



Welcome to Worship

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fayetteville, N.C. | Established 1800

SUMMER FRUIT:
SELF-CONTROL

SEPTEMBER 3 2023
11 a.m.

SENIOR PASTOR
DR. MIKE GARRETT

Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | September 3, 2023

Prelude

"The Lord's Prayer"
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organist

Albert Hay Malotte

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

Choral Call To Worship #469 "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" CHILDREN

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Lord, send your Spirit in this place.

Lord, listen to your children praying.

Send us love; send us power; send us grace. (sing 2x)

PRAYING

Prayer of Adoration

Hymn #308

"O God in Whom All Life Begins"

NOEL

Call To Confession

Prayer of Confession

Lord our God, we need your presence and your help. We strive to grow the virtuous fruit of the Holy Spirit in our lives, but too often the harvest is small. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to rely on you when we seek to do what is good. Lead us to meditate on your loving character as we begin each day. Bring our spiritual roots to your living water, so we may produce the fruit of your Spirit by your power. Hear now the silent cries and confessions of our hearts. (Our prayer continues in silence.) Amen.

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

"The Prayer *with* Lead Us Lord"
The Celebration Choir
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

arr. Tom Fettke

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder Steve McRae

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

Prayer Response # 601

"Amen"

DANISH AMEN

Offering

Offertory Anthem

"Reflections"

Jay Berry

Jay Berry, original guitar solo
Methodist University music composition major

Offertory Response, # 609

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Offertory Prayer

Time for Children

*No Children's Church. This Family Sunday, please return to sit with your family.**

Scripture

NT Galatians 5:22-26

Message

"Summer Fruit: Self-Control"

Dr. Mike Garrett

Hymn #693

"Though I May Speak"

GIFT OF LOVE

Benediction

Dr. Mike Garrett

Benediction Response

"Go Now In Peace"

Besig and Price

*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.*

(Those not staying for the Congregational Meeting may proceed to Fellowship in Eller Hall during "Go Now In Peace".)

Congregational Meeting

Postlude

"Festive Trumpet Tune"
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organist

David German

+ Children's church will resume on Sunday, September 10th.

* Enjoy your time worshiping as a family. The Children's Worship resource bags are available at each entrance.

Join us for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall.

Today's Flowers

*The Sanctuary flowers today are given to the glory of God
by a grateful congregation.*

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

Sunday, September 3, the session has called a congregational meeting for immediately following the 11a.m. service of worship. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the report and recommendation of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee for the congregation to issue a call for the position of Associate Pastor. Please make every effort to attend.

Sunday, September 10, the session has called a congregational meeting for immediately following the 11a.m. Worship Service, to act on the report of the nominating committee, and elect Elders and Deacons for the class of 2026. Please attend this brief meeting.

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 <http://www.firstprez.com/give/>.



Flower donors are needed for September and October.

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



happening Today

- 9 a.m. Worship Service
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- Congregational Meeting

A Look Ahead

September 4

Labor Day Holiday

Church Office is closed

September 5

- 8:30 a.m. S.A.L.T. Breakfast at JK's
- 5 p.m. Men's Quartet
- 5:30 Worship Committee Meeting
- 6:30 C. E. Committee Meeting
- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

Upcoming Events

- Sept. 10 • Unified Worship Service
- Fall Kick Off - Rally Day
- Congregational Meeting
- Kingdom Kidz & Youth Resume
- MOPs Meeting
- Sept. 11 • Finance Committee Meeting
- Mission Committee Meeting
- Sept. 12 • Martha Circle
- Stated Deacons Meeting
- Sept. 13 • Canticle Ringers Resume
- All In Fellowship Meals Resume
- Adult Christian Ed. Classes Resume
- Celebration Choir Resume
- Sept. 14 • Tapestry
- Sept. 17 • Club 543 - Junior Usher Training
- Sept. 18 • Personnel Committee Meeting
- Sept. 19 • Stated Session Meeting
- Sept. 25 • David's Mighty Men
- Sept. 26 • S.A.L.T. Billy Graham Library Trip
- Oct. 24 • S.A.L.T. Wilmington Trip
- Nov. 28 • S.A.L.T. Rudy Theatre in Selma Trip

FALL KICK-OFF SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

9:30-10:15am Pancake & Potluck Breakfast in Fellowship Hall

David's Mighty Men will cook pancakes and sausage.
Bring your favorite breakfast item to share.

10:15am Fall Gathering in Fellowship Hall

Christian Education Opportunities & New Worship Series by Dr. Garrett

11am Unified Worship Service in the Sanctuary

*Congregational Meeting for Officer Elections will follow the Worship Service



To register online, scan the QR Code
or visit bit.ly/FPC2023KickOff



ALL IN FELLOWSHIP MEALS

Enjoy a meal with potluck sides, family & friends at 5:30 p.m.,
followed by an Adult Education Class with Dr. Garrett at 6:30 p.m.

