the church office (704-664-5275) to register. This will give us an idea of how
many people to plan for.

The 2022 Flower Calendar is available in the parlor for anyone who would
like to sign up to provide flowers to enhance worship in the coming year. The
calendar will remain in the parlor until the end of January. This is a wonderful
way to mark a special occasion or honor a loved one. Your flowers can also
encourage someone who is ill or homebound if you wish to leave them to be
used by our flower ministry volunteers. Your arrangement will be used to
create smaller bouquets that will be distributed on Mondays to brighten
someone’s day.

Troop 166 Bingo Night: Please come join us for a night filled with fun at First
Presbyterian Church. \$10 gets you four bingo board cards to play. Must be
present to play and win!

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
Alecia Miller Mary Mason Peggy Rogers
Dot Nelson Peggy Davidson

Bereavement: The family of Nancy Smith

Members of the Church
Gene Harris Bill Harris Amy Williams
Sheri Mack Faye Wright Adonna Dickerson
Lorra Lee Holshouser Tom Trosuk Pat Hunter Family
Marilyn Beaver Family Jeff Stonestreet

Friends of the Church – Jane Scovil, mother to Sue Parnell
Cathy Moore, sister-in-law to Debbie Hyatt
Baxley Hoover Jacki Rullman Patty McNeely Beamish
Cecilia Parker Tom Castilano Bill & Connie Kruse
Patti Dancoff Tom Thetga Sibyl Newton
Robb Parker Renee Long Tillie Coyne

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