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A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

EASTER FLOWERS ORDER FORM

Please help us decorate our church for Easter by ordering Easter flowers and giving a contribution in memory or in honor of a loved one. Forms are available in the literature racks or online at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events under the Easter lily icon. Please return forms in the offering plate or to the church office by Wednesday, March 20.

FRESH PRAYERS FOR LENT: WEEKS 4–6

Lent is a 40-day season of prayer and fasting to draw closer to Christ as we remember all that He accomplished through his life, death, and resurrection. Be sure to pick up the next “Fresh Prayers for Lent” daily prayer calendar, which covers weeks 4 through 6. Books are available in the church literature racks or click the icon at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES FOR COLLEGE GRADUATES

FPC is happy to host a new chapter of FCA for local graduate students and post-college graduates. Fellowship takes place the last Thursday of each month at 7:00pm in the Student Programming Space. Please help us spread the word! For more information, please contact Joy Sturgis at jsturgis@firstpresgreenville.org.



JIM JOHNSON COACHING AWARD
Congratulations to Bozzie Boggs for receiving the 2024 Jim Johnson Award for Coaching Excellence at the basketball supper on February 4.

DISCIPLESHIP

Women’s Ministry, Leah Cloud

REGISTER FOR WOMEN’S SPRING LUNCHEON

All women are invited to the Spring Luncheon, Thursday, April 4, at 12:00pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Come hear Rebecca Madden, author of “Breathless Haste: Finding God in Ordinary Life.” Rebecca, a former FPC member, now serves as the Women’s Ministry Director at Peachtree Presbyterian in Atlanta. Register at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events. Cost is \$15. For more details, please contact Leah Cloud at lcloud@firstpresgreenville.org.

Men’s Ministry, Charlie Buchanan

GREAT ALASKA SPORTING CLAY CLASSIC

The 11th Annual Great Alaska Sporting Clay Classic will be held on Friday morning, April 12, at The Clinton House in Clinton, SC. This clay shoot is a fundraiser for the ministry of Steven and Natalie Hall, serving with SEND for the last 20 years. Register for teams and individuals, as well as sponsorships, at Send.org/gasec. Questions? Contact Steven Hall at shall@send.org or 907.320.0158.

EVENTS

Children’s Ministry, Tina Jones

BUDDY BREAK APRIL 26

Our next Buddy Break is Friday, April 26, 5:30–8:00pm. Buddy Break is for families with children who have special needs. Bring all of your children to the church for supper and fun while you go out to dinner, go shopping, or even just go home and take a nap—whatever you need! For questions, please email tjones@firstpresgreenville.org.

Events Ministry, Caleb Miller

THE GRAY HAVENS CONCERT APRIL 19

The Gray Havens, American Christian folk pop husband and wife duo David and Licia Radford, are coming to First Pres! Join us on Friday, April 19, at 7:00pm, for their 10-year anniversary tour concert. For tickets, visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser

ELEVENTH HOUR OPEN MIC MARCH 21

The FPC Fine Arts Ministry provides opportunities for artists of all kinds to come together to share their work and celebrate what God is doing in their lives. The next Open Mic will be Thursday, March 21 at 7:30pm in the Student

Programming Space. For more information, please contact Chelsea Fraser (cfraser@firstpresgreenville.org).

REGISTER FOR DRAMA CAMP

Drama Kids of Greenville County is proud to partner with First Presbyterian Church to offer a faith-based summer camp for children ages 6-12, to explore new acting skills, voices, and movements. Get ready to blast off on an epic adventure June 17–21. For more information, visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Student Ministry, Mason Simmons

JUNIOR HIGH FUGE CAMP

Students currently in 6th-8th grade are invited to join us June 24-29 for Fuge camp at North Greenville University. It is always an incredible week of experiencing Christ in fresh, new ways. The trip is \$400 (scholarships or payment plans are available). For more information, email Mason Simmons at msimmons@firstpresgreenville.org. Registration is now open at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

