WORSHIP SERVICES

June 11, 2017
First Sunday after Pentecost
10:00 a.m. - Sanctuary
William K. Neely preaching, “Some Doubted”
Psalm 8
Matthew 28:16-20

(Service broadcast on WNCT—1070 AM radio starting at 11:00 a.m. and streamed live at 10:00 a.m. at www.1070WNCT.com and www.fpcgreenville.org.)

Vacation Bible School
Our 2017 VBS Rome - Paul and the Underground Church begins on Sunday. We will be traveling to Rome and exploring life with the first century Christians. Kids will experience a Roman marketplace and learn how Paul and fellow Romans lived. We will begin our adventure on Sunday night, June 11, 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Come and be part of our Roman family as we gather in the sanctuary for our opening with a special Roman leader, then families will participate in three fun activities. VBS will then continue Monday through Thursday, 9am-12 noon.

We still need adult volunteers. If you can help please let Anne Mauldin or Kathleen Williams know as soon as possible. Email Kathleen at kathleen@fpcgreenville.org or Anne at annemauldin@msn.com.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!

Jessica Pabst
Makenna Matthijs

Morgan Farrior
Lauren Phillips
Emily Stanley
Drew Steele

Not pictured
Emma Mehlhop, Taylor Mills

(More information on page 4)

Our next issue of “FOCUS” will be printed Wednesday, July 12, 2017. Please submit all articles to janice@fpcgreenville.org by 9:00 a.m. Monday, July 10, 2017.
# UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

## Sunday, June 11
- 10:00 am  Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:00 am  Lemonade Gathering (Welcome Center)
- 1:00 pm  Mission Trip Meeting
- 6:30 pm  Vacation Bible School Kickoff

## Monday, June 12
- 9:00 am  Vacation Bible School
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)
- 1:00 pm  Staff Meeting (HHR)
- 6:30 pm  Cub/Boy Scouts (BFH/Rooms)
- 7:00 pm  Overeaters Anon (R211)

## Tuesday, June 13
- 9:00 am  Vacation Bible School
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)

## Wednesday, June 14
- 9:00 am  Vacation Bible School
- 9:30 am  Prayers & Squares (R207)
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)
- 6:00 pm  Prayer Shawl Ministry (Parlor)
- 7:00 pm  Chancel Choir (R216)
- 8:00 pm  AA (R202)

## Thursday, June 15
- 9:00 am  Vacation Bible School
- 10:00 am  Bible Study (HHR)
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)
- 7:00 pm  Overeaters Anon (R211)
- 8:00 pm  AA (BFH)

## Friday, June 16
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)

## Saturday, June 17
- 11:00 am  Overeaters Anon (R211)

## Sunday, June 18
- 10:00 am  Worship (Sanctuary)
- 7:00 pm  Session

## Monday, June 19
- 11:00 am  Staff Meeting (HHR)
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)
- 6:30 pm  Cub/Boy Scouts (BFH/Rooms)
- 7:00 pm  Overeaters Anon (R211)
- Greenville Women’s League (FH)

## Tuesday, June 20
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)
- 6:00 pm  MOC Dinner (FH)

## Wednesday, June 21
- 9:30 am  Prayers & Squares (R207)
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)
- 6:00 pm  Prayer Shawl Ministry (Parlor)
- 7:00 pm  Chancel Choir (R216)
- 8:00 pm  AA (R202)

## Thursday, June 22
- 8-12 noon  ECU Vocal Music Intensive (FH/Sanctuary/Choir Room)
- 10:00 am  Bible Study (HHR)
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)
- 7:00 pm  Overeaters Anon (R211)
- 8:00 pm  AA (BFH)

## Friday, June 23
- 12:00 noon  AA (BFH)

## Saturday, June 24
- 11:00 am  Overeaters Anon (R211)
- 6:00 pm  FPC Serves Shelter Meal
OUR MEMBERSHIP CARES

Cypress Glen: Ben Lattin, C120, Beth Clark, A105, Martha Coffman, C213, Margie Wright, B318

Spring Arbor: Thelma Flye

Southern Assisted Living: Joe Sullivan

At Home: Connie Bond, Terrence Clemons, Shel Downes, Ray Evans, Steven Prosser, Mary Smith, Louise Woellmer

Vidant: Jim Kleckley

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MOC Dinner

The Men of the Church dinner will be Tuesday, June 20, 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will have a business meeting instead of a speaker. Chris Riddle will be cooking. Cost is $10. Sign up in the Welcome Center.

