



First Presbyterian Press

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Hello friends of First Presbyterian Church Goldsboro,

I am writing this article right after a great Youth Halloween party at my house. We had 11 amazing young people that came dressed up and we played games, hanged out and had delicious dinner together. Special thanks to Toby and Jason for providing the cookout. We pray and hope that our young people will keep growing in their faith, thriving in school, and their activities.

On another note, it is hard to believe that it is November already. That means the First Sunday in November (Nov. 6) is All Saints Day where we remember our loved ones that passed away last year, and it is also communion Sunday. November is also the concluding of our stewardship season. November 13 is consecration Sunday which means we bring our pledges for the year of 2023. I have seen how generous this congregation is, and now with more visitors and more new members joining our church we are super excited to dream together what God has in mind for our future. Your generous hearts will make a difference in the local and global community; so, we encourage you to pledge with generosity and joy in your heart.

November is Thanksgiving season; may you and I give thanks to the Lord for he is good and his love endure forever (Psalm 106:1). What are you grateful for each day of the month of November? Did you know that in Hebrew giving thanks and praising are the same word? The word is Hodu. Hodu le Adonai for all the blessings and goodness we enjoy in this wonderful country. As a way to be thankful, on November

19 we will share with the community the Turkey give- away. I love how generous our congregation is. Many families in Goldsboro will enjoy a nice Thanksgiving meal because of your generous heart. Thank you! Gracias!

The last Sunday of November (Nov 27) is First Sunday of Advent where we wait eagerly the coming of the Messiah and prepare to celebrate our first Christmas together. Thanks to Rosalyn and Kathryn for organizing the advent devotional booklet, thank you Mary Taneti for putting it all together and thanks to all who wrote these devotionals. Can't wait to read them.

We also like having fun; on November 12 we will have our church Tailgate Party. Share with us your sport team theme; we will have games and activities for all. I am told Mr. Jason Blackburn will roast a delicious pig for all of us. Yummy! And perhaps we can even play some pick-up soccer!

As you can see, November is going to be a wonderful month. Let the fun begin! See you there.

In Christ, Pastor Noé Juarez

Thank you!

Dear Friends,

How do we thank you for your generosity in this latest Mission Yard Sale? You gave us your wonderful items to sell, you worked long hours, you hauled heavy furniture, you organized and priced for many days, and you contributed monetarily. The final count at this point is \$10,004.19.

The Success of this project is not just in the amount raised but in the effect, it will have on our community. Financially challenged families were able to purchase things they needed for a fraction of their value. We believe they left our gym knowing

our congregation cares about them. The proceeds raised will be used locally and beyond, continuing FPC's strong commitment to missions.

Gratefully, Your Mission Committee

(Ann and Sam Hunter, Teresa Smith, Coleen Leeper, Eddie Radford, Emma Jordan, Kathy Daniels, and Carol Branch)

Officer Duties

	Elders	Deacons
Nov. 6	Rosalyn Lomax	Meredith Gurley
Nov. 13	Suzanne Corbin	Elva Graham
Nov. 20	Eddie Radford	Charlie Rouse
Nov. 27	Jason Blackburn	Kent Warren

The deacon in charge: Charlie Rouse

Co-Deacon: Carol Branch



For the month of November

James Spicer, Katherine Parker, and John Parker

Christian Education November 2022 Events

Sunday School – Children, Youth, & Adult Sunday school 9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.

Wednesday Family Night

- **5:30 to 6:15 p.m.** Children (pre-school thru sixth grade) yoga and crafts – 2nd floor
- Youth (seventh thru twelfth grade) conversations; time to get to know each other – youth room
- Adults (Pastor's Bible Study) Parlor or Chapel (depending on number attending)
- **6:15 p.m.** -- Family Fellowship Dinner and clean up in the gym.

Young Presbyterians (pre-school through fifth grade) every second and fourth Sunday from 4-6 p.m.

In November we will meet on Sunday, November 13 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Youth Group (sixth through twelfth grade) every first and third Sunday from 5-7 p.m.

In November we will meet on Sundays 6 and 20 in the gym.



November Birthdays!



