

WEEKLY CALENDAR
FCG Fellowship Ctr Gym
 SHM Session House Main (Rm);
SHL Library **SHP** Parlor
LH Lighthouse **MC** Ministry Center



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| SUNDAY | | July 15 |
| 9:00 AM | Sunday School (see schedule) | |
| 10:00 AM | Worship Service | |
| MONDAY | | July 16 |
| 2:00 PM | Knit 4 Others/SHP | |
| 6:00 PM | Police Basketball League/FCG | |
| TUESDAY | | July 17 |
| 9:30 AM | Staff Meeting/MC 1.07 | |
| 2:30 PM | Pickleball/FCG | |
| WEDNESDAY | | July 18 |
| 6:30 AM | Nar Anon/LH | |
| 7:30 PM | AA (Women's C)/SHP | |
| THURSDAY | | July 19 |
| 2:00 PM | D Bennett Writing Group/LH | |
| 5:00 PM | Police Basketball League/FCG | |
| 6:15 PM | AA (C12x12)/LH | |
| FRIDAY | | July 20 |
| SATURDAY | | July 21 |
| 10:00 AM | Men's AA Way of Life/LH | |

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church News and Opportunities

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH invites all who are led to serve our Lord Jesus Christ in discipleship through his body the Church to join our congregation. Members are received in one of three ways: Profession of Faith and Baptism, Reaffirmation of Faith, or by Letter of Transfer.

VISITOR BROCHURES are available in the vestibule and the narthex as well as in the friendship pad that will be passed along your pew. Please take one or two!

SERMON MANUSCRIPTS are available in the Church Office.

15 July 2018

ADMINISTRATION

Daewon Goldenbaum-Yang, our Director of Youth Ministry and Janet Bryan left for Massanetta Springs, Virginia this past Tuesday along with our Middle School Youth. They return this weekend. Daewon then leaves for Montreat Conference Center where this year he has been chosen to be a Small Group Leader. Summertime is still quite busy for our Youth Director! Please pray for safe travel for Daewon and our youth.

COMMUNICATION

Welcoming Tip of the Month

Will you help make space for a newcomer or latecomer this summer? With our combined services, we are often fortunate to have nearly a full house on Sunday mornings! It can be tricky for a newcomer or latecomer to find an available seat. Please sit in the middle of the pew, if you are physically able—and maybe even move toward the front of the sanctuary. We talk a lot about optics these days. In all likelihood, folks feel more welcome when they can quickly spot a seat they can easily access, instead of having to tap on shoulders and do the pew-slide.

First Presbyterian Church identifies itself as a welcoming community of faith and intends to be an inclusive place of spiritual growth for all people. The Welcoming Committee over the next year will be offering you monthly tips to strengthen the hospitality of our congregation.

Ebenezer Presbyterian Homecoming Event

Next Sunday, July 22nd at 11AM, Ebenezer Presbyterian Church will have their annual Homecoming Family and Friends Day Celebration. Ebenezer is located at 720 Bern Street. The morning speaker will be Mrs. Rosa Cheatham Nobles, and the junior church speaker is Mr. Marcus Simmons. Everyone is welcome!

Youth Education

2018 Summer Sunday School for K-5th grade “Read This Children’s Book” in MC 2.23

- July 15** Middleton Hinckley
Lissy's Friends by Grace Lin
- July 22** Mary Hall
The Jester Has Lost His Jingle by David Saltzman
- July 29** Maren Sonstegard-Spray
Quiet! There's a Canary in the Library by Don Freeman
- Aug 5** Camey Holton
I Am Peace by Susan Verde
- Aug 12** Marianna Dunn
Sky Color by Peter Reynolds
- Aug 19** Mary Hall
You Are Special by Max Lucado
- Aug 26** Middleton Hinckley
God's Paintbrush by Sandy Eisenberg Sasso

Adults

SUMMER QUARTER READ THIS BOOK MC 2.21 (Koinonia Room)

- | Date | Presenter |
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| July 15 | Don Ingraham |
| | Book: Peterson: <i>12 Rules for Life</i> |
| July 22 | Kirsten Sonstegard |
| | Book: Peterson: <i>Run With The Horses</i> |
| July 29 | Bill Hawkins |
| | Book: Pinsky: <i>Amazing Gifts: Stories of Faith, Disability, and Inclusion</i> |
| Aug 5 | Phil Smith (First Baptist Church) |
| | Book: Qureshi: <i>No God But One</i> |
| Aug 12 | Wendy Moeller |
| | Book: Bowler: <i>Everything Happens for A Reason And Other Lies I Have Loved</i> |
| Aug 19 | Jeanette Avery |
| | Book: <i>A Man Called Ove</i> |
| Aug 26 | Seth Smith |
| | Book: Williams: <i>When The English Fall</i> |

FELLOWSHIP

Lunch Wagon Schedule

Lunch Wagon is on summer hiatus for July and August. We are planning a boat tour of Beaufort on Friday September 14 on the *Crystal Coast Lady*. The tour will be 1 ½ hours with a sandwich buffet lunch. The cost is \$30.00 which includes the tour, lunch and transportation. Please come by the church office and drop off a check payable to First Presbyterian Church with boat tour in the memo line. Board the bus at 10:45 AM.

Some upcoming events to consider:

- October: Hinnant Vineyards in Pine Level
November: Country Squires Winery-Kenansville
December: Core Sound Waterfowl and Heritage Center-Harker's Island
January: Yule Log and Boar's Head Festival-Kinston

OUTREACH

Merci Clinic Update

We are planning ahead for MERCI on Middle for Sun, Nov 4th. Mark your calendars now. Our dental clinic will be opening soon offering 2 clinics per month staffed by volunteer dentists. Some have even offered to see our patients at their own offices. We have been taking on new patients this year serving a much needed populace and are now able to offer 90 day prescriptions rather than 30 day supplies for our patients due to working with pharmaceutical companies to get bulk supplies. We now have a new mural painted on an outdoor wall of MERCI thanks to 4 students from Epiphany School. Volunteers from First Baptist Church have painted interior clinic trim, doors & walls and other volunteers have stripped wallpaper & we are seeking volunteers to help us with painting our interior. We are getting a new fresh, clean look. If this should peak your curiosity, we always welcome visitors. Please come visit! Just call Beth Cooper to schedule a time 252-633-1599, ext 101 or director@merciclinic.org. We are located at 1315 Tatum Dr., New Bern.

Backpack Blessings

Backpack Blessing will have our second Summer Blessing distribution on Tues. July 31st. Our slot for First Pres. is 9 am-11:30 am. We will be setting up the distribution and putting together boxes of food supplies for pick up. This time, we will need 15-20 volunteers as there is more to be done. If you aren't available for the entire session, come for the time that you have. As always, this will take place at Garber Family Life Center across the street from Garber Methodist Church on Country Club Road. If you are available and can join your Presbyterian friends in some or all of this service to the community, please contact Sarah Moeller, scmoeller01@gmail.com or Stacey Griffith, sgriff4930@yahoo.com to let us know you plan to participate. And while our youngest would be hard pressed to find appropriate tasks, our middle schoolers and older youth are most welcome to join in!

WORSHIP



Our next communion will be Mid-Ordinary Time, August 5th. Communion will be served by the intinction method.