

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF AUGUST 16

Sunday, August 16		
8:30 am	Contemporary Worship	143 Broad
10:00 am	Sunday School	Classrooms
10:00 am	Contemporary Worship	143 Broad
11:15 am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
12:30 pm	Christian Ed committee	Room 222
2:30 pm	Prayer Shawl Team	Parlor
5:00 pm	MS Refresh Youth	143 Broad
7:00 pm	HS Refresh Youth	143 Broad

Monday, August 17		
6:30 pm	Missions committee	143 Broad
7:00 pm	Finance committee	Zoom
7:00 pm	Property committee	Room 222
7:00 pm	Scouts BSA Troop 1166-G	Parlor
7:00 pm	Scouts BSA Troop 166-B	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, August 18

Wednesday, August 19		
2:30 pm	Prayer meeting	Library

Thursday, August 20		
7:00 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal	143 Broad

Friday, August 21

Saturday, August 22		
7:15 am	Men’s Bible Study	143 Broad

Sunday, August 23		
8:30 am	Contemporary Worship	143 Broad
10:00 am	Sunday School	Classrooms
10:00 am	Contemporary Worship	143 Broad
11:15 am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	MS Refresh Youth	143 Broad
6:30 pm	Session meeting	Room 300
7:00 pm	HS Refresh Youth	143 Broad

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

SESSION		
David Rockness, Moderator		
Mark Auten, Clerk		
<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>	<u>Class of 2028</u>
Robert Holman	Brent Curtis	Michelle Droddy
Vic Petrenko	Philip Heilman	Nathan Glad
Susan Poore	David Handy	Dave Ramey
Johnny Robertson	Rachel van Harn	Nikki Robinson
Lynda Robinson	Trent Newell	Sue Stevens
Al White	Donna Welsh	Michelle Stissel

PASTOR		
The Rev. Dr. David Rockness, Pastor, Head of Staff		
The Rev. Moses Camacho-Greer, Associate Pastor		
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The Rev. Dr. S. Edwin Lewis		
The Rev. Dr. Frederick A. H. Coates		

PROGRAM AND SUPPORT STAFF		
Marian Dillingham, Business Administrator		
Tracey Prochaska, Director of Preschool		
Melissa Foulke, Children’s Ministry Leader		
Laura Rumble, Contemporary Worship Leader		
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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples
August 16, 2026, ♦ 11:15 AM
*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

WELCOME Dave Rockness

MOMENT FOR CONNECTION

CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 146:5–10

Leader: Blessed is the one whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God.
People: He is the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea and everything in them. He remains faithful forever.
Leader: The LORD executes justice for the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.
People: The LORD sets prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.
Leader: The LORD raises up those who are oppressed; the LORD loves the righteous.
People: The LORD reigns forever, our God, for all generations.
All: Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!



If you are visiting or looking for more information, scan the QR code below to get connected!

SERVICE TIMES?

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY?

BIBLE STUDIES?



CHURCH EVENTS?

CALENDAR?

INFORMATION ABOUT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM YOU!

INVOCATION

Gracious God, You are the Maker of heaven and earth, the One who remains faithful forever. You open the eyes of the blind, raise up those who are bowed down, and bring light into our darkness. As we gather in Your presence, open our eyes that we may behold Your glory. Open our ears that we may hear Your Word. Open our hearts that we may receive Your grace. By the power of Your Holy Spirit, turn our attention away from every distraction and fix our eyes upon Jesus Christ, the Light of the World. May all that we sing, pray, hear, and proclaim bring honor and glory to You—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE 502: Be Thou My Vision
Tune: SLANE

*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.

MINISTRY MOMENT: Child Presentation - Layla
Eugene Chenyi and Tenku Mandi invite the congregation to share in the joy as they present their daughter Layla to the congregation. Layla’s sister, Letticia will also join the presentation.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PASTORAL PRAYER AND SILENT CONFESSION

*HYMN OF RESPONSE 480: Open My Eyes, That I May See
Tune: OPEN MY EYES

SCRIPTURE READING John 9:1-41

SERMON: “Encounters with Jesus: Man Born Blind”
Moses Camacho-Greer

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND BREAKING OF BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE: All professing and baptized Christians are invited to commune today, as well as baptized children instructed in the meaning of the sacrament. The elements are served at the front of the sanctuary by pastors and Elders through intinction. Gluten-free and prepackaged bread and juice are available. May the risen Christ nourish your soul as you commune.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*INVITATION BENEDICTION

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 740: The 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.

*POSTLUDE

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 can connect and address any questions you may have about our church community.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and to say thank you for supporting Troop 1166, by Susan and Tommy Deweese.

Youth Ministry Update: Just a quick update on our youth ministry. As we continue our search for a new full-time Youth Director, Pastor Dave Rockness will be overseeing the ministry in the meantime. There will be a Parent + Adult volunteer leader meeting, which will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, August 13th, at 7pm (should take about 30-45 min). Both Middle School and High School will resume on Sunday, August 16. Middle School meets from 5:00–6:30 pm., and High School meets from 7:00–8:30 pm. Wednesday night Bible studies will kick off with Wednesday Night Together on September 9. If you're a parent of a student, or if you've ever thought about serving with our youth ministry, we'd love to talk with you. Please connect with Pastor Dave after the service—he'd be happy to answer any questions and would especially love to hear from anyone interested in volunteering. And as a church family, let's continue praying that God would lead the next great person to serve as our Youth Director.

Wednesday Night Together (WNT) – Coming Soon – Fall 2026: Wednesday Night Together returns this fall beginning September 9! Join us each Wednesday evening as we gather for fellowship, dinner, discipleship, and programs for every generation. Whether you've been coming for years or are looking for a place to connect, WNT is a great opportunity to grow in your faith and build relationships within our church family.

- Fall Schedule
- September 9 – Kickoff Night of Dinner and Classes
 - Weekly gatherings through November 18
 - No WNT: November 25 (Thanksgiving Week)
 - October 14 – Worship Night
 - December 2 – Worship Night & Semester Close
- Evening Schedule
- 5:30 PM – Dinner together (suggested donation: \$5/person, \$20 family maximum)
 - 6:20–7:30 PM – Adult classes & Bible studies, children's ministry, youth ministry, and childcare

This Fall's complete list of offerings, class descriptions, and registration information will be available soon on the church website. We hope you'll make Wednesday nights a part of your fall rhythm as we grow together in Christ.

Membership: If you are interested in becoming members here at FPC Mooresville, please contact the church office and set up an appointment with Pastor Dave Rockness. We will be offering an opportunity to join in the month of August.

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

Joyce Johnson	Jean Chislaghi	Peggy Rogers
Dot Nelson	Mary Mason	

Members of the Church

Justin Foulke	Barbara Hinson Family	Pat King
Bill Morrow Family	Jeff Stonestreet	Christon Carlson
Family of Barbara Newton	Family of George Brawley Jr.	Family of John Neely
Lora Lee Holshouser	Family of Franklin Holshouser	Family of David Howie

Friends of the Church – Louis Vargas (nephew to Cindy Malloy)

Emily Procik	Brock & Casey McNabb	Seth Snodgrass
Jeri Laud		

Armed Forces

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