01 Mrs. Janis Dees

01 Mrs. Beth Kannan

01 Mrs. Emily Byrd

02 Mr. Elbert Brown

02 Mr. Gilbert Brown

04 Mrs. Sue Wooten

04 Mrs. Anna Best Lee

05 Mrs. Melissa Warren

06 Mrs. Betty Rose Sutton

06 Ms. Ashley Jordan

08 Mr. Tim Haithcock

09 Mrs. Eva Bruder

10 Mrs. Emily Bradshaw

11 Mrs. Lisa Royall

12 Mrs. Madelyn Percise

12 Mr. Richard Kruer

18 Mrs. Elizabeth Spicer

19 Mrs. Carol Branch

20 Mr. Edwer Borralles

21 Mrs. Nona Andrews

21 Rev. Noe Juarez

21 Ms. Beatrice Byrd

22 Mrs. Teresa Smith

23 Mrs. Georgia Dees

23 Mrs. Susie Sumner

23 Mr. Bill Fidler

24 Mr. Eddie Radford

24 Mr. Frank Best

27 Ms. Grace Boros



Poinsettias in Honor or Memory

You may order your annual Poinsettias in honor or memory of your loved ones. The cost is \$10 each. Orders may be made using the envelopes available in the pews or by emailing your request to fpcgold@ncrrbiz.com.

Presbyterian Social!!!

Our first Presbyterian Social since the pandemic shut us down will be **Sunday, December 18, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.** in the home of Toby Brown and David Carlyle. For those of you who are new to our socials, it is simply a quarterly gathering of First Presbyterian's adult members and friends for fellowship, with the purpose of becoming better acquainted and building stronger bonds among our congregation.

How does it work? The hosts will provide beverages, and a few people will bring hors d'oeuvres to share. We have already had some volunteers for bringing food, and a few of you will be asked to help. A record will be kept of those who provide food, and it will be passed around so everyone can share over time. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Evelyn Rose via text or call (919) 222-6393.

A Turkey Giveaway with "Fixings" for needy families will be held on Saturday, November 19th, beginning at 10:00 a.m.

FPC members are asked to contribute non-perishable items such as boxes of stuffing, cans of vegetables, gravy, fruit, bags of rice, pumpkin pie filling, etc.

Please bring your items to the gym between Sunday, November 13th, and Friday 18th. FPC members are invited to join the mission committee in handing out the turkey (frozen) and bags of food from 10:00 a.m. on the 19th, until gone! Financial support is also welcomed. Questions call the church office. "Gobblers" Eddie Radford and Toby Brown are co-chairing this special project.





Music Ministry

Notes from Chris

Dates to Remember!

December 3rd – 1:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Dress Rehearsal for “Beneath a Shining Star” by
Children’s Choir

*All parents are asked to have their child at this final rehearsal!
Please have your child bring their costumes to wear.*

December 4th – Children’s Christmas Musical Presentation

“Beneath a Shining Star”

10:00 a.m. Morning Service

Presbyterian Women’s Mega Christmas Bake Sale to follow in
Gym. Buy your Christmas goodies to support missions!

December 11th – 7:00 p.m. – Christmas Music Worship Service

The Music of Christmas

Presented by The Chancel Choir, Guest Soloists, and Symphony
Orchestra

A Gala Reception will follow in the Gymnasium so that you can meet and greet our singers and instrumentalists

*The doors of the Sanctuary will open to the public at 6:30 p.m.
Come early to get a good seat.*

December 16th – Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia

*Candlelight Concert in Bruton Parish
Church*

Performed by

The Handbell Choir of First Presbyterian Church of
Goldsboro

Time: 8:00 p.m.

Our wonderful Handbell Choir has been invited to ring by special invitation a 40-minute concert of Christmas music in the famed church of Washington and Jefferson.

December 18th

The Handbell Choir will ring their special Christmas music for our congregation 30 minutes before the 10:00 a.m. service. Come early to hear the beautiful sound of bells and handchimes as performed by our ringers.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Presbyterian women and friends, please come and enjoy Bible study and fellowship. **Morning Circle**, Tuesday, November 2 at 10:00 a.m. in the parlor or **Evening Circle**, Monday, November 7 at 6:00 p.m. in the parlor.

Mrs. Ali Blackburn will present our Bible study, "Sabbath and Creation," Genesis 1:1-2:3.

