## September 2025

# **Around the First**

The newsletter of First Presbyterian Church

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Fall is upon us. Well, the season of Fall does not officially begin until mid-month, but we are grateful that the humidity is already improving. Speaking of seasons, it has been our pattern this time of year to turn to the Old Testament. After all it encompasses the majority of our bible. So, beginning Sunday, September 6, we will begin to get to know the great Prophet Jeremiah. We actually know more about Jeremiah than we do most of the New Testament writers. We are supplied with the prophet's legitimate name, his birthplace, and the dates of his ministry. The first twenty chapters are indisputably Jeremiah's writings, and they offer a particular message for our churches today. In one word that message is hope. Hope for the future! "The tradition of Jeremiah is focused on destiny, on things that need to be built again. It articulates passionate hope. It uses passionate language to speak to a new stunning beginning." (W. Brueggemann) Looking back, as we close out our Summer series in Hebrews let us remember the preacher's admonition, Let us not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, as is the habit of some, but encourage one another and all the more as we see the day drawing near. Heb. 10:25 Nothing can replace regular corporate worship. In a world filled with challenges and uncertainties the church stands apart. Walter Brueggemann describes it this way, "And then the church meets. It meets in consecrated space, meaning that things are very different here. It gathers around an ancient text. We have here, in church, what is left unsaid elsewhere.

See you on Sunday, Pastor Jimmy

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#### **THE SESSION**

2025— Sara Giannakakis

2026— Lindsey Parker 2028— Leslie Hicks, Roy Scarborough

#### THE DEACONS

2025— Carolyn McNeese,Joan Scarborough2026— Nancy Sapp

#### **ELDER EMERITUS**

Frank Vande Linde, Richard Krauss, Richard Morris, and Ellen Jones

Members and Guests are invited to share Worship at 11:00 AM.

Office Hours: 8:30-12:00 M-Th Around the First is a publication of the First Presbyterian Church of Brunswick, GA (PCUSA).



Larry Sapp September 3

Don Heins September 23



Leslie & Andy Hicks September 17







### **General Announcements**



We will celebrated the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper as part of morning worship on **September 7** If worshipping from home, you'll want to have some bread or crackers and water or juice on hand. Follow along on *Facebook Live* as we gather at the table.

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 1, for Labor Day.

Session Meeting is August 29th at 12:30PM.



Get Ready for Porchfest in November! The theme is "Gnome on the Range"! Looking for volunteers from 12PM –5PM

The snack pack ministry is very busy. We are asking for donations of **cans of Vienna sausages** in particular (or money). If anyone wants to volunteer for a day, please let Lori Parker know. There is also a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. It's only for 2 hours and so rewarding! If you can't volunteer, please donate money or snack pack items.

Sunday School starts at 10:15 in the Fellowship Hall. Weekly scripture discussions will be:

<u>September 7</u>— Eccl. 1:1, 12–14, 2:18-23; Ps. 49:1-12; Col. 3:1-11

September 14— Gen. 15:1-6; Ps. 33:12-22; Heb. 11:1-3, 8-16

September 21— Jer. 23:23-29; Ps. 82; Heb. 11:29;12:2

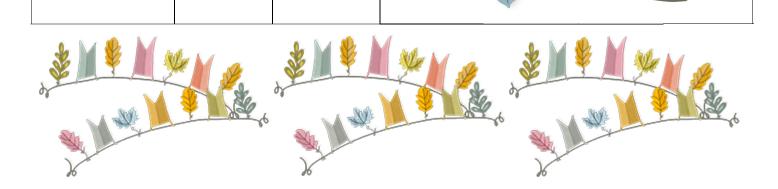
September 28— Isa. 58:9b-14; Ps. 103:1-8; Heb. 12:18-29

See You on Facebook Live!

Sunday at 11am!







10:15 Sunday School

person and via

Facebook Live

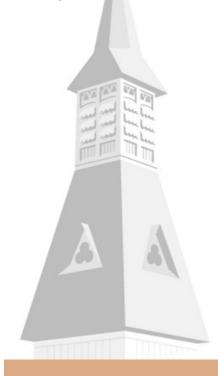
11:00 Worship in

12:30 PM

Session

Meeting

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# **September Worship schedule:**



**September 7th: Jimmy Griffin** 

September 14th: Randy Watson,

**Guest Pastor** 

**September 21st: Guest Pastor** 

September 28th: Jimmy Griffin