

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 17th

Prayer List

Today: 10:00 a.m. - Worship service with Sacrament of Holy Communion, sanctuary
Choir rehearsal following worship, sanctuary
9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Missions Committee), Carry out only

Monday: 10:00 a.m. - Creative Hands
7:00 p.m. - Property Committee meeting, f. hall

Tuesday: 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Refresh & Renew Ministry program

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Wednesday Work Group
9:30 a.m. - Staff meeting
August Newsletter Deadline
6:00 p.m. - Circle of Sisters Book Club, Jason's Deli and AMC Theater, Hickory
No Choir

Thursday: 11:00 a.m. - Ladies Lunch Group, Depot Deli, Newton

Next Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service, FPC Chapel
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Calvary Baptist), Carry-out only

The flowers are given today by Ron & Gail Roscoe to the glory of God and to celebrate our 63rd wedding anniversary.

Personal hearing devices are available. Please see an usher. Persons interested in joining the church should speak to David Roquemore, Pastor, or contact the church office.

Usher: Clark Strickland

Week of July 17th

Elder on Call Randy Williams
Sound System Bruce Deese

Week of July 24th

Elder on Call Charles Moody
Greeters 10:00 Sally Sigmon & Susan Roquemore
Flowers: Lee & Cindy Combs
Sound System Bruce Deese

Attendance - July 10th

10:00 a.m. - 62

CHURCH MEMBERS: Frances Ennis, Lee Cranford, Julie Jones, Sondra Phillips, Nancy Gargis, Laurie Joplin, Wanda Hicks, Ron Valentini, Ann White, Jim Teubner, the Foley family, the Inscoc family, Frances Inscoc, Tom & Linda Witherspoon, John & Edythe Taylor, Courtney Roquemore, Beverly McAlister, Bud Beers, Patty Valentini, Kay Long, Judy Fulton, Richard Hedrick, Melva Cooper, Jeannie Clark, Delilah Bragg, Jim & Peggy Templeton, Gary McDougal, Faye Morgan, Bob Neill

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Ken McColley, Zachary Ausel, Lisa Eaton, Maryia Johnson & family, Mary Lib Williams, Margaret Hale, Drema Doolittle and family, Caitlan Reese, Keith & Shelley Moretz, Melanie Cranford, Bobby Brown, Zak Kuhn, Margaret Lutz, Sheila Jones, Cora Compton, Pam Bruner, Ken McColley, Julie Eckard, Tom MacLaughlin, Luke Ohman, Melanie Cranford (Scott Cranford's wife)

Prayers for those with Long-term Health Concerns:

CHURCH MEMBERS: Janet Drum, Richard Foley, Pete Keel, Becky McRee, Robin Miller, Frankie Sigmon

Prayers for those in Assisted Living/Homebound:

CHURCH MEMBERS: Johnsie Abernethy, Dennis DeBalso, Betty Epps, Betty Fieselman, Frances Inscoc, Clayton Todd

Prayers for those in the Military:

John Hardin, U.S. Army, Fort Sill, OK
(Cindy Baldwin's nephew)
LCDR William G. Bickel, Jr., U.S. Navy, Norfolk, VA
(Bruce & Cathy Murdock's son-in-law)
Captain Joshua Smith, U.S. Marines, Camp Lejeune, NC
(Brenda Smith's son)
Captain Christopher Walker, U.S. Army, Fort Knox, KY
(Tammy Walker's son)
LTJG Max Morrill, U.S. Navy, Virginia Beach, VA
(Joan Inscoc's grandson)

Prayers for El Redentor, our Sister Church in Guatemala:

- For Tomoteo and Haydee Rodas who have been in poor health since contacting Covid
- Continued prayers for Leonardo, whose surgically repaired leg is healing poorly
- Give thanks that 5 year old Ana Lucia had successful hip surgery
- Give thanks for the safe delivery and birth of a healthy baby girl to Margot and Marlon Soto in May
 - For the well being of all members of our sister church
 - For all 20 scholarship students as they begin a new school year
- For Uzias Rodas, university scholar, who is in his 3rd year studying to be a teacher
 - For Humberto Robles, elder, who is receiving a scholarship for theological education

STEWARDSHIP REPORT through End of June 2022

2022 Pledge Budget	470,000.00
Pledge Budget through June 30, 2022	234,999.96
Pledge Receipts through June 30, 2022	230,804.24

Announcements – Week of July 17th

2022 Rocky Railway VBS

Join us **July 24th-28th for Rocky Railway VBS at Beth Eden Lutheran Church**. Each evening will begin with a meal at 5:15 p.m., with the program lasting until 8:15 p.m.

