



FIRST

PRESBYTERIAN

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

The Gift of Love

Traditional English Melody

Chimes of the Trinity

***Call to Worship**

I love you, Lord, my strength.

The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;

my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge,

my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

I called to the Lord, who is worthy of praise,

and I have been saved from my enemies.**All: The Lord lives! Praise be to my Rock!****Exalted be God my Savior! (Psalm 18: 1-3; 46)**

Hymn of Praise

Magnificent, Marvelous, Matchless Love

KEYES/GETTY

***Prayer of Confession**

We confess, O God, that we have agonized over things national and things personal, things that make the front page and things that no one but we ourselves know about. We have wondered if your plan was at work instead of trusting you to take any situation and work through it for your glory. Remind us, Lord, that you are in charge and that we are yours. Help us, Lord, to walk with you whatever the times, for we know you hold all time in your hand.

(Time of silent prayer and confession)

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

Let us say the truth of God's Word together:

So do not fear, for I am with you;**do not be dismayed, for I am your God.****I will strengthen you and help you;****I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. (Isaiah 41: 10)**The promise of God is that he is the same yesterday, today and forever. Walk in that promise. **Amen!**

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 ~

Word with our Children

Michelle Walker

Song of Preparation *I will wait for You (Psalm 130)*

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Sermon

How to be a Great Church

Dr. Stuart Bond

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 13:15-19

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

My prayer for you

Farren/Campbell

***Benediction**

Postlude

Foundation

Union Harmony, 1837

***All who are able please stand**

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Announcements

October Financial Update:

Year to Date Budget - \$230,245

Year to Date Income - \$207,668

Year to Date Expenses - \$213,894

Urgent!! Volunteers needed to staff 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.

Your family is invited to participate in a “Live Nativity” on Sundays during advent! We will set up a walkway in front of the Sanctuary building on Sundays from 7pm-9pm. Your family may take the entire time slot or just an hour. Costumes will be provided, but help is needed to ‘create a set! Please contact Michelle Walker, if you are interested!!

Bell Room Clean Up: Just a reminder that if you have items that you donated for the Mission Teams yard sale, that we could not have, you have until November 7th to get your items or they will be donated to Salvation Army. You can also shop the Bell Room, and make a donations for items you would like to grab.

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.

- 11/08 - Heath Burchett of Habit Missions
- 11/15 – Bill Stricker
- 11/22- TBD
- 11/29- Rice & Bean Packing for CCM

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 **7:00pm**. (**Note the time change**) They are following the "Kids' Travel Guide to the Parables", and meeting links are sent out weekly. 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.samaritanspurse.org/view/3870c03a-68cd-49cf-9dca-007f23494e99> by November 23rd OR
3. Donate money to our fund. Please send your donation, marked for OCC Shoeboxes, to the church office by November 15th!

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!

Thank You Church Family!! We appreciate all the Prayers, cards, meals and thoughts during Connie's illness and passing. We are so very grateful for the encouragement during this difficult time in our family's life. With Thanks, Tony Rary & family.



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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.*

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

Paul Barnhardt - Health concerns

Debby Baker – Cancer

Dave Agrabrite & Family- Passing of his father Roy.

Judy Hammond & Family-Passing of her brother Bob Smith

FAMILY & FRIENDS OF MEMBERS

Sam McAllister-(2 grandchildren recovering from Covid)

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

Susan Gibson-Daughter in Law of Frank Gibson (The mass removed was cancerous, seeing oncologist on 11/5 for further plans.)

Krystle Tacia- friend of Chariti Lowder (Breast Cancer, second surgery complete, recovering at home, awaiting radiation.)

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

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

Mr. Charles Seaford

304 Larry Dr.
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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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