Welcome to Worships

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fayetteville, N.C. | Established 1800

Service of Divine Worship

9:00 a.m. | July 20, 2025 Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly. Leave Gratefully. Serve Christ Faithfully.

Prelude	"Prelude in Classic Style" Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ	Gordon Young
Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Jeff Shaver
	"Our God Is An Awesome God" me God who reigns from heaven above nd love; Our God is an awesome God!	AWESOME GOD
Prayer of Invocation		Dr. Mike Garrett
Hymn #12	"Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"	ST. DENIO
Prayer of Adoration and Confession		
Assurance of Pardon		

Response #581

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Anthem

"On Eagles' Wings" Erin Jackson, clarinet

Joncas, arr. Schrader

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder Bill Boyette

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

Scripture in Song, Hymn #45 "I to the Hills Will Lift My Eyes" (Psalm 121)

DUNDEE

Message "The Pilgrim's Playlist" Rev. Jeff Shaver

Hymn #838 "Standing on the Promises" PROMISES

Benediction

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

"Festival Toccata" Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ Percy E. Fletcher

Today's Flowers

The Chapel flowers are given to the glory of God and in gratitude for the faithful service and dedication of Rev. Jeff Shaver during his time at First Presbyterian Church, by the Chapel Flower Guild.

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Rev. Jeff Shaver in wishing him much success in his future service to God at the Presbyterian Church of Red Bluff by this grateful congregation.

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



Sanctuary flower donors are needed for August 10.

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

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

COAP (Caregivers Of Aging Persons) Meeting with guest speaker Rachel Thurnher Tuesday, July 29 at 6:30 p.m.

Rachel is the program coordinator for the Cape Fear Valley Health system's No One Dies Alone program. This program provides end of life comfort. For more information on Rachel and the program, visit bit.ly/COAPGuest to read CityView's article. Everyone is welcome to join the Zoom meeting.

Call the church office to receive the emailed link.



Happening Today

- · 9 a.m. Worship Service
- · 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- 12 p.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal

The Week Ahead

Monday, July 21

- 12 p.m. Message Seekers
- 12 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting

Tuesday, July 22

- · 6 p.m. Called Session Meeting
- · 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

Upcoming Events

- July 28 David's Mighty Men
- July 29 · COAP Meeting
- · Engagement Committee Meeting Aug 4
 - · Mission Committee Meeting
- · S.A.L.T. breakfast at JK's Deli Aug 5 · Congregational Care Meeting
 - · Worship Committee Meeting
- · C. E. Committee Meeting
- · Mission Activities for all ages Aug 9 Mini Mission Conference speakers Aug 10
 - · Hot Dog & Ice Cream Social
- Aug 12 · Stated Deacons Meeting
- Aug 13 · End of Summer Pool Party
- Aug 17 · Summer Choir Rehearsal Aug 19 Stated Session Meeting
- Aug 24 Rally Day
 - · Pancake Breakfast
 - · Back to School Blessing
 - · Kingdom Kidz & S.U.R.G.E. Scavenger Hunt
- Aug 29 · Lowlanders Meeting
- Sep 7 · 225th Anniversary Celebration

Rally Day & Back-to-School Blessing

Sunday, August 24

Register for the pancake breakfast Join us as we lick-off the fall season of ministry and learning with a joyful day of worship, fellowship, and celebration!

9 a.m. Worship in the Chapel

10 a.m. Pancake Breakfast in Fellowship Hall Kids will create a teacher's gift.

11 a.m. Back-to-School Blessing

Register for the Pancake Breakfast online at bit.ly/FPC2025KickOff or scan the QR Code.



End of Summer Bash at the Pool Fun for

NEW DATE!

Wednesday, August 13 5 to 7:30 P.M.

at Highland Country Club

Pool, splash pad & lifeguards on duty.

Don't forget your swimsuit. towels & sunscreen!



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 welcome-invite your friends!









Saturday, August 9



Sunday, August 10

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 Spivev 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:

School Book Bags/Backpacks

Pencils

Pencil Pouches

Pencil Sharpeners

Frasers

24ct Cravons

Colored Pencils

Highlighters

Children's Scissors

Compositions Books

Post It Notes

Ruled Notebook Paper

Wide Ruled Notebook Paper

TEACHER WISH LIST:

Kleenex

Quart Ziploc Bags

Gallon Ziploc Bags

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).

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!

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Sunday Services

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

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