“Alongside: The Ministry of Mentoring Others” or Celebration Choir Rehearsal

The church will provide the main entree. You can bring a salad, side, dessert or bread that will serve 8 to 10 people or pay \$8 per adult (age 13+) and \$3 per child (age 5-12). The meal cap is \$20 per family. Nursery provided for young children. Study hall, followed by social time, provided for school age children.



Wednesday, September 13th - BBQ Chicken from Kinlaw's

Register online by scanning the QR Code or by visiting bit.ly/FPCFellowship913
Please register by Sunday, September 10th.



Wednesday, September 20th - BBQ Pork from BBQ Hut

Register online by scanning the QR Code or by visiting bit.ly/FPCFellowship920
Please register by Sunday, September 17th.

THE SNACK KIT MINISTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Why we need your help: Food requests from the Social Workers at area schools are steadily rising, and we want to grow our Snack Kit Ministry so that we can help. The intent of the Snack Kit Ministry is to provide nutritional food items for use over a weekend to children in need when they leave school on each Friday.

What we need: Dedicated volunteers to assist with food inventory, packing, and delivery to schools every two weeks. We are also in desperate need of the following food items for the kits.

Donations needed*:

- Milk shelf stable whole or 2% (Horizon Organic Whole Milk, 8 fl. oz.)
- Chef Boyardee Pasta (small cans or microwaveable)
- Beans with Franks
- Juice (Capri Sun)
- Pop Tarts
- Fruit Snacks
- Applesauce
- Soup
- Oatmeal Packets
- Nutri Grain Bars
- Pudding Cups
- Raisins (individual boxes)
- Mac & Cheese Packets
- Grits Packets
- Fruit Cups
- Granola Bars (no peanut butter)
- Cheese Crackers

*Please check the expiration dates on items before donating.

It takes about \$180 to provide food for the entire year to one student. Drop off donations in Eller Hall and monetary donations will be accepted in the church office. Please note "Local Relief Ministry" on checks.

If you, your Sunday School Class, or small group is interested in helping, please contact: Leslie DeSessa, ldesessa@gmail.com or Terry Plummer, plummer.terry57@gmail.com



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Sunday School Teachers Needed!

Make a difference in the lives of our youth!

To volunteer, contact Kimberhly Hopkins at youth@firstprez.com as soon as possible.

Do not despise these small beginnings, for the Lord rejoices to see the work begin...

Zechariah 4:10 NLT



Have you ever gotten to the end of a week, month or year and thought, "How did I get here? Where has the time gone?" It happens in our parenting, friendships, marriage and work- we get caught up in the urgent demands of the day-to-day, and then years go by, and we realize we haven't been making the small choices that will get us where we actually wanted to be. **So this is the year to make some moves. Say "Yes."**

MOPs and MOMSnext is for mothers of preschoolers and school-age children to realize their potential as mothers, women and leaders, in relationship with Jesus, and in partnership with our church.

**MOPs meets twice a month on Sundays 4:30-6:30pm
September 10 & 24, October 8 & 22, November 5 & 19**



Kingdom Kidz and Youth gather on Sundays from 4:30 to 6:30 PM. During their time, they share a fellowship meal together. This meal is made possible by a combination of volunteers, families and the church.

If you would like would like to help provide a meal for the children during their Sunday evening gatherings please sign up for a date below and indicate what you plan to bring. Pairing up with another family is a great idea as well! Samples of meals that were provided last fall include: hot dogs, tacos, pizza, pastas, and chicken tenders. To sign up online visit bit.ly/KingdomMeals2023 or scan the QR Code.



**4:30-6:30PM EVERY SUNDAY NIGHT
BEGINNING NEXT WEEK - SEPTEMBER 10TH**



First Prez Kingdom Youth

For 6th - 12th graders looking for a time of fellowship, friendship, food & fun! Explore what it means to look at the Bible in the 21st century as we answer the big question, "How can we apply the Bible to our lives today?"

First Prez Kingdom Kidz

For ages PreK 3 - 5th Grade. Children will explore music through singing and instruments, along with engaging Bible Stories through crafts and mission projects and enjoy a fellowship meal together.



NEW TO KINGDOM KIDZ & YOUTH?

Register online by scanning the QR code or by visiting bit.ly/KingdomKidz2023



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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. Mitch Watson,
Director of Pastoral Care

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Dr. Marcia Mervin,
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Sunday Services

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

Our mission at First Presbyterian Church is to *serve* Jesus Christ and *share* His gospel through meaningful worship, loving fellowship, spiritual growth, and compassionate outreach within our community and throughout the world.

#ServeandShare