

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Fayetteville, N.C. | Established 1800

THE GIVING TREE

JULY 13, 2025 9 a.m. ASSOCIATE PASTOR REV. JEFF SHAVER

## Service of Divine Worship

9:00 a.m. | July 13, 2025 Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly. Leave Gratefully. Serve Christ Faithfully.

Prelude

"You Raise Me Up" Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ arr. Joel Raney

Rev. Jeff Shaver

Welcome and Announcements

Call To Worship #743 "O God, You Are My God" STEP BY STEP

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you. O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you. I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways. And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

**Prayer of Invocation** 

Brandon Hammond

Hymn #65 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" CWM RHONDDA

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Response #581"Glory Be to the Father"GLORIA PATRIGlory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;<br/>as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,<br/>world without end. Amen, amen.GLORIA PATRI

Anthem

"The Lord is My True Shepherd" Joyce Borum, soloist Stephen Hedlund

#### Elder Bill McFadyen

#### Morning Prayer & 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.

#### **Time for Children**



Leader: "Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

All: But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night.

# Refrain: Take the saving word of God; put it first within your life. Nothing comes before God's holy word.

Leader: He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season.

All: And its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers

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Message	"The Giving Tree"	Rev. Jeff Shaver
Hymn #457	"How Happy are the Saints of God (Psalm 1)"	WAREHAM

Benediction

#### **Benediction Response**

"Go Now In Peace"

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Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of every day. Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in love, and show you believe. Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there watching from above. Go now in peace, in faith, and in love.

Postlude

"Te Deum" Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ Marc-Antoine Charpentier

### **Today's Flowers**

The Chapel flowers are given to the glory of God by the Chapel Flower Guild.

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Linda Huff on her birthday from Brooke, Ned, Hardy and Emmy Johnson.

# Sanctuary flower donors are needed for July 20, August 10 and August 17.

Monetary donations are always welcome. Indicate "Flower Fund" on envelope or check.

Contact Debra Chestnutt at debra@chestnutt.com or (910) 818-9006

## **Giving & Tithes**

Contributions help us continue our ministry and mission to serve Christ and share His gospel through meaningful worship, loving fellowship, spiritual growth, and compassionate outreach. Scan the code to the right to make a financial contribution -or- visit www.firstprez.com/give



Hannauina Tadau	July 20	• Summer Choir Rehearsal
Happening Toolay		<ul> <li>Personnel Committee Meeting</li> <li>David's Mighty Men</li> </ul>
• 9 a.m. Worship Service		COAP Meeting
• 10 a.m. Sunday School	Aug 4 Aug 5	<ul> <li>Engagement Committee Meeting</li> <li>Mission Committee Meeting</li> <li>S.A.L.T. breakfast at JK's Deli</li> </ul>
• 11 a.m. Worship Service	50	Congregational Care Meeting     Worship Committee Meeting     C. E. Committee Meeting
The Week Ahead	Aug 9 Aug 10	Mission Activities for all ages     Mini Mission Conference speakers
Monday, July 14	Aug 12	Hot Dog & Ice Cream Social     Stated Deacons Meeting
• 12 p.m. Message Seekers	Aug 13	<ul> <li>End of Summer Pool Party</li> <li>Summer Choir Rehearsal</li> </ul>
Tuesday, July 15	•	Stated Session Meeting
• 12 p.m. Finance Committee	Aug 24	• Rally Day • Pancake Breakfast
• 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall		Back to School Blessing     Kingdom Kidz & S.U.R.G.E. Scavenger Hunt
		Lowlanders Meeting
1	Sep 7	225th Anniversary Celebration

# **Cross Stitch Help Needed**

Is anyone in the congregation willing to cross stitch names and baptism dates on towels as needed?

We are looking for someone to continue this tradition.

Contact Debra at debra@chestnutt.com or (910) 818-9006

# End of Summer Bash at the Pool for Families!

NEW DATE! Wednesday, August 13 5 to 7:30 р.м.

at Highland Country Club

Pool, splash pad & lifeguards on duty.

## Don't forget your swimsuit, towels & sunscreen!



Fun for

all ages!

Chicken fingers, watermelon & chips will be provided. Guardians of younger children, please plan to stay. **RSVP by August 10.** Scan the QR Code or visit bit.ly/PoolParty25

> All families are welcomeinvite your friends!