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Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women will continue to meet during the summer at McAlister’s Deli for lunch on the fourth Tuesdays. Those dates are June 27, July 25, and August 22.

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Hot Dog & Ice Cream Social

The annual Hot Dog and Ice Cream Social will be Sunday, July 9, 5:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars and plan to bring some homemade ice cream or toppings to share.

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First Friday Club

A great time was had by all at the End of Year Party at Atomic Laser Dome! Thank you all for coming out! Remember, rising 6th graders are welcome to join us for Ultimate Frisbee this summer beginning on June 14th at 7:00 at the ECU intramural fields behind the Belk Building. Brian Dilday will send reminders. For more information, contact Brian at fpcyouthgreenville@gmail.com.

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ELDER SUGGESTIONS REQUESTED

The church Nominating Committee is seeking recommendations from the congregation for members to be considered to serve 3-year terms in the office of elder. Our Presbyterian Book of Order states, “Elders should be persons of faith, dedication, and good judgment. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel, both within the church and in the world.” To make recommendations, please fill out the form below and return it to the church office. Self referrals are gladly accepted. All recommendations are asked to be returned to the office as soon as possible.

I recommend ____________________________ for consideration to be an elder.

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“Share the Journey; Grow in Faith”
Congratulations High School Graduates

Morgan Leigh Farrior,
Arendell Parrott Academy, plans to attend Meredith College

Makenna Thompson Matthijs,
D.H. Conley High School, plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Greensboro (softball)

Emma Marie Mehlhop,
The Oakwood School, plans to attend Duke University

Taylor Manning Mills,
Farmville Central High School, plans to attend Meredith College

Jessica May Pabst,
The Oakwood School, plans to attend Florida Southern College

Lauren Elizabeth Phillips,
J.H. Rose High School, plans to attend Meredith College (volleyball)

Emily Taylor Stanley,
J.H. Rose High School, plans to attend East Carolina University

Andrew Grimes “Drew” Steele,
J.H. Rose High School, plans to attend Appalachian State University
Lemonade Gatherings
This summer on the second Sunday of each month, the Membership Ministry invites members and visitors to stop by our “lemonade stand” in the Welcome Center following the 10:00 a.m. worship service. Please join us June 11, July 9, and August 13 and enjoy a time to meet, greet, and catch up.

Contemplative Kids
(and adults)
Families with children in preschool - rising fifth graders are invited to participate in a special family summer series called “Contemplative Kids.” This class is designed for both the quieter child and the very active and will be inclusive of all abilities. At 9:00 am on Sundays, families will learn basic contemplative practices including simple mindfulness, meditation, and relaxation skills. Mindfulness is about awareness. It can teach us how to find the calm that is under all the chaos of our lives. Faith helps us find God there. Each session will engage the imagination using a Bible story theme to help us learn the contemplative skills. Sensory activities and yoga-type stretching will also be included. Guided meditations written for this class will be available for participants to use at home. More information is available on the registration forms.

Sessions will run from June 25 - July 30. Registration is requested. While a hundred percent participation in the sessions would be ideal, the reality of summer schedules is understood. If your family can only come to a few sessions, please sign up and let Amanda Hines know which sessions you will miss. While designed for families with children, this is an intergenerational class; adults without children are welcome.

Bring a beach towel or yoga mat.

Bible Study
The Thursday morning Bible study at 10:00 a.m. will continue to meet in June but will not meet in July and August.

Stephen Ministry
For those of you who attended the April 30th worship services led by our Stephen Ministers, we hope you have a better understanding of Stephen Ministry. Stephen Ministers in our church are lay people who have been trained in Christian caregiving. We are here to walk with you, listen to you, and pray with you. Our ministry is always about confidentiality. If you or you have a friend who may be in need of a Stephen Minister, please fill out the card in the church pew or call one of our Stephen Minister leaders, Sandra Ward, Bill Lehman, Jim Young, or Amanda Hines.

