

## CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF MAY 9

**Sunday, May 9** Mother's Day  
 9:30 am Contemporary Service 143 Broad  
 10:00 am Adult Sunday School Class Fellowship Hall  
 11:00 am Traditional Worship Sanctuary

**Monday, May 10**  
 10:00 am Circle 1 143 Broad

**Tuesday, May 11**  
 10:00 am Circle 4 143 Broad  
 12:00 pm Circle 5 Parlor  
 2:00 pm Sermon Study with Dave 143 Broad  
 7:00 pm Circle 3 143 Broad  
 7:00 pm Screwtape Letters Study Room 301

**Wednesday, May 12**  
 10:00 am VBS Workday Fellowship Hall  
 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study with Dave 143 Broad

**Thursday, May 13**  
 7:00 pm Choir Study Zoom  
 7:00 pm Screwtape Letters Study Zoom

**Friday, May 14**

**Saturday, May 15**  
 7:15 am Men's Bible Study 143 Broad

**Sunday, May 16**  
 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 143 Broad  
 7:00 pm HS PYF 143 Broad

## 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**

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## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples*

**May 9, 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 Almighty King"*  
 Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise;  
 Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of  
 Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend;  
 Come, and thy people bless, and give thy word success; Spirit of holiness,  
 on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour,  
 Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart,  
 Spirit of power.

To thee, great One in Three, eternal praises be - hence, evermore!  
 Thy sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore!

\*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 *"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 Philippians 1:12-18  
"I want you to know, beloved, that what has happened to me has actually helped to spread the gospel, so that it has become known throughout the whole imperial guard and to everyone else that my imprisonment is for Christ; and most of the brothers and sisters, having been made confident in the Lord by my imprisonment, dare to speak the word with greater boldness and without fear. Some proclaim Christ from envy and rivalry, but others from goodwill. These proclaim Christ out of love, knowing that I have been put here for the defense of the gospel; the others proclaim Christ out of selfish ambition, not sincerely but intending to increase my suffering in my imprisonment. What does it matter? Just this, that Christ is proclaimed in every way, whether out of false motives or true; and in that I rejoice. Yes, and I will continue to rejoice."

SERMON *"Purpose Fueling Progress"* Jason Sentas

\*HYMN: *"I Love To Tell the Story"*  
I love to tell the story of unseen things above, of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love, I love to tell the story because I know 'tis true; it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

*Refrain:*  
I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory, to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story, 'tis pleasant to repeat what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet, I love to tell the story, for some have never heard the message of salvation from God's own Holy Word. *Refrain:*

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seems hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest. And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song, 'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain:*

\*INVITATION

\* 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.

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

**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:  
May 9 – Prophets and Kings: Being in the Culture and Not of It-Who is God?  
May 16 – Prophets and Kings: Being in the Culture and Not of It – The Wages of Sin  
Tables and chairs are set up and spaced so that participants may easily sit 6 feet apart. We strongly recommend wearing a mask and sitting only with people in your household. Please contact Ellen Auten (704-664-5275; [ellen@moorevillefpc.org](mailto:ellen@moorevillefpc.org)) if you have questions.

**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.

**The Screwtape Letters Study:** Early in 1940, after the start of WWII, C.S. Lewis had the idea of writing a book about "the psychology of temptation from the other point of view." The book holds 31 letters from a senior demon to his nephew, a lesser demon who has oversight over man who is referred to as "the patient." Starting the second week of May there will be two groups meeting to study this fascinating look at temptation. The first group led by Jaclyn Webb will meet on Tuesday nights at the church in room 301 at 7:00 p.m. starting May 11. The second group, led by Matthew Sholar and Jonathan Snodgrass, will meet on Thursday nights on zoom at 7:00 p.m. starting May 13. Both groups will meet for 11 weeks, will be discussion based, and will cover three letters a week. If you are interested in joining, please contact the office or register online at [www.moorevillefpc.org/pilgrims-progress-1-1](http://www.moorevillefpc.org/pilgrims-progress-1-1).

**VBS Workdays:** Beginning this Wednesday, May 12, there will be VBS workdays every Wednesday from 10:00 am to noon. Volunteers will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

**Circle 5** (Circle of Friends) will meet on Tuesday, May 11 at noon in the parlor.

## 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	Peggy Rogers

### Members of the Church

Al Culp	Bill Harris	Amy Williams
Gene Harris	Faye Wright	Tom Trosuk
Sheri Mack	Lorra Lee Holshouser	Jerilyn Fair
Tom Kirkland	Bill Morrow & Family	

### Friends of the Church

Baxley Hoover	Jacki Rullman	Hudson Hitchcock
Dianne Haynes	Tom Castilano	Patty McNeely Beamish
Margie Overcash, sister to Marilyn Beaver	Patti Dancoff	Jim Hemphil

### 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