



# Welcome to Worship

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Fayetteville, N.C. | Established 1800

I BELIEVE IN GOD

JANUARY 7, 2024  
11 a.m.

SENIOR PASTOR  
DR. MIKE GARRETT

# Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | January 7, 2024

## Prelude

"Be Thou My Vision"  
Alice Ann Campbell, organ

Anna Laura Page

## Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

## Choral Call To Worship #450

"Be Thou My Vision"

SLANE

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

## Prayer of Adoration

## Hymn #1

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

NICAEA

## Call To Confession

## Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God, your greatness is unfathomable. Your majesty is unending. Yet, we place so many other lesser things in front of you. You are Lord of our lives, but we rebel against you, desiring to rule ourselves. Forgive us for our wayward hearts. Create in us the same humility that your Son had during his earthly life, serving you through his death on a cross. Hear now the silent 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  
Theodore Schwamm, guest conductor  
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

arr. Tom Fettke

## Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder Marian 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**

**Prayer Response # 601**

"Amen"

DANISH AMEN

## Offering

**Offertory Anthem**

"Living Hope"

Phil Wickham

Erin Jackson, soloist  
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

**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

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

## The Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Scripture**

Exodus 3: 11-15

**Message**

"I Believe In God"

Dr. Mike Garrett

# Ordination and Installation of Elders and Deacons

Hymn #481

"I Believe in God the Father"

GENEVAN 42

## 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

"Postlude in F"  
Alice Ann Campbell, organ

Gordon Young

+ Children's church is available in the Nursery Wing, Room 118 for young elementary children.

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

### Today's Flowers

*The Sanctuary flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of those members of the congregation who sponsored flowers or donated to the Flower Fund in 2023. A wonderful testament to the loving congregation we have.*

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



**FLOWER DONORS NEEDED FOR FEBRUARY**

**Contact Debra Chestnutt at  
[debra@chestnutt.com](mailto:debra@chestnutt.com) or (910) 818-9006**

## happening Today

- 9 a.m. Worship Service
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- 12 p.m. Club 543
- 4:30 p.m. Kingdom Kidz & Youth
- 4:30 p.m. MOPs

## A Look Ahead

### January 8

- 12 p.m. Message Seekers
- 5:30 p.m. Worship Committee

### January 9

- 10 a.m. Martha Circle
- 12 p.m. Pastor's Lunch Bunch
- 6 p.m. Stated Deacons Meeting
- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

### January 10

- 5:30 p.m. All In Fellowship Meal
- 6:30 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Christian Education Class

### January 11

- 10 a.m. Tapestry
- 6 p.m. Hannah Circle

## Upcoming Events

- Jan 15 • Church Office Closed
- Jan 16 • S.A.L.T. Airborne Museum Trip
- Stated Session Meeting
- Finance Committee Meeting
- Jan 18 • Theology on Tap
- Jan 21 • Catechism Begins
- MOPs
- Jan 22 • David's Mighty Men
- Women's Ensemble
- Canticle Ringers
- Jan 30 • COAP (Zoom)
- Feb 5 • PW Coordinating Team Meeting
- Mission Committee
- Feb 6 • S.A.L.T. Breakfast at Jk's
- C. E. Committee Meeting
- Feb 8 • Hannah Circle
- Feb 11 • Club 543
- Feb 13 • Martha Circle
- Feb 14 • Ash Wednesday Service
- Feb 15 • Theology on Tap
- Feb 16-29 • Youth Ski Trip
- Feb 27 • S.A.L.T. Trip to Greensboro
- Mar 9 • Rise Against Hunger
- Mar 10-17 • Mission Conference
- Mar 24 • Palm Sunday
- Mar 31 • Easter Service



**KINGDOM KIDZ AND YOUTH**  
**TODAY - JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>**  
**4:30-6:30 PM**  
**KICK-OFF 2024 WITH A GLOW PARTY!**  
**WEAR WHITE OR NEON COLORS**  
**DINNER WILL BE SERVED.**

**KIDZ ARE ENCOURAGED TO INVITE THEIR FRIENDS TO THIS SPECIAL EVENING WHERE THEY WILL LEARN THAT JESUS CAN BRIGHTEN ANYONE'S LIFE JUST AS A LIGHT BRIGHTENS A DARK ROOM.**

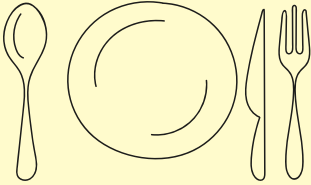
**GET YOUR GLOW ON AND LET'S GLOW WITH THE LOVE OF JESUS!**

**Club 543**

**will meet today at 12 p.m.  
in Room 210.**



First Friends will not meet today, but **will resume** on Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 p.m. for lunch at District House of Taps.



