



The Pewsletter Weekly

First Presbyterian Church
Lincolnton NC

Trinity Sunday



"The Truth The Whole Truth And Nothing But The Truth"

[Genesis 1:1 - 2:4a](#) (click for Scripture)

[Matthew 28:16-20](#) (click for Scripture)

On Trinity Sunday we proclaim the mystery of our faith in the triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, One-in-Three and Three-in-One.

The celebration of Trinity Sunday began among Western Christians in the 10th century and developed slowly until it was formally established on the Sunday after Pentecost by Pope John XXII (1316-1334).

Unlike other festivals in the church's liturgical calendar, Trinity Sunday centers on a doctrine of the church, rather than an event. It celebrates the unfathomable mystery of God's being as Holy Trinity. It is a day of adoration and praise of the one, eternal, incomprehensible God.

A Fundamental Doctrine

The doctrine of the Trinity is one of the most difficult ideas in Christianity, but it's fundamental to Christians because it:

- states what Christians believe God is like and who God is
- plays a central part in Christians' worship of an "unobjectifiable and incomprehensible God"
- emphasises that God is very different from human beings
- reflects the ways Christians believe God encounters them
- is a central element of Christian identity
- teaches Christians vital truths about relationship and community
- reveals that God can be seen only as a spiritual experience whose mystery inspires awe and cannot be understood logically

The idea that there is One God, who is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit means:

- There is exactly one God
- The Father is God
- The Son is God
- The Holy Spirit is God
- The Father is not the Son
- The Son is not the Holy Spirit
- The Father is not the Holy Spirit

An alternate way of explaining it is:

- There is exactly one God
- There are three really distinct Persons - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
- Each of the Persons is God

The Trinity is not

- Three individuals who together make one God
- Three Gods joined together
- Three properties of God



Thank you for your financial pledges.

20% of those who received a letter and pledge form from me have responded in the first week. Thank you!

To those of you who haven't responded yet, please prayerfully consider a financial commitment to the life and ministry of First Presbyterian Church for 2017. If you did not receive a pledge form and would like one please contact me or the church office.

Your generosity has sustained this congregation through some turbulent waters. As we move forward together help us plan and budget for the future by returning your pledge form stating your level of commitment. It can be mailed, delivered in person or placed in the collection plate.

Blessings and peace,

Danny



Opportunities To Serve

Christian Ministry Soup Kitchen

Many thanks to Myra Jane Ramseur, Jan Duncan and Pam Sipe for heading up the team serving in June. And to the choir for continuing their traditional July service day.

The remaining dates in 2017 are still available. Sign up at the Government St. vestibule or call the church office.

August	Saturday 19th
September	Sunday 10th
October	Saturday 21st
November	Sunday 12th
December	Saturday 16th



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



June Is Our Month For Food Collection

This month FPCL is collecting food for the pantry and soup kitchen at Christian Ministry of Lincoln County. Specifically requested items are small boxes of macaroni and cheese and any canned vegetables and/or meats. Please bring items to the church during business hours or Sunday mornings and place them on the front pew just outside the office door.

Upcoming Worship Teams

Questions should be directed to Betty Beaver at 704-735-6818.

June 11th

Greeters & Offering
Pat and John
Carpenter
Worship Leader Alice Gene Abrams
Nursery Christine Thomas
Children's Time Rev. Danny Trapp
Lock-up Pam Sipe
Refreshments Christine Thomas

June 18th

Greeters & Offering
Ann and Randy
Hallman
Worship Leader Adrienne Hodges
Nursery The Hodges
Children's Time Christine Thomas
Lock-up Thad Cloer
Refreshments Jeanene McConnell

June 25th

Greeters & Offering
Myra Jane and Rick
Ramsour
Worship Leader Scott Smith
Nursery Ann
Hallman
Children's Time Jan Duncan
Lock-up Sandy Eldridge
Refreshments

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



Miss Sue's Garden

The garden is looking good with needed attention from Myra Jane Ramsour and tomato plantings by Joy Fortenberry and the children. Feel free to add your own fruit or vegetable plantings and let us know what you're growing!



Remember In Prayer And Acts Of Kindness

Randy Baucom, friend of the McBrydes
Oliver Bone, John Lineberger's great-uncle
Helen Bone, John Lineberger's great-aunt
Cindy Boone, Karen Morgan's sister
Tom Bowen
Nan Bumgarner, friend of Scott Smith
Helen Caskey
Jan & David Clark and family
Dick Eckburg
Amy Harrison, Kristy McBryde's sister
Susan Henforth Ford and family, on the death of her father Bob
Charles & Judy Holland
Bill Larrison, friend of John Lafferty

Ted Larrison, Bill Larrison's brother
John Lineberger and family
Jim Moore
Joe Morgan and family
Max Newell, friend of Randy Hallman
The family of Margie Payseur
Susan Rhodes, Sue Bowen's friend
The family of Lesa Ritter
Janice Stroupe
Mady Vassey
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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Church School: 9:30am Worship: 10:30 am
Choir Rehearsal: 7:00pm Wednesdays
MISSION: Reach. Teach. Feed. Love.

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