

This Week at First Presbyterian Church

8th Sunday after Pentecost

July 31st

Prayer List

Today: 10:00 a.m. - Worship service, sanctuary
Choir rehearsal following worship, sanctuary
9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Cornerstone Youth), Carry out only

Monday: 10:00 a.m. - Creative Hands
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - Wednesday Work Group
9:30 a.m. - Staff meeting
No Choir

Next Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:00 a.m. - Worship Service with Sacrament of Holy Communion, Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. - Sunday Community Supper, (Catawba Valley Rotary), Carry-out only

The flowers are given today by Presbyterian Women to the glory of God and for everyone's enjoyment.

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: Walker Brown

Week of July 31st

Elder on Call Suzanne Rhinehart
Greeters: 10:00 Taylor & LeAnna Rhinehart
Sound System Bruce Deese

Week of August 7th

Elder on Call Gary McDougal
Greeters 10:00 Suzanne Rhinehart & Lily Sparks
Sound System Bruce Deese

Attendance - July 24th

10:00 a.m. - 76

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 Inscoe family, Frances Inscoe, Tom & Linda Witherspoon, Courtney Roquemore, Beverly McAlister, Bud Beers, Patty Valentini, Kay Long, Judy Fulton, Richard Hedrick, Melva Cooper, Jeannie Clark, Jim & Peggy Templeton, Gary McDougal, Bob Neill, John Taylor

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, Bobby Brown, Zak Kuhn, Margaret Lutz, Sheila Jones, Cora Compton, Pam Bruner, Ken McColley, Julie Eckard, Tom MacLauchlin, Luke Ohman, Melanie Cranford

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 Inscoe, 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 Inscoe's grandson)

Prayers for El Redentor, our Sister Church in Guatemala:

- 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 31st

Guest Pianist

Today, we welcome Laura Michael as our pianist for this morning's worship service. Laura is the daughter of Doug and Mimi Michael and grew up going to church here at First Presbyterian. Laura now lives in Greensboro, NC. She is a speech-language pathologist and clinical supervisor at a Greensboro speech clinic. We thank Laura for sharing her talents with us today while Susan Strickland is on vacation.

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.

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

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!

FPC Youth Upcoming Events

August 21st 4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Community Sunday Supper

August 28th 10:00 a.m. Worship service
Blessing of the Backpacks

Parade of Cans

The Parade of Cans is an annual event held in conjunction with the Old Soldiers' Reunion Week. Our church will be collecting canned goods which will be donated to The Corner Table. The collection bin will be located in the narthex throughout the month of August. A listing of foods most needed by The Corner Table are in the August newsletter. You may donate money instead of food. Every dollar donated is equivalent to two pounds of food. If you choose to donate money, we ask that you note on your check's memo line, "Parade of Cans".

School Supplies

Again this year FPC Newton will collect school supplies for area students. If you notice any of the following items on sale during the summer, please keep in mind that there are families in our county that can't afford these supplies for their children.

Backpacks	Erasers	Pens
Three-ring binders	Markers	Highlighters
Lined paper	Crayons	Note Cards
Spiral notebooks	Pencils (Lead & Colored)	

A plastic container will be in the narthex in which school supplies can be placed. These items will be collected through the month of August. Please help give area students what they need to be equipped to learn.

Camp Grier Church Retreat

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. Invite your children and grandchildren for the weekend!

Brochures will be available soon in the church office for you to sign up with. Signing up helps the planning committee know who in your family plans on attending so they can ensure there are enough sleeping areas for family groups. Please contact Suzanne Rhinehart for additional information at 828-320-8013 or Suzanne_Rhinehart@ncsu.edu