



The Pewletter Weekly

First Presbyterian Church
Lincolnton NC

“I Do Choose”



[2nd Kings 5:1-14](#) (click for Scripture)

[Mark 1:40-45](#) (click for Scripture)

In this week's Gospel lesson a leper is healed by Jesus. Instead of asking to be healed the leper tells Jesus, "If you choose, you can make me clean." Jesus' reply could be considered a summation of the Protestant reformed tradition; "I do choose."

We are "chosen" (and yes, sometimes frozen). Chosen by God for relationship, for worship, for service. We do not have to make that happen. We CANNOT make that

happen. Only God can. We can be made clean; and God in the person of Jesus Christ chooses to do just that.

Join us for worship this Sunday at 10:30 AM where we will conclude (finally!) the first chapter of Mark's Gospel and consider how the simple cleansing of a leper can give us profound insights on the work of God in our world today.

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, February 13th, we will look at Isaiah 25:6-8 and Luke 7:11-15. Feel free to bring lunch or just come as you are for an hour of fellowship and study. - Danny



First Presbyterian Church will observe Ash Wednesday in community with other Lincolnton churches at First United Methodist Church at noon on Wednesday February 14th. Lunch will be served and Rev. Danny Trapp will preach on the theme of "The Never Ending Story" followed by the imposition of ashes. There will be no service that evening in our sanctuary so make plans to attend the first of 6

Wednesday lunch and worship services in the Community Lenten Series.



The Session has called a congregational meeting for February 25, 2018 at 10:30 am for the purpose of the annual review of terms of call, articles of incorporation and to receive a report on the 2018 budget



**First United Methodist Church
201 E. Main St.
Lincolnton, NC 28092**

“The Never Ending Story”

Come and hear the stories of Holy Week told to make you feel as if you were there!

Wednesdays 12:00pm – 1:00pm

Lunch 12:00pm Worship Service 12:30pm

February 14 Rev. Danny Trapp, First Presbyterian Church
February 21 Rev. Stanley Spence, First Baptist Church
February 28 Rev. Franklin Lowery, Gold Hill Missionary Baptist Church
March 7 Rev. Rosa Erickson, St. Luke's Episcopal Church
March 14 Rev. Susan Walker, Emanuel Reformed Church
March 21 Rev. Michael Collins, Emmanuel Lutheran Church



It's Time To Order Easter Lillies

Consider ordering an Easter lily to be placed in the sanctuary in MEMORY / HONOR of someone dear to you. The cost is \$10.00 and checks should be made payable to First Presbyterian Church. Order Forms must be turned into the office no later than Monday, March 12th.

Order forms can be found at the end of the pews or call the church office during business hours. 704-735-8671



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Opportunities To Serve

**Christian Ministry of
Lincoln County**

**Emergency Services
Soup Kitchen**



LINC Meals
Food Packing and Supplies
Winter Food Drive
Nursing Home Ministry
Blankets, Coats, Socks
Hunger Walk
Souper Bowl of Caring

40 Years

"Working Hand in Hand With
The Lord"

CHURCH LEADERSHIP



Fellowship After Worship

February 11th

Greeters & Offering
Mort Wadsworth and John Carpenter
Worship Leader Jan Duncan
Nursery Adrienne and Jamie Hodges
Children's Time Christine Thomas
Lock-up Jan Duncan
Refreshments Mary Smith

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

February 18th

Greeters & Offering
Pam Sipe and Mary Smith
Worship Leader Alice Gene Abrams
Nursery Pat Carpenter
Children's Time Danny Trapp
Lock-up Pam Sipe
Refreshments Pat Carpenter

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



Remember In Prayer And Acts Of Kindness

Paul Bailey, Bud Bailey's son
Doris Bales, Tina Cloer's grandmother

Tom Bowen

Nan Bumgarner, friend of Scott Smith

Helen Caskey

John Cloer, Thad Cloer's father

Lori Garcia, Jan Duncan's sister

Ann Haire

Judy Holland

The Family of Terry Huss, Betty Beaver's son-in-law

James Johnston, Kim Fitzpatrick's father

Bill Larrison, friend of John Lafferty

Carolyn Lee

Rich & Angie Lukes, friends of Nancy Rudisill

Bonnie Mullen

Susan Rhodes, Sue Bowen's friend

Janice Stroupe

Cynthia Tanner, Tina Cloer's aunt

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.

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

- Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

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Church School: 9:30am Worship: 10:30 am

Choir Rehearsal: 7:00pm Wednesdays

MISSION: Reach. Teach. Feed. Love.

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