

CALENDAR FOR WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14

Sunday, February 14

9:30 am	Contemporary Service	143 Broad
11:00 am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	Congregational Meeting	Sanctuary
5:00 pm	MS PYF	143 Broad
7:00 pm	HS PYF	143 Broad

Monday, February 15

7:00 am	Men's Bible Study	143 Broad
9:30 am	Lost and Found Bible Study	143 Broad

Tuesday, February 16

2:00 pm	Sermon Study with Dave	143 Broad
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Wednesday, February 17

	Ash Wednesday	
4:30 pm	Confirmation Class begins	143 Broad
6:30 pm	Lost and Found Bible Study	143 Broad
6:30 pm	Men's Bible Study with Dave	143 Broad

Thursday, February 18

7:00 pm	Ephesians Book Study with Jason	Zoom
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Sunday, February 21

	New Members Sunday	
9:30 am	Contemporary Service w/Communion	143 Broad
10:00 am	Adult Sunday School Class	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	Traditional Worship w/Communion	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

Liz Rader, Associate Moderator

Class of 2022

Carolyn Brawley
Pat King
Liz Rader
Kendall Reid
Ginny Swedenberg

Class of 2023

Chet Carpenter
Laura Christman
Lucy Hastings
Cathy Irwin

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Loving God, Loving People, and Making Disciples

February 14, 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

Dave Rockness

CALL TO WORSHIP

INVOCATION

*HYMN OF PRAISE: *"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"*

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God; assist me to proclaim,
To spread thro' all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

Jesus! The name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

To God all glory, praise, and love, be now and ever given;
By saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

*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 *"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"*

Savior, like a Shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care;
In thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast bought us, thine we are.

We are thine, do thou befriend us, be the guardian of our way;
Keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;
Thou hast mercy to relieve us. Grace to cleanse, and power to free;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to thee;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, early let us turn to thee.

Early let us seek thy favor, early let us do thy will,
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with thy love our bosoms fill;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast loved us, love us still;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, thou hast loved us, love us still.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 8:12-20

“Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life. Then the Pharisees said to him, you are testifying on your own behalf; your testimony is not valid. Jesus answered, even if I testify on my own behalf, my testimony is valid because I know where I have come from and where I am going, but you do not know where I come from or where I am going. You judge by human standards; I judge no one. Yet even if I do judge, my judgment is valid; for it is not I alone who judge, but I and the Father who sent me. In your law it is written that the testimony of two witnesses is valid. I testify on my own behalf, and the Father who sent me testifies on my behalf. Then they said to him, where is your Father? Jesus answered, you know neither me nor my Father. If you knew me, you would know my Father also. He spoke these words while he was teaching in the treasury of the temple, but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.”

SERMON *"Signs and Statements: I am the Light of the World"*

Jason Sentas

*HYMN: *"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"*

I have decided to follow Jesus; I have decided to follow Jesus
I have decided to follow Jesus, No turning back, no turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me; the world behind me, the cross before me; the world behind me, the cross before me, no turning back, no turning back.

Though none go with me, I still will follow; though none go with me, I still will follow; Though none go with me, I still will follow, no turning back, no turning back.

Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? Will you decide now to follow Jesus? No turning back, no turning back.

*INVITATION

* BENECTION

*POSTLUDE

Greg Thompson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Small Groups and Classes- We have a number of offerings for you to grow as a disciple here at the church. To register or to find out more information, please go to the website or call the office. Moorevillefpc.org/small-groups-and-classes.

- Circle 1 – 2nd Monday of the month at 2 p.m.
- Circle 3 – 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.
- Circle 4 – 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m.
- Circle 5 – 2nd Tuesday of the month at 12:00 noon.
- College Study – Thursdays at 8:30 p.m.
- Lost and Found Bible Study – (Women) the group meets on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- Men's Bible Study – Monday mornings at 7:00 a.m.
- Sermon Study with Dave – Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m.
- Men's Bible Study with Dave – Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- Ephesians Bible Study with Jason – Thursdays on (Zoom) at 7:00 p.m.

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.

PYF Groups Meeting Schedule:

The MS PYF groups meet on Sundays from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

The HS PYF groups meet on Sundays from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.

2021 Offering Envelopes are available for pickup in the Parlor on the welcoming center desk, 143 Broad building, and the church office. When you take an envelope packet, please sign your name on the envelope sheet beside that envelope number.

There will be a congregational meeting following the 11:00 a.m. traditional service today. The purpose of the meeting is to communicate the approved budget for 2021. Knowing that many of our members continue to worship with us from home, we will live stream the meeting through the website and offer opportunities for those watching from home to interact if you feel led. If you have a question you would like to ask during the meeting but will be joining us online, please text your name and your question to 781-267-5553.

Adult Sunday School Class: Beginning Sunday, February 21, we will be offering an in-person Sunday School class at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall. The class will be led by John and Judy Daniel, and will focus on how God revealed himself to his ancient people, and how the stories of the Bible reveal His mission for our lives. The class will use the Ray Vander Laan DVD series, “That the World May Know.”

Tables and chairs will be 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 if you have questions (704-664-5275; ellen@moorevillefpc.org).

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	Christy Floyd
Peggy Rogers		

Members of the Church

Al Culp	Bill Harris	Amy Williams
Gene Harris	Faye Wright	Tom Trosuk
Sheri Mack	Lorra Lee Holshouser	

Friends of the Church

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

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