CELEBRATE LIFE! TICKETS

FPC Worship and Music Ministry presents a musical theatre performance to celebrate the birth, life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus on Sunday, March 10, at 3:00pm in the Worship & Arts Center. Portions of the “Celebrate Life!” production, by Buryl Red and Ragan Courtney, will be performed through narration, the Sanctuary Choir, soloists, and instrumentalists. Free tickets are available at both reception desks and at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

JOIN THE ADVENTURE AT MUSIC CAMP

Spaces are still available in Music Camp for children rising 2nd–rising 6th grades. Rising 7th-12th grades can also register as a counselor. Music camp follows VBS, June 10-13, from 12:00pm–4:00pm. Children can choose a specialty: world percussion, piano/organ, recorders, Orff instruments (xylophones, etc.), handbells, or drama. Volunteers for camp are also needed. Register at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Children’s Ministry, Tina Jones

VBS & DAY MISSIONS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There has been a tremendous response to both VBS and Day Missions registrations. Volunteers may register themselves first at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events under the VBS and Day Missions icon, then register their child or grandchild. Questions? Contact Tina at tjones@firstpresgreenville.org.

A SUMMER JOB THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Need a summer job, but want to really make a difference? The Children’s Ministry team is looking for two 30-hour interns and one 20-hour intern this summer. Contact Tina Jones (tjones@firstpresgreenville.org) for an application.

Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart

COLLECT SUPPLIES FOR THE HOLLIS CARNIVAL

The annual Hollis Academy Carnival will be held on Friday, April 26. We need several packs of soda and snacks to support this school fundraiser. Visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events under the Hollis Academy icon for more details and to sign-up for specific supplies. Contact Beth Simmons (simmonsfam@charter.net) if you have any questions.

JOBS FOR LIFE CLASS MARCH 19

Jobs for Life is a transformational ministry to equip men getting back up on their feet to find and keep a job. We are in need of several men to serve as mentors, as well as business owners to volunteer as guest speakers. The next 7-week class begins Tuesday, March 19, 6:15pm-8:00pm at the Greenville Rescue Mission. For more information, contact Dave Forry at 864.380.1013 or forrydcf@aol.com.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

MARCH 3, 2024

COMMUNION SUNDAY

WORSHIP

8:30am & 11:00am in the Sanctuary

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

10:45am Ignite

in the Worship & Arts Center

Rev. Charlie Buchanan

“Fulfilled: Matthew’s Gospel”

Scripture: Matthew 13:1-15

8:30am Nursery

9:30am Children’s Sunday School

9:30am Student Life Groups

9:45am Adult Life Groups

10:30am Kids Church

LIVE STREAMING

8:30am & 11:00am:

Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville

YouTube.com/FirstPresGreenvilleSC

FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

10:45am:

Facebook.com/firstpresignite

YouTube.com/FirstPresIgniteWorship

FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

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WEDNESDAY

MARCH 6, 2024

PASTOR’S BIBLE STUDY

“The Book of Daniel”

12:30pm–1:00pm • Fellowship Hall

6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

LIVE STREAMING

6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall

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FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

MENU:

Entree: Fried Chicken OR

Baked Pork Chops with Dressing

Broccoli Spears

Turnip Greens

Baked Beans

Lima Beans

Breaded Okra

Salad, Bread, and Dessert

MEAL PRICES:

Adults: \$10 • Children ages 4-12: \$5

Children ages 0-3: Free

Family max: \$35

PASTOR OF THE DAY

February 29–March 6, 2024

For Pastoral emergencies, please call 864.235.0496.

MEMBER NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend blessings to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rabb (Amy) on the birth of a son, John Woodson “Woods” Rabb, on February 16.*

Mr. and Mrs. Rivers Hughes (Haley Vander Linden), who were married on February 24 on Kiawah Island, SC.

