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** for sermons, news, and current events.

TODAY THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN to the Glory of God and in celebration of the Christmas Season.

THE 2021 STATISTICAL REPORT is available for review in the church library.

2023 FLOWER CHART: The flower chart is available in the Narthex. If you would like to provide flowers for the Sunday morning worship service, please write your name and phone number next to the appropriate date. You may provide your own flowers, or order them from your florist of preference.

God's Tithe and Offering Update

\$41.036.49

\$540,966.86

\$573,239.00

OUR STAFF

Dr. Patrick H. Perryman Pastor Parish Associate for Pastoral Care Dr. John Sheppard Geneva Baxley Family Ministries Director & Membership Coordinator Ellie Laita Youth Ministries Director Victor Varner Director of Music Lily Cooper Organist **Becky Bradshaw** Nursery Supervisor Tracy Greco Bookkeeper Nora Graczyk Office Administrator

OUR SESSION

Class of 2023	Class of 2024	Class of 2025
Bobby Bell	AnnMarie Bowden	Geneva Baxley
Syd Lubkin	AK Harper	Emily Harris
Mary Tatum	Donna Sĥeetz	Kathy Hodges
Thomas Tayloe	Gene Rugala	Charles Tumlin

TREASURER

Bobby Bell

OUR DIACONATE

Class of 2025

Kati Barnes

Josh Dunn

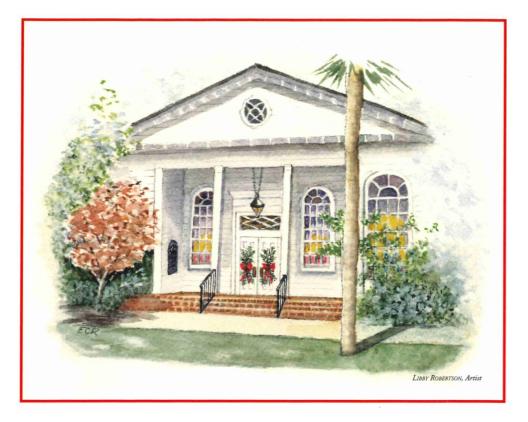
Sharon McElveen

Sally Post

Class of 2023	Class of 2024
Kelsey Bacon	Penny Abbott
Bert Owen	Shep Caldwell
Megan Pierro	Ben Coppage
Nell Staes	John Myrick

First Presbyterian Church of Beaufort

A Service for the Worship of God January 1, 2023 11:00 AM



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.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

MON. JAN. 2 OFFICED CLOSED

WED. JAN. 4 NO MENS BREAKFAST

THUR. JAN E. NO BASIC ESSENTIALS, DEED

Offering Dec. 24th

YTD Actual

Annual Budget

THUR. JAN 5 NO BASIC ESSENTIALS, DEEP CUTS CLASS WITH DR. PERRYMAN

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS:

AWAKENING THE SPIRIT IN US TO BECOME MORE COMPASSIONATE.

"Being able to be your true self is one of the strongest components of good mental health." - Lauren Fogel Mersy

Opening Words & Call to Worship.....Elder Geneva Baxley

The Word was made flesh,

Alleluia, Alleluia,

And dwelt among us,

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus, Son of the living God, splendor of the Father, Light Eternal:

Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus, King of glory, Sun of righteousness, born to the Virgin Mary:

Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus, Wonderful Counselor, mighty God, everlasting Lord:

Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus, Prince of Peace, Shepherd of Souls, perfect holiness:

Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus, Friend of all, Protector of the poor, Treasure of the faithful.

Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus, Good Shepherd, inexhaustible Wisdom, Our Way, Our Truth, and our Life.

Glory to you, O Lord!

Jesus, joy of the angels, and crown of all the saints:

Christ is born, Give him glory!
Christ has come down from heaven! Receive him!
Christ is now on earth! Exalt him!
O earth, sing to the Lord!
O you nations, praise him in joy,
For he has been glorified!

Amen.

Prayer of Confession

O God, your life is ever fresh and ever new. Yet, as you lead us into this new year we confess we are reluctant to leave the familiarity and security of the past. We fritter away opportunities you place before us. We organize our energies around our own desires rather than your will. Forgive us. Lead us into the future, fill with new resolve to work for your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

(Let us continue in prayer silently.)

Congregational Response

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

Assurance of Pardon

We stand at the beginning of a new year and know the truth of these words: "The old has passed away." Believe also the words: "If anyone in is Christ, he or she is a new creature; everything has become new." We are no longer bound by our sin.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

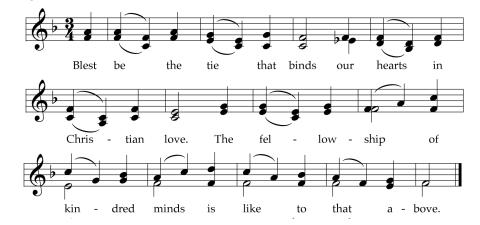
Friends, believe the Good News: the old is passed away; the new is here.

Let us live our lives as God's sons and daughters.

Gloria

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, Amen.

Passing of the Peace



*Hymn 143	Angels, from the Realms of Glory REGENT SQUARE
Gospel Lesson	Luke 2
Sermon	Taking The Long Look Dr. John Sheppard

...Ecclesiastes 3

Hebrew Lesson

*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 Our Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.

*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

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

*Charge and Benediction

Postlude Joy to the World WILBUR HELD

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