



Deep Roots, New Fruit

Rev. Mark Tidsworth, Guest Speaker
11 a.m. | June 14, 2026

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Fayetteville, NC
est. 1800

Service of Divine Worship

11:00 a.m. | June 14, 2026

Enter Reverently. Meditate Quietly. Worship Devoutly.

Leave Gratefully. Serve Christ Faithfully.

Prelude

"Jesus Loves Me"
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

Jason D. Payne

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Mike Garrett

Call To Worship #743

"O God, You Are My God"

STEP BY STEP

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.

I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.

And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn #65

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

CWM RHONDDA

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we are captive to the words of the world, rather than your Word. Our ears are filled with conflicting opinions of media, personal speculations of friends and family, and the public spin of our leaders. We listen to everything before we listen to you. Father, forgive us and remind us of your Word and your ways. Sink our roots deeply into the truth that comes to us in Jesus Christ. May we build our lives on the firm foundation of both His Word and his way. 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

"Blessings"
Celebration Choir
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

Laura Mixon Story,
arr. Heather Sorenson

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Elder Debbie Brock

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

"Be Still My Soul"
Bruce Mc Rae, trombone
Alice Ann Campbell, accompanist

Jean Sibelius,
arr. Gary Lanier

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 younger are invited to Children's Church+

VBS Commissioning

Scripture

Jeremiah 17:7-8

Message

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Hymn #457

"How Happy Are the Saints of God"

WAREHAM

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

"Vita Gioiosa (Joyous Life)"
Dr. Marcia Mervin, organ

Jeff Perks

+ Children's Church is available for 2nd grade 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 on the Chapel lawn.**

Today's Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God and
in memory of Judy Blecker for her birthday
by her devoted husband, Bobby Blecker.

The Chapel flowers are given to the glory of God and
in loving memory of Jose Martins by his daughter, Dilia Martins.

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



SCAN ME

HAPPENING TODAY

- 9 a.m. Worship Service
- 10 a.m. Sunday School
- 11 a.m. Worship Service
- 12 p.m. Crossing Thresholds Luncheon
- 1 p.m. Stephen Ministry Meeting

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, June 15

- 9 a.m. Vacation Bible School
- 12 p.m. Personnel Committee

Tuesday, June 16

- 9 a.m. Vacation Bible School
- 12 p.m. Finance Committee
- 6 p.m. Stated Session Meeting
- 7 p.m. Basketball in Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, June 17

- 9 a.m. Vacation Bible School

Thursday, June 18

- 9 a.m. Vacation Bible School

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 22 • David's Mighty Men

June 28 - July 4 • Youth Mission Trip

June 30 • COAP Zoom Meeting

July 2 • Engagement Committee

July 3 • Church Office Closed

July 4 • H3 F 4th of the July Potluck

July 6 • Mission Committee Meeting

July 7 • S.A.L.T. Breakfast at JK's

July 12 • Choir Summer Rehearsal

• Stephen Ministry Meeting

July 13 • Christian Education Meeting

July 20 • Personnel Committee

July 21 • Finance Committee Meeting

July 26 • Dr. Garrett's Retirement Event

July 27 • David's Mighty Men

July 28 • COAP Zoom Meeting

July 30 • Property Committee Meeting

Calling all rainforest rangers!

Our VBS jungle is bursting with color, critters, and adventure — and we need a troop of brave volunteers to help guide our explorers next week!

We're looking for:

Volunteers to take pictures of activities

Helpers to prep snacks

Friends to help clean up

Assistants for craft time

Safety patrol heroes

Adult buddies for our special-needs campers

Whether you hop like a frog, chatter like a monkey, or squawk with excitement like a parrot, there's a place for you in our rainforest crew.

Join us and help our jungle come alive!

Please contact Jess Jones to volunteer.



Help support our youth as they prepare for their Mission Trip to Copperhill, Tennessee!

Our youth are raising funds to cover gas and meals for their 800+ mile round-trip journey.

If you feel led to contribute, donations may be dropped off at the church office. Please note "Youth Mission Trip" on your check or envelope.

*Thank you for your generosity
and for investing in this ministry
and the lives of our youth!*



Save the date!

Sunday, July 26

Worship and Luncheon Honoring
the Career and Retirement
of Dr. Mike Garrett.

More details to come!



Life has a way of being unpredictable. It can be beautiful and it can get ugly. There aren't many guarantees short of death and taxes. Ecclesiastes 3 reminds us of times of laughter and of tears, times to tear down and to build.

Boomerang child returning home? How long will this scary deployment be? The company is merging: do I move, find another job or commute 60 miles a day? The ink is dry on the divorce papers that I wanted, so why don't I feel happy? Long term care facilities were meant for other people, not for me, right? When, oh when will this cloud of grief go away?

**Bewildering, confusing, unfair, and just plain wrong.
"God, What?!"**

Real Christians like those among us at First Presbyterian Church have asked this question at times. A Stephen Minister can walk alongside you as you sort it out. This is a distinctively Christian ministry of trained lay volunteers who establish a short-term confidential relationship with a person as they go through a difficult season of life. Stephen Ministers don't give advice or quote out-of-context scripture; rather, they listen intently and wait with the person as God reveals his plan in the situation. The relationship is the "safe space" to say anything in strict confidence.

Speak with a pastor or call the referral person, Lorene McBryde at 910-824-9690 to get more specific information.

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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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