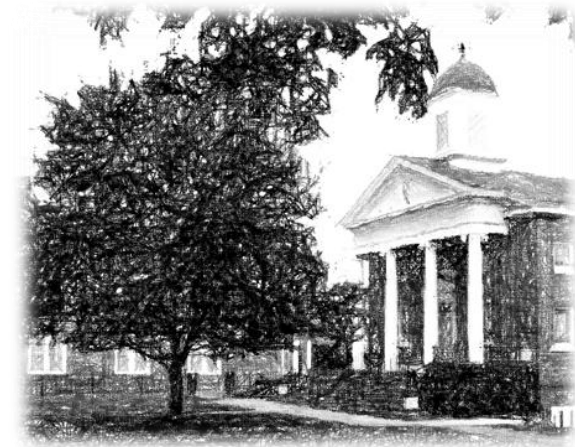


# First Presbyterian Church

133 South Main Street  
Mount Holly, North Carolina  
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## *The Mission Of Our Church*

*Sharing the grace of God, creating a warm and welcoming environment and making our church a vibrant witness to the community and the world through worship, Bible study, discipleship, outreach and service to those in need.*



### CHURCH DIRECTORY ~ 2015

Transitional Pastor  
Pastor Emeritus  
Director of Music  
Administrative Assistant  
Treasurer  
Missionary

Bryan E. Hovey  
Wilson P. Rhoton, Jr.  
J. Nelson Whittington  
Yvonne E. Webb  
Stefanie F. Faith  
Sandi Thompson-Royer

**Second Sunday of Easter    April 12, 2015    Eleven O'Clock**

#### **THE SESSION**

CLERK OF SESSION  
Robert F. Jessen, Jr.

ASSISTANT CLERK OF SESSION  
Paul L. Bumgarner

CLASS OF 2015  
Jayn L. Cox  
Robert F. Jessen, Jr.  
John C. Reynolds  
B. Warren Rhinehart

CLASS OF 2016  
Paul L. Bumgarner  
Davie L. Groner  
Robert J. Miller  
Marguerite T. Randall

CLASS OF 2017  
Karen L. Jones  
Rebecca C. Lineberger  
Henry H. Massey, Jr.  
Harman G. Poplin

#### **TRUSTEES**

CLASS OF 2015  
Henry M. Pigg

CLASS OF 2017  
James F. Love III

#### THE CHURCH GATHERS AROUND THE WORD

##### **PRELUDE**

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

arr. Thygerson

**WELCOME AND CONCERNS** *(Please sign the Ritual of Friendship Pad and greet those around you.)*

##### **INTROIT**

"How Majestic Is Your Name" (See Back of Insert)

Smith

##### **\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Peace be with you.

**People: How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity.**

Leader: Receive the Holy Spirit.

**People: It is like precious oil on the head, the blessing of the Lord.**

##### **\*HYMN #469**

"Morning Has Broken"

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

You have shown yourself to us, O God, by Word and Spirit, with signs and wonders, in flesh and blood, yet we still struggle to live and believe the good news of Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us; forgive us. Enter into our lives and cast out our fear so that we may come to trust in you and have life in Jesus’ name. Amen (Silence is observed – a few moments for personal confession of sin.)

**\*DECLARATION OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

*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.*

**\*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**THE CHURCH PROCLAIMS THE WORD**

**TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 133 page 575

**ANTHEM** “Holy Father, God Above” Wright

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING** John 20:19-31 page 115

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SERMON** “John 20: 19-31”

**THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN (See Insert)** “These Things Did Thomas Count as Real”

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** From The Confession of 1967

*God the Holy Spirit fulfills the work of reconciliation in man. The Holy Spirit creates and renews the church as the community in which men are reconciled to God and to one another. He enables them to receive forgiveness as they forgive one another and to enjoy the peace of God as they make peace among themselves. In spite of their sin, he gives them power to become representatives of Jesus Christ and his gospel of reconciliation to all men.*

**ORGAN INTERLUDE AND SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

Pour out your blessing, O Lord, **and send us your Spirit of peace.**

*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*

**THE OFFERING**

Offertory

**\*Doxology**

*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*

**\*Offertory Prayer**

**THE CHURCH BEARS AND FOLLOWS THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

**\*HYMN #151** “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE:** “May the Lord Bless You” Congregation & Choir  
(See Insert)

**\*POSTLUDE** “Praise Him! Praise Him” arr. Hayes

**\*The Congregation will please stand.** A worship nursery is provided for young children.

*Welcome to all of you visiting with us this morning. We are happy you are here and hope you find the worship and fellowship to be enjoyable. If you do not have a church home and would be interested in hearing more about this church, please ask the pastor or one of the ushers. We invite you to visit our website at [www.fpcmountholly.org](http://www.fpcmountholly.org) for more information concerning the church. We welcome your participation in the worship, fellowship and mission of this church.*

**IN MEMORIAM**  
Mrs. Virginia “Doll” Wright Mason  
October 19, 1915 April 5, 2015

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**  
Robert & Jessica Connell upon the death of his cousin (Doris Paul), Anita Jones, Henry Pigg’s sister (Doris Murphy), Hoyt Green, Gene Stewart  
Our partner church in Guatemala, Presbytery’s Prayer Church – Westminster (Asheville)

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(to the tune of "Edelweiss")

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