



First Presbyterian Church

July 26, 2020
10:30 AM

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CENTERING PRAYER

Holy God, we try to fix and fasten you, but you will not be stayed. You are love in motion: always breathing us into being, calling us to serve, sustaining us in the wilderness. Come to us as the morning breaks. Soften what has grown dry and brittle in our hearts until we worship with abandon, for we pray in the name of the Son you sent and through the Spirit that gives us life. Amen.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Megan Gates

CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

from Psalm 105

O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples.

**Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wonderful works.**

Glory in his holy name;
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

**Seek the LORD and his strength;
seek his presence continually.**

Remember the wonderful works he has done,
his miracles, and the judgments he has uttered,

**He is the LORD our God;
He is mindful of his covenant forever.**

SPECIAL MUSIC

The Love of God

Jennifer Hartsock & Donna James

CALL TO CONFESSION

Donna James

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Lord, you search our hearts and see the places where they are hardened and resistant to your will. In this time of much upheaval and pain, we frequently turn away from those in need, seeking our own security instead of the well-being of all creation. We let petty differences separate us from one another. We allow self-interest to overwhelm your commandment to love our neighbors. We fail to see your image evident in every person. Forgive us, we pray, and in your mercy redirect us so that we can once again walk in your ways. Amen.

(our prayer continues in silence)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON (responsive)

from Romans 8:33-34

Who will bring any charge against God's elect?

It is God who justifies

Who is to condemn?

It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

Friends, believe the good news, through Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

PSALTER LESSON

Psalm 128

Megan Gates

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Holy is the Lord

Jennifer Hartsock

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 29: 15-31

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

*Character Study :
Jacob, Rachel, Laban , Leah*

Donna James

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Glory and Grace

Martha Kaulbach

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

RESPONSE

Glory to God Whose Goodness Shines On Me

PRAYER CONCERNS

Prayer Person(s) of the week:
Linda McQueen

In the Oaks (Scenic):
John Howard

In the Military: **Captain Alex McLean** and family;
Cpt. Joe Campbell and his family, and **LCpl Kevin Matthews** who is stationed at the Marine Corps Base in Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.



Melody & Lloyd Little (Marilyn Bedsworth's daughter and son-in-law); **Bill & Betty Ford**; **Garth and Sue Smith**; **"Turtle" Touralack**; **Greg Hopkins**; **Betty Gillette**; **Lyle Eberhart** (Tim Mullen's brother-in-law); **Jim Stone** (friend of Ed Hendricks); **Leighton Miller** (Charlie and Pam Miller's grandson); **Geoff Tipton**; **Jerry and Joyce Barrett**; **Laurie Oldroyd** (George and Martha Kaulbach's daughter); **Jan Tolbert** (friend of Pastor Andy); **Betty Schaeffer**; **John Foster**; **Celeste Sumner**; **Teresa Touralack**; **Ann Nermoe** (Bill Ford's sister); **Carolyn and Jeff Denton**; **David and Martha Lee Sherman**; **Karen Hooper** (Troy Webb's Stepsister); **Mary Sue Tripp** (Troy Webb's cousin); **Maria Costley**; **Robin Griffin**; **Jackie Williams** (Sharon Baskin's cousin); **Philip Barber**; **Bonnie McKim**; **Brad Donaldson** (Ron & Karen Sprayberry's son-in-law); **Pete Lewis** (Joy Mullen's uncle); **peace in our country and around the world.**

