

The Pewletter Weekly

First Presbyterian Church
Lincolnton NC

"Enough"



[Jonah 3:10 - 4:11](#) (click for Scripture)

[Matthew 20:1-16](#) (click for Scripture)

The cartoon below asks a reasonable question. Is God bonkers? According to modern culture probably so. This week we will consider a well known and

controversial parable from Jesus, often referred to as "The Laborers in the Vineyard." Workers hired by a wealthy landowner throughout the day are ultimately paid the same wage even though some worked a 12 hour day while others worked only 1 hour. The lectionary pairs this Gospel passage with one from Jonah which helps us form one of the legitimate interpretations of the parable. But no one conclusion can serve this multi-layered lesson that challenges long held perspectives on justice and fairness.

Join us for worship this Sunday at 10:30 AM as we consider how much is enough. How much salary, how much food, how much grace, how much love?

Blessings and Peace,

Danny



Pastor's Bible Study Will Next Meet – Tuesday October 3

This new study using the Scripture passages for the following Sunday **will not meet** this week due to the Presbytery of WNC Pastors Retreat in Montreat. Make plans to attend on October 3rd at 12:30 pm in the Apple Classroom as we look together toward Sunday.

The Session has called a short Congregational Meeting at the beginning of worship on Sunday October 1st for the purpose of electing an Officer Nominating Committee.



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Opportunities To Serve



Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Hurricanes and earthquakes have pummeled the US, Mexico and the Caribbean in the past 30 days. Several in our congregation have been impacted because of friends and relatives in Texas, Florida and elsewhere.

Our prayers go out to these communities and people. To learn more about our denomination's response to these cataclysmic events go to www.presbyterianmission.org or call their office at 1-800-872-3283.

Five Cents A Meal

This Sunday is the last one in the month of September (where has the year gone?).

The last Sunday each month is when we collect money for 5 Cents A Meal. This program of the Presbytery of Western North Carolina returns funds to local community food programs through grants to qualified non-profits. Christian Ministry of Lincoln County is a beneficiary.



Christian Ministry of Lincoln County

Below are several ways to engage with our long-time ministry partner and be of service to those in need and the dedicated folks who serve them.



The Results Are In

Thanks to everyone who committed to serve in the soup kitchen on one of our designated dates in 2018. The response was encouraging and certainly displays the desire of this congregation to continue our active support of this ministry. We will be reviewing the pool of responses to assign individuals to specific dates and contact everyone with a schedule. This should happen in the next month. As a reminder the 2018 Soup Kitchen dates are Saturdays on January 6, May 5, August 4 and December 1.

October Mission Opportunity – Packing Food

First Presbyterian Church will be volunteering at Christian Ministry of Lincoln County during the week of October 9th. Disciples from



our church will work that week, Monday thru Friday, between the hours of 9:00 am – 1:00 pm to pack boxes of food for distribution to our neighbors in need. Come enjoy fellowship with church members while providing a vital volunteer service for Christian Ministry. Whether you can work every day or just an hour or two, please volunteer to take part in this mission opportunity. To schedule a time slot or get more information please contact Betty Beaver at 704-735-6818.

Christian Ministry of Lincoln County

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Currently, the Ministry is in the process of helping several groups' feed Hurricane Irma evacuees. As we do this, the Ministry food supply is at a critically low level. To be able to meet the same needs as we did in August, we will need the following amounts of food to make it the next two months:

- 1800 Beef stew
- 3600 Macaroni and Cheese
- 3600 Soup
- 1800 Rice
- 1800 Dry Beans
- 3600 Canned beans
- 1800 Spaghetti
- 1800 Spaghetti sauce

The Ministry is also out of blankets. Wal-Mart has new blankets for \$5, but we will take used blankets that are in good condition.

As the Ministry works to meet the needs of our community, please consider how you can help. If you have any questions, please call Mitzi.



September 24th

Greeters & Offering
 Mort Wadsworth and John Carpenter
 Worship Leader Pam Sipe
 Nursery Adrienne and Jamie Hodges
 Children's Time Thad Cloer
 Lock-up Chip Crumley

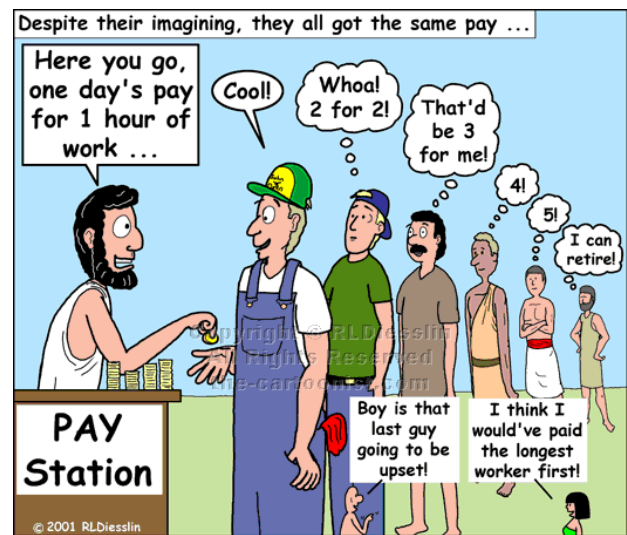
Please volunteer to provide refreshments after worship. It's a simple way to participate in the life of FPCL!

Refreshments
Adrienne and Jamie Hodges

October 1st

Greeters & Offering
Pam Sipe and Mary Smith
Worship Leader Peggy Lafferty
Nursery Ann Hallman
Children's Time Jan Duncan
Lock-up Thad Cloer
Refreshments Judy Roberts

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
Oliver Bone, John Lineberger's great-uncle
Family of A.V. Bowen, Shortie McConnell's neighbor
Tom Bowen
Nan Bumgarner, friend of Scott Smith
Martha Fulbright, Betty Beaver's cousin
Lisa Gary, friend of Jan Duncan
Bill Larrison, friend of John Lafferty
Yvonne Leatherman, Shortie McConnell's cousin
Carolyn Lee
Rich Lukes, friend of Nancy Rudisill
Susan Rhodes, Sue Bowen's friend
J.T. Smith, Shortie McConnell's friend
Janice Stroupe
Tina Willis, Nancy Rudisill's cousin
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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