

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK (5/27)**

**NURSERY CAPTAIN**

Maggie Banks

**INFANTS**

Marsha Grovenstein, Meghan Helton

**1 YEAR OLDS**

Faith Eck

**2 YEAR OLDS**

Yvette and Brooklyn Hampton

**TODDLER**

Joel & Nathan Daniels, Min Jae and Grace Kim

**USHERS**

Thomas Miles, James Hardison, Tim Hicks, Mike Foley\*,  
Anders Martin (Deacon on Duty)

**SOUND**

Ryan Brown

**EVENING**

No evening service

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES NEXT WEEK (6/3)**

**NURSERY CAPTAIN**

Melissa Miles

**INFANTS**

Carlie Martin, Catherine Fender

**1 YEAR OLDS**

Tiffany & Tristan Lovezolla

**2 YEAR OLDS**

Anders Martin, Grace Miles

**TODDLER**

Jeff & Morgan Christopher, Jason Buda, Elaine Li Causi

**USHERS**

John Jones, John Twibell, Steve Mack, Davis Salser\*  
Travis Cope (Deacon on Duty)

**SOUND**

Kevin Eck

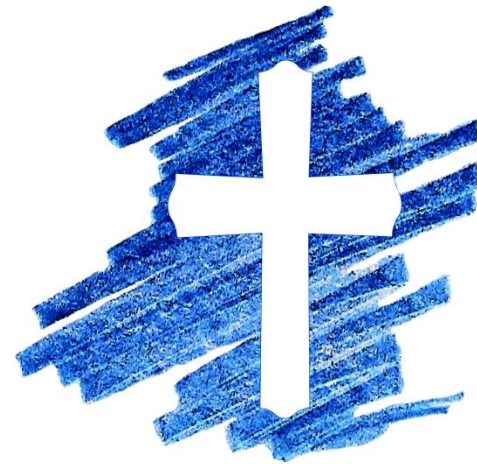
**EVENING**

VBS Set Up

\*Front door

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**First  
Presbyterian  
Church**

Pooler, Georgia

*The Lord's Day*

**MAY 27, 2018**

*A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA)*

## Welcome to the First Presbyterian Church!

### VISITING TODAY?

Welcome! We are so glad you have come to worship our great God with us today! We pray that God will use this worship service to increase your knowledge of, faith in, and love for Jesus Christ. If you are a visitor, please fill out the welcome card in the pew rack and drop it in the offering plate during the service. We do encourage children to be in and participate in our worship service, but we do have four nurseries available for them if needed. There is also a nursing mother's room in the women's restroom. If we can help you in any way, please feel free to speak with one of the ushers or pastors.

### PRAYER MEETING (9:15 - 9:45 AM)

### SUNDAY SCHOOL (10:00 - 10:45 AM)

### WORSHIP (11:00 AM - NOON)

-Nursery: Ages 0-3

-Children's Church: Ages 3-4, Children worship together with the congregation until the Offertory when they are dismissed with their teacher to train for worship with age-accessible prayers, hymns, and lessons.

### NO EVENING WORSHIP

### OUR PURPOSE & GOAL

We seek to glorify God by holding out the hope of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our community, our country and our world to impact others to do the same. In holding out the gospel we pray that God would save, sanctify and equip His people to serve.

### WEBSITE

Visit [www.fpcpooler.org](http://www.fpcpooler.org) for more about our beliefs and upcoming events. We also invite you to join us on Facebook at First Presbyterian Church of Pooler. Questions or more info? Contact [crystal@firstprespooler.com](mailto:crystal@firstprespooler.com)

### OUR CHURCH LEADERSHIP

**Pastor:** Rev. John D. Fender | **Elders:** Randy Grovenstein, Caleb Johnson, Kelly Larson, Bob Sharp, Nate Warfield | **Deacons:** David Brodmann, Ryan Brown, Travis Cope, Kevin Eck, Ken Hayes, Anders Martin, Stephen Mullis, Scott Terry | **Staff:** Michael Brown, Discipleship Ministry | Rev. Cheol Kim, Korean Ministry

## SMALL GROUPS

**KNOX:** | For adults and families with school aged children: Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays @ FPCP | **May 30, 2018** | Dinner at 6:00 pm | Study @ 6:45-7:45 pm on *The Promises of God* | Led by Michael Brown | Childcare provided

**WESTMINSTER:** | For adults and families with youth group age children: Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays @ FPCP | **May 30, 2018** | Closing Dinner at 6:05 pm @ Los Bravos

**YOUTH GROUP:** | For students in grades 6-12 | Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays @ FPCP | **May 30, 2018** | Dinner @ 6:00 pm | Study @ 6:45-7:45 pm | Led by Aaron Francis

**MEN'S 6:30 AM STUDY:** | Meets 1st and 3rd Friday mornings Chick-fil-A on Pooler Parkway | **Will resume in the fall** | @ 6:30-7:30 am | Led by John Fender

**MEN'S 7:00 AM STUDY:** | Meets 2nd and 4th Friday mornings Chick-fil-A on Pooler Parkway | **Will resume in the fall** | @ 7:00-7:45 am | Led by John Fender

