

## Worship Assistants for September 4

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| Acolyte/Greeter | Tripp Trexler  |
| Nursery         | Anne & Luke Hyatt  |
| Ushers          | Danny Deese, John Edwards, Eddie Huntley, & Ashe Ratliff |
| Duty Elder      | Jim Boylin   |

## Announcements & Events

### Today:

- Church School for all ages in the Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m.
- Celebration of the Lord's Supper
- \$2-Per-Family Mission Fund Offering received during Worship

### Next Sunday:

- Men's Breakfast at 8:00 a.m.
- New Church School classes begin
- Acolyte/Greeter: Grace Morgan
- Nursery: Jeanne & James Price
- Ushers: Foyle Hightower, Jerry Ridenhour, Bob Stowe, & Glenn Trexler
- Stated Meeting of Session following Worship Service

**September 5: Church Office Closed in observance of Labor Day**

**September 6: Ministry Reports due**

**September 7: Handbell & Chancel Choirs resume rehearsals**

**September 9: Food Pantry set-up starts at 4:00 p.m.**

**September 10: Food Pantry distribution 8:30-10:00 a.m.**

**Anson Crisis Ministry:** September need is for grits and oatmeal.

## Sermon Series: *Each One Reach One*

The book Acts of the Apostles picks up where the Gospel of Luke leaves off. It describes how Jesus' followers set about fulfilling their mission of proclaiming the good news of Christ to all the world. Through September, we consider how we also are called to fulfill that mission. Each one reaching one — from 2,000 years ago until tomorrow, and the next day, and the day after that — each one reaching one in the name of Christ. Our Scripture Lessons for September 11 are 1 John 4:7-21 & Acts 8:26-40.

## Attendance on August 28

Worship Service: 56                      Church School: 29

## Offering on August 28

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| General Fund           |                   |
| Weekly budgeted amount | \$3,264.00        |
| Received               | <u>\$1,780.00</u> |
| Shortage               | \$1,484.00        |
| Building Fund          |                   |
| Weekly budgeted amount | \$400.00          |
| Received               | <u>\$125.00</u>   |
| Shortage               | 275.00            |

## Prayer Requests

*Please include the following persons in your prayers:*

Danny Edwards, Irene Fisher, John Frank McLeod, Emma Rogers, Ruth Faulkner, Kim Keith, Wayne Lineberry, Woody & Marjorie Barfield, Steve Hyatt, Helen Little, Shirley Christian, Craig Thomas, Ed Emory, Cindy Brown, Pat Allen, Billy Burr, Morgan Lastowski, John Johnston, Cameron Keith, Celia Carpenter, Henry Harward, Jane Clark, Stella Griffin, Frances Vernon, Rick Witherington, Laura Napier, David Brooks, Tina Monroe, Don Baker, Charles Beck, Doug Thomas, & Brady Hyatt.

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Supply Minister .....The Rev. Dr. Leslie R. Stacks  
 Organist/Choir Director.....Janice Chandler  
 Secretary.....Jan Taylor  
 Treasurers ..... Vera Trexler  
 Assistant Treasurers..... Peggy Trexler, Emily Patterson, & Dianne Deese  
 Custodians..... Alan James & Dot Marsh

## Weekly Schedule

Cherub Choir ..... Sunday 9:45 a.m.  
 Church School for all ages ..... Sunday 10:00 a.m.  
 Worship Service ..... Sunday 11:00 a.m.  
 Handbell Choir..... Wednesday 6:00 p.m.  
 Chancel Choir Practice ..... Wednesday 7:00 p.m.  
 Session .....2nd Sunday of each month

