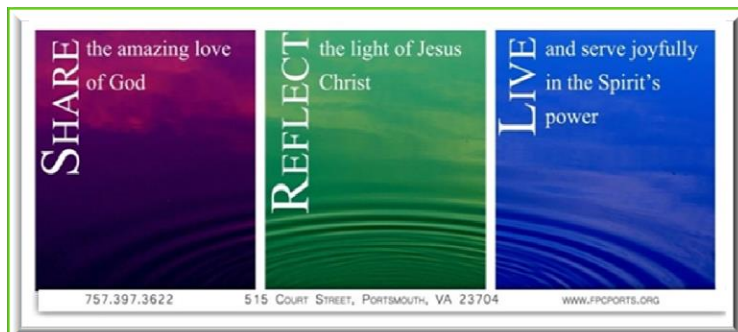




First Presbyterian Church
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
July 31, 2016



Coming Events

Sunday, July 31
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution

Tuesday, August 2
10:30 Ladies' circle

Sunday, August 7
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship with the
Lord's supper
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution

Sunday, August 14
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship, **including
receiving gifts for local
mission and outreach**
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution

Sunday, Aug 21
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution

Wednesday, Aug. 24
6:00 Pre-concert dinner
(\$7 suggested donation)
7:00 Courtyard concert
with 2 for Fun

Sunday, August 28
9:00 Coffee fellowship
9:20 Children's music
9:30 Sunday school
10:30 Worship
11:30 PLBC preparation
5:00 PLBC distribution



****Please rise in body and
spirit.***

Made One by Christ

Welcome

News for the Good of the Church

Prelude "Cathedral Windows" Powell

Choral Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

***Hymn #327**

"From All That Dwell Below the Skies"

Clothed by Christ

Moment of Silence

Corporate Prayer of Confession

We have been buried with Christ in baptism,
in order that we might be raised with Him
through faith in the power of God.

**Faithful and loving God, we confess that we
have not lived in faith and love. You offer us
the gift of salvation, but we spend our lives in
vain pursuits. You provide enough for all to
share, but we store up treasures for
ourselves. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us
to seek the way of heaven, and to let go of
earthly desires so that we might have
abundant life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Once we were dead in sin; now we are alive in
Christ. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are
forgiven!

Thanks be to God.

Sharing of Christ's Peace

*** Song of Praise, Hymn #453 “Open Your Ears, O Faithful People”**

**Open your ears, O faithful people; open your ears and hear God’s word.
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood; God has come to you.**

***Refrain:* God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah! God has spoken to the people, hallelujah! God has spoken words of wisdom, hallelujah!**

They who have ears to hear the message, they who have ears, now let them hear. They, who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God’s word.

Repeat refrain

Sharing God’s Blessings and Compassion

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.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Choral Musical Offering “The Morning Trumpet” B. F. White

***Doxology Hymn #606 “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**

Affirmation of Faith (Adapted from the Confession of Belhar)

We believe that God brings justice to the oppressed and gives bread to the hungry. We believe that God frees the prisoner and restores sight to the blind. We believe that God supports the downtrodden, protects the stranger, helps orphans and widows, and blocks the path of the ungodly.

Hearing God’s Word of Hope and Power

Time with the Children

*** Hymn #394 “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”**

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson Colossians 3: 1–11 page 1027

Gospel Lesson Luke 12: 13–21 page 905

Sermon “New You, Too” The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier

Taking Christ's Blessing to the World

* Hymn #353

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

Charge

A Blessing in Music

"Maestoso"

Dubois

* Benediction (sung)



The grace of our Lord, Je-sus Christ, and the love of God and the



fel - low-ship of the Ho - ly Spir-it, be with us for ev - er - more.

The Morning Trumpet

*Oh, when shall I see Jesus, and reign with Him above?
Shall I hear the trumpet sound in that morning?
Shall I from the flowing fountain drink everlasting love?
Shall I hear the trumpet sound in that morning?
Shout "Glory, hallelu!" For I shall mount above the skies
When I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.*

*His promises are faithful and He has gone before,
so we'll hear the trumpet sound in that morning.
He's given me my orders, and He bid me ne'er give o'er.
I shall hear the trumpet sound in that morning.
Shout "Glory, hallelu!" For I shall mount above the skies
When I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.*

*Thro' grace I feel determin'd to conquer tho' I die!
Then I'll hear the trumpet sound in that morning.
And then away to Jesus on wings of love I'll fly
When I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.
Shout "Glory, hallelu!" For I shall mount above the skies
When I hear the trumpet sound in that morning.*

The Vision of the Congregation: We see ourselves as the embracing arms of Jesus Christ for each other, for the community, and for the world.