From The Memorials Committee

The pastor's study has been renovated with funds from the Larry McIntyre estate. A cousin of Larry's, Jim Black and his family, generously contributed to the refurbishing project. A talented artist from Raleigh, Jim also donated an original painting, *Fishers of Men*, which is hanging behind Noe's desk. Stop by to see the study and the painting. We are very grateful to the McIntyre family for their generosity.

Has anyone seen the Kirkwood plaque? We would like to display it in the hall with the other plaques commemorating the history of the church. Contact the office if you know where it might be.

If you give a memorial gift to the church, please consider designating the gift to the East Garden which requires upkeep and maintenance.

Also, to honor or remember someone, a brick in the East Garden can be purchased for \$150.

FPC Tail Gate Party

Join us on November 12th from 3:00-5:00 p.m. for our Church
Tailgate!



Show your team spirit! Wear your favorite football team's gear. Bring your favorite tailgating appetizer to share. Set up your tailgate area with team decorations, tents, and

chairs. We'll have games to compete in like corn hole, Kan Jam, Spike Ball, and a football toss.

Or just come and enjoy some good food and fellowship!

We will cook a pig for pickin' with all the sides. And there will be fixings to make s'mores! Bring a friend or neighbor! Look for more information in the coming weeks.

Prayer Requests

Congregation Members @ home

Mrs. Hope Derby, Jimmy Huffman, Ken and Judy Taylor, Mrs. Jackie VanHoy, George and Addie Warren, Peggy Till, and Brigitta Seymour.

Friends & Family

Mr. Jeff Stanley, (son of Bill and Sharon Stanley)

Ms. Beth Jennings, a friend of Carol Branch

Rev. Jason Leonard, Wiley Leonard's son

Mr. Bob Locket, a friend of Ken Taylor

Mr. Lee Morgan, a friend of Teresa Smith

Mr. Ric Wagner, a friend of Chris Watkins

Ms. Jane Yates, a friend of Toby Brown



Outreach

Mr. Gilbert Brown @ Brookdale Senior Living on Berkley Blvd.

Mr. Mike Pate @ Brookdale Senior Living on Country Day Road

Mrs. Madelyn Percise @ Cypress Glen, Greenville, NC

Mrs. Jane Johnson @ Willow Creek, Goldsboro, NC

FPC Calendar for November 2022

Sundays	Sunday School for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Children's Choir 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. Young Presbyterians 4:00 to 6:00 p.m (second and fourth Sundays) Youth Group 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. (first and third Sundays)
Mondays	Church office 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A Day Away 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Goldsboro Bridge Club 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Presbyterian Women's Night Circle 6:00 p.m. (first Monday) Daisies @ 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Troop 3 @ 6:00 p.m. Scouts Troop 3 @ 7:00 p.m.
Tuesdays	Church office 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Presbyterian Women's Morning Circle 10:00 a.m. (first Tuesday) Committee Meetings (first Tuesday) 7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting (second Tuesday) 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting (third Tuesday) 7:00 p.m.
Wednesdays	Church office 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A Day Away 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Wednesday Family Night 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 7:00 p.m.
Thursdays	Church office 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Goldsboro Bridge Club 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Congregational Book Club 7:00 p.m. (first Thursday) Handbell Choir 5:30 p.m.
Fridays	Church office 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. A Day Away 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
Saturdays	Church office closed

Thanksgiving, Advent, and Christmas Services Schedule

Sunday, November 27

1st Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Children's Choir Practice

9:00 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Sunday, December 4

2nd Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Children's Choir Practice

9:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Children's Christmas Musical

11:00 a.m. Presbyterian Women's Bake Sale

5:00 p.m. Youth Group (gym)

Sunday, December 11

3rd Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

6:30 p.m. Sanctuary Doors Open

7:00 p.m. "The Music of Christmas"

Sunday, December 18

4th Sunday of Advent

9:00 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)

9:30 a.m. Handbell Pre-Service Offering (Sanctuary)

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

4:00 p.m. Young Presbyterians (gym)

5:00 p.m. Presbyterian Social

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve

5:30 p.m. Family Candlelight Service

8:30 p.m. Pre-Service Musical Offering (Sanctuary)

9:00 p.m. Candlelight with Holy Communion

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day

No Sunday school

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

Sunday, January 1, 2023

New Year's Day

No Sunday school

10:00 a.m. Worship Service



Happy Thanksgiving!

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