FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Carthage, NC

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August 2023 Newsletter



August Happenings:

Ruth Tyson Turning 100 Years Old

On Thursday, August 3rd Ruth Tyson will turn 100 years old! Last year I visited Ruth on her 99th birthday and I'm so excited that she is so close to hitting the century mark. What will you do to help this sweet lady turn 100? Ruth lives at Penick Village in Southern Pines in the Garden Cottage. If you can't go by to see her, what about sending her a birthday card or something else? Her mailing address is:

Garden Cottage Rm #5
Ruth Tyson
504 Fraser Lane
Southern Pines, NC 28388.

Let's do our part to help her celebrate and make her feel like the wonderful child of God she is!

10:00 a.m. worship

This is the last month for us to worship at 10:00 a.m. Beginning in September we will be back to 11:00 a.m. worship. Those who enjoy the 10:00 a.m. slot enjoy the remaining 4 Sundays left (not counting this coming Sunday). Come join us for worship then go grab an early lunch and beat the crowds!

College Students

Many of our college students are getting ready to leave us to head off to school this month. Let us wish them the very best this school year. Please let the church know their current mailing address so we can reach out to them during the school year.

Robbins Food Bank

This month the Robbins Food Bank will take place on the second Saturday (8/12) because of Farmer's Day on the 5th. Please make that change to your calendar.

Sunday School Kick-Off

Our Sunday School Kick-Off will take place on Sunday, August 27th at 9 a.m. in the Family Life Center. Everyone is invited to come. We will have a covered-dish breakfast so please bring your favorite dish to share with the group. The children will have a chance to meet their teachers for the coming year.



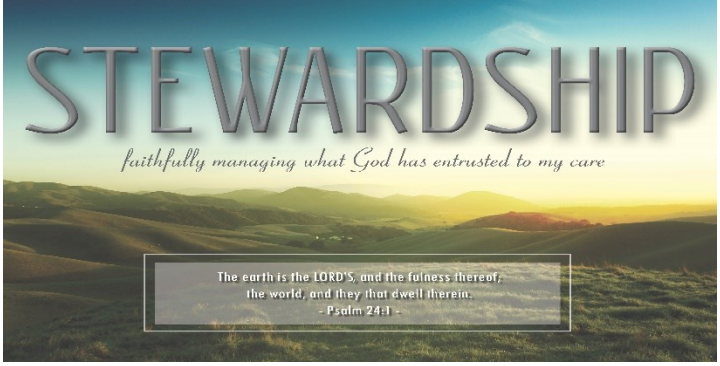
Remembering our sisters and brothers in Christ as they face difficult times.

John Currie, *Tara Plantation*
Lee Edmonds
Carol Lucas
Gail Meeks
Pat Nugent
Dennis Parks
Phillip Warmbrod
Barbara Danley
Matthew Leonard
Kelly Martindale & Family, *passing of her Mother*
Nancy McKenzie
Regina Nugent
Ina Sue Parks, *Moore Regional Hospital*

Terry Barber, *friend of the Monroes*
Bonnie Brown, *friend of the Edmonds*
Abe Caviness, *Debby Albright's great-nephew*
Willis Clark, *Elizabeth Barringer & Marie Monroe's brother*
Ann Herndon, *Kay Patterson's sister*
Sherry Jett's family, *Gail Hardin's ex sister-in-law*
Sue & Chuck Kelly, *Mike Kelly's brother*
Sean Kennally, *Angie Provost's son-in-law*
*T*yler Mabe
Johnny Meggs
Lisa Muller, *Ina Sue Parks' cousin*
Johnathan Patterson, *Otis Patterson's son*
T Prickett, *Lyn Austin & Cathy Prickett's brother*
Sandy, *Marlene Riyevski's sister*
Joseph Saluby, *Missionaries to Guatemala*

All of our military men and women and their families, especially the following:
Jonathan Baker, Kyle Bryant, Cody Fitzgerald,
Chris Mohan, Patrick Mohan,
Greg Riyevski, Michael Schwartz, and Quinn Wicker.

If you would like to add someone, or remove yourself from First Presbyterian's Prayer Requests, please contact the church office at (910) 947-2924 or infofpc397@gmail.com.



June 2023

FINANCIAL REPORT

OPERATING FUNDS:

Balance in checking account as of June 1, 2023		65,006.09
Tithes and Offerings Received		+12,715.00
	Sub-Total	77,721.09
Expenditures		-14,827.83
Balance in checking account as of June30, 2023		62,893.26

RESTRICTED FUNDS: (Funds designated for specific projects, etc.)

