September 8, 2024

Guest Minister The Reverend Anna Dickson

Worship Leader Jim Gallagher

Flowers Scottie and Richard Bowers

Ushers Mindy and Lee Hanna

Music Cissy Shull

Bagpipes Ella Markland

Website

Please visit the Wee Kirk website (www.weekirk.org) for information about our visiting ministers, church history, and benevolence. On the website, you can volunteer to usher or serve lemonade. For more information about volunteering, call or text Sally McElwee 704-975-5920. Past sermons also can be found on the website. For more information about sermon recordings, call or text Nancy Wechsler 214-609-0654.

Outreach

The vast majority of our gifts and offerings go to our Outreach Program, the focus of which is to serve the children and families in Avery County. Through your generosity, we provide funding for tutors in classrooms, swimming lessons for Pre-K and 2nd graders, essential needs, medical care, and enrichment programs, along with scholarship stipends for some Mayland Community College students. Thank you for your support.

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GUEST MINISTER

The Reverend Anna Dickson

With pleasure today we welcome The Reverend Anna Dickson and her husband CJ.

Since her ordination in 2011, Anna has served congregations in both Raleigh and Charlotte. In her current call as Executive Pastor and Pastor for Congregational Care at First Presbyterian Church, Anna supports the ordained and program staff in offering opportunities to deepen faith through care, study, and service. She especially appreciates that her role places emphasis on relationship-building and mutual care.

She loves the way worship can shape our imagination for more faithful, fulfilled living in God's world, and is grateful to get to witness the creative discipleship that flows out of FPC's worship in the heart of Charlotte. Anna believes the church lives today in a moment that calls for creativity, openness, and trust in a God who is always out ahead of us.

She holds a BA from Washington and Lee University, a MDiv from Princeton Theological Seminary, and a certificate in Executive Leadership from Princeton Theological Seminary. She is also a trained ICF leadership coach.

She is married to CJ, and together they have two children: Margaret (9) and Andrew (7), which means that, in her free time, she is mostly driving soccer carpool.

Anna can be contacted at adickson@firstpres-charlotte.org.

Next week our guest minister will be
The Reverend Dr. Tom Walker
Retired Pastor
Palms Presbyterian Church
Jacksonville Beach, Florida

Friday Morning Bible Study

Dr. Walker will lead the Bible Study on Friday, September 13th, starting at 9:00 a.m. in the small dining room at the Eseeola Lodge. Complimentary continental breakfast and coffee will be available. Please come and bring a friend! Dottie and Barry Cook will be hosting Dr. Walker.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL REMARKS

Byron Wade Western NC Presbytery

LET US PREPARE OUR HEARTS (Please remain seated)

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place. I can feel His mighty power and His grace. I can hear the brush of angels' wings. I see glory on each face. Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

Congregation: Serve the Lord with gladness!

Leader: Come into God's presence with singing!

Congregation: For the Lord is good; God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Let us worship God.

* HYMN NO. 151

Crown Him with Many Crowns

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Holy God, you sent your son Jesus to be our peace, and yet we know so much strife and war, in the world, in our communities, in our churches, and within ourselves. Untie the knots of envy and disappointment that dwell in our hearts. Loosen our grasp on worldly things that we might open our hands to holy things. Turn us around to you, and make us whole, we pray.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Psalm 46 Page 339

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 14:15-27 Page 83

SERMON "What Jesus Leaves With Us"

* THE APOSTLES' CREED Page 14

OFFERING AND *DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN NO. 434

Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples

* BENEDICTION

^{*} Those who are able please stand.