



# Welcome to Worship

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fayetteville, N.C. | Established 1800

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

JULY 14, 2024  
11 a.m.

ASSOCIATE PASTOR  
REV. JEFF SHAVER

# Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | July 14, 2024

## Prelude

"Wondrous Love"  
Alice Ann Campbell, organ

Dale Wood

## Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Jeff Shaver

## Choral Call To Worship #137

"He Came Down"

Cameroon Song

*He came down that we may have love;  
He came down that we may have love;  
He came down that we may have love;  
Hallelujah forever more.*

## Prayer of Adoration

Dr. Mike Garrett

## Hymn #366

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

HYFRYDOL

## Call To Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Dr. Mike Garrett

Heavenly Father, we come before You, aware of our need for Your grace. You teach us to love one another, yet we often fall short. We have allowed our hearts to be hardened by anger, jealousy, and selfishness. Instead of showing Your love, we have sometimes chosen to withhold it from those who need it most. Forgive us, Lord, for the times we have failed to love our neighbors, our friends, and even our family members. Now, we take a moment in silence to confess our personal sins to You... (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** "Beloved, Let Us Love One Another" Pepper Choplin  
The Celebration Choir  
Theodore Schwamm, guest director  
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

**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

### Offering

**Offertory Anthem** "Amazing Grace" arr. Jack Schrader  
Jennifer McFadyen Hammond, soloist  
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

**Offertory Response, #609** "Praise God, from Whom LASST UNS ERFREUEN  
All Blessings Flow"  
*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

*Children 2nd grade and under are invited to Children's Church\**

**Scripture** 1 John 4:7-21

**Message** "Christmas in July" Rev. Jeff Shaver

**Hymn #110** "Love Has Come" BRING A TORCH

### Benediction

**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.*

**Postlude**

"Magnificat VI: Gloria"  
 Alice Ann Campbell, organ

Marcel Dupre

+ Children's Church is available for young elementary age children and meets in room 118 of the Nursery Wing. Childcare is available for all worship services in the Nursery Wing.

**Join us for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Eller Hall.**  
**Thank you to today's fellowship hosts:**  
**Deacons, Class of 2025**

**Today's Flowers**

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



## Flower donors are needed for August

Contact Debra Chestnutt at [debra@chestnutt.com](mailto:debra@chestnutt.com) or (910) 818-9006  
 Monetary donations for flowers can be made to the church office.  
 Please notate "Flower Fund" on checks.

**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/>.



SCAN ME

## THEOLOGY on tap

with Rev. Jeff Shaver at District House of Taps

Whether you're deeply rooted in your faith or just curious about life's big questions, this is for you. Share your thoughts, connect with like-minded individuals, and enjoy a fun evening of theological exploration over your favorite beverages.

**We welcome everyone, regardless of background or beliefs to join us. So bring a friend and we'll see you there!**

This Thursday July 18 at 6 p.m.  
 1240 Fort Bragg Rd

## Happening Today

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

## The Week Ahead

### Monday, July 15

- 12 p.m. Message Seekers
- 12 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting
- 1:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting
- 6 p.m. Mission Committee Meeting

### Tuesday, July 16

- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

### Wednesday, July 17

- 6 p.m. Family Movie Night

### Thursday, July 18

- 6 p.m. Theology on Tap

## Upcoming Events

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|--------------|---------------------------------------|
| Jul 21       | • Celebration Choir Rehearsal         |
| Jul 22       | • David's Mighty Men                  |
| Jul 23-25    | • Handbell Seminar                    |
| Jul 24       | • S.A.L.T. Planning Committee Meeting |
| Jul 27       | • Stewards of Children Training       |
| July 30      | • COAP Meeting via Zoom               |
| Jul 30-Aug 1 | • Handbell Seminar                    |
| Aug 1        | • Stewardship Committee Meeting       |
| Aug 2        | • Presbytery Night at Segra           |
| Aug 4        | • Cross Creek Fellowship resumes      |
|              | • Mini Mission Conference             |
| Aug 5        | • Congregational Care Meeting         |
|              | • Engagement Committee Meeting        |
|              | • Mission Committee Meeting           |
| Aug 6        | • Worship Committee Meeting           |
|              | • C. E. Committee Meeting             |
| Aug 11       | • Stephen Ministry Meeting            |
| Aug 13       | • PW Summer Class                     |
|              | • Joint Board Meeting                 |
| Aug 14       | • Family Pool Party                   |
| Aug 18       | • Celebration Choir Rehearsal         |
| Aug 25       | • Back to School Blessing             |

# FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

This Wednesday, July 17 from 6 to 8 p.m.  
in the Activity Room

**We will watch MIGRATION!**

Doors open at 5:45 p.m. & the movie begins at 6 p.m.

