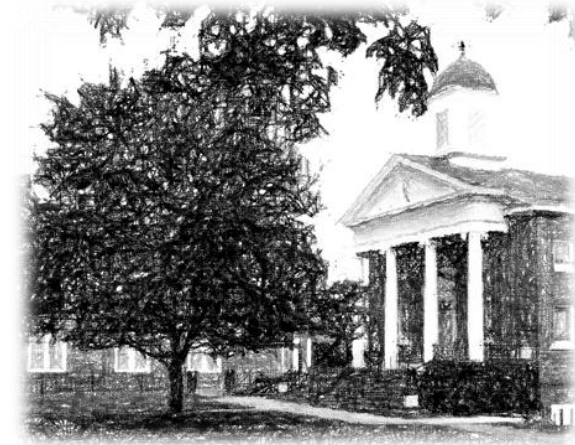


First Presbyterian Church

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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

Fourth Sunday of Easter April 26, 2015 Eleven O'Clock

THE SESSION

CLERK OF SESSION
Robert F. Jessen, Jr.

ASSISTANT CLERK OF SESSION
Paul L. Bumgarner

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B. Warren Rhinehart

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Robert J. Miller
Marguerite T. Randall

CLASS OF 2017
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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

"A Quiet Faith"

Logan

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: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

People: He lays down his life for his sheep.

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

People: He knows us, and we belong to him.

Leader: The Lord Jesus Christ is our shepherd.

People: He speaks, and we listen for his voice.

***HYMN #387**

"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Lord, have mercy on us. We talk about love, but our actions betray us. We talk about love, but we neglect the poor. We talk about love, but we fail to love one another. Lord, have mercy on us. Forgive us, and abide in us by the power of your Spirit so that our lives may show our love for Jesus Christ, in whose body we live and in whose name we pray. (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 23 page 501

ANTHEM “He Keeps Me Singing” arr. McDonald

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Acts 4:5-12 page 121

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON “Acts 4:5-12”

THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD

***HYMN #404** “Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

***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 “You may place your 5 Cents A Meal Offering in the basket.”

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 #522** “Lord, When I Came Into This Life”

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

***POSTLUDE** “Love Lifted Me” arr. McDonald

*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 for more information concerning the church. We welcome your participation in the worship, fellowship and mission of this church.

Mark your calendars to attend the Fiesta Bowl for Cinco de Mayo next Sunday, May 3, at 6:00 PM. The food will be delicious. The Fellowship Committee is in charge of the event.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:
Anita Jones, Frances Rhoton, Hoyt Green, Gene Stewart, Carl Whittington,
Henry Pigg’s sister (Doris Murphy), Pam Wright
Our partner church in Guatemala, Presbytery’s Prayer Church – Asheville First

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MAY THE LORD BLESS YOU

(to the tune of “Edelweiss”)

*May the Lord, Mighty God bless and keep you forever; Grant you peace, perfect peace; courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and see His face and His grace forever.
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