

WE GATHER IN THE LORD'S NAME

Call to Worship (Hymn #387) "The Lord is in His Holy Temple"
 Greeting/Announcements/Scripture Reader: Bob Hughes
 Prelude

*Salutation and Call to Worship: (from Psalm 150)

¹ Praise the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary;

praise him in his mighty heavens.

² **Praise him for his acts of power;**

praise him for his surpassing greatness.

³ Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet,

praise him with the harp and lyre,

⁴ **praise him with timbrel and dancing,**

praise him with the strings and pipe,

⁵ praise him with the clash of cymbals,

praise him with resounding cymbals.

⁶ **Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.**

Praise the Lord.

*Hymn: "Because He Lives" Hymn# 447

*Let us pray a unison prayer of Confession:

Almighty God and Heavenly Father, even though we have called Jesus our Lord and Savior we continue to sin against You. Gracious and merciful Lord, please help us to be who You made us to be, a new creation in Christ. Holy Spirit, produce in us good fruit to help and bless those around us that we may have neglected in our weakness. As we confess and repent of our sins, Lord, come upon us mightily with Your Spirit and fill us with Your love, wisdom, peace, and grace, filling our cup till it overflows and pours out to all those around us. In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen

*Silent Confession of Sin

*Assurance of Pardon:

⁹ if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

In the name of the risen Christ, we are forgiven!

*The Gloria Patri Hymnal # 734
 Walks with Jesus Rev. John McCarthy
 First Scripture: 1 Peter 1:3-9 Pew Bible #1176

Prayers of the People (see list below)

Choral Call to Prayer "O How He Loves You and Me" Choir

The Lord's Prayer Hymnal - Inside Front Cover

*Hymn: "Christ Arose!" Hymn # 294

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology Hymn #34

*Prayer

Anthem Choir

WE LISTEN FOR THE WORD OF GOD

Scripture Reading: John 20:19-31 Pew Bible #1052

Sermon: "Jesus Appears" Rev. John McCarthy

Prayer

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD OF GOD

*Apostles' Creed Hymnal – Inside Front Cover

*Hymn: "Open the Eyes of My Heart" Hymn #656

*Charge and Blessing

* Postlude

*Congregation Standing

Directives for Prayer

Persecution Project Foundation, Sudan

Prayers continue: Patricia Burton

- Full Prayer list listed in monthly newsletter – copies available at each entrance

We welcome our visitors and ask them to fill out a blue visitor card located in the pew rack. We invite you to commit your life to the Lord Jesus Christ in Christian discipleship and become a member of this fellowship. You may do this by meeting with the Session to express your faith in Christ in one of the following ways: Profession of Faith, Transfer of Membership or Reaffirmation of Faith.

Listening devices are available from the audio support person at the rear of the sanctuary.

Prayer Cards are available in each pew. If you would like a card sent to someone we pray for during the service, please fill out the card and place it in the offering plate. Our prayer card ministry team will send a card the following week.

Flowers – given in celebration of Dargan and Don's 50th wedding anniversary.

Ushers – Serving today Joanna Hughes at the North Door. Sandi Hughes at the South Door. Acolyte today Matthew Fraser Freshour. Audio is Don Cherry.

This Week's Announcements

Easter Concert – Celebrate Christ's resurrection, "Celebrate Life" with this special Easter Concert at First Baptist- Tonight at 7pm. This is a free event.

Women's Bible Study – Wednesday, April 15 at 10:30 am

Memorial Service – There will be a celebration of life memorial service here at First Presbyterian, for Kim Albert, on Saturday, April 18 at 1pm.

Concert – Join Dan River Baptist Church on Saturday, April 18 at 6pm for a special concert with Triumphant Quartet. This is a free concert, a love offering will be taken.

Session – The next meeting will be next Sunday, April 19th after worship.

Leadership Retreat – Friday and Saturday, April 24 & 25th. Mark your calendars. The book *Autopsy of a Deceased Church* by Thom S Rainer, will be discussed. Get your copy so you will be prepared for the discussion.

Good Samaritan – April – canned fruit and/or vegetables.

Operation Christmas Child – April collection – Hygiene items – toothbrush (no toothpaste), washcloths, combs, hairbrushes, nail file/clippers, etc.

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BECAUSE
JESUS
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**First Presbyterian Church
800 North Main Street
South Boston, Virginia**



Calendar

Sunday, April 12 9:45 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Fellowship
11:00 am – Worship

Wednesday, April 15 10:30 am – Women’s Bible Study
6:00 pm - Choir
6:00 pm – NA

Friday, April 17 Office Closed
12 noon – AA
7:00 pm – Good Friday Worship

Church Staff

Rev. John McCarthy - Pastor
Sherolyn Barnett, Office Manager
Jim Luedtke, Church Musician
Sue Wilkins, Church Treasurer

Session

Rev. John McCarthy – Moderator
Don Cherry – Clerk of Session



**Jesus Appears
to the Disciples**

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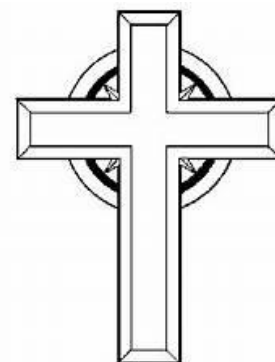
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Our Missionaries

Matthew & Teresa Lee, Wycliffe Bible Translators, Cameroon
Persecution Project Foundation, Sudan

Mission Statement

"Growing God's Presence"

Foundational Principles

Christ Centered~Biblically Based~
Spirit Led~Grounded in Faith and Love

Values

Committed~Servant Heart~
Nurturing~Welcoming~Visioning

No nursery will be provided at this time.
Children's Church (Jesus Squad) meets during Sunday School time
5 cents-a-meal Offering collected the third Sunday of each month.
Worship every Sunday at 11:00 am; Sunday School is at 9:30 am.
Fellowship at 10:15 am. **Internet: 1stPres: Romans3:24**

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