July Birthdays

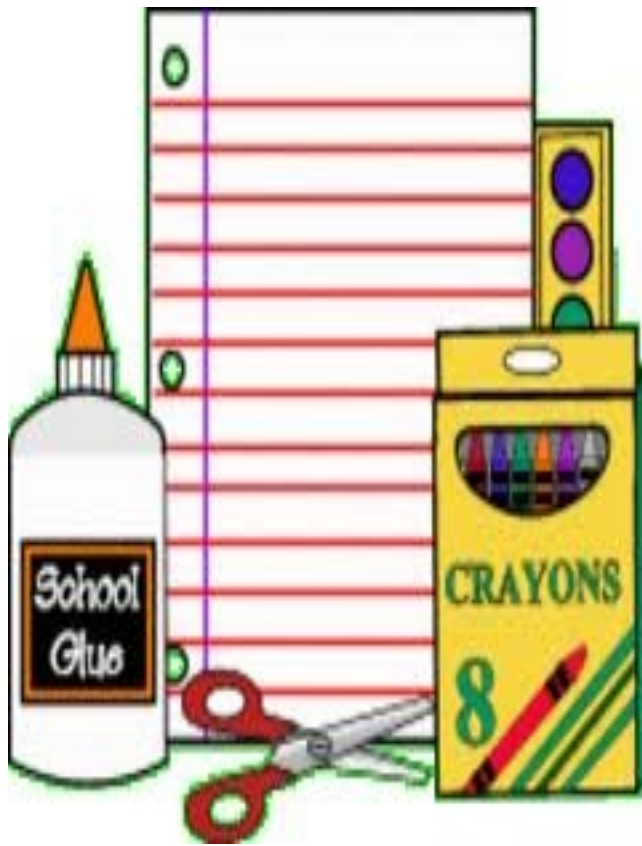
- 26 Simon Khamatsay
- 28 David Baskin
- 30 Michelle Johnson
Joy Mullen
Gene Schaeffer
- 31 Sharon Baskin

August Birthdays

- 4 Cathy McLean
Luke Phoummaseng
- 5 David Phongsavanh
- 7 McLean Allen
Wrenn Christensen
- 9 Kevin Matthews
- 10 Jessica Irvin
- 12 Michael Kohr
Madeline Koshuta
- 21 John Howard
Bill McLean
Linda McQueen



- 23 Phyllis Marshall
- 24 Cathy Miller



Don't forget to stop by FPC and grab a backpack (or two!) to fill with school supplies from the provided list.

If you would like we are happy to do the shopping for you- just call the FPC Office and let Kimberly know how many backpacks you would like to fill!

Backpacks should be turned in to FPC by the end of July in preparation for our Community Back to School Bash.



SATURDAY
AUGUST 1

JOIN THE CARE-AVAN

MEET AT CHURCH @ 10:30 A.M.

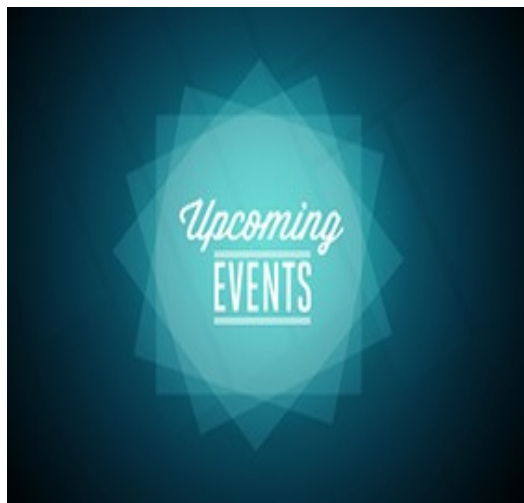
Join the Care-avan!

SATURDAY
AUGUST 1

Meet in Church parking lot
@ 10:30 A.M.

Join us in a mini-parade to show our members that we are thinking of them. We will meet and head out from the FPC parking lot and follow each other as we spread the love the social-distancing way to those who might not get out and about very much!

If you know of someone who should be on our drive-by list please let the Church Office know! (706)778-2822 or office@firstprescornelia.org.



**STUDYING THE
BOOK OF JOB
WEDNESDAYS AT NOON**

*Brown Bag &
Bible*

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85706361496>

Meeting ID: 857 0636 149

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PLEASE JOIN IN CELEBRATING THE

50th Anniversary

OF

David & Sharon Baskin

ON SUNDAY, JULY 26TH, 2020

DROP IN BETWEEN TWO & FOUR O'CLOCK

SCOGGINS HALL

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CORNELIA, GA

*Your friendship and your presence
will be our treasured gifts -- no others, please.*