# All In Fellowship Wednesday Meals

Enjoy a weekly Wednesday 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. *“The Reason for God: Conversations on Faith and Life.”* or join the 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. Childcare upon request by the prior Monday. Email britany@firstprez.com

**January 10<sup>th</sup> - Barbeque from BBQ Hut**

**GET READY!  
GET SET!**



**Worship!**

## A Faith Formation Milestone for 1st and 2nd Graders

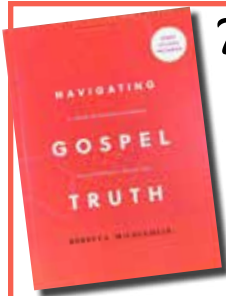
Through lessons and activities, children and their parents will be introduced to the basic theology of the practice of worship, prayer, and the Sacraments. Children in 3rd grade and up who have not completed this course are also encouraged to attend.

If you are interested in your child participating in this milestone, reach out to the Director of Christian Education, Britany Spivey by January 10.

## CATECHISM - CALLING ALL 5TH GRADERS

All Christians are called to lifelong growth through education. Catechism class is a starting point to learn the fundamental building blocks of the Christian faith. Designed for 5th graders, and any 6th graders who have not completed this spiritual milestone. Subjects covered include Jesus, God, sin, covenants, the Lord's Prayer, The Ten Commandments, the two Sacraments (Lord's Supper and Baptism), and books of the Bible. Our goal is to help children develop an understanding of their faith that is both deeper and wider, which will prepare them for a life-long engagement with the Christian faith. Classes will happen during Sunday School, 10 to 10:45 AM in Room 225.

**JAN. 21, 28 | FEB. 4, 11 | MAR. 10, 17 | MARCH 24 - RECOGNITION**



# *Tapestry will resume on January 11<sup>th</sup>!*

## *Navigating Gospel Truth*

by Rebeca McLaughlin

Study the truth of the gospel's accounts of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Our eternal future rests upon whether or not the gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John are legitimate or only legends. Through this 8-week group study journey, your confidence in the truth of Scripture will be renewed and you'll gain a more captivating view of the Savior. And along the way you'll acquire skills that will help you become a better student of all Scripture.

Email Ann Rowell for more info: [growell@nc.rr.com](mailto:growell@nc.rr.com)

### *s.a.l.t.*

Seasoned Adults Learning Together  
*Monthly Fellowship Breakfast & Excursions*

## *Upcoming Trips*

### **January 16<sup>th</sup> Airborne & Special Operations Museum**

Admission is free, donations are appreciated. The Pritzker Motion Simulator is available for \$10. We will have lunch at MiCasita. Meet at 11a.m. at ASOM 100 Bragg Blvd.  
**Contact Nancy Billman for a reservation (910) 916-5994**

### **February 27<sup>th</sup> International Civil Rights Museum in Greensboro, NC**

Explore the story of the civil rights struggle in the United States as part of the International Civil Rights Center & Museum's permanent galleries, The Battlegrounds. This engaging encounter includes captivating audio/video narratives, pictorial depictions, artifacts, video re-enactments, and interactive components.  
**Contact Ann Rowell for a reservation (910-) 867-3556 or [growell@nc.rr.com](mailto:growell@nc.rr.com)**

## Dinner for Six-ish

First Prez's fabulously successful and wonderfully enjoyable dining program, Dinner For Sixish, is starting a new session. This session will run from January through March.

To sign up or ask questions you can contact:  
Lou Brooks 804-928-5057 [lobpt01@verizon.net](mailto:lobpt01@verizon.net)  
Ann McRae [arm\\_3@yahoo.com](mailto:arm_3@yahoo.com)  
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If you're already participating, just send us an email to let us know that you're in. If you want to join in, look for the sign up spot in Eller Hall or email us and we'll get you set up. Hope to see you all at one of the dinners!

*Bon Appetit!*





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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

### PROGRAM STAFF

Dr. Marcia Mervin,  
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Don Perkins

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## Sunday Services

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

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**#ServeandShare**