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Hello, Friends at First Presbyterian Church Goldsboro, Hola!

It is hard to believe but we have been together for a month! What a joy to get to know your names and your stories. I have enjoyed connecting with you in the Sunday School classes, before and after service. I have also enjoyed visiting you during the week. I look forward to connecting with you if we haven't yet. It is great to see the level of organization and how elders, deacons, and committees are doing their jobs very efficiently. Thanks to our wonderful staff who work very nicely with the church leaders and congregation.

A word of recognition to Jean Whitaker who has been serving here as the finance and membership administrator for 20 years. Congratulations, Jean and thank you for doing a great job. Please stop by and let Jean know your appreciation.

I also appreciate you stopping by my office, emails, or phone calls letting me know if someone needs a visit or a call. It is also great to see that we are a spiritual family that care for each other and care for the community. This coming week I will be visiting committee meetings, then Deacons and Session. Please send up prayers as we discern and dream in partnership together implementing ministries for the fall and beyond.

I hope you are enjoying our sermon series on Journeying Together with my favorite stories from the Old Testament. In the fall we will be focusing on the theme of Building Together. We welcome hymns and song suggestions; please let Chris Watkins or myself know so that we can include them in our worship services.

On a personal note, we have found a house and we are super excited! We will be living in the Maplewood Neighborhood -10 minutes from church. Moving day is August 10. Thank you for all your support and help in this process. As you know my kids, Paul (10th grade) and Ella (9th), will be attending the new school on Base called Wayne School of Technical Arts. Laurie is also looking for a job. Thank you for all the love, hospitality as we settle here.

It is truly a joy and an honor to be here, and I look forward to walking the spiritual journey with you, to laugh and to cry together.

Sincerely, in Christ,

Pastor Noé Juarez

Officer Duties

	Elders	Deacons
Aug. 7	John Dees	Coleen Leeper
Aug. 14	John Parker	Robin Wilson
Aug. 21	Eddie Radford	Meredith Gurley
Aug. 28	Ann Hunter	Betty Rose Sutton

The deacon in charge: Elva Graham
Co-Deacon: Meredith Gurley



For the month of August

Brad Gurley
Joe McLamb
Sam Hunter

Christian Education

Summer Sunday School 2022

For Adults at 9:00 a.m.

For Children and Youth (multi-age) in the Gym

Women's Connection Conference

August 12-14

Montreat Conference Center



August Birthdays!



01 Mr. C.V. Sutton

01 Dr. Oz Wilder

01 Mr. Hunter Wilson

03 Mrs. Alice Huneycutt

05 Mr. Paul Hunter

06 Mrs. Joyce Pate

07 Mr. Tim Judd

09 Mr. Jack Best Jr.

09 Mrs. Virginia Best

10 Mr. Bill Warren

11 Mr. Mickey Nance

15 Mr. Bill Stanley

17 Mr. Michael Wilson

18 Mr. Philip Eubanks

20 Mrs. Megan Suddarth

21 Ms. Sarah Best

22 Mr. Tommy Franklin Jr.

22 Ms. Emily Benton

24 Mr. Rory Blackburn

25 Mr. Fred Lomax III

25 Mrs. Brigitte Broohm

25 Mrs. Tanya Hawkins

26 Mr. Dan Blackshear

27 Mr. Charlie Rouse

28 Mrs. Susan McCall

28 Mr. Emmanuel Foster

30 Mrs. Katie Gibson

30 Mr. Henry Huneycutt



Bill and I want to take this time to tell the entire church how blessed we feel. We are so thankful for all the visits, food, and help we have received. With us both being down everyone has stepped up to help drive us to appointments, visit us at my sister's home and when we were able to go home visit us and pray with us.

Thank you, Bill and Sharon Stanley



Installation Service

On Sunday, August 21, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. Service of Installation will be held in the Sanctuary at which time Rev. Dr. Noé Juárez will be installed as Pastor of First Presbyterian Church. All are invited to attend!



Congratulations!

Mrs. Jean Whitaker



*On Completing 20 years of service as
FPC's Financial Administrator. We thank you for your
dedication and commitment to the church.*

*Please stop by Jean's office Monday thru Thursday between 9:00
a.m. and 3:00 p.m. to congratulate her and show your
appreciation for her hard work all these years.*

Vacation Bible School

During the week of July 25-29, we had around 50 children and 34 volunteers singing and dancing in the Chapel, listening to Bible stories, watching mission reports, and enjoying snacks and games. A great big Thank You to all our volunteers. Without your help, we would not have been able to share this wonderful week of faith learning with our children and the children from our community. Thank you! Marilyn, Chris, Ellen, Ann, Nicole, Vismitha, Kathryn, Phyllis, Ava, Caroline, Rosalyn, Susan, Dalton, Hadley, Vismai, Ali, Emma, Betty Rose, Laurie, Margaret, Brigitte, Hannah, Carolyn, Lisa, Joyce, Ellen, Hettie, Sally, Karen, GiGi, Auri, Debbie, and Malcolm.
Church Staff: Noé, Chris, Nona, Jean, and Mary.









