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**CHURCH**

*Welcome*

Our mission is to know Christ, serve Him,  
and make Him known.

**~ Gathering before the Word ~****Welcome**

Dr. Stuart Bond

**Time of Meditation***Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Lemmel

**Chimes of the Trinity****\*Call to Worship**

My heart is steadfast, O God!

I will sing and make melody with all my being!

**Awake, O harp and lyre!****I will awake the dawn!**

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;

**I will sing praises to you among the nations.**For your steadfast love is great above the heavens;  
your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**All: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!****Let your glory be over all the earth!** (Ps. 108: 1-5)**Hymn of Praise***Come, Christians Join to Sing*

MADRID

**\*Prayer of Confession****God of love, you ask us to follow in your way. And yet fear takes the place of love. Faithlessness pulls at us and we fall short. Forgive our selfish and frightened ways. Open up for us a vision of how you would have us live in the light of your love, loving one another. Then Lord, by your Spirit, help us walk in that light this week, and always.**

(Time of silent prayer and confession)

**In Christ's name. Amen.****\*Assurance of Pardon**

Let us together declare the truth from God's Word:

**For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.** (Romans 5: 6-8)

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and restored.

**Thanks be to God!**

## **Prayers of the People and 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.**

## **~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~**

**“10 Cents a Meal”**

**Michelle Walker**

**Hymn of Preparation**

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

ANGEL'S STORY

**Sermon**

Don't Forget To Love

Dr. Stuart Bond

**Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 13:1-6

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

People:

**Thanks be to God.**

## **~ Responding to the Word of God ~**

**\*Affirmation of Faith**

Apostle's 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.**

**Hymn of Commitment**     *The Church's One Foundation*

AURELIA

**\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*To God Be the Glory*

Doane

**\*All who are able please stand**

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## **Announcements**

**Fall Vespers is Sunday October 25<sup>th</sup>!** Musical guest "Wildwood Honey" will perform in the church parking lot at 5:30pm, and Pastor Stuart will offer a devotion message. A grab-and-go style dinner will be available at 5:00pm for those who wish to partake. Please let Ryan or Michelle Walker know as soon as possible if you would like a meal. Join us for socially-distanced outdoor worship and fellowship.

**Shoe Box Drop Off Location:** This year First Presbyterian has been asked to serve as a drop-off location for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes! During National Collection Week, community members may deliver shoeboxes through a curbside drop-off process. We will need volunteers during the following dates and times to help collect, count and cartonize:

Monday Nov.16-Friday Nov. 20 4pm-7pm

Saturday Nov. 21:11am-2pm

Sunday Nov. 22: 2pm-4pm

Monday Nov 23: 9am-11am

On Monday, Nov. 23, volunteers will also be needed at 11am to load the cartons and transport them to the central drop-off location of Pitts Baptist Church in Concord.

If you are able to serve during this week, please let Michelle Walker know the dates/times you are available. Please also pray for a safe and successful collection.

**You are invited to a combined adult Sunday School class** in the Sanctuary each Sunday at 10:00 am! Join us for socially-distanced learning and fellowship. If you can't make it in person, join us as we go live on YouTube.

- 10/25- Renee Goodnight
- 11/01- Time of Prayer
- 11/08 - Heath Burchett of Habit Missions
- 11/15 – Bill Stricker

**Wednesday Night Life continues!** Pastor Stuart leads an adult Bible Study on "Becoming a Healthy Disciple" at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary. The class is also live-streamed on our YouTube channel. Elementary youth meet online with Michelle Walker at 5:00pm. We will be following the "Kids' Travel Guide to the Parables". Michelle will send meeting links to parents, so watch your email. Don't miss out on these opportunities to "Fall for Jesus 2020!"

**It's SHOEBOX TIME!!!** In light of current conditions, the Missions Team is introducing the Frances Milem Memorial Shoebox Challenge! In honor and memory of Frances Milem's love for children, we're challenging our church members to provide for at least 200 boxes, if not the 400 we usually pack. There are three ways to participate:

1. Pack a box and bring to church by Sunday, November 15. Please include a \$9.00 check made to Samaritan's Purse for shipping.
2. Build a box online through our Church Goal page  
<https://build-a-shoebox.samaritanpurse.org/view/3870c03a-68cd-49cf-9dca-007f23494e99> OR
3. Donate money to our fund. Please send your donation, marked for OCC Shoeboxes, to the church office by October 31.

All contributions will be given to build shoeboxes online, at a cost of \$25.00 per box (including shipping). Boxes will be put together by Samaritan's Purse with high-quality items that are easy to distribute. Children around the world still need to know the love of God, even if our gifts look a little different this year!



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## **The Session**

Jeff Barnhardt, Clerk of Session

Class of 2021

Jeff Barnhardt  
Frank Gibson  
Phil McLain

Class of 2022

Debbie McDaniel  
Gip Rumble  
Bill Stricker

Class of 2023

Dave Argabrite  
Renee Goodnight  
Ryan Walker

## **Church Staff**

Dr. Stuart Bond  
Transitional Pastor

David Hamilton  
Director of Music

Michelle Walker  
Director of Children's Ministries

Terri Pruett  
Bookkeeper/Videographer

Angela Simpson  
Office Manger

Kay Yates  
Organist

Irene Davis  
Nursery Director

**If you would like to contribute flowers for worship,** please see the sign-up poster on the bulletin board just outside the church office. The cost for an arrangement is \$56.

# Prayer Concerns

*New Prayer requests will be placed  
in the bulletin for two weeks.*

*Please help us keep Prayer Concerns current with  
weekly updates emailed to [firstpresb@firstpresb.org](mailto:firstpresb@firstpresb.org).*

## HOMEBOUND

**Peggy Barnhardt** - at Morningside

**Iris Efir**

**Betty Overcash** - at  
Elmcroft in Salisbury

**Barbara Wise**

**Loretta Young** - at Five Oaks

## MEMBERS

**Judy Goodnight** - Cancer

**Bill Hammond** - Health concerns

**Connie Rary** - Cancer, radiation treatments

**Paul Barnhardt** - Health concerns

**Debby Baker** - Cancer

## FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS

**Farrar Griggs**- (In the hospital with Covid 19.)

**Susan Gibson**-Daughter in Law of Frank Gibson (surgery has been postponed. Surgeon was exposed to Covid.)

**Krystle Tacia**- friend of Chariti Lowder (Breast Cancer, completed chemo, awaiting another surgery, then radiation to begin)

**Cindy Barnhardt**-Cousin of Bonnie Goodnight (Diagnosed with ALS)

**Amy Ritchie** - friend of Jane Jacobs (Undergoing new chemo treatment at Duke)

**Roxanne Debord** - daughter of Tony & Judy Hunter (chemo)

**Wade Nunnery** - father of Karen Pless

**Bob Smith** - Judy Hammond's brother (Stage 3 Lung Cancer)

**Barbara Coffey** - friend of Judy Hunter (Cancer treatment)

**Lori Holder** - daughter of Sam McAllister (MS)

**Prayer request?** Please write it down on the blue pew prayer card, & place in the offering plate.

### Special Church Member of the Week

**Mrs. Claudine Larson**

PO Box 56  
Alamo ND 58830

Send a card, make a visit or a call, or  
offer a prayer. All to say, "God loves you  
and the church cares about you."



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