

Welcome to Plymouth First Baptist Church

The Lord's Day, Sunday August 1, 2021

But now Lord, what do I look for? My hope is in you. Psalm 39:7

9:45 AM Sunday School

10:50 AM Church Family Announcements

11 AM Morning Worship

Prelude		B.J. Lyle
Welcome		Pastor Paul
Prayer		Pastor Paul
*Praise Songs	<i>"I Am" and "Glorify Thy Name"</i>	
Scripture	Ephesians 4:1-13	Pastor Paul
Ministry in Music	<i>"Belong"</i>	Scott Bradshaw
Hymn #225	<i>"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"</i> vv. 1,2,3	
Pastoral Prayer		
Communion		
Sermon	Knowing and Responding to Jesus	Pastor Paul
*Hymn of Invitation #305	<i>"Pass Me Not"</i> v. 1,3	

Sermon: Knowing and Responding to Jesus

Scriptures: John 1:35-42; Matthew 1:21; Isaiah 59:1-11; 1 John 1:5-8; Proverbs 14:2; 1 Cor. 4:5; Matt. 6:1-2, 5-6; Matthew 7:21-23; John 14:1-5

We have learned much about Jesus so far in our study of John. Jesus is the Word, God himself, life, and light. Jesus is full of grace and truth and the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. We also learned that Jesus came to exegete (explain and interpret who God is and what he is like). All who encounter Jesus have different responses. Some truly want to know Him.

Knowing and Responding to Jesus:

1. They Follow Jesus.

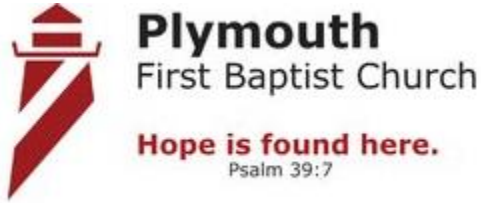
2. Jesus asks their motives.

3. They Abide with Jesus.

4. They Tell others of Jesus.

“ * ” indicates the congregation should stand.

You are welcome to use the church wi-fi! The password is– psqvcvk4xr3cf5



Abiding in Christ by Jon Payne

Genuine Christians abide in Christ. They cling tightly to their crucified, risen, and ascended Savior. It's what believers do. Why? Because apart

from Jesus Christ, we can do nothing. Indeed, apart from union and communion with Christ—by grace alone through faith alone—we are all spiritually powerless. On our own, we are dead in our sin and unable to produce spiritual fruit (Eph. 2:1–5). Abiding in Jesus, therefore, is essential to salvation and a growing walk with God. Jesus declares:

I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. (John 15:5–6)

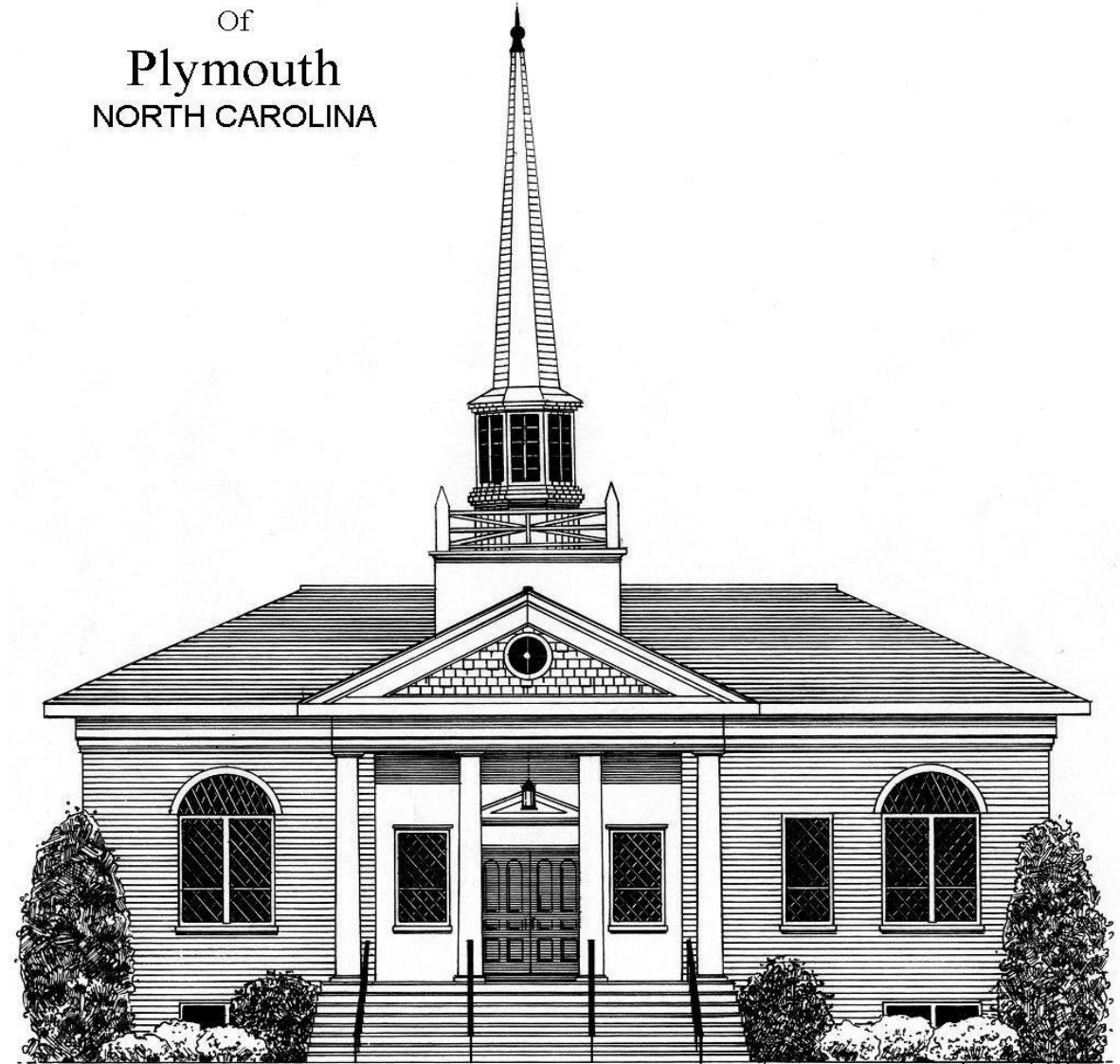
...Abiding in Christ means making Him the object of your faith. True faith accepts, receives, and rests upon Christ alone for justification, sanctification, and eternal life. We abide in Christ by exercising faith in Him, and nothing else—not family connections, moral strivings, or religious experiences. ...When Christians sit attentively under the faithful reading and preaching of the Scriptures, they abide in Christ. We meet Christ in the Word. Indeed, in His Word, Jesus lays hold of us and we lay hold of Him. We abide in His love when we believe His gospel promises and obey His holy commands (John 15:10). We also abide in Christ when we partake of the Lord's Supper, a clear expression of our union with Christ (1 Cor. 10:16–17). It is at the table that His promises are confirmed to our hearts, and we abide in His unrelenting love. Finally, we abide in Christ when we pray (Heb. 4:14–16). In prayer, we humbly throw ourselves into the arms of our beloved Savior. Therefore, dear Christian, abide in Christ. Devote yourself afresh to the means by which He promises to give you Himself. (excerpt)

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Senior Pastor – Rev. Paul T. Harrington
Choir Director – Scott Bradshaw; Organist – B.J. Lyle
Office Administrator- Danita Davis
Deacon of the Month: Johnny Barnes

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