



Anchor Links

July 2022

My friends,

In worship over the Summer, we have been conversing with the Apostle Paul and the Galatian churches about what it means to be a Christian in the early church and today: do you have to be circumcised *and* baptized? Do we keep the law or are we free from the law in Jesus? During July our focus will remain on Paul; however, we will overhear a different conversation with another church, this time the Colossae church. What prompted Paul's letter to a church that he did not start? How may their conversation affect us today? From reading the letter to the Colossians, you will see that the major concern Paul had was the Colossae church's understanding of who Jesus is, or Christology.

Colossae in New Testament days was a cosmopolitan city where a number of different cultures and religions encountered one another. The Hellenistic culture affected the Colossae church so much that the Christians there adopted false teachings influenced by "wisdom teaching...from the mystery cults", "astrological speculation", and the local "Phrygian nature of worship." (p. 82, Ralph Martin, *Ephesians, Colossians, and Philemon, Interpretation*)

It seems that they taught that Jesus was seen as one of a number of intermediaries in a long chain of them to reach the "remote and inaccessible" God. The false teachers appeared to teach that Jesus was not human either. Jesus only seemed to be human. Paul addressed the "Colossian heresy" in this syncretic religious environment with high theology through the doctrine of Christology. So, in his letter Paul defined who Jesus is, the unique Son of God, both fully divine and fully human, and not created (1:15-19), and he also wrote about the reconciling work accomplished by Jesus' death on the cross (1:20-23). (ibid, p. 83) So, come to worship in-person and/or virtually and listen in on the theological discussion between Paul and the Colossians.

Another Summer event that will enrich your Christian life is Vacation Bible School. If you would like to get involved in assisting with the shops, drama, refreshments, decorating, supper, etc., then please call the church office and sign up. You are welcome to drop in any VBS evening for supper at 5 p.m. and also to share table fellowship in Jerusalem. Since most of us will not make the pilgrimage to Jerusalem, First Presbyterian Church is bringing Jerusalem to you. A huge thank you to everyone who is bringing Jerusalem to us the week of July 17-21!

May the love and joy of the Lord be with you ,

Jim





Happy Anniversary

Happy Birthday



July 1st
Brian & Heather Knott



July 2nd
Terry & Ginny Saylor



July 3rd
Leo & Brenda Skelton



July 10th
Jeff & Elizabeth Anderson



July 12th
Richard & Kristin Wilhelm



July 20th
Brent & Kate Canady



July 24th
Tommy & Linda Anderton



July 26th
Aaron & Connie Crafton



July 28th
Ben & Lana Craig

July 3rd	Jim Ikard
July 5th	Jackie Bane
July 6th	Jonnie Wright
July 7th	Janice Womble
July 7th	Charles Stimpson
July 8th	Timothy Bane
July 13th	David Kee
July 16th	Brian Knott
July 21st	Gage Smith
July 21st	Fayne Parsons, III
July 24th	Helen Garner
July 24th	Chase Blanton
July 26th	Melanie Hamilton
July 27th	Isabella Craig
July 27th	Willa Shofner
July 27th	MacKenzie Craig
July 29th	Mary Helen Maupin
July 29th	Morgan Ridner
July 30th	Naomi Luna
July 30th	Linda Brown



July

July 1st	AA Meeting 1:00pm
July 4th	Office Closed
July 5th	AA & Al-Anon Meeting 7:00pm
July 6th	“The Shack” Bible Study 6:00pm
July 7th	AA Meeting 7:00pm
July 8th	AA Meeting 1:00pm
July 11th	Property Meeting 5:00pm Mission Meeting 5:30pm Faith Development 6:00pm
July 12th	AA & Al-Anon Meeting 7:00pm
July 13th	“The Shack” Bible Study 6:00pm
July 14th	AA Meeting 7:00pm
July 15th	AA Meeting 1:00pm VBS Decorating from 10:00am-4:00pm
July 16th	VBS Decorating from 8:00am-noon
July 17th	VBS Starts at 5:00pm w/Dinner
July 18th	VBS 5:00pm w/Dinner
July 19th	VBS 5:00pm w/Dinner
July 20th	VBS 5:00pm w/Dinner
July 21st	VBS 5:00pm w/Dinner
July 22nd	Book Club at Never Rest Park 9:30am AA Meeting 1:00pm
July 25th	Session Meeting 5:30pm
July 26th	AA & Al-Anon Meeting 7:00pm
July 27th	“The Shack” Bible Study 6:00pm
July 28th	AA Meeting 7:00pm
July 29th	AA Meeting 1:00pm
August 3rd	Blood Drive 10:00am-4:00pm