Sunday Fellowship
The Membership Ministry is seeking additional members to provide light breakfast foods on Sunday mornings before worship. If you would like to be added to the Sunday Fellowship schedule, please contact Gibson McCall at ggibsonmcall@gmail.com.

Thank you all for coming out to support our seniors and to the Education Ministry for providing breakfast for these young people and their families.

“Share the Journey; Grow in Faith”
Youth Group News:

Congratulations to all of my seniors on their graduation! I am proud of each and every one of you and I know that you will do great things! I want to thank everyone for their donations and assistance with the lingering on Sunday! I appreciate all of your help! A huge thank you to the Jackson’s for the awesome end of year party! Everyone had a great time.

VOLUNTEERS Needed: I am looking for 2 to 3 youth to assist with moving a member of our congregation on Saturday. We will meet at the church at 8:30. It should not take too long! Thanks in advance! We will have our first Summer Ultimate Frisbee at 7:00 at the ECU intramural fields behind the Belk building off of Charles Boulevard. All are welcome! Feel free to bring friends.

Huddle Club--I need each person to contact me about getting together to be able to paint their ceiling tile in the Senior High room. We will not have a set date; I will meet whenever you are available.

VBS--Volunteers are needed for this year’s VBS! Please contact Kathleen Williams if you are available. Volunteers are still needed desperately!

Montreat Payments--please begin making a payment towards Montreat. The total due is $265. You can pay any amount. I am also looking for a couple more advisors to attend and assist with cooking and supervising. Please submit your first payment as soon as possible.

Mission Trip Meeting--June 11th immediately following the 10:00 service.

Upcoming Dates--mark your calendar!!
• June 10th--volunteers needed to move a member of the congregation--meet at the church at 8:30am.
• June 11th--Mission Trip Meeting after the 10:00 service
• June 11th--June 15th--Vacation Bible School
• June 14th--Ultimate Frisbee at 7:00 at the ECU intramural fields behind the Belk building off of Charles Boulevard.

Happy End of School to everyone! I hope that everyone has had a great last week or so of school and that exams and testing has gone well for everyone. It is summer time and I am looking forward to all that we have planned and more. I hope to see as many of you as possible over the summer months as we continue to share in the journey and to grow in our faith.

Brian Dilday, Youth Director, 252-367-1914, FPCYouthgreenville@gmail.com

Graduate Recognition Sunday
June 4, 2017
### Sunday Morning Leaders

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### Communion Preparation Committee<br>April-June 2016

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We Christians have entered the season of Pentecost, which began this past Sunday. Pentecost comes on the 50th day after Easter and coincides with the Jewish celebration of Shavuot. Shavuot is a two-day celebration of the giving of the Torah (the Law of God) to the Jewish people on Mount Sinai. It is not that the Jewish people did not already know the requirements contained in the Ten Commandments or even keep them before Moses ascended Mount Sinai. After all, scripture records that Abraham kept the law of God and thereby was found righteous. A period of nearly 750 years passed before Moses received the Ten Commandments on the mountain. Then the people of Israel continued serving and obeying God, even in their exile in Egypt.

So why have we as Christians placed Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit, at the same time as the Jewish celebration of Shavuot? I believe the answer lies in the Jewish understanding that though the people knew the law, it was veiled to them until Moses met God on the mountain and the law became more than simply rules. It became a way of life, a way of living out God in their lives. The writers of the New Testament and in particular Luke understood that like Moses’ experience at Sinai, the disciples had also experienced the coming of God’s presence into the world.

Just as the law became a living reality in Moses and the people of Israel, we as Christians must experience Christ becoming a living reality in us. The presence of Holy Spirit transforms us just as surely as Torah transformed the people of Israel. The Spirit binds us together and makes us a people, a holy nation, God’s own beloved. May God pour out the Spirit on us as we are transformed as a people and a church to be the presence of God in the world. For God knows that that Presence is needed now as much as it was when Moses met God on Mount Sinai and those early disciples met the Spirit of the living God in that upper room.

Bill Neely