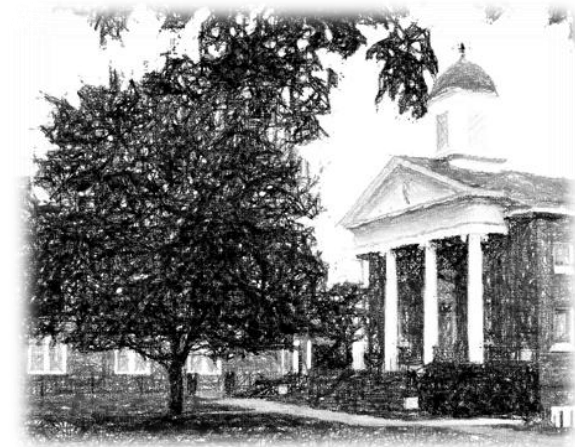


# First Presbyterian Church

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

**Sixth Sunday of Easter      May 10, 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**

"Jesus Loves Me"

arr. McDonald

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

**INTROIT**

"From the Rising of the Sun" (See Back of Insert)

Psalms 113

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

Leader: Sing to our God a new song.

**People: God has done marvelous things!**

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord.

**People: Break forth into joyous song and sing praises.**

Leader: Let the sea roar and all that fills it.

**People: Let the world and its people sing together for joy!**

**\*HYMN #239**

"How Happy Is Each Child of God"

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Loving God, we have not loved you or each other with our whole hearts. Forgive us, we pray, and lead us toward wholeness, that we may be filled with your joy. It is in the name of your Son Jesus Christ that we pray these things. 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**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING** Psalm 98 page 551

**ANTHEM** "Home Is A Special Kind Of Feeling" Rutter

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING** 1 John 5:1-6 page 241

**SERMON** "1 John 5:1-6"

**THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD**

**CONFIRMATION OF OUR YOUTH**

**\*HYMN #44 (See Insert)** "Like a Mother Who Has Borne Us"

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed page 14

*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. Amen.*

**ORGAN INTERLUDE AND SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

God of grace and mercy, **hear our prayers.**

*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 offering for CRO 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** "Festal Fanfare" Scott

**\*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.*

This morning our church we will confirm four of our youth. These four youth have completed an 8 week course on the Christian faith and the Session received and approved their Statements of Faith. The four youth are: *Alex Faith, Bailey Kaylor, Joey Matz and Shayne Zonin.* We look forward to their growth and participation in the life of our Church.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:**

Elva Wagstaff, Mimi Guin, Frances Rhoton, Hoyt Green, Gene Stewart,  
Henry Pigg's sister (Doris Murphy), Pam Wright  
Our partner church in Guatemala, Presbytery's Prayer Church – Belmont First

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