

# The PRESSbyterian

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October 2020



## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

will be observed on  
World Communion Sunday,  
October 4, 2020.

## COME FOR FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!

October 7, 2020  
6:00-7:30 p.m.

Join your church family for some long-awaited fellowship and fun, plus Chick-fil-A and ice cream!

Sign-up by noon on October 2<sup>nd</sup>:  
Call the church office (534-0088)  
or email  
dseymore@1stpresbyterian.org.



## OCTOBER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Currently, there are two adult Zoom classes.  
They welcome new or returning members.

### Saltshakers

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### Young Adult Class

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Josh Nexsen

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### Children and Youth

Nursery and Preschool teachers will record a Bible story which will be mailed, along with an activity sheet, to parents.

Elementary, middle school and youth will have the opportunity to participate in an interactive Google Sunday School room.

We miss being together and pray for health/healing for all and for everyone to feel God's love surrounding them.

Kaye Borgstedt

Christian Education Coordinator



▪ The John Knox Class is not meeting virtually.

# SERVICE OF OFFICER ORDINATION AND/OR INSTALLATION SEPTEMBER 15, 2020

## Deacons: Class of 2023

Kathy Bradley *	Carol Cassone *
Suzanna Crabb *	Anna House *
Sloan Moore *	

## Elders: Class of 2023

David Gillespie	Retta Guthrie
Melissa Plummer *	Jimmy Smoak

(ordained)



**To give online** go to the following website.  
<https://abundant.co/firstpresbyterian/give>

Then enter the amount you want to give, select a fund, choose your frequency and enter your email address. Click continue and enter your payment information to complete the transaction.

If you create an account, you can log-in when prompted and use a saved payment method.

**To give by text**, text firstpresb and any amount to 73256. Click the link you receive in your text message response and follow the prompts to give. Text giving even saves your payment information so you can quickly give again.

Of course, you may continue to give by mailing your contributions (536 Stanley Street, 29115) or dropping them in the secure dropbox on the office door.

# FROM THE MINISTER OF MUSIC

What a beautiful day the Lord has made today and I did rejoice in it this morning as Duke and I took our walk. Something about me you may not know is that from 2000-2015 I was the paid tenor section leader at the Temple Beth El in Charlotte. This temple is part of the reformed Temple movement, therefore they had no problem with a Christian singing in the temple during the High Holy Days. It was a great experience, a time of learning and making many Jewish friends.

I found it very interesting that each year as Rosh Hashanah (the Jewish New Year) approached the weather would begin to turn cool. I pointed this out to several friends and my family and look - this year as Rosh Hashanah approaches on Friday Evening, September 18, 2020, the weather has begun to change.

Speaking of change, the house at 544 Stanley has gone through many changes over the last three months. This week the final indoor project is being taken care of. I hope to be able to have an open house for the church when our situation with covid changes. Duke and I are feeling like it is our house now and we thank all of you good folks who have given of your time to get things done at the house. I would also like to thank the Deacons for the wonderful meals you provided the last month. Duke really enjoyed the homemade macaroni and cheese and I did too. I am grateful for all that FPO has done to make me feel at home. Please know that you are welcomed anytime to stop by for a visit.

Raymond Tucker

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# NOTE OF THANKS

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to our church family and other friends who sent me so many cards and notes for the loss of my sister. I also received so many wonderful birthday cards and that was nice to receive those, too.

Gordon Huddleston

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

CELEBRATING GOD'S LOVE

LIVING FAITHFULLY

LIVING LOVED

As we run to Him with our *hurts and fears*, we find ourselves carried by a *love far greater* than anyone's power to harm us.



Do you ever feel as if your life is like an airplane in a holding pattern waiting for takeoff? But unlike an airplane not getting closer to the takeoff? For what are you waiting? According to a Google search for scripture verses on waiting, "there are at least 7 words in Greek and Hebrew that can be translated, wait. Results for wait and waited was 141 verses." Most of the verses referenced waiting for God.



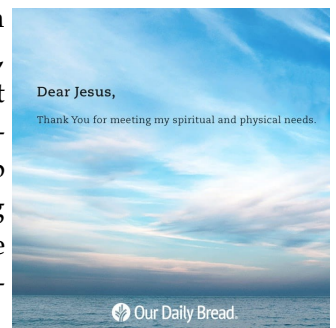
How many biblical people can you name that waited on God? Some for years like Sarah and Abraham waiting for Isaac. It took years of waiting but God kept His

promise. "...those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength...." Isaiah 40:31. "The Lord is good to those who wait for Him, to the soul who seeks Him." Lamentations 3:25. And Galatians 5:5 "For thru the Spirit, by faith, we eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness." What scripture comforts you as you wait?

Are you waiting for God to do something in your life? How are you waiting? Are you discouraged, sad, lonely, impatient, maybe a little angry, scared? All, plus many more, are natural reactions to waiting. As Christians, we wait with Hope. Psalm 33: 18-20, "The eyes of the Lord are on those...whose hope is in His unfailing love.....wait in hope for the Lord: He is our shield." We are admonished to wait patiently and expectedly. While waiting with patience and positive expectation, we need to prepare. Prepare without complaining and prepare confidently. Isaiah 30:18 says, "The Lord longs to be gracious to you; He rises to show you compassion....Blessed are all who wait for Him."

**Challenge:** While waiting on the Lord, think about this. Jesus may be waiting on you and me. Is he waiting for us to respond in some way, change in some way, be more open.....?

**Prayer:** (paraphrase of Psalm 27:11-14) "Teach me your ways, O Lord, lead me in a straight path....help me see the goodness of the Lord.... And help me wait for the Lord: be strong and take heart and wait for the Lord." And help us openly listen for You. Amen.



With Christian Love,  
Kaye Borgstedt  
Christian Education Coordinator

## GENERAL FUND 2020

For month ending August 31, 2020	Month	Year-to-Date
General Fund Income	\$21,038.62	\$298,790.53
General Fund Budgeted Expenses	\$25,540.28	\$244,807.78
	(\$ 4,501.66)	\$ 53,982.75

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**Return Service Requested**



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## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/01	Salley Hewett Freddy Felder Melinda Shepherd Leah Jones	10/15	Colin Weaver Anna House Bourne Burroughs
10/02	Bonnie Jordan	10/17	Alan Johnstone Elizabeth Allen Brailsford
10/03	Bess Hill Emily Cook	10/18	Connie Belcher
10/04	Neal Branan Frank Sterling	10/20	Mike Clayton
10/05	Jim Shepherd Huntley Wolfe	10/22	Dot Dudley Bert Shuler, III
10/08	Charlotte Nexsen	10/23	Margie Cantley
10/10	Marlene Welch	10/24	Allyn Price
10/13	Ted Evans Lewis Fogle Gaye Irick	10/26	Sandra Borgstedt
		10/28	Gari von Besser
		10/29	Chalmers Mikell
		10/30	Lyon Smith
		10/31	Sandy Bryant

## MEMORIALS

### Given in Memory of

Mary Lois Trimmier      Lu Richardson

### Given By

Dr. and Mrs. Steven Patterson  
Mr. and Mrs. John Shuler  
Mrs. Frances Lytch  
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bradley, Jr.  
Mrs. Cheryl Smith  
Dr. and Mrs. David Gillespie  
Joe and Carol Livingston