



First Presbyterian Church

UPDATE/6.26.24

MOUNT HOLLY NC

Hello!

What a fun time we had a Vacation Bible School this year! Great skits...lots of laughter...beautiful crafts...fun (and wet!) games...delicious and creative food...energetic music...and a good message as we gathered for fellowship and fun to learn and celebrate God's Word!

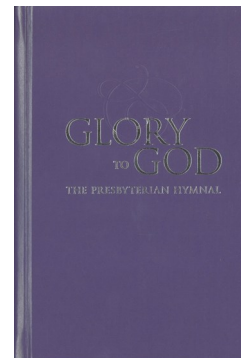
The cover of the recent Presbyterian Hunger Program publication featured people on its cover holding up signs that say "Water is Life." Indeed it is, and the theme of VBS this year was "Wade in the Water." Fittingly our mission offering will go to purchase a Mzuzu Drill through the Presbyterian Giving Catalog. This is a manual drill that local workers can use to more easily access clean water in parts of the world where water can only be found underground.

A huge thanks to all who made this program happen: The CE Committee, group leaders, class leaders, kitchen crew, and to all who participated, young and old! We're already thinking about next year's theme!

With the arrival of summer and the season of vacations, I wish for you all safe travels if you are going places, and renewed spirits whether you are away or at home.

Blessings,

Janet



In Memoriam

Brenda Sue Farris Loftin

November 7, 1940—June 24, 2024
In life and in death, we belong to God

The family will receive visitors on Tuesday, July 2 from 6:00—8:00 pm in the Fellowship hall.

The Service of Worship in Witness to the Resurrection will be held on Wednesday, July 3 at 11:00 am followed by a graveside service.

Hymn Sing Sunday –July 20



Prayers for Montreat

We are so excited to be sending our youth to Montreat July 14 to July 20. Please keep them and their leaders in your prayers.

Session Highlights

Session met on June 9 and:

- Unanimously and enthusiastically received Scott and Dana Frady into the membership of our church.
- Approved removing several non-attending church members from our rolls.
- Approved a request for transfer of membership for Susie Crisan.
- Approved a request from Dr. Dara Cobb-Lewis to periodically use space in our building for her counseling business. She will provide a monthly contribution and one free service to our church per quarter, such as preaching, leading a class, or Bible study.
- Approved hiring a person to update and refresh our church website for a cost not to exceed \$500.00.
- Approved having home Communion for homebound members at a date to be determined.
- Received the January – May, 2024 Profit and Loss report.
- Received a report that \$5,447.62 has been collected to date for the Legacy Fund.
- Approved a motion from the Mission and Outreach Committee that the special offering collected during the month of August will support “The Least of These,” an organization that serves foster children in Gaston County.

Directory Updates?

During the summer we will be updating our information in preparation for the 2024-25 Church Directory. Please let the office know if your contact information has changed. You can do that by sending it to jdewater@fpcmountholly.com



July Birthdays

Gail Williamson	2
Paxton Zonin	4
Lois Bergman	7
Jacob Kalinowski	7
Jack Fish	10
Linda Thomas	13
Jennifer Solomon	14
Gaige Flood	15
Asher Clark	19
John DeWater	20
Donna Love	20
Monie Bean	22
Michelle Sudderth	23
Scott Frady	28
Aiden Jessen	30



Food Box Mission—August 3

Once again, we will join with the Mount Holly Farmers Market in providing food boxes for people in need.

We will need 8 volunteers on Saturday, July 15 at 9am for approximately an hour to pack up boxes. If you would like to help, please let Paul B. or Janet know!

Budget Update as of June 23

Total budget 2024	\$180,765.00
YTD receipts	\$ 63,311.50
YTD CRO	\$ 367.36
YTD “Daily Change”	\$ 184.59
Farmers Market Food Boxes	\$273.00

Thank you for your ever-faithful giving for our ministry at First Presbyterian!

FUN HAD BY ALL AT VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-WADE IN THE WATER!!