**Wear your PJs, bring a pillow  
and a sleeping bag!**

Pizza & popcorn will be served for dinner.

Guardians are welcome to join, and  
childcare will be available for the littles.



To register online, scan the QR Code  
or visit [bit.ly/KKYMovieNight](https://bit.ly/KKYMovieNight)





## Summer Handbell Seminar

Handbell, Music, Games, & MORE!

Join the fun this July!

*Open to Rising 3rd Graders through Adults*

**Week 1: July 23, 24, and 25 - 10 a.m. to noon**

**Week 2: July 30, 31 and August 1 - 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.**

To register for Week 1, visit [bit.ly/Handbell1](http://bit.ly/Handbell1) or scan the QR Code.

To register for Week 2, visit [bit.ly/Handbell2](http://bit.ly/Handbell2) or scan the QR Code.

*Minimum of 6 participants required, but open to more!*

For more info, contact Dr. Marcia Mervin at [marcia@firstprez.com](mailto:marcia@firstprez.com)



## DARKNESS TO LIGHT®

END CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE

### Committed to Protecting Children:

### Darkness to Light Training

### Saturday, July 27 - 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

We hold very high standards when it comes to serving our families and community. We believe everyone should feel safe, protected, and understood – especially our children and youth. That is why the Children's Ministry Committee and Christian Education Committee support this training opportunity.

Darkness to Light's Stewards of Children® is a revolutionary sexual abuse prevention training program that educates adults to prevent, recognize, and react responsibly to child sexual abuse, and motivates them to courageous action. The training includes the "5 Steps to Protecting our Children." Darkness to Light's core, evidence-based educational tool for sexual abuse prevention. The two-and-a-half-hour program utilizes a video with survivors and professionals, a workbook, and an interactive, facilitator-led discussion.

This training is **HIGHLY RECOMMENDED** for anyone that cares for children or works with children.

Light refreshments will be provided. This training is free and anyone from the community is encouraged and welcome, but **REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.**

**The deadline to register is July 21.**

To register, scan the QR Code or visit [bit.ly/D2LatFPC](http://bit.ly/D2LatFPC)



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## Presbyterian Night at the Woodpeckers

### Friday, August 2 at 7 p.m.

**Everyone is invited!**

Tickets are \$10.

Purchase your ticket anytime by visiting:

[www.presbycc.org/event-details/baseball-night](http://www.presbycc.org/event-details/baseball-night)





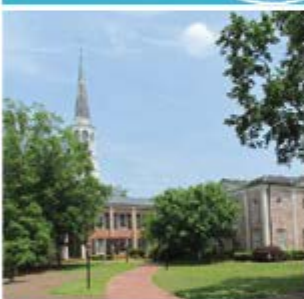
# POOL party

Family Pool Party at Highland Country Club  
on **Wednesday, August 14 from 5 to 8 p.m.**

There will be pizza, popcorn, watermelon,  
and lemonade provided for dinner.

To register online, scan the QR Code  
or visit [bit.ly/FPCPoolParty](http://bit.ly/FPCPoolParty)

Guardians of elementary age and  
younger children, please plan to stay.



## Summer Offerings

hosted by *Presbyterian Women*

*This is a wonderful opportunity that is open to everyone,  
so come & bring others along!*

**Tuesday, August 13 at 10 a.m.**

Dr. Vivian Rhone of Balm in Gilead Counseling Center will talk  
about the organization's work for the needy. We are happy to  
support this wonderful ministry in our community.

# BACK-TO-SCHOOL BLESSING



**Sunday, August 25 - Blessing of the Backpacks at 11 a.m.**



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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. 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, Chapel | 4 p.m. Cross Creek Fellowship

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**