Welcome to our friends and visitors!

We hope that you find our congregation a welcoming one.

Your presence enriches our worship of God.

Memorial Donations

Pat Sparks in memory of Pete Brown

R. Lanier & Norma Halterman in memory of Pete Brown,
Terry Pomeroy, and Robert Arthur "Bob" Westerwick

In order to comply with city building codes, the Session has accepted a proposal to do required renovation and maintenance, primarily to the church steeple. This is an unbudgeted expense of \$15,400.00, and the Session is asking for donations from the congregation to help cover this cost. Mike Broadhurst or Diane Griffin can provide details.

Because of staff changes at John Tyler Elementary school, the Backpack Mission is coming to an end. We will actively seek other opportunities to serve the needs of our community, and suggestions are welcomed. We will continue to collect a local mission offering on the second Sunday of each month. Thank you for your generous support!

Please note: the summer worship schedule will continue through the month of September.

Summer Courtyard Concert Series will conclude on August 24
6pm, pre-concert dinner (\$7); 7pm, 2 for Fun

Prayer List

Jeff Baker (Norma Halterman's brother-in-law),
Richard Butler (Paul's cousin), Ronald Curry (Grace Yingling's son),
Karen Diggs, Jackie and Tyler Forsythe,
the Goodwin family (neighbors of Cecilia and Alfred Fry),
Stephanie Green, Mary Alice Jarman (friend of Bob and Judy Powell),
Carl Rhodes, Sylvia Stephenson, the Winkler and Powell families,
Dorothy Wooldridge (friend of Carl Rhodes)

Everyone suffering with cancer and facing surgery

Our friends at home, especially

Margaret Glynn, Lanier Halterman, Frances Hardy, AT & Nancy Mayo, Ann Michaluk, Sue Parker, Lane Pittman, Harvey Spiers, Robert Westbrook, Patrice & Phil Winkler, Joyce Wright, Grace & Harold Yingling

Leading in worship today

The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier

Edna Broadhurst, Director of Music Ministries

Ushers: Paul Butler, David Culpepper

Counters: David Culpepper, Norma Halterman

July Offerings

7/3	\$ 2,391.50	7/24	\$ 5,543.00
7/10	\$ 2,954.00	7/31	
7/17	\$ 2,813.00	MTD	\$13,701.50

July Attendance

7/3	Worship	33	Sunday school	11
7/10	Worship	46	Sunday school	14
7/17	Worship	27	Sunday school	11
7/24	Worship	35	Sunday school	15
7/31	Worship		Sunday school	

The church office will be open on Wednesdays only, from 1:00 – 4:00.

In order to prepare the bulletin in a timely manner, all notices should be sent to (pastor@fpcports.org) and/or the bulletin editor (rjrodriguesiii@yahoo.com) no later than 6pm Tuesday.

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Session

The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier, Moderator of Session
Gail Pittman, Clerk of Session
Administration, led by Paul Butler
Congregational Fellowship, led by Oralie Wilhite
Finance, led by Diane Griffin
Mission and Outreach, led by Jennifer Patgorski
Property, led by Michael Broadhurst
Worship, led by Agnes McFadden and David Culpepper

Members and friends of the congregation are encouraged to contact the appropriate elder with their comments and suggestions.

Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Steve Frazier, Covenant Pastor	397-3622 ext. 202
Edna Broadhurst, Director of Music Ministries	397-3622 ext. 203

Birthdays

8/7 Makayla Winkler
8/10 Mike Taylor
8/11 Margaret Smith
8/12 Nancy Mayo
8/17 Carrie Griffin
8/19 Grady Fitzwater
8/21 Sylvia Stephenson
8/22 Emily Fay
8/23 Richard Griffin
8/28 Linda Hackworth
8/29 Alice Simpson

Missing a birthday?

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Ministries

7/3
Sun. Sch. Paul Butler
PWF* Lou Wilhite

7/10
Sun. Sch. Paul Butler
PWF* Oralie Wilhite

7/17
Sun. Sch. Diane Griffin
PWF* Lou Wilhite

7/24
Sun. Sch. Paul Butler
PWF* Diane and Earl Griffin

7/31
Sun. Sch. Paul Butler
PWF* G. Pittman/N. Frazier

***Post-Worship Fellowship**

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*The flowers in the sanctuary today
are given in loving memory of
Randy Sparks, Sr. by his wife Pat,
who were married in this sanctuary
on August 3, twenty years ago.*