June 22, 2025

Guest Minister The Reverend Dr. Patrick W. T. Johnson

Worship Leader Jim Gallagher

Flowers Dottie and Barry Cook

Ushers Wynn and Jim Dorsett

Minister's Hospitality Cambey and Jim Gallagher

Refreshments Wynn and Jim Dorsett

Music Cissy Shull

Website

Please visit the Wee Kirk website (www.weekirk.org) for information about our visiting ministers, church history, and benevolence. For information about volunteering, call or text Jim Gallagher at 704-315-8961. Past sermons also can be found on the website. For more information about sermon recordings, call or text Nancy Weehsler 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.

Wee Kirk Presbyterian Church

Post Office Box 702, Linville, North Carolina 28646 Manse Phone Number: (828) 737-6918

Wee Kirk Presbyterian Church



Circa 1895

GUEST MINISTER

The Reverend Dr. Patrick W. T. Johnson

With pleasure today we welcome The Reverend Dr. Patrick W. T. Johnson and his wife Caitlin.

The Reverend Dr. Patrick W. T. Johnson has served as Pastor/Head of Staff at First Presbyterian Asheville since December, 2015, after serving congregations in Virginia, California, and New Jersey. Before coming to Asheville, he was a pastor for six years in New Jersey and adjunct faculty at Princeton Theological Seminary.

He is the author of numerous published articles and reviews, and the book *The Mission of Preaching: Equipping the Community for Faithful Witness*. He holds a Bachelor of Arts (Government) from the College of William and Mary, and a Master of Divinity and Doctorate of Philosophy in Practical Theology from Princeton Theological Seminary.

His spouse, Caitlin, is also a PC(USA) minister and serves as a parish associate at FPC Asheville. They live in Asheville, with their four children, Isla, Luke, Claire, and Felicity. The family loves to spend time outside, and Patrick enjoys reading, hiking, and making things in the woodshop. Dr. Johnson can be reached at pjohnson@fpcashville.org.

Next week our guest minister will be Reverend Alan Dyer Senior Pastor and Head of Staff First Presbyterian Church Spartanburg, South Carolina

Friday Morning Bible Study

Reverend Dyer will lead the Bible Study on Friday, June 27, starting at 9:00 a.m. in the card room at the Eseeola Lodge. Complimentary continental breakfast and coffee will be available. Please come and bring a friend! Laura and Charles Dunn will be hosting Reverend Dyer.

ORDER OF SERVICE

June 22, 2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

Congregation: Before the mountains, before the earth, from everlasting to everlasting, you are God. Leader: Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

Congregation: Teach us to number our blessings, that we gain a heart of gratitude and declare your steadfast love.

* HYMN NO. 356

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 90: 1-6, 12-17

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Romans 8:31-39

SERMON

"Love in Excess"

* THE APOSTLES' CREED

Page 14

OFFERING AND *DOXOLOGY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

* HYMN NO. 210

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

* BENEDICTION

^{*} Those who are able please stand.