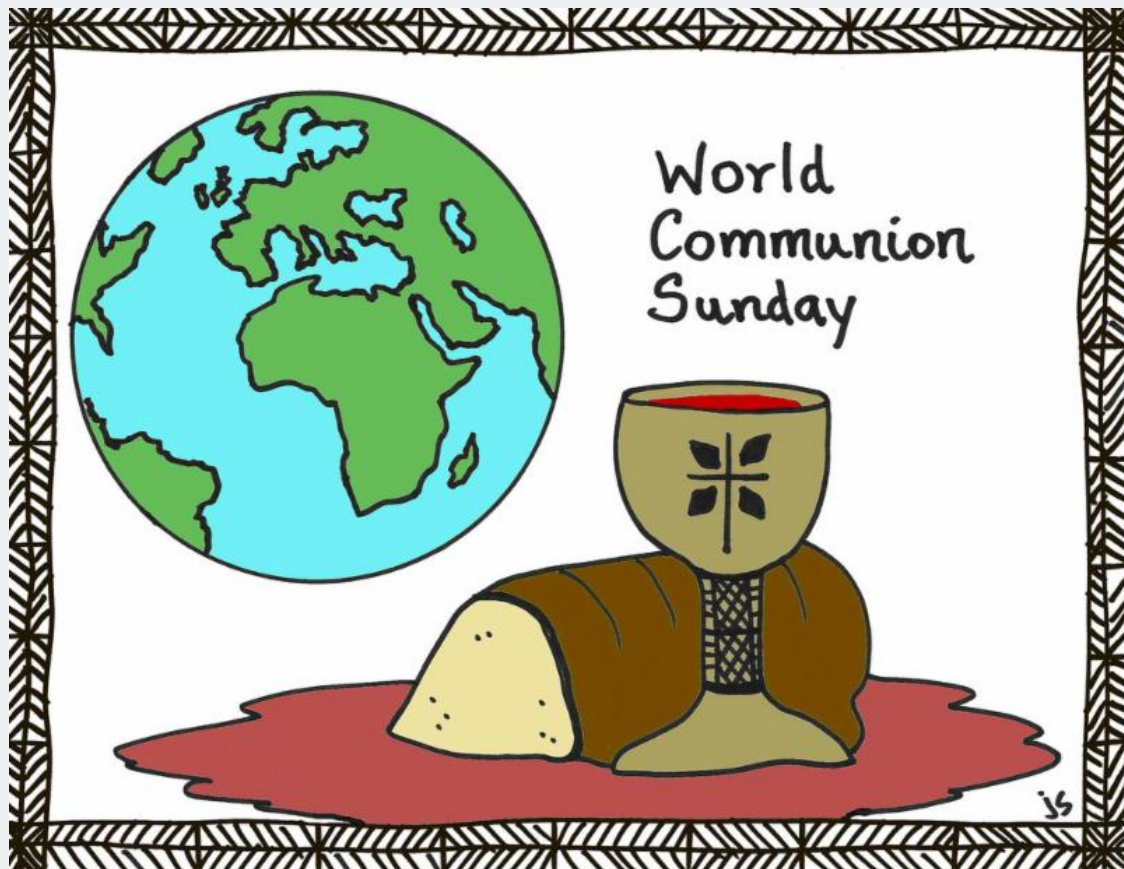


## The Pewsletter Weekly

First Presbyterian Church  
Lincolnton NC

*"RSVP"*



[Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32](#) (click for Scripture)

[Matthew 21:23-32](#) (click for Scripture)

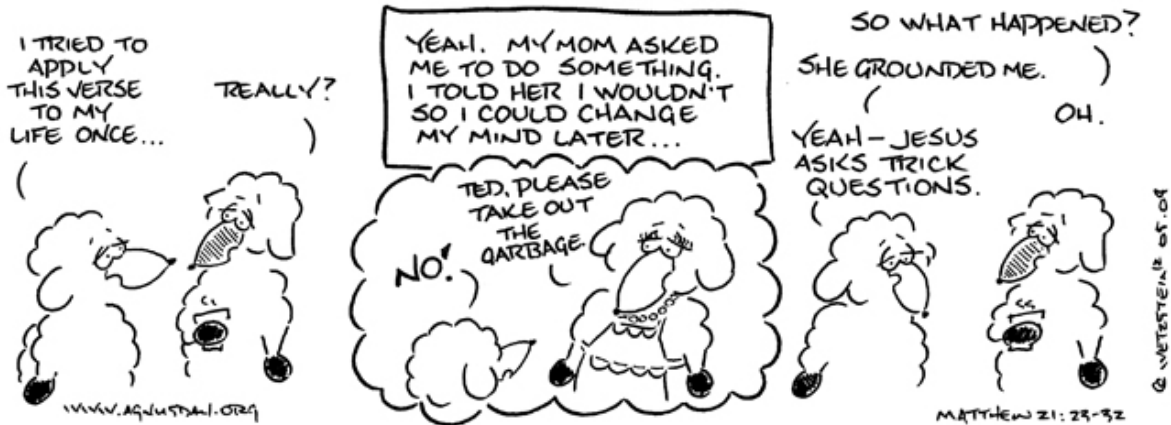
Répondez s'il vous plaît, RSVP, Regrets Only, Save the Date. Just some of the variations on the time honored expectation that if someone is invited somewhere or

asked to do something, they will respond to the request one way or the other. In the Gospel text Jesus tells of two sons, neither of which does what he says he will. Is it better to decline an invitation but show up anyway or to accept the invitation and then not show up? I guess that depends on whether or not you are the guest or the host. How are we responding to God? Does God expect a response from everyone or is he okay with Regrets Only? Do we sit in judgment based on our perceptions of the response of others?

Join us for worship this Sunday at 10:30 AM as we consider our RSVP to God's call on our 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, October 3, we will look at Isaiah 5:1-7 and Matthew 21:33-46. Feel free to bring lunch or just come as you are for an hour of fellowship and study. - Danny

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



John Lineberger

It is with both sadness and joy that we must say good-bye to our organist and Director of Music, John Lineberger. John's last Sunday with us will be October 15.

We have been blessed by John's ministry of music for the past 2 years and he will be impossible to replace. At the same time we rejoice with him as he takes important steps in his life and career. John has accepted a call to serve in the same capacity at Trinity Lutheran Church in Vale, NC.



He is also leaving his 2nd shift hospital lab job and joining John Dower at Lincoln Pipe Organ where he will assist in servicing church organs up and down the East coast. This will feed John's passion for the organ while also helping him get a decent night's sleep ;)

Thank you John for your service to First Presbyterian Church and Godspeed as you answer God's call.



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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](http://www.presbyterianmission.org) or call their office at 1-800-872-3283.



### October Mission Opportunity – Packing Food

First Presbyterian Church will be volunteering at Christian Ministry of Lincoln County during the week of October 9<sup>th</sup>. 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.

# CHURCH LEADERSHIP



## 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

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

## October 8th

Greeters & Offering  
Ann and Randy Hallman  
Worship Leader Alice Gene Abrams  
Nursery Anna Gilbert  
Children's Time Thad Cloer  
Lock-up John Lafferty  
Refreshments

## October 15th

Greeters & Offering  
Tina and Thad Cloer  
Worship Leader Adrienne Hodges  
Nursery Pat Carpenter  
Children's Time Barbara Crumley  
Lock-up John Carpenter  
Refreshments

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  
**Family of Christine Hovis**, Shortie McConnell's neighbor  
**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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