Our theme for this Summers Conference focuses on the question asked of John the Baptist by a crowd of followers, "What should we do?"

His reply was simple, both then and now:

John answered, "Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same." Luke 3:11

## Saturday, August 9

**9 a.m.** - Hands-on Mission Activities for all ages. These mission activities will benefit some of our Local Mission Partners!

## Sunday, August 10

9 a.m. - Mission themed Worship Service in the Chapel.
10 a.m. - Presentation with Connections of Cumberland County featuring information about their new "Transitional Housing Program" for unhoused women.
11 a.m. - Mission themed Worship Service in the Sanctuary.
Following the 11 a.m. service - Hot Dog & Ice Cream Social The social will be in Fellowship Hall and hosted by members of the Mission Committee. Representatives from some of our Local Mission Partners will be on hand to share information about how each of us might support them as they serve the less fortunate in our community.



Please RSVP for the Hot Dog & Ice Cream Social. Scan the QR Code or visit bit.ly/FPCHotDog



Preorder your commemorative t-shirt today! Scan the QR Code or visit bit.ly/FPC2shirts



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## Community Caring in Action: Help Walker Spivey Kids Start School Strong

Local Relief Missions will be attending the Walker Spivey Elementary School Open House this August to support families in need. We are collecting school supplies for the 2025–2026 school year and want to ensure that every student starts the year with the tools they need to succeed. **We need your help!** 

We're gathering the following supplies to distribute to families who may not be able to afford them. Every donation makes a difference! Donations can be dropped off outside of the Snack Kit room (#416).

#### STUDENT NEEDS:

#### TEACHER WISH LIST:

School Book Bags/Backpacks Pencils Pencil Pouches Pencil Sharpeners Erasers 24ct Crayons Colored Pencils Highlighters Children's Scissors Compositions Books Post It Notes Ruled Notebook Paper Wide Ruled Notebook Paper

Kleenex Quart Ziploc Bags Gallon Ziploc Bags Disinfectant Wipes Band Aids

# THE SNACK KIT MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

As we prepare for the 2025–2026 school year, we are in need of support in providing snacks kits for students of Walker Spivey Elementary School. With your help, we can ensure every student has access to the nourishment they need to succeed.

## SNACK KIT ITEMS NEEDED 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR:

- Campbell's Condensed Chicken Noodle Soup 10.75 oz cans
- Chef Boyardee Beef Ravioli 15 oz. cans
- · Dole Cherry Mixed Fruit Bowls, 4 oz. cups
- · Kool-Aid Jammers Juice Pouches, 6 fl. oz.
- Kraft Original Macaroni and Cheese Easy Microwavable Dinner, 2.05 oz.
- Nutri-Grain Bars, 1.3 oz. individually wrapped bars
- · Pop-Tarts, Frosted, 2 pastries per package
- Quaker Instant Oatmeal Pack, 1.51 oz. (any flavor)
- Snack Pack 3.25 oz. Pudding Cups
- · Van Camp's Beanee Weenee 7.75 oz. cans
- Welch's Mixed Fruit Snacks, 0.8 oz. pouches
- · Yoo-hoo Chocolate Drink, 6.5 oz. drink boxes
- · Ziploc Gallon Storage Bags

Food donations are greatly appreciated and can be left in Eller Hall or upstairs near the Snack Kit room (#416).





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## ARE YOU A FIRST TIME VISITOR?

We'd love to connect with you!

Be sure to fill out a Connect Card and put it in the offering plate or leave it with the pastor on your way out. We also have a gift for you!

## PASTORAL STAFF

Dr. Michael Garrett, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jeff Shaver, Associate Pastor

Rev. Chris Carson, Minister of Pastoral Care

## PROGRAM STAFF

Dr. Marcia Mervin, Director of Music Ministry & Organist

Britany Spivey, Director of Christian Education & Children's Ministry

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Veronica P., Office Manager

## SUPPORT STAFF

Storie Smith, Administrative Assistant Nina McLaughlin, Facility Supervisor

### MUSIC SUPPORT STAFF

Alice Ann Campbell, Accompanist & Assistant Organist Tim Lloyd, Section Leader Joe Evans, Section Leader Erin Jackson, Choral Scholar Bruce McRae, Choral Scholar Theodore Schwamm, Choral Scholar Annalise Sears, Choral Scholar

## Sunday Services

9 a.m. Early Service, Chapel | 11 a.m. Service, Sanctuary

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