Two adult volunteers are still needed to help lead with the Loco Motion Games and the Imagination Station Science Station. Two adult volunteers are still needed to be Group Leaders. If you are interested, please contact Laura Sparks at 828-320-7717.

Thursday Morning Bible Study with David

Thursday morning Bible Study with David is taking a summer break. These weekly sessions will start back on Thursday, September 1, 2022 in the Library.

Refresh & Renew Shower Ministry

Every Tuesday from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. FPC is partnering with the Newton Police Department to provide a hot shower for the homeless population in Newton. Police officers and church volunteers will staff it, welcoming the people and making sure they get what they need. We are especially in need of female volunteers on hand for ladies that come in requesting a shower. Donations of clean towels, soap, and shampoo are also welcome. We also want to offer clean clothing to provide to someone for a job interview. Storage space is limited for clothing, please call the church office before you drop off donations.

The Corner Table Backpack Program

The ongoing mission of the Backpack Program is to remove hunger as a barrier to a good education by providing nutritional meals every weekend. A large white bin, marked *Backpack Program*, is located in the narthex for donations. Please consider purchasing the following items to help fill the backpacks.

Pop Tarts (4pk)	Cereal Cups
Canned Vegetables	Muffin Mix (small box)
Canned Chicken	Instant Oatmeal or Grits
Canned Tuna	Fruit Snacks

Equal Exchange Price Increases

Equal Exchange has had a price increase. If you are purchasing any of these items at the church and notice two different prices on the same products, it is not an error. This is a reflection of the price increases. As always, we appreciate your continued support of the Circle #5 Coffee Project.

Karen McDougal &
Fran Whitaker

Circle of Sisters Book Club

Ladies join us this Wednesday, July 20th at 6:00 p.m. at Jason's Deli for dinner, followed by going to see "Where the Crawdads Sing" at the AMC Theater at 7:20 p.m.

"Well, Isn't That Special?!" Lunch Group

The "Well, Isn't That Special?!" lunch group will meet this Thursday, July 21st at 11:00 a.m. for an early lunch at the Depot Deli located in Newton.

Let's fill the restaurant up! Let us know if you plan on coming and invite anyone you like. Please sign up in the church office.

Camp Grier - Save the Date!

The annual FPC Newton Camp Grier Church Retreat will be held September 16-18, 2022. Come enjoy fishing, canoeing, horseback riding, zip lining into the lake, hiking, puzzling, 4-square, campfires and rocking chairs on the dining hall porch.

You can bring your tent or camper, stay in a cabin, which has been renovated or rent a cabin for your family. All ages are invited! Come up for the day on Saturday or for worship on Sunday morning.

Brochures will be available in the near future for you to sign up with. Please contact Suzanne Rhinehart for additional information at 828-320-8013 or Suzanne_Rhinehart@ncsu.edu

5¢-a-Meal has a New Name!

The Presbytery of Western North Carolina's Hunger Committee reports that their "Daily Change" Fund is at a critically low point. The Daily Change Fund, previously known as the 5¢-a-Meal offering, is one way in which the Presbytery of Western NC can respond, through over-and-above giving, to the biblical mandate to show compassion and do justice for those in need.

We will continue to have collection cans available at the worship service on the **second Sunday of each month for this offering**. Donations can also be made online at the church's website (www.fpcnewton.org) Click on the Online Giving tab, make your donation as a Special Offering, and indicate "Daily Change" in the Notes section. You may also send a check to the church office, just note on the memo line "Daily Change".

Please consider assisting with this valuable program!