

**MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS:**  
Awakening the Spirit in us to become more compassionate.  
"Mental health...is not a destination, but a process. It's about how you drive, not where you're going." – Noam Shpancer

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND  
the  
PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON  
Friday, December 6th at 11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall  
Lunch Hosted by TNT Circle

Please bring an unwrapped toy for the children of local church  
Pabellion de la Libertad Church

Please RSVP by Wednesday, December 4th to Betty Holt at  
theholts@me.com or (336) 202-1126.

Cost is \$10 for Circle members; all others please be our guest.  
Child Care available upon request



**POINSETTIAS WILL BE USED TO DECORATE THE SANCTUARY FOR WORSHIP BEGINNING ON DECEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>**

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia in honor of, or in memory of a loved one, please return this completed form to the church office or place in the offering plate as it is passed with \$13.00 for each one ordered. Poinsettias must be paid for in advance, and may be picked up after the worship service on Sunday, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> or after the Christmas Eve services.  
All orders must be received no later than Wednesday, Dec. 11th

POINSETTIA ORDER FORM

\$13.00

GIVEN BY\_\_\_\_\_

☐ Cash

☐ Check

IN MEMORY OF\_\_\_\_\_

IN HONOR OF\_\_\_\_\_

*MARK YOUR CALENDAR!*

**December**

- 6 PW Christmas Luncheon at 11:30 AM
- 7 Christmas at Overlook at 11:00 AM
- 10 Blue Christmas at 6:00 PM
- 11 Second Wednesday at First— Pastors' Christmas Concert
- 13 -15 Nativities Celebration
- 15 Lessons and Carols at 10:00 AM
- 15 Christmas Pageant at 5:00 PM
- 24 Family/Children's Christmas Eve Service at 4:00 PM
- 24 Candlelight/Communion Christmas Eve Service at 6:00 PM
- 29 No Sunday School—Worship at 10:00 AM

**Blue Christmas Service**

**Dec 10 6pm**


First Presbyterian Church of Beaufort

*A community service for remembrance, hope, comfort and inspiration*

Historic Downtown Beaufort • 410 Church Street


**BLUE CHRISTMAS THOUGHT:** Judgment is the currency of the world; the Church trades in grace. Everything takes its toll on our mental health, but the Church is the one community where the burdens we carry can be lifted by the forgiveness of sin and the caring embrace of a fellow sufferer. It does not offer acute treatment so much as promote long-term mental health. Church shouldn't be mistaken for a therapist's office but can be a pit-stop for the weary. We cannot flee from the pressures of life, but perhaps there is a place where these pressures might be alleviated, a place that reorients us and provides comfort for an altogether different journey, in grace. ("There Is a Shrink in Gilead: The Church and Mental Health" by Todd Brewer)

Received		Annual Budget
Offering for Nov. 3	Year To Date	\$ 569,589.00
\$ 20,230.36	\$ 482,412.14	



**First Presbyterian Church of Beaufort**

**A Service for the Worship of God**  
**November 24, 2019**  
**10:00 AM**



LIBBY ROBERTSON, ARTIST

*To all who are weary and need rest,  
To all who mourn and need comfort,  
To all who are lonely and need friendship,  
To all who are glad and would serve their neighbors,  
To all who are complacent and need disturbing,  
To all who sin and need a Savior,  
This church opens wide its doors  
In the name of Christ and bids you welcome.*

**Sanctuary:** 410 Church Street  
**Office, Education & Outreach Building:** 1201 North Street  
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www.facebook.com/firstpresbeaufort info@firstpresbeaufort.org



As we gather to worship, may we enter prayerfully.

Striking of the Hour

Prelude ..... Let Us with a Gladsome Mind  
LANG

Choral Introit

Opening Words & Call to Worship - from Psalm 95.....Elder Nan Krueger

O come, let us sing to the Lord;  
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!  
Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;  
Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!  
For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.  
In God's hand are the depths of the earth;  
The heights of the mountains are God's also.  
The sea is God's, for God made it,  
And the dry land, which God's hands have formed.  
O come, let us worship and bow down,  
Let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!  
For God is our shepherd,  
And we are the people of God's pasture, and the sheep of God's hand.  
O that today we would listen to God's voice!