Music Ministry

Come Join the Chancel Choir!

On Wednesday night, September 7th, the wonderful Chancel Choir will resume their weekly rehearsals in the choir room!

Chris has worked all summer preparing all the anthems for the rest of 2022 and recording a “Chris-in-a-Box” CD for each voice part for all the anthems they will be singing! Everyone will be able to learn their voice parts by listening to his instructions on the recording even if they cannot read music! A take-home packet of these anthems will be given to each member so that they will be able to study the music at home without taking their choir folder away from the church.

In addition to the weekly Sunday anthems, each singer will receive all the special Christmas music that they will be presenting on the night of December 11th for “The Music of Christmas” service. Chris has again prepared CD recordings of all the voice parts, a recording of the anthems performed by professional groups, and a packet of music of these anthems so that they will be able to practice reading the music at home.

Please prayerfully consider joining this delightful group of singers! There is a special need for both altos and bass voices this season. **Men, we heard you sing to the ladies on Mother’s Day and you were wonderful! This proves that you can carry a tune. Come and let Chris teach you how to make your voices sing glorify God in the choir loft each week!**

Each week the choir will receive desserts and decaf coffee at their rehearsals. Come join the fun, sing, and eat treats as you blend your voices to make music for the Lord!

Children's Choir to Resume on Sunday, September 11th!

This season the children will resume their weekly Sunday morning choir rehearsals on September 11th. They will be preparing their first anthem to be sung on September 25th, as well as their Christmas musical, "Beneath a Shining Star" to be performed for the congregation on December 4th.

Chris has recorded a CD for their September 25th anthem – "Feed My Lambs" for the children to take home, play, and sing along with their families. Copies of the anthem will be given to each child to take home and study.

"Beneath a Shining Star" tells the story of a group of Sunday School children during their final days of rehearsal for their upcoming Christmas program. There is a bossy director, a band of sassy angels, a greedy innkeeper and his sidekick, and a host of other delightful characters. Every child will be a star with something to say and do. All the children will receive a CD of the musical and a script to take home and listen in order to learn their songs and lines.

All children in pre-school to the sixth grade are encouraged to participate in choir every Sunday morning at 9:00-9:30 a.m.

The Handbell Choir Resumes Rehearsals After Labor Day

The fifteen ringers of the Handbell Choir will begin their weekly rehearsals after Labor Day. The exact day and time will be announced later this month.

All the Christmas music has arrived and been circled for each ringer as they prepare for the Christmas season. They will ring for the church family during the December 18th morning worship service!

Piano and Voice Lessons

Starting in September our Director of Music, Chris Watkins, will be accepting new piano and voice students to receive lessons here at the church.

Chris specializes in teaching both adults and children (who are able to read) to play the piano, and to learn to sing properly and easily. He will be here at the church on Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays depending on the number of new students who wish to receive lessons. The cost of each weekly lesson is \$35 for a 40-minute lesson, and \$45 for an hour session each week.

Please call Chris here at the church (919) 734-5392 ext. 12, or at his home (252) 206-9965 so set up a time for lessons.

Prayer Requests

Congregation Members @ home

Mrs. Hope Derby, Jimmy Huffman, Ms. Jacqueline Kannan, Mr. O. L. Starling, Ken and Judy Taylor, Mrs. Jackie VanHoy, George and Addie Warren, John and Peggy Till, 312 Cedar Road, Brigitta Seymour, Bill and Sharon Stanley, and Dan Blackshear

Friends & Family

Mr. Jeff Stanley, (son of Bill and Sharon Stanley)
Ms. Beth Jennings, friend of Carol Branch
Rev. Jason Leonard, Wiley Leonard's son
Mr. Bob Locket, friend of Ken Taylor
Mr. Phil Barbee, brother-in-law of Fred and Rosalyn
Ms. Lori Mobley, friend of Lisa Royall
Mr. Ric Wagner, friend of Chris Watkins



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 Summer Calendar for August 2022

Sundays	Sunday School for all ages at 9:00 a.m. Worship Service at 10:00 a.m.
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.
Tuesdays	Church office 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 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.
Thursdays	Church office 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Goldsboro Bridge Club 1:00 to 5:00 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

For a detailed weekly calendar please visit the church website.