## The Session

Moderator: The Rev. Dr. Stacks  
 Clerk: Anne Hyatt

### CLASS OF 2011

Jim Boylin  
 Ed Emory  
 Anne Hyatt  
 Frank Trexler

### CLASS OF 2012

Calvin Catoe  
 Foyle Hightower  
 Jeanne Price  
 Robin Trexler

### CLASS OF 2013

Ross Huntley  
 Kaye Ratliff  
 Bob Stowe  
 Pam Vernon

## Session Ministries

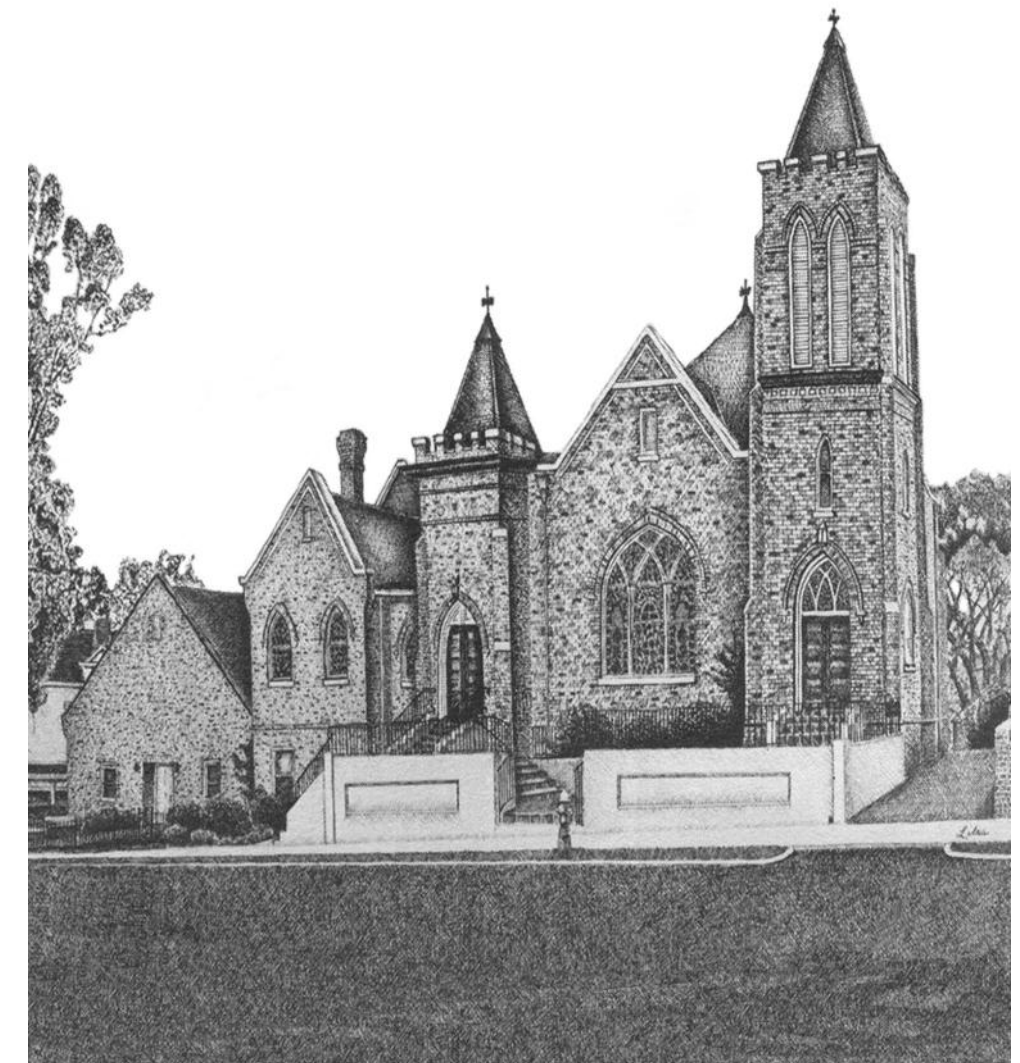
Christian Education/Worship..... Anne Hyatt, Foyle Hightower, & Pam Vernon  
 Mission ..... Frank Trexler, Robin Trexler, & Kaye Ratliff  
 Member Care ..... Jim Boylin, Jeanne Price, & Ross Huntley  
 Finance/Property/Admin..... Ed Emory, Calvin Catoe, & Bob Stowe



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# First Presbyterian Church of Wadesboro



*We are a Christian community of faith and caring, seeking to live our calling by God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit through worship, stewardship, education, evangelism, and missions. We believe that prayer can change people, circumstances, and communities.*

# The Lord's Day

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 4, 2011

*Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises. Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord. Psalm 98:4-6*

## Gathering Around the Word

PRELUDE ..... *God Who Madest Earth & Heaven* ..... J. Walther

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

\*CALL TO WORSHIP NO. 242 (verse 1) ..*Come, All You Servants of the Lord*

Come, all you servants of the Lord,  
Who work and pray by night, by day.  
Come, bless the Lord within this place;  
With lifted hands your homage pay.

\*HYMN NO. 376 ..... *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image. We ask these things through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

## Proclaiming the Word

TIME WITH YOUNG PEOPLE

FIRST LESSON ..... John 15:9-17

Jesus said: "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have

heard from my Father. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

ANTHEM ..... *By Our Love* ..... Scholtes/Sewell

SERMON ..... *Each One Love One* ..... The Rev. Stacks

SECOND LESSON ..... Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

## Responding to the Word

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (unison) ..... Apostles' 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

\*DOXOLOGY (HYMN NO. 592)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION (unison)

**We thank you, O God, for our freedom to make choices and for your continuing to love us when we make poor ones. We acknowledge that we often are tempted to spend money in foolish ways and to hoard possessions as if we could take them with us. As we return your tithes and add to them our offerings, we ask you to multiply the effect of this money beyond our dreams. May the hungry eat, may the lame walk, and may the downtrodden in every nation have hope and the freedom to act upon their hopes. We pray these things in the name of Christ. Amen.**

\*HYMN NO. 507 (verses 1-4) ..... *I Come with Joy*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (responsive)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

(Prayer by Minister)

**All: Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all of the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name. And we come together as one body and make this prayer: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND DEDICATION OF THE ELEMENTS

DISTRIBUTION OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION

## Carrying the Word Into the World

\*HYMN NO. 439 ..... *In Christ There Is No East or West*

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE NO. 507 (verse 5) ..... *I Come with Joy*

Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways,  
And as His people in the world, we'll live and speak His praise,  
We'll live and speak His praise.

\*POSTLUDE ..... *Sing Joyfully to God* ..... R. Powell

*\*Those who are able, please stand.  
The congregation will read the lines in bold type.*

*Wherever you may live, whatever your need, you are welcome as a friend to this household of Christian faith, hope, and love. It is our prayer that Christ's presence may be more real because you worshiped with us today.*