

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 27

Sunday, February 27

9:30 am	Contemporary Service/MSM Choir	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	Chili Cook-off	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	Stated Session Meeting	Room 300
7:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall

Monday, February 28

9:30 am	Lost and Found Bible Study	143 Broad
7:00 pm	BSA Troop 166 – B	Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm	BSA Troop 1166 – G	Parlor

Tuesday, March 1

9:00 am	Christian Mission Meeting	Room 300
6:00 pm	MCM Circles	Kitchen/Room 300 & 301
6:00 pm	Club Scouts	Fellowship hall

Wednesday, March 2

Ash Wednesday		
12:05 pm	Lenten Luncheon Service	143 Broad
4:30 pm	Logos/MSM	Fellowship Hall/Classrooms
4:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
5:40 pm	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
5:30 pm	Wed. Night Dinner Together	143 Broad
6:00 pm	Bible Study w/Dave	143 Broad
6:30 pm	Lost and Found Bible Study	143 Broad

Thursday, March 3

7:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal	143 Broad
7:00 pm	Stephen Minister Meeting	Room 222

Friday, March 4

Saturday, March 5

7:15 am	Men’s Bible Study	143 Broad
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Sunday, March 6

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	Room 300
7:00 pm	HS PYF	Fellowship Hall

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

SESSION

David Rockness, Moderator

Class of 2022

Phil Heilman
Zach Miller
Trent Newell
Bill Omohundro
Liz Rader
Mickey Russell

Class of 2023

Mark Auten
Chris Creech
Ross Culp
Lynda Robinson
Scott Mauney
Sue Stevens

Mark Auten, Clerk

Class of 2024

Allen Brawley
Judy Daniel
Garrett Howard
Tom Kirkland
Karen Shore
Ken Stissel

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The Rev. Dr. David Rockness, Pastor, Head of Staff
The Rev. Jason Sentas, Associate Pastor

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The Rev. Dr. S. Edwin Lewis The Rev. Dr. Frederick A. H. Coates

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples

February 27, 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

WELCOME Jason Sentas

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE 35: *“Morning Has Broken”*

Morning has broken like the first morning, blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain’s new fall sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation, praise every morning, God’s recreation of the new day!

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.**

MOMENT FOR MISSION Lifewater Jim Evans

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.

*SPECIAL MUSIC: *“God Be With You”* by William Tomer
 Handbells

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 3:14-21
 “¹⁴For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, ¹⁵from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. ¹⁶I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. ¹⁸I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. ²⁰Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, ²¹to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”

SERMON *“Unity in Christ: A Prayer for the Soul”* Dave Rockness

*HYMN 342: *“Rejoice, the Lord Is King!”*
Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give
thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore;

Refrain
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Our Savior, Jesus, reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had
purged our stains, he took his seat above: *Refrain*

Rejoice in glorious hope for Christ the Judge shall come to gather all his saints to their eternal home: *Refrain*

*INVITATION Dave Rockness

*BENEDICTION

*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.

Wednesday Night Together (WNT) - Pastor Dave will be leading a 12-week Bible study on the Book of Acts 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.

Midweek Lenten Luncheon Services - Starting on March 2 the church is hosting a luncheon service on Wednesdays from 12:05 till 12:50. These services will have some music, a short message and an opportunity to discuss the messages over a meal. The seven week study will take a look at the life of the Apostle Peter in relationship to Jesus. You are invited to bring your own lunch or register for a box lunch for \$12 on the church website.



First Presbyterian Church, Mooresville is a Stephen Ministry Church. In 2019, twenty church members began training to become Stephen Ministers. Following fifty hours of training, fourteen church members were commissioned, joining over 12,000 churches nationwide, 170 denominations, and 600,000 laypeople providing effective and Biblical care for millions of people since 1975. Once trained, Stephen Ministers participate in continuing education and supervision twice monthly as well as meeting weekly with care receivers. Although the Corona Virus changed much in our lives, your Stephen Ministers continued providing care faithfully and safely while cooperating with other Stephen Ministry churches in our community and nationwide. In March, we will begin meeting in person, once again, on the first and third Thursdays of each month from 7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. in the Session Room. Therefore, Stephen Ministers, mark your calendars! We will begin continuing education with Dallas Willard's *Life without Lack, Living in the Fullness of the 23rd Psalm*, about the God you may not know.

2022 Scholarships: Applications are now available for two scholarships for First Presbyterian Church members who are graduating seniors or college students. The Agnes Neel and Cora Freeze scholarships are valued at \$2,500 each. Applications can be obtained from the church website, www.moorevillefpc.org, or from the church office (704) 664-5275. Deadline to be completed and returned to the church office is Monday, April 25.

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: Kim Streb in the death of her mother

Members of the Church – Thomas Miller

Gene Harris	Bill Harris	Amy Williams
Sheri Mack	Faye Wright	Adonna Dickerson
Lorra Lee Holshouser	Tom Trosuk	Ron Chislaghi
Marilyn Beaver & Family	Jeff Stonestreet	Fern Alexander

Friends of the Church

Baxley Hoover	Jacki Rullman	Patty McNeely Beamish
Cecilia Parker	Tom Castilano	Bill & Connie Kruse
Patti Dancoff	Renee Long	Sibyl Newton
Robb Parker	Cathy Moore	Tillie Coyne
Jane Scovil		

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