



Welcome to Worship

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fayetteville, N.C. | Established 1800

OUR GENEROSITY

NOVEMBER 2, 2025
11 a.m.

SENIOR PASTOR
DR. MIKE GARRETT

Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | November 2, 2025

Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly.

Leave Gratefully. Serve Christ Faithfully.

Prelude

"Meditation"
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

Maurice Durufle

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

Call To Worship #694

"Great God of Every Blessing"

AURELIA

*Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care,
you are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start;
sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.*

Prayer of Adoration

Noah H.

Hymn #32

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

ELLACOMBE

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

David Allred

Loving God, we gather today, a people often blessed and comfortable with abundance. We are tempted to believe we merit the comforts we enjoy. Forgive us when we forget that you are the source of all our blessings. Free us from the sinful clutching that allows to turn a blind eye to the needs of the poor, close our ears to the cries of the hungry, or cling to our treasures more tightly than to our brothers and sisters in Christ in this world. God, have mercy on us through Jesus Christ our Lord. Hear now the silent prayers of our hearts. (We pray 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

"10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)"
The Celebration Choir
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

arr. Lloyd Larson

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder David Allred

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

"Angels Through the Night"
Annalise Sears, soloist
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

arr. Philip Kern

Doxology, #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

Reception of New Members

Time for Children

Children are invited to Children's Church+

Scripture

Deuteronomy 15:7-11 & 2 Corinthians 8:1-9

Message

"Our Generosity"

Dr. Mike Garrett

Hymn #716

"God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending"

BEACH SPRING

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

"Fugue"

Maurice Durufle'

Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

+ Children's Church is available for elementary age children and younger, 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 hosts: Youth Ministry**

Today's Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and
in loving honor of Happy, Evan and Eden Hibler,
by Bobby Bleecker, beloved father and grandfather.

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

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



HAPPENING TODAY

- 9 a.m. Worship Service
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- 12:15 p.m. Canticle Ringers
- 4:30 p.m. Kingdom Kidz & S.U.R.G.E.
- 5 p.m. The Gathering

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, November 3

- 12 p.m. Message Seekers
- 5:30 p.m. Women's Ensemble
- 5:30 p.m. Engagement Committee
- 6 p.m. Mission Committee
- 7 p.m. Prayer Beyond the Emoji

Tuesday, November 4

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

Wednesday, November 5

- 5:30 p.m. All In Fellowship Meal
- 6:30 p.m. Dr. Garrett's Anxiety Class
- 6:30 p.m. God's Little Creators
- 6:30 p.m. Stretch & Scripture
- 6:30 p.m. Celebration Choir Devotional
- 7 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, November 6

- 10 a.m. Tapestry
- 6 p.m. Courtside Connections Pickleball

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 9 • Stephen Ministry Guest Speaker
- MomCo Meeting
- **Kingdom Kidz & S.U.R.G.E. end at 6 p.m.**
- S.U.R.G.E. at the Awakening Tour
- Nov 11 • Martha Circle
- Family Skate Party
- Stated Deacons Meeting
- Nov 13 • Finance Committee
- Hannah Circle
- Nov 14 • S.A.L.T. trip to Rudy Theater
- Nov. 15 • Crossing Threshold Meeting
- Nov 16 • Dedication Sunday - Kids singing
- Lowlanders & Gathering Friendsgiving
- Nov 17 • Personnel Committee
- Nov 18 • 2026 Conference Planning
- Stated Session Meeting
- Nov 21 • S.U.R.G.E. Friendsgiving Lock-In
- Nov 22 • Vivaldi Gloria Rehearsal
- Nov 23 • Hanging of the Greens
- MomCo Meeting
- Nov 24 • David's Mighty Men
- Nov 25 • COAP Meeting (Zoom)
- Nov 27 • H3F Thanksgiving Potluck Luncheon
- Church Office closed
- Nov 28 • Church Office closed
- Dec 12 • S.A.L.T. Christmas Lights Tour



Prayer : BEYOND THE EMOJI

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3 AT 7 P.M.

Growing Your Faith Through Serving

Led by Terry Plummer and at the home of Bud Lafferty.

For more information, contact the church office at 910-483-0121.

Volunteers needed

for Monday mornings at the Eller Hall desk.

We need your smiling face to help with answering phones, greeting visitors and assisting with light administrative tasks.

Please contact the church office (910) 483-0121





COMMUNITY NEWS

Visit the bulletin board in Eller Hall to discover or share community activities and events that may be of interest—educational, enriching, or simply enjoyable.

To contribute, email information to ldesessa@gmail.com or post it directly on the board.

ALL IN FELLOWSHIP MEALS

with potluck sides, family & friends. Wednesdays - 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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. Childcare will be provided in the Nursery Wing during class, and rehearsal.



November 12 - Spaghetti

November 19 - BBQ

"People Experiencing Challenges Related to Aging"

Discussion with guest speaker

Dorothy Funkhouser



Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Sunday, November 9 at 3 p.m. in the Chapel

Dorothy is well known in our community. She served 25 years as Director of Christian Education and Stephen Ministry leader at Haymount United Methodist Church and now works as a clinical mental health counselor at Fayetteville Family Life Center.



Family Roller Skating Party

Tuesday, November 11 - 4 to 5:30 p.m.

at Round-A Bout Skating Center 880 Elm St.

Grab your loved ones for an afternoon of skating, laughter, & memories. All ages & skill levels welcome.



SCAN ME

Lace up and roll with us!

\$5 for skaters. Adults not skating are free.

Register online at bit.ly/FPCSkate



H³F

Home & Hearth Holiday Fellowship

Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner

Thursday, November 27th at 12 p.m.

*Your family looks forward to having you join them on Thanksgiving Day!!
Feel free to invite and bring a friend!*

There's no fee—just bring a side, salad, bread, or dessert to serve 8–10. The main entrée and drinks will be provided by the Congregational Care Committee.

Let us know what you'll bring to the H3 F Potluck Dinner—
salads, sides, or desserts (store-bought or homemade).

Register online by November 23 at 3 p.m.,
scan the QR Code or visit bit.ly/H3FThanksgiving25



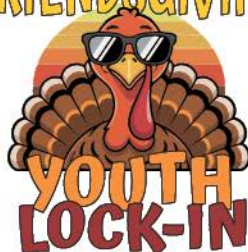
Save the date! Sunday, November 16

Lowlanders & The Gathering
will join together for a

Friendsgiving Celebration!



FRIENDSGIVING



Scan Me



\$10 per youth. Buddies are free!

Register online. Scan the QR Code or visit bit.ly/SURGElockin

Potluck dinner will be served. Don't forget to sign up for what
dish you'll bring here: bit.ly/SURGEpotluck

Drop off - Friday, Nov. 21 at 7 p.m.

Pick up - Saturday, Nov. 22 at 7 a.m.

Join us for a fun-filled evening of celebrating
friendship and giving thanks to the friend who
never leaves us, God! Bring a buddy and
dress like twins...best dressed will win a prize!
It will be a night full of games, prizes, shenani-
gans, and of course a movie and snacks.

s.a.l.t.
Seasoned Adults
Learning Together

S.A.L.T. Fellowship Breakfast
Tuesday, November 4
JK's Deli at 8:30 a.m.

Upcoming S.A.L.T. Trip

Friday, December 12 - Festival of Lights Tour

We will depart the church at 6 p.m. and tour Sweet Valley
Ranch's Christmas Lights. Cost will be dinner at MiCasitas.

RSVP by November 21 to Kathy Nickell at
(703) 283-7230 or nickell.katherinem@gmail.com



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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!

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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