WELCOME CONFIRMANDS
Abe Anderson, Kate Baldwin, Hunter Bissinger, Carlton Boggs, Mary Charlotte Briggs, Dylan Brooks, Weathers Cheves, Hugh Clements, Parker Dean, Louise Hendrix, Eli Howard, Ben Ivey, Wilkes Mellard, Caroline Morris, Alexis Murray, North Neal, Ruby Oswald, Liza May Perry, Ava Philipsen, Reese Plyler, Tyler Robinson, Delaney Terry, Mateo Vogt, Henry Wofford

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS
Alex and Kennedy Beeson, Glenn and Julie Brown, Nicolas and Mary Cherry, Damon and Betsy Flowers (Mary Margaret), Mark and Cindy Goodrich, Jim and Annie Hames, Matson and Madison Hutchins, Kyle and Whitney Keene (George), Travis and Mary Katherine Lunn (Mary Kemmery), Billy and Kate Malewich (Ryan), Douglas and Frances McCaig, Steve and Cynthia Mercer, Matt and Molly Nichols (Maddox and Asher), David and Delores Nieboer, Brett and Kaylee Ownbey, Will Ricks, David and Ashley Robinson (Tyler, Charlotte, and Anna Louise), Gary and Johanna Silk, David and Betsy Williams

MEMORIALS AND HONORS
MUSIC MINISTRY FUND
In memory of Kenneth Robbins by The Agape-Fellowship Class
TURNER MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of Becky Garcia by The Covenant Class

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND
In memory of Al Phinney by Dr. and Mrs. Johnny Goforth, III
FPC FOUNDATION
In honor of Shelton and Mary Ann Sanford by Dean Livingston
In honor of John Campbell by Dean Livingston
PRAYER LIST
Bill Anthony, Robert Ashley, Doane August, Tom Brissey, Pat Burns, Susan Cable, Lang Cheves, Diane Cobb, Joe Cole, Janet Collins, Don Connell, Marian Dameier, Peggy Denny, Becky Dueben, **Karen Fields**, Larry Freeman, Mike Freeman, **Eddie Gambrell**, Becky Garcia, Millie Gedney, **Susan Gibson**, Pam Goldman, Natalie Hall, Fran Hardin, Jack Hardin, Cathy Harman, Gladys “Hap” Henderson, Michael Hyde, Ginny Johnson, Priss Jones, Tom Lide, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Anne Lybrand, Geoff Marsh, Megan McCommons, Jenny McCorkle, Mozelle Moore, Jerry Murdock, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Katherine Pate, Bette Ann Phillips, Don Phillips, Shari Phillips, Becky Powell, Mason Powell, Courtney Prosis, Ed Reed, Ken Rhoden, Bill Rogers, Catherine Sandifer, Janice Shartle, Jude Smith, Carrie Stringer, Shirley Timmerman, Holly Thomason, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, John Volpe, Don Youatt, Tim Walsh, Spires Welch, Charlie West, Beryl Wickliffe, Frank Vickers, Jan Zimmermann
Bold = New Italics = In Hospital

PRAYER RESOURCES
Congregational Care Director, Tammy Burkhalter: Call 864.565.0943
For emergencies, upcoming surgeries, or hospital information.
Prayer Appointments: To schedule a confidential appointment with our Healing Prayer Team Members, call 864.565.0960.
Prayer Requests: For general prayer requests, call 864.565.0970.
Healing Prayer Services: Every Tuesday at 6:30pm in Harper Chapel



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Sundays at 10:30am

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For more information about the ministries of FPC, visit FirstPresGreenville.org

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SINCERE THANKS TO
EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED
NIGHT OF WORSHIP,
EITHER BY THEIR PRAYERS
OR THEIR PRESENCE.
from the Ignite Worship Team

“Thank you for your passion in worshipping God through music.”
“Incredible night of ministry to our city!”
“It was such a Spirit-filled night!”