Restricted Funds held in checking account as of June 1, 2023		47,132.44
Employee FICA & w/holding taxes for June 2023		+615.72
Donations/offerings received: 2¢ a Meal $128.87; Flower Fd $38.45; Pentecost $80; Truist dividend $2.08		+249.40
	Sub-Total	47,997.56
Expenditures: 2 Cents a Meal $128.87; Pentecost $300; Moore County Children's Advocacy Ctr of Southmountain Children & Family Sers (donation from Yard Sale proceeds) $800		-1,228.87
Balance in Restricted Funds as of June 30, 2023		46,768.69

RECAP:

Operating Funds Balance	62,893.26
Building Fund: $1,563.16 + $2.08 (dividend)	+1,565.24
Restricted Funds Balance	+45,203,45
	109,661.95
Apr-June '23 Payroll Taxes on hand (FICA 1,450.34; FW/H 351.00; SW/H 84.00) + .05 Adjustment =	-1,885.39
6/30/2023 Checkbook Balance	107,776.56

OTHER REVENUES ON HAND:

Scholarship C/D with BB&T	21,552.86
Truist Financial Corp, Estimated value (4 shs)	+127.52
	21,680.38

Church Announcements

Birthdays
Sunday Flowers
Attendance
Thank You's & More!



The session met on July 9, 2023. The following took place:

- Plans for updating our previous pastor's pictures are being finalized;
- Final VBS plans were discussed;
- The Spring Fling Flea Market collected $1,800. $1,100 went to two worthy local organizations; and
- Heard reports from all 6 committees.

August Birthdays



3 Ruth Tyson
5 Aubrey Tortora
6 John McDonald
7 Marie Monroe
9 Ruby Ingold
9 Ashley Bibey
11 Sheree Kelly
11 Gail Meeks
15 Carl Nunnery
16 Jeff Key
17 Will Thomason
21 Ty White
22 Meredith Marshburn
25 Denise Edmonds
26 Brayden Kelly
27 Rick Martindale
29 Alex Thomason
30 Connor Faircloth

August Greeters

6th Gail & Keith Hardin
13th Ann & Tom Currie
20th Sharon & John McDonald
23rd Geraldine Moore
27th J.D. Monroe

AUGUST SUNDAY FLOWERS

August Sunday Flowers will be announced each week in the bulletin.

If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary, please call:
Denise Edmonds at (910) 639-4472,
or Tom Leonard at (910) 639-3356

June



	Sunday School	Worship
1st Sunday	11	53
2nd Sunday	11	28
3rd Sunday	8	34
4th Sunday	12	38
5th Sunday	00	00
Average	11	38

Send church news and announcements to FPC
by calling or emailing the church office at (910) 947-2924 / infofpc397@gmail.com.

Food Bank

On the first Saturday morning of the month,
FPC friends and family meet at the Robbins' Food Bank
of Robbins Area Christian Ministries from 7:30-10 a.m.
to serve our friends and families in need.

You can help by donating non-perishable foods
and double-bagged plastic grocery bags at our
Family Life Center Basket Ministries Donation Station, and/or
by joining us on:

Saturday, August 12th
Saturday, September 2nd
To carpool, meet in the FPC parking lot at 7 a.m.

two cents

Don't forget to give us your "two-cents"
the first Sunday of every month
as we continue to support our
Children's 2-Cents-a-Meal Offering.

Our children are now collecting this offering during the Moment with our Children.

A little bit can go a long way!

THANK YOU

Thank you to all for the donated items provided to Peak Resources and Tara Plantation. All the items were greatly appreciated but they are still in need of hygiene items such as body wash, shampoo, lotion, and deodorant. If you would like to donate, a tub has been placed outside the Family Life Center. Tara Plantation is also now accepting donations for a silent auction to raise money to purchase every resident a Christmas gift. The date will be announced at a later time. Please contact Gail Hardin at 910-691-4831 with any questions.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We had a "Stellar" VBS!! Thank you to our awesome volunteers:
Registration: Denise Edmonds and Kelly Martindale
Music: Kathryn Buie and Jennifer Thomason
Bible Lesson: Angie Medlin and Alex Thomason
Recreation: Damon Dean, Murphy Buie, Kaden Dean
Crafts: Cristy Dean and Gail Boroughs
Adult class: Rick Martindale and Paul & Carol White
Media: Scott Phillips
Decorations: Chad Thomason
Crew Leaders: Megan Phillips, Robert & Debbie Gordon, Owen Thomason, Ginny Buie, Nancy Carter, Elizabeth Martindale, Abby Phillips, Gabe Phillips
Set up help: Jackie Muse and Tracy Thomas



MOORE COUNTY CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY

Moore County Children's Advocacy is a non-profit organization that works closely with the Social Services Dept. and law enforcement protecting children who have been abused. This amazing organization needs a few items for the children and hope you would be able to assist by donating any of the following items: bottled water, snacks, blanket throws and men's white t-shirts (sizes large-3xl). If you would like to donate, a tub has been provided outside of the Family Life Center. Please contact Gail Hardin at 910-691-4831 for any questions. Thanks for all the support our church family provides to our community.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

On the first Sunday of each month, we will worship in the multi-purpose room. It's a different style of worship but the same family and same God. All are welcome!

