July 13, 2025

Guest Minister The Reverend Dr. Jill Duffield

Worship Leader Rosa McNairy

Flowers Rosa and Bill McNairy

Ushers Dottie and Billy Nutt

Minister's Hospitality Pat Copeland

Refreshments Cambey and Jim Gallagher

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.

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GUEST MINISTER

The Reverend Dr. Jill Duffield

With pleasure today we welcome The Reverend Dr. Jill Duffield and her husband Grant.

Jill currently serves as the senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Greensboro, North Carolina. Prior to accepting the call to First Presbyterian, she served as the editor and publisher of the *Presbyterian Outlook*. During her six-year tenure as editor she won the Associate Church Press James Solheim Award for editorial courage three times, the award of excellence for an editorial in 2020, and the best book of the year for 2018.

Jill graduated Magna Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa from The University of North Carolina at Greensboro. She earned her Master of Divinity from Union Presbyterian Seminary and her Doctor of Ministry from Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

She has had the honor of preaching multiple times at Montreat Conference Center and lecturing at the Festival of Homiletics. Jill is the author of seven books, *Lectionary Reflections: Cycle A*, *Lectionary Reflections: Cycle B* and *Lectionary Reflections: Cycle C*, *Lent in Plain Sight*, *Advent in Plain Sight* and *The Upside Down, Backwards Life of Disciples*. Her latest book, *Appreciate These Things: 8 Ways of Cultivating Compassion* was released in February of this year.

She is married to Grant, and they are the parents of three young adult children, Joseph, Jessie, and Marissa.

Dr. Duffield can be reached at jduffield@fpcgreensboro.org.

Next week our guest minister will be The Reverend Pendleton Barnes Peery Senior Pastor First Presbyterian Church of Charlotte Charlotte, North Carolina

Friday Morning Bible Study

Reverend Peery will lead the Bible Study on Friday, July 18, 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! Lili and Chris Teigland will be hosting Reverend Peery.

ORDER OF SERVICE

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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: Come, all who need help!

Congregation: Our help comes from God, the one who made heaven and earth.

Leader: Come, all who desire blessing!

Congregation: Our blessing comes from God, the God of Abraham, the God of the ages.

Leader: Come, all who long for salvation!

Congregation: Our salvation comes from Jesus Christ, the one sent by God to save the world.

* HYMN NO. 376

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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 121

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 14:15-27

SERMON

"The Helper Will Come"

* THE APOSTLES' CREED

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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.