

# CONNECT@FIRST

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GALLIVAN-MILLS SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2025-2026

The Gallivan-Mills Scholarship is granted each year to college undergraduate and seminary students who are FPC members. Applications are available at the FPC Reception Desk and online at [FirstPresGreenville.org/gmscholarshipapp.pdf](https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/gmscholarshipapp.pdf). Submit your completed scholarship application, with all attachments, to the Gallivan-Mills Scholarship Committee (drop off at the Reception Desk or email to Steven Harvin) no later than Monday, March 31, 2025. Questions? Contact Steven Harvin ([SLHarvin@gmail.com](mailto:SLHarvin@gmail.com), 803.477.8123), or Marilyn Morrison (864.565.0992, [mmorrison@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:mmorrison@firstpresgreenville.org)).

### ORDER EASTER LILIES BEFORE APRIL 9

We invite you to take part in decorating our church for Easter by ordering Easter lilies 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](https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/Events) under the Easter lily icon. Please return forms with payment in the offering plate or to the church office by Wednesday, April 9.

## DISCIPLESHIP

*Discipleship, Claire Ripley*

### NEW THURSDAY BIBLE STUDIES FOR WOMEN:

#### "THE GOSPEL ON THE GROUND" BEGINS MARCH 13

Ladies, join us for a powerful journey through the book of Acts with author Kristi McLelland as she unpacks the life of the early church. Together we'll explore Jesus' call to His disciples—then and now, how God's Word sustains us in every season, and the transformative grace we experience as His children. We meet 9:