

First Presbyterian Church Belmont, North Carolina



Our Mission

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we, a fellowship of Christian believers in gratitude to God, strive to serve Jesus Christ in our daily tasks and minister to all God's people through a prayerful program of worship, education and service.

SENIOR SUNDAY

JUNE 1, 2008

Gathering Around the Word

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

10:50 a.m.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP

O God, light of the minds that know you, life of the souls that love you, strength of the thoughts that seek you: Help us so to know you that we may truly love you, so to love you that we may fully serve you, whose service is perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE

Trumpet Tune

Jeremiah Clarke

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

11:00 a.m.

*HYMN NO. 464

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

*LIGHTING THE CANDLES

Zach Watson, Samantha Holder

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sam Warner

*INVOCATION

Sam Warner

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

NICAEA

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.*


PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Sam Warner

Mighty and merciful God, hear our prayers and be gracious to us, for the lives we live are not worthy of our calling. Too often we heed other voices and obey other powers than your own. We have wavered in our faith and wandered from your path. We forget who we are because we forget who you are. By your grace, O God, forgive us. Restore us to the fullness of life in the Spirit of Jesus Christ. Make us your grateful servants whose greatest joy is to praise you so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

(Silent prayers of confession)

Kyrie Eleison Healey Willan



Lord, have mer-cy up - on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, ___ have mercy up - on us.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Sam Warner

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.
Friends, believe the gospel.
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

Mike Holder

*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.*

Proclaiming the Word

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Robin Russell

Children come forward as we sing *Jesus Loves Me*.
Afterward, preschoolers are invited to Room EB108 for PAWS - Preschoolers At Worship Service.

UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Charlie Modlin

Prepare our hearts, O God, to accept your Word. Silence in us any voice but your own, that, hearing, we may also obey your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

UNISON READING

Psalm 139:1-12

pew Bible OT, page 577

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Large Print pew Bible OT, page 710

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 40:27-31

Will Elliott

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM

The Storm is Passing Over

Charles Albert Tindley

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 6:25-34

Tom Hall

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Will Elliott, Tom Hall, Lindsey Huckabee, Philip Rinehart

Responding to the Word

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The 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.

*HYMN NO. 333

Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY

RECOGNITION OF HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Class of 2008

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Sam Warner

(Please sign the Ritual of Friendship Pad so those sitting near you may greet you.)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Daria Ragan

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

OFFERTORY

The Rain Song
Charlie Modlin, guitar

Led Zeplin

*THE DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*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*

Bearing and Following the Word Into the World

*HYMN NO. 339

Be Thou My Vision

SLANE

*EXTINGUISHING THE CANDLES

Zach Watson, Samantha Holder

*BENEDICTION

Sam Warner

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

NICAEA

*Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity.*

*POSTLUDE

Rigaudon

André Campra

*CARILLON VOLUNTARY

Mary McFarland

*Those who are able, please stand.

The Flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the marriage of Kimberly Neel and Stephen Joseph Wunder, Jr. yesterday in our sanctuary.

You are invited to speak to one of the elders standing at the doors following Worship if you are interested in becoming a member of our church family. Elders greeting this morning are Martha Stowe and Jean Wilson.

Welcome all visitors this morning! We invite you to sign the Friendship Pad and give us your address, phone number, and email information. Our worship today is enriched by your presence and participation.

The South Point High School Baccalaureate will be held in our sanctuary this evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Tuesday Midday Prayer is in the Chapel each week at 12:10 p.m. followed by lunch in the Fellowship Hall. Our lunch menu is baked potato and all the fixins, chili, salad, fruit, dessert, tea or coffee.

Young-at-Hearts will tour Winghaven, a beautiful home, garden and bird sanctuary in the Park Road/Myers Park area on Thursday, June 5. We will leave the church parking lot at 9:50 a.m. and carpool to Winghaven; our tour begins at 10:30.

The PW Summer Circle #6 will meet this Tuesday, June 3 at 9 a.m. at the home of Amy Vandermeer. All women are invited to attend.

The Weekday Preschool Graduation is this Thursday, June 5 in our sanctuary at 7 p.m. Please join us as we celebrate our preschoolers' accomplishments!

Summer Schedule & Lemonade on the Lawn begins next Sunday, June 8 and will continue through August 31.

Montreat Youth Conference is June 8-15. All those participating in this year's conference will be commissioned during the worship on June 8.

THIS WEEK @ First Presbyterian Church **www.fpc-belmont.org**

Sunday, June 1

Senior Sunday

- 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:30 a.m. Youth Breakfast
- 12:05 p.m. Music Subcommittee (EB105)
- 10:50 a.m. Worship
- 6:30 p.m. SPSHS Baccalaureate

Monday, June 2

- 3:00 p.m. Program Staff

Tuesday, June 3

- 9:00 a.m. PW Summer Circle (*Amy Vandermeer's home*)
- 10-11:30 Parish Nurse @ FPC (EB106)
- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (EB105)
- 12:10 p.m. Midday Prayer and Lunch

Wednesday, June 4

- 6:30 p.m. Columbarium Committee (EB106)
- 7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
- 7:00 p.m. Senior Scout Troop 17

Thursday, June 5

- 9:50 a.m. Young-at-Hearts Winghaven Trip
- 1:00 p.m. Praise Kidz
- 7:00 a.m. Weekday School Preschool Graduation

Friday, June 6

- 3:15 p.m. Junior Troop 256 (EB106)

Saturday, June 7

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

Sunday, June 8

Summer Schedule begins

Nickel-A-Meal Hunger Offering received
The Sacrament of Baptism (Evan & Emory Oblinger)
Montreat Youth Conference Commissioning
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

- 9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer
- 9:15 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn
- 11:15 a.m. Board of Deacons (EB105)
- 6:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 62 Court of Honor

TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS	
Morning Prayer:	Charlie Barron
Helping Wheels:	Adrian Walker, Angie Lee
Elder Greeters:	Martha Stowe, Jean Wilson
Sound System:	Joe Hall
Volunteer Greeters:	Caroline Davenport, Lee & Debby Cabe Patricia Burke, Anna Downey
Ushers:	Shane Davis, Maggie Elliott, Kent Nixon, Hunter Fleshood Ellen Harris, Gayle Pate
Volunteer Ushers:	Dick & Rosie Burns, Kristen Cloninger Caroline Davenport
Infant Nursery:	Chris & Amy Vandermeer
Toddler I:	Jim & Vicki Thompson
Toddler II:	Jennifer Robinson
PAWS:	Rick & Ashley Caudle, Brittany Cabe
Sanctuary Guild Care:	Renee Shook, Lisa Neisler

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<u>SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS JUNE 8</u>		
9:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Chapel
9:15 - 9:45	Adult Combined Sunday School	Fellowship Hall
	3yr - 5 th grade Sunday School	EB104
10:00 a.m.	Sunday Worship	Sanctuary



CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!!!

2008

High School Graduates

Brooke Baird	Statesville Christian Academy - will be attending Meredith College
Will Elliott	South Point High School - will be attending University of South Carolina
Tom Hall	South Point High School - will be attending Western Carolina University
Lindsey Huckabee	South Point High School - will be attending University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Charlie Modlin	Gaston Day School - will be attending University of Virginia
Cameron Rhyne	Gaston Day School - will be attending Wofford College
Philip Rinehart	South Point High School - will be attending University of Virginia

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College Graduates

Paige Dixon	North Carolina State University
Andrew Pate	University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Marshall Rhyne	Appalachian State University
Blair Rutledge	University of North Carolina at Wilmington
Grace Warner	North Carolina State University