



The Pewsletter Weekly

First Presbyterian Church
Lincolnton NC

"Dependence Day"



[Exodus 20:3-6](#) (click for Scripture)

[Matthew 22:15-22](#) (click for Scripture)

It's the 4th of July, Independence Day, and like every year the church and state will take a spin on the uncomfortable dance floor of national (Christian?) pride. A few churches simply ignore it. Many more wrap themselves in flags and battle hymns, blurring the line between what it means to be American and what it means to be Christian.

Join us for worship Sunday at 10:30 AM where we will explore a third way of being church at this time of year. The way of dependence. What does it mean to have no other gods before God? Does Jesus' instruction to give the emperor what is his and give God what is God's have any relevance in 21st century America? See you there.



Pledge Commitments To Be Returned By July 2

Thank you to everyone who has returned a pledge form indicating your financial commitment to FPCL in 2017. Response has been great and your generosity and faithfulness is inspiring.

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

Sunday July 2nd will serve as the final day of the initial phase of the pledge campaign. After that date I will make personal calls to those who are likely to pledge but have not indicated their intentions for 2017.

Blessings and peace,

Danny

MAKE PLANS FOR SUMMER MUSIC AT FPCL



The 2016 Lincolnton Summer Recital Series was a big hit with both church members and the larger community. Here is what's in store this year!



Sunday July 23rd "An Evening With Scott Barker" **6:00 PM** **First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary**

You will not want to miss this energetic performer as he serenades with favorites from church as well as popular American standards.

Gastonia native Scott Barker is an accomplished pianist with a storied career. After graduating from Hunter Huss High School in 1977, Scott earned a Classical Music Performance degree from Erskine College. From there Scott's musical talents have taken him far and wide playing professionally with such groups as The Platters, The Larry Hart



Sunday August 6th
"So Much to Sing About!" ~ A Choral Festival
6:00 PM
First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary

A reprisal of one of last year's highlights, this choral festival will again feature choir members from a variety of area congregations led by:

John Lineberger, Conductor & Director
(Director of Music & Organist, First Presbyterian Church, Lincolnton
Organist for Saturday Mass, St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, Gastonia)

Andrew Barbour, Organist
(Director of Music & Organist, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Lincolnton)

Loretta Beam, Pianist
(Director of Music & Organist, Cedar Grove Lutheran Church, Vale)

Opportunities To Serve

Christian Ministry Soup Kitchen

Soup Kitchen dates are filling up! Thanks to everyone who has volunteered time with our less fortunate neighbors.

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

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!



Registration is now underway for Vacation Bible School. This summer 5 downtown Lincolnton churches are joining together to

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
John Cloer, Thad Cloer's father
Dick Eckburg
Amy Harrison, Kristy McBryde's sister
Susan Henforth Ford and family, on the death of her father Bob
Charles & Judy Holland
Glenn Jackson, grandson of Judy Roberts' friend
Bill Larrison, friend of John Lafferty
Ted Larrison, Bill Larrison's brother
John Lineberger and family
The family of 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
Loren Ward, friend of Shortie McConnell
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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 Phone: 704-735-8671 www.fpclincolnton.org
 Church School: 9:30am Worship: 10:30 am
 Choir Rehearsal: 7:00pm Wednesdays
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