



The Pewletter Weekly

First Presbyterian Church
Lincolnton NC

“Come And See”



[1 Samuel 3:1-10](#) (click for Scripture)

Why do you go to church? Why do you not go to church? These questions come to mind when I read this week's passage from John's gospel. It has nothing to do with church, the passage I mean, but it does speak to how we are asked or invited to do anything. When Jesus is asked where he is staying his response is "come and see." When Nathanael asks Philip if anything good could possibly come from Nazareth Philip replies "come and see."

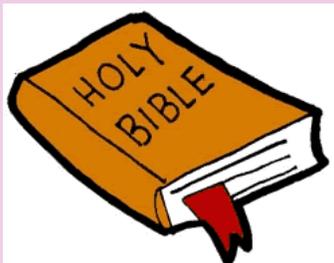
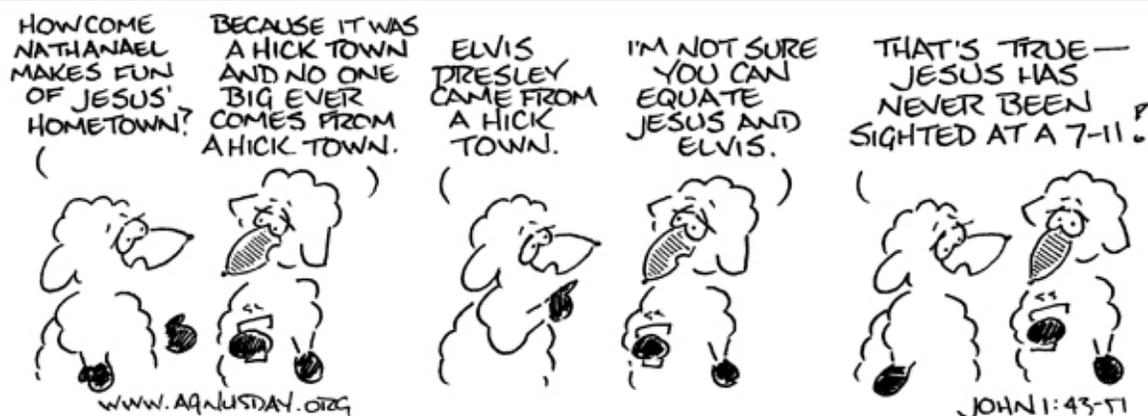
It occurs to me that the come and see response might be useful for us as well. I'm told by many of you about casual conversations you have with others about our church. Former members inquiring about our health as a congregation. Folks in search of juicy gossip or just curious to know what's up. Possibly people with an interest in knowing more about us but not sure how to approach the subject. What if our response in these situations was "Come and see?"

It's not about trying to boost attendance or gaining more children or growing the budget. Those are not goals so much as they are results when we let go of control and allow the Holy Spirit to do its' work. Philip knew that nothing he said could convince Nathanael that Nazareth was anything more than a one stoplight backwater town of ne'er do wells. His mind was already made up. The only logical response from Philip was an invitation. Come and see. Maybe that is our only logical response as well?

Join us for worship this Sunday at 10:30 AM where we will consider the invitation to "come and see" in John's Gospel as well as in our own lives.

Blessings and Peace,

Danny



Pastor's Bible Study – Looking Toward Sunday

Join me in the Apple Classroom on Tuesdays at 12:30 pm for a study of the Scripture texts for the following Sunday. This Tuesday, January 16th, we will look at Jonah 3:1-5,10 and Mark 1:14-20. Feel free to bring lunch or just come as you are for an hour of fellowship and study. - Danny



If so consider forwarding them to others in your circle of friends who you believe will enjoy them as well. And remember that anyone can subscribe or unsubscribe by using the links at the bottom of the page. Subscribers will only receive the Pewsletter Weekly.

Opportunities To Serve



Christian Ministry of Lincoln County

Soup Kitchen
LINC Meals
Food Packing and Supplies
Winter Food Drive
Blankets, Coats, Socks

Christian Ministry Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of Christian Ministry of Lincoln County will be held on Monday January 29th at 7:00 PM at Boger City Methodist Church. Anyone who is involved or interested in the work of Christian Ministry is encouraged to attend to see how our support is used as well as learn of new ways to be involved in 2018.



- Do you have medical equipment at home that isn't being used?
- Have you ever needed medical equipment for only a short while and had to buy it?
- Would you like to help someone acquire equipment for their use at no cost to them?

Simply let the church office know what you have on hand that you are willing to lend out. We will compile a list to have handy so the members and friends of the church can check to see what we have available before they purchase expensive equipment for a short-term need.

"A joyful heart is good medicine" Proverbs 17:22

CHURCH LEADERSHIP



Worship

January 14th

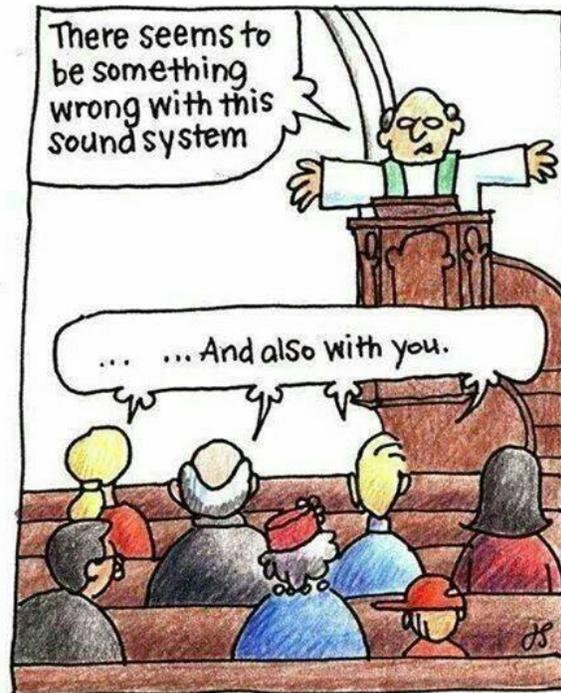
Greeters & Offering
Davis & Judy Roberts
Worship Leader Peggy Lafferty
Nursery Mary Smith/Sharon Williams
Children's Time Barbara Crumley
Lock-up John Carpenter
Refreshments Pat Carpenter

January 21st

Greeters & Offering
Pat & John Carpenter
Worship Leader Adrienne Hodges
Nursery Anna Gilbert
Children's Time Danny Trapp
Lock-up Pam Sipe
Refreshments

If you cannot serve, please find your own replacement and notify the office of the change.

Please volunteer to provide refreshments after worship. It's a simple way to participate in the life of FPCL!



Remember In Prayer And Acts Of Kindness

Paul Bailey, Bud Bailey's son
Tom Bowen
Nan Bumgarner, friend of Scott Smith
Helen Caskey
John Cloer, Thad Cloer's father
Jan Duncan
Ann Haire
Tina Halfhill, Jan Duncan's aunt
Judy Holland
Terry Huss, Betty Beaver's son-in-law
Glenn Jackson, grandson of Judy Roberts' friend

Karen Jensen, Jan Duncan's aunt
Bill Larrison, friend of John Lafferty
Carolyn Lee
Bonnie Mullen
Susan Rhodes, Sue Bowen's friend
Janice Stroupe
Danny Trapp
Linda Wright, Peggy Lafferty's cousin
David Wulf, friend of John Lafferty

Our Homebound or Those Unable to Attend: Carolyn Lee, Imogene Long, Frances Nelson

Our Partners in Ministry: Drs. Leslie and Cynthia Morgan, South Asia

Please contact the church office to inform us of those needing prayer as well as those who should be removed from the list.



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