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Property Committee

Monday, July 11th @ 5:00pm

Mission Committee

Monday, July 11th @ 5:30pm

Pastoral Care Committee

Tuesday, Sept. 20th @ 10:00am

Faith Development

Committee

Monday, July 11th @ 6:00pm

Worship & Music Committee

TBD

Congregational Life &

Fellowship Committee

TBD

Session

Monday, July 25th @ 5:30pm

**BUT THOSE WHO HOPE IN THE LORD
WILL RENEW THEIR STRENGTH,**



**THEY WILL SOAR ON WINGS LIKE EAGLES;
THEY WILL RUN AND NOT GROW WEARY;
THEY WILL WALK AND NOT BE FAINT.**

ISAIAH 40:31

PRAY

Diana, Wilkie and Wendell Buchanan (Friends of Jim & Marylyn Caperton)
Sandra Crowell (Relative of Donna Sepull)
Evelyn Davidson (Member)
Family & Friends of Virginia Delatorre (Trena Little's sister)
Pat Edmiston (Friend of Christy Jensen)
David Green (Diane Green's Son)
Edwin & Elaine Holcombe (Members)
Fred Hunt (Member)
Tony & Carolyn Matusek (Member)
Blake & Renee Nixon (Friends of Brent & Kate Canady)
Family of Cheryl & David Palmer (Friends of Aksel & Christy Jensen)
Family & Friends of Jean Stimpson (Charles Stimpson's mother)

Those in Military Service

LT Andy Canady (Member)
Airman Chase Blanton
(Member)

Those who are serving abroad
and at home.



If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please call the church office at (931)684-6541
or send an email to first.pres.church600@gmail.com.



BLOOD MOBILE RETURNS IN AUGUST

Please mark your calendars with
Red Cross Blood Mobile **August 3, 2022**
and give consideration to donating a
pint of life saving blood.

**Blood supply continues
to be critically low.**



First Presbyterian Church is now a site for regular quarterly blood donations!
Our hours have been extended, now running 10am to 4 pm in the fellowship hall.
For an appointment visit: red cross blood.org and scroll down to Shelbyville Community FPC.



SUMMER SOCIAL

The Women of the Church meet at Urban Plantation for the Summer Social and it was a great time of fun, food and fellowship.





Make sure you have VBS dates are on your calendar, July 17-21 from 5:00 - 8:30pm. Please share the dates with your family, friends, coworkers, and neighbors!

Please Register!!! To Register you can...

1. Pick up a Registration form from the bulletin board in the fellowship hall
2. Call/Email the Church Office
3. Register online at:
<https://vbspro.events/p/2022jerusalemvbs>

We invite our whole congregation to take part in this great adventure!

We are very excited about our church’s next VBS adventure. Right before our eyes, we will see the downstairs of our church transform back into Bible times. Each day the children (Tribe members) will become part of history as they see, hear, touch and even taste what it was like to live in Bible times. They will interact with shopkeepers, play at the Village Playground and even attend Synagogue School. Throughout the week, our six Tribes will take a journey “walking” Jesus’ path through Jerusalem that led to the cross and ultimately brought God’s greatest gift of love to completion.

We still need...

- Decoration Committee Members
- Skit Participants

- * You may volunteer for one or multiple nights.
- * Character sheets are on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall

Items Needed:

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| * bottled water (small size) | * rugs |
| * individually wrapped snacks for | * fabric |
| * pillows (decorative and sit-on size) | * urns/pottery |
| * greenery/artificial plants & trees | * Large Stuffed Farm Animals |
| * monetary donations are always welcome and appreciated | |

Take home lists of items are on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.



Please drop off any snacks and water in the kitchen and drop off any decorations in the front of Chapel.

Please mark your calendars and help us decorate...

Friday, July 15th from 10:00am – 4:00pm

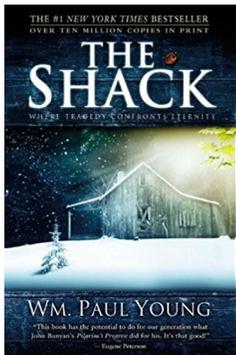
Saturday, July 16th from 8:00am - noon (later if needed)



The July meeting is Friday July 22nd at Never Rest Park. They will be discussing "Indigo Girl" by Natasha Boyd

Up and coming...

August "The Ride of Her Life" by Elizabeth Letts
September "Be Frank With Me" by Julia Johnson
(Dr. Johnson's daughter)



We are continuing the study of The Shack, where literature and faith collide, with great participation from the Congregation and a few participants from the community!

Please note: There will be NO meeting on July 20th due to VBS.



We Need Your Help!!!

It's time to report for duty and help us find the next Christian Education Director.

