



First Presbyterian Church

UPDATE/5.23.24

MOUNT HOLLY NC

Hello!

On Pentecost Sunday, May 19 as we remembered the biblical account of the start of the church, we also dedicated the start our new FPC “Legacy Fund” during worship. In planning for the future financial health of the congregation your Endowment Committee and Session have created this fund, the income from which is for the purpose of needed additional support for our operating budget. As the Legacy fund grows, so will its ability to help sustain our annual expenses. This is its legacy, which is our legacy to the future of FPC! Thank you for your contributions now or at any time throughout the year! Do remember that your pledged regular giving for the current year is still very important for our operating budget and that any Legacy Fund giving is intended to be in addition to your pledge. I, for one, will be adding a little bit extra to my pledge each month for the Legacy Fund. (Note: one check can be written for both with designations noted the memo line.) Thank you for supporting the ministry of our current budget and for being part of the future of this church through the Legacy Fund!

As a new month is upon us, here is a reminder that the Mission Committee has instituted a new plan for our special offerings that are received in worship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Three of our annual mission causes will now be supported via our special offerings during worship during the months of June, August and December. They are: the Farmers Market Food Box program which will be received in June; Support for Children in Foster Care which will be received in August; and the Black Mountain Home for Children, Youth and Families which will be received in December. You will hear more about these organizations in worship!

And finally, in a temporary pause from the lectionary readings for the summer, I will be preaching a series on some of the books of the Bible that are recognized as being among “The Least Read Books of the Bible!” I think it will be fun! This begins with the Letter of Paul to *Titus* on June 9.

Blessings, *Janet*



Donut Sunday May 26

Join us for a relaxed worship service at 11:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Do come a few minutes early to enjoy donuts, coffee and good fellowship! (A small donation for the cost of the donuts is appreciated.)

This is also Trinity Sunday—a day to explore the mysteries of God whom we know as being three-in-one: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, OR Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, OR Three persons, each fully God, OR... Come learn some more on Sunday!

Directory Update

Over the summer we will be updating information for the Fall Church Directory. If any of your information has changed, please let us know. You can send updates to jdewater@fpcmountholly.com

Wade in the Water!

VBS— Wade in the Water!

Our FPC Vacation Bible School is intergenerational and it is oh so much fun! EVERYONE is invited to be part of this program! Join us!

Sunday, June 2 12:00-2:00 (lunch)
Monday, June 3 6:00-8:00 (dinner)
Tuesday, June 4 6:00-8:00 (dinner)

The theme is “Wade in the Water,” which we’ll explore in scripture, crafts, song and play. The mission component will be support of a water provision for those in need!

Session Highlights

The Session met on May 5, 2024 and made the following decisions:

- Approved a motion from the Endowment Committee to accept the proposed grants for the 2024 year.
- Approved a motion from the Endowment Committee to create an FPC Legacy Fund. This fund will be a general and unrestricted fund for the purpose of strengthening and contributing to the financial needs of the ministry of First Presbyterian Church through income generated from it.
- Approved the timeline for implementing the Legacy Fund and the letter to be sent to the congregation further explaining the Legacy Fund.
- Received an update on the work of the Balcony Team.
- Received a report from Rev. DeWater about the Presbytery meeting held on April 30.
- Approved sending a letter to identified inactive members asking if they choose to remain members of our church.
- Received updates from church committees about their activities and plans.



June Birthdays

Freda Good	3
CR Farris	4
Jordan Ashe	6
Troy Hunt	11
Jim Love	12
Paul Solomon	13
Marguerite Randall	15
Tom Springs	15
Leo Fuller	19
Robbie Jessen	26
Jewel Nixon	30

Budget Update as of 5/19

Total budget 2024	\$180,765.00
YTD pledged giving	53,210.50
YDCRO	347.26
YTD Daily Change	169.59

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



Thank you for attending the Cinco de Mayo Lunch and supporting our young people in attending the Montreat Youth Conference this summer! They are nearing their goal of needed funds.