

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 16

Sunday, January 16	Officers' Ordination & Installation Contemporary Service Sunday School/First Kids Fellowship Time Sunday School Traditional Worship Combined PYF	143 Broad Room 301 & 309 Fellowship Hall Classrooms Sanctuary Fellowship Hall
Monday, January 17	Office/Preschool Closed – MLK Day BSA Troop 166 – B BSA Troop 1166 – G	Fellowship Hall Parlor
Tuesday, January 18	Saints Alive "Lunch Bunch" MCM Circles Cub Scouts	Olive Garden Kitchen/Room 300 & 301 Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, January 19	Prayer Meeting Logos/MSM Starts Logos Parent Meeting Wed. Night Together Dinner Bible Study/Dave	Library Fellowship Hall/Classrooms Fellowship Hall 143 Broad 143 Broad
Thursday, January 20	Newsletter Deadline Praise Team Rehearsal	143 Broad
Friday, January 21		
Saturday, January 22	Men's Bible Study	143 Broad
Sunday, January 23	Contemporary Service Sunday School/First Kids Fellowship Time Sunday School Traditional Worship MS PYF HS PYF	143 Broad Room 301 & 309 Fellowship Hall Classrooms Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Fellowship Hall

LEADERSHIP OF THE CHURCH

SESSION

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

DIACONATE

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

PASTOR

The Rev. Dr. David Rockness, Pastor, Head of Staff	dave@mooresvillefpc.org
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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
January 16, 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 CONFESSON, 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: ² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, ⁴ just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. ⁵ He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, ⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace ⁸ that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight ⁹ he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things

in him, things in heaven and things on earth.¹¹ In 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, ¹² so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. ¹³ In 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; ¹⁴ this 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

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

Logos/MSM Begins 2nd semester: The Logos/MSM Program (grades 1-8) will begin second semester this Wednesday, January 19. Parents of new participants should plan to attend a brief Parent Meeting this Wednesday, January 19 at 4:45 pm in the fellowship hall.

Saints Alive: The Saints Alive "Lunch Bunch" group plans to meet for lunch this Tuesday, January 18, at 11:30 am at Olive Garden, located at 438 Talbert Road. The Saints Alive group is our "older" adult group. Please contact Ellen Auten (704-664-5275; ellen@mooresvillefpc.org) by Monday, January 17 to make a lunch reservation.

Wednesday Night Together (WNT)- Pastor Dave will be leading a 12-week Bible study on the Book of Acts, beginning Wednesday, January 19th 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.

Church office is closed Monday, January 17 for MLK holiday.

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	

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

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	LTG Dylan Powell, USN
Major Ben Peacock, USAF	Maj. William Matheny, Army	LTC Rodney Tatum