+\* Hymn 367 ..... Come Ye Thankful People Come  
ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we have neglected to declare Jesus the king and model for our lives. We have been quick to call on others to follow the way of Christ yet slow to do the same. We have been bold in demanding generosity, mercy, and forgiveness yet quiet when in comes to offering inclusion, love, and compassion. Forgive us, O God. Restore in us, yet again, the commitment to be more Christlike in word, in deed, and in spirit.  
(Let us continue in prayer silently)

Congregational Response

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord.  
Incline thine ear to us and grant us thy peace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri (Hymn No. 581)  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end, Amen,

Children's Sermon .....Dr. Patrick Perryman  
(As we sing Jesus Loves Me, children K & under are dismissed for SonShine Club)

Anthem..... Thanksgiving Song  
VIC VARNER, Music Director MARY CHAPIN CARPENTER  
LILY COOPER, Organist

Gospel Lesson..... Luke 23:33-43

\*Hymn 647 ..... Now Thank We All Our God  
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Epistle Lesson..... Colossians 1:11-20

Sermon .....  
Dr. Patrick Perryman

\* Affirmation of Faith - Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory ..... We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator  
WILLAN

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

A Litany of Thanksgiving

Give thanks to the Lord who is good.  
God's love is everlasting.

Come, let us praise God joyfully.  
Let us come to God with thanksgiving.

For the good world;  
for things great and small, beautiful and awesome;  
for seen and unseen splendors;  
Thank you, God.

For family;  
for living together and eating together  
for family amusements and family pleasures;  
Thank you, God.

For children;  
for their energy and curiosity  
for their brave play and startling frankness;  
for their sudden sympathies;  
Thank you, God.

For the young;  
for their high hopes;  
for their irreverence toward worn-out values;  
for their search for freedom;  
for their solemn vow;  
Thank you, God.

For growing up and growing old;  
for wisdom deepened by experience;  
for rest in leisure;  
and for time made precious by its passing;  
Thank you, God.

For your help in times of doubt and sorrow;  
for healing our diseases;  
for preserving us in temptation and danger;  
Thank you God.

For the church into which we have been called;  
for the good news we received by Word and Sacrament;  
for our life together in the Lord;  
We praise you, God.

Above all, O God, for your Son Jesus Christ,  
who lived and died and lives again for our salvation  
for our hope in him;  
and for the joy of serving him;  
We thank and praise you, Eternal God, for all your goodness to us.

Give thanks to the Lord, who is good.  
God's love is everlasting.

\* Hymn 273 .....He Is King of Kings  
HE IS KING

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response

Postlude ..... All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name  
PRICE

\*All Who Are Able Please Stand | + Ushers Will Seat Latecomers

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all who join us for worship today. If you are without a church home, you will be warmly welcomed into our fellowship. We are glad you are here! Please like us on Facebook and visit our website at [www.firstpresbeaufort.org](http://www.firstpresbeaufort.org) for sermons, news, and current events. Members and visitors, please sign the attendance pad located on the aisle end of each pew. Your presence is very important to us!

THE FLOWERS TODAY

NOC Snack: FPC is partnering with Neighborhood Outreach Connection by helping to provide snacks for their students during the after-school program. We would love to be able to bless them with snack options until the end of the school year. They are looking for individual snack bags of pretzels, crackers, cookies, popcorn, and chips. Please drop off all snacks in the box in the Education Building

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: The annual PW Nativity Display is in the works and will be December 13, 14, 15, 2019. As always we would love for you to share your nativities with us and before you say yours is nothing special, EACH ONE IS SPECIAL. Please contact Donna Lee Sheetz if you have any questions or nativity you would like to share at [donnaleesheetz@gmail.com](mailto:donnaleesheetz@gmail.com) or 843-379-9646.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR		
SUN. NOV. 24	5:00 PM	High School Youth Group
	6:00 PM	Middle School Youth Group
WED. NOV. 20	4:15 PM	Bell Choir
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir
THUR. NOV. 21		OFFICE CLOSED FOR HOLIDAY