MEN'S GROUP

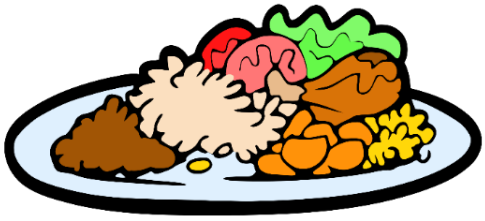
The men of First Presbyterian Church are conducting a Bible study on prayer. The men meet on the first and third Tuesdays at 6:15 p.m. All are welcome to come and join us in this time of fellowship and study!

NWSL SOCCER GAME

A group attended the NWSL Soccer game on June 17 in Cary. An amazing time was had by all attending!



PW Meal Ministry



August Meal Leaders:

3rd	JoAnn Wahala
10th	Gail Hardin
17th	Lucinda Casey
24th	Claudia McKenzie
31st	Marie Monroe

If you would like to help with a meal, part of a meal or know someone who needs assistance please contact JoAnn Wahala at 910-947-3238.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

The PW salad supper will be held on Monday, August 7, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. with Cheryl Gilmore presenting one of her Teapot Ministry programs. Those attending, please feel free to bring a favorite salad recipe to share with our FPC families. Everyone is invited to come out and share this meal and time of fellowship. Donations will also be accepted for the Carthage Food Pantry.

The 2023-2024 book study is titled: Sacred Encounters. The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke and Acts. Books are $10.00 each, to purchase please contact Marie Monroe or JoAnn Wahala. All ladies are invited to attend. We are anticipating some attendees outside of the church family and would welcome others that you would like to invite. The study group will meet once monthly beginning August 10th, 7:00 p.m.

We will be collecting needed items for Carthage Elementary School July 25th - August 20th. A collection box is located in the Family Life Center hallway. Items needed are: glue sticks; pencil boxes; pencil pouches (that fit in 3 ring binders), paper pocket folders (ex: report folders), construction paper, kleenex, dry erase markers and Clorox wipes.
Thank you in advance for assisting with this project to provide materials needed by local students.

CHURCH CALENDAR

August 2023

Tuesday, August 1st	6:15 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Sunday, August 6th	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Contemporary Service / 2-Cents a Meal Children's Offering
Monday, August 7th	6:30 p.m.	PW Salad Supper
Saturday, August 12th	7:30 a.m.	Robbins' Food Bank, *meet 7 a.m. at FPC to carpool*
Sunday, August 13th	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
	11:15 a.m.	Session Meeting
Monday, August 14th	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship & Mission Committee Meeting
Tuesday, August 15th	6:15 p.m.	Men's Bible Study
Sunday, August 20th	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Worship / Communion / Lemonade on the Lawn
Wednesday, August 23rd		Deadline for Church Mouse Newsletter / Mouse
Sunday, August 27	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School Kick-Off / Covered Dish Breakfast
	10:00 a.m.	Worship
Monday, August 28th		Moore County School Year Begins
Tuesday, August 29th	6:00 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
Wednesday, August 30th		Distribute Church Mouse / Newsletter

The Session

Moderator:
The Rev. Rick Martindale

Clerk:
Tom Leonard

Class of 2023	**Class of 2024**
Lucinda Casey	Gail Hardin
Cristy Dean	Robert Gordon
Tom Leonard	Jackie Muse
Scott Phillips	John McDonald
Jennifer Thomason	Nancy Carter
Paul White	Michelle Tortora

Church Staff

Ann Key, *Sexton*
Leon Monroe, *Receiving Treasurer*
Marie Monroe, *Dispersing Treasurer*
Robert Wilson, *Choir Director and Organist*
Sonya Potter, *Administrative. Assistant*
Avery Smallwood, *Nursery Attendant*
Rick Martindale, *Minister*

Newsletter Feedback…

We'd like your feedback on how to improve our
Church Mouse Newsletter
for Fpc members, friends and family! Share your thoughts with us at
infofpc397@gmail.com
or (910) 947-2924.
We look forward to hearing from you!