**CALVIN:** | For adults and families with young children: | Meets the 1st and 3rd Mondays @ FPCP | **Will resume in the fall** | | Dinner at 6:00 pm | Study @ 6:45-7:45 pm on *The Promises of God* | Led by Michael Brown | Childcare provided

**AUGUSTINE:** | Young adults: Meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesday's FPCP | **Will resume in the fall** | Dinner at 6:30 pm | Study on *Counterfeit Gods* @ 7:15-8:15pm. | Led by Kevin Eck. | Childcare provided

**COVENANTER:** | For those who have children out of the house, retired or entering retirement. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday | **Will resume in the fall** | Study of Galatians |

**RINCON:** | For adults of all ages | Meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at the Larson's home in Rincon. | **Will resume in the fall** | Dinner at 6:00 pm | Study on *The Promises of God* @ 6:45-7:45 pm. | Led by Michael Brown

**WOMEN'S MORNING STUDY:** Will resume in the fall

**WOMEN'S EVENING STUDY:** Will resume in the fall

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**COED SLOW PITCH SOFTBALL** | Interested? Contact Matt King at [mattkingsman@yahoo.com](mailto:mattkingsman@yahoo.com) or Jeff Wilhelm at [kaiser1384@gmail.com](mailto:kaiser1384@gmail.com)

**SUMMER SUNDAY CHILDCARE Volunteers needed!** | As we all know summer months can be full of family vacations and travel. Due to this, we have a need for a little extra help in the nursery. If you are not serving but would like to help for the months of June-August, please let Melissa know at [melissa@firstprespooler.com](mailto:melissa@firstprespooler.com)

**MOPS Playdate @ Oatland Island | Wednesday morning, May 30**  
| Time TBD | Do not have to be a member to attend | Contact Carlie Martin or Jennifer Mullis for more details

**NEXT SUNDAY | Congregational Meeting | Sunday, June 3 @ noon**  
| We are forming a pulpit committee to consider the possibility of hiring Michael Brown as an Associate Pastor of FPCP. Michael graduated from RTS May 19.

**VBS Set up** | Sunday, June 3 | 5:30 pm | Everyone is invited to help!  
Dinner provided for all helpers!

**NEW YOUTH PASTOR.** James Ritchey has accepted the position of full time youth pastor here at FPCP. He will begin work July 1. James & Missy will be relocating to the Pooler area this summer. Keep the Richey's in your prayers as they make this transition.

## Order of Worship

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SILENT PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, You delight to pour out the riches of your grace and mercy on those who humble themselves before you. Fill us with the Holy Spirit this day. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with steady minds and burning zeal we may worship you in spirit and in truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### CALL TO WORSHIP

### PSALM 117

*Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples! For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!*

### † HYMN OF PRAISE

“Let Us Love And Sing And Wonder”

Words by John Newton, music by Laura Taylor; © 2001 Laura Taylor Music.

### † INVOCATION

### MEMORY VERSE FOR MAY

### MATTHEW 6:31-33

*Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.*

### READING OF SCRIPTURE

### 1 THESSALONIANS 4:1-12

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### HYMN OF CONFESSION

“God Be Merciful To Me”

Words by Richard Redhead, music by Christopher Miner. ©Christopher Miner Music

### PASTORAL PRAYER

## RETURNING GOD'S TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*"Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35b*

**Children's Church:** 4 Year Olds are now released to Children's Church  
Located in the Pre-K/Kindergarten Room.

## OFFERTORY

"In Christ Alone"

Words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, ©2001 Thankyou Music; ccli #2765718

## † DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen!

## † OFFERTORY PRAYER

CALEB JOHNSON, ELDER

## SERMON

HEBREWS 3:6 – 4:13

"Striving to Enter that Rest that God Provides"

Rev. John Fender

## † CLOSING HYMN

"Thy Mercy My God"

Words by John Stoker, 1777; music by Sandra McCracken, 2001; ©Same Old Dress Music.

## † BENEDICTION

2 CORINTHIANS 13:14

*"The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."*

## SERMON NOTES

"Striving to Enter that Rest that God Provides"

Hebrews 3:6-4:13

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We Are the House of God, *IF* Hebrews 3:6

The Illustration: Israel's failure to enter into the Promised Land

### Three Possibilities:

1. The Israelites were genuine believers at one point, but fell completely away (therefore, losing their salvation.)  
\_\_\_\_\_ because such an idea would conflict with passages in the Bible like: Phil 1:6, John 10:28-30, Romans 8:38-39, Ephesians 4:30
2. The Israelites were never genuine believers in the first place, but merely seemed to be saved.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_ assurance is a real issue! Matt 7:21-23
  - b. Surely this was the case for \_\_\_\_\_, perhaps \_\_\_\_\_!
3. The Israelites were genuine believers, though their faith would waiver at times, and the Lord would discipline them by causing them to miss out on \_\_\_\_\_ blessings.  
Numbers 14:20-23

The Repeated Admonition to the Hebrews and to us

**Stated Negatively:** Falling Away 3:12, Failing to Reach 4:1,  
Fall by the same disobedience 4:11

**Stated Positively:** Strive to Enter 4:11

What does it mean for us?

Let us pay careful attention to the spiritual wellbeing of our souls lest we...

1. \_\_\_\_\_ as an unbeliever, like Heb. 2:1-3
2. Face the Lord's \_\_\_\_\_ Heb. 12:7-11