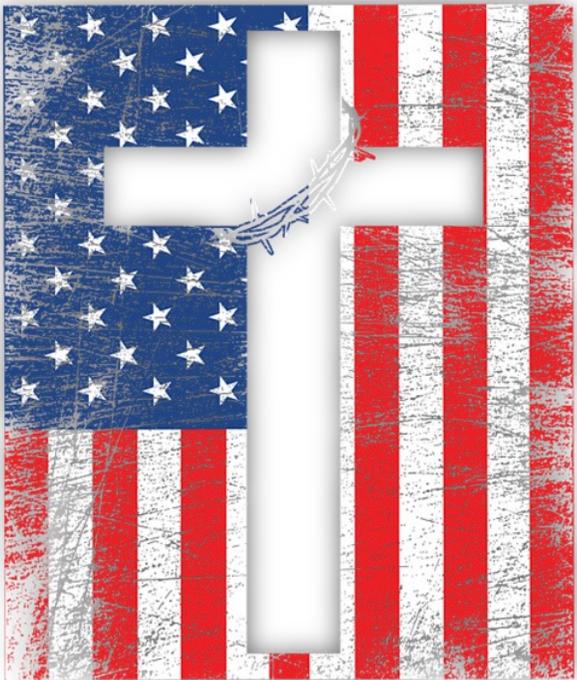
First Presbyterian-Shelbyville is officially searching for a Christian Education Director. This person will primarily be working directly with our children and youth and in the planning of programming for them, but will also be assisting the Faith Development Committee with planning activities and choosing curriculum for all ages. If you know of someone who might be interested, please tell them to contact the church office at 931-684-6541 or email first.pres.church600@gmail.com.

We need your help spreading the word!



**The 5th Sunday Potluck's are back.
This one was a huge success.
With Lots of delicious food and
fellowship. A great time was had
by all and no one left hungry.**





Celebrating Pentecost





Congratulations

Eliza Claire Neese Williams

and

Hyke Williams



The Women of the Church
put on a beautiful shower
to celebrate the wedding of
Eliza Claire Neese Williams
and
Hyke Williams
in the church parlor.



They exchanged
wedding vows
April 23, 2022
in
Jekyll Island, GA.



Eliza is the granddaughter
of Nancy June Brandon.





Servers for July

Sunday, July 3, 2022

Ushers/Greeters	A Time for Young Christians	Children's Church
Charlotte Williams	Pastor Jim	Marylyn Caperton
Bailey Little	Hall Monitor	Nursery
Trena Little	Norma Zae Jensen	Mary Marsh
Communion Prep: Kathy Smith & Melanie Hamilton		
Communion Servers: Helen Garner, Richard Smith		

Sunday, July 10, 2022

Ushers/Greeters	A Time for Young Christians	Children's Church
Melanie Hamilton	Connie Crafton	Bea Marsh
Norma Zae Jensen	Hall Monitor	Nursery
Richard & Kathy Smith	RoyTurner	Pat Thomas

Sunday, July 17, 2022

Ushers/Greeters	A Time for Young Christians	Children's Church
Frieda Bone	Kate Canady	Christy Jensen
John Marsh	Hall Monitor	Nursery
James & Lori Smith	Kathy Smith	Katherine Marsh
Flowers: Brent & Kate Canady		

Sunday, July 24, 2022

Ushers/Greeters	A Time for Young Christians	Children's Church
Brent Canady	Kate Canady	Pat Marsh
Helen Garner	Hall Monitor	Nursery
Roy & Lisa Turner	John Marsh	Christy Jensen
Flowers: Helen Garner		

Sunday, July 31, 2022

Ushers/Greeters	A Time for Young Christians	Children's Church
Christy Jensen	Connie Crafton	Katherine Marsh
Pat Thomas	Hall Monitor	Nursery
Richard & Kristin Wilhelm	Pat Marsh	Bea Marsh
Flowers: Ginger Shofner		



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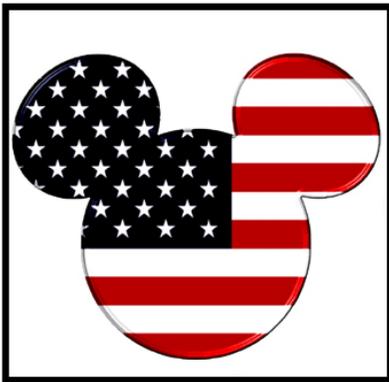
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Nursery Director

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Parents' Day Out Director



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SESSION

Class of 2022
Aaron Crafton, Melanie Hamilton,
Ginger Shofner, Richard Smith

Class of 2023
Helen Garner, Christy Jensen,
Kristin Wilhelm, Terry Saylor

Class of 2024
Brent Canady,
Katherine Marsh (Clerk of Session),
Lori Sain-Smith, Drew Turner

TRUSTEES

Class of 2022
Pat Thomas

Class of 2023
Tommy Anderton

Class of 2024
Bailey Little

*Session minutes are available in the
church office for any member of the
congregation to review.*

We have a variety of options for tithing and offerings.
They can be made by Facebook, Venmo,
Vanco, Check or Cash.

