



October 3 2022



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SANFORD

First Word

“To live by faith, to be known by love, and to be a voice of hope.”



Dear First Presbyterian Church Family,

A Prayer for First Presbyterian Church
(Based on verses from I Corinthians 12)

“Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit”...Lord, thank you for those who are gifted with compassion and care to share with others, especially with those who are younger and older. “To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit”... We pray a prayer of blessing upon our teachers and rejoice that, as they teach with patience and love, the knowledge imparted to our children helps shape their minds and spirits to become more and more the children of God you call us to become. “To another faith by the same Spirit”...we remember in prayer many who inspire us to believe and share their faith through words and deeds, proclaiming the Good News of the Gospel to the nations. Help us, Lord, to believe even when we doubt.

“To another gifts of healing”...with thankful hearts, we rejoice that, in our congregation, there are peacemakers among us who help reconciliation to happen where there has been anger or pain. We pray a blessing upon those who give the gift of healing to those suffering from physical or emotional sickness. Help us to remember that you are with us always with your comforting strength that sustains us even when the answer to our prayers is not what we expect. “Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it...” Thank you for the amazing variety of gifted apostles who serve our congregation as parents, professionals, students, retirees, and people of all types. Remind us always that, because each one of us is a part of the body of Christ, you are in each one of us. When we cross paths with someone else, help us to always see that other person as a child of God. Teach us to love unconditionally and to never be judgmental of others.

As we respond to your calling to be good stewards of the gifts you have given us, always remind us that you call us to share these gifts. Thank you for the opportunities you provide for this sharing to happen. Hear this and all of our prayers that we say in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen

Shalom, Brad

Please join us Sunday, October 23rd, as we welcome our special guest, the Rev. Matthew Garrett. There will be one service at 10 am in the sanctuary.



10/17: Jennifer Varga ♥
 10/19: Valerie Davenport
 10/20: Cathy Johnson
 10/21: Roy Cashion,
 Julian Philpott
 10/22-Don Suddarth

This week and next week's walking track volunteers:

10/17-Carol Varga
 10/18-NEED SOMEONE
 10/19-Jim and Laurie Lee
 10/20-Charlie Hicks
 10/21-Don Wazenegger
 10/24-Charles LaRue
 10/25-Jim and Laurie Lee
 10/26-Don Wazenegger
 10/27-Sharon Parks
 10/28-Gary Walker



Church Calendar for September, and October 2022

Throughout the month of October we will be holding our Youth Envelope Fundraiser

Friday, October 21st thru Sunday, October 23rd – Church Family Retreat in Caswell

Sunday, October 23rd - One service 10 am in the sanctuary - Rev. Matt Garrett

Friday, October 28th 6:30-8 pm – Pumpkins and Pizza

Saturday, October 29th 6:30-8pm – Pumpkin Trail

Sunday, October 30th - One outdoor service at 10 am behind the Harper Center

Monday, October 31st—Deadline for envelopes to be turned in for Youth Envelope Fundraiser!!!

This Weeks Calendar

Monday 10/17: Circle Meetings

9AM-12PM: Walking Track
 5:30 PM: Contemporary Choir Rehearsal
 6:30 PM: Traditional Choir Rehearsal

Tuesday 10/18:

9AM-12PM: Walking Track
 10AM: Bible Study
 6PM: Yoga in the Harper Center

Wednesday 10/19: Submissions due for next newsletter and next bulletin

9AM-12PM: Walking Track
 10AM: CDC Devotion
 12PM: Staff Meeting
 7PM: Prayer Group

Thursday 10/20:

9AM-12PM: Walking Track
 9:30 AM: Musical Devotion with David via Facebook will resume later this Fall

Friday 10/21: Church Retreat

9AM-12PM: Walking Track
 3:30-4PM: Feed Southern Lee Football Team

Sunday 10/23:

10AM: Worship Service in the Sanctuary
 5-6:30PM: Youth meet in the Upper School Room

OUR PRAYER LIST

Parkview: Irma Autrey, Paul Kelly, Rexine Lloyd

Universal Health Care/Lillington: Betty Lou Bristow

Home or with family: Sonny Talbot; Jean Perry; Cathy Johnson; Don Suddarth; Bruce Benton; Ann Barkley; Emily Kelly; Terri Palmer

Our Friends & Family: Tiffany Scott Heron (Donna McClune's niece); Michael McClune (Donna McClune's son); James Cox; Billy Boaz; Jamey Allen (Harold James' sister); Phyllis Moore; Carolyn Herring (Bunny Paderick's niece); Greg Horrell (Bunny Paderick's brother-in-law); Richard Angel (Pat Angel's husband); Marci Hudzik; Dennis Parnell (friend of David Vann); Emily Heeseman (Samantha Morgan's friend and college roommate); Heather Wicker; Carla Bailey; Joanna Dempsey; Michelle Hendley Leonhardt (Daughter of Mike and Peggy Hendley)

We keep in prayer David Dudley for the loss of his mother, Pinks Dudley, on October 9th.

Offering Counters Schedule - October 2022

Week 1 (10/2) Joan Bland and Julie Lemon, Week 2 (10/9) John Garris and Daryl Perry, Week 3 (10/16) Samantha Jeffries and Don Wazenegger, Week 4 (10/23) Rhonda Miller, Week 5 (10/30) Joan Bland and Julie Lemon

The Lay Readers for September are Jimmy Pearce for the 9am service and Sally Chapin and Wanda Wazenegger for the 11:00 am service.

FPC Youth News



Fall/Winter Youth Schedule

October

- 16th – Meet at the Church 5-6:30pm
- 23rd – Gross Farms Corn Maze 3-5pm (\$20)
- 28th – Pizza and Pumpkins in the Harper Center 6:30-8pm
- 29th – No Youth (Please plan to attend the Pumpkin Trail on 10/29 6:30-8pm)

November

- 6th – No Youth (Spaghetti Meal Fundraiser 12pm in the Harper Center)
- 13th – Meet at the Church 5-6:30pm
- 20th – Meet at the Church 5-6:30pm
- 27th – No Youth (Thanksgiving)

December

- 4th – Dinner/Caroling 5-6:30pm
- 11th – Youth Christmas Party 5-6:30pm
- 18th – Meet at the Church 5-6:30pm
- 25th – No Youth (Christmas)

**If anyone needs a ride to any of our Youth Meetings, please let Michele know, 919-935-2089.*

On Tuesday, October 11th, Russ and Lynn Knight, Jim and Laurie Lee, and Pat and Emalee McCracken served 224 plates of shredded BBQ chicken, salad, fruit salad, and dessert at the



Church Committees

Committee Chairs:

Please e-mail Michele in the church office to update your committee leadership and membership. Also, verify the time and day of each month your committee will be meeting. It is very important that this information be updated as soon as possible.



The following donations are needed to make this fun event as successful as possible:

- Candy
- Monetary Donations
- Votive or Tea Light Candles
(Accepted 10/1—10/23)
- Uncarved Pumpkins to be delivered to the Harper Center
(Accepted 10/23—10/28)
- Carved Pumpkins to be delivered to the Harper Center
(Accepted 10/26—10/28)



ATTENTION: We need 50 dozen cookies baked and bagged in groups of 3 to give out to children the night of the Pumpkin Trail. Drop off the week of the 23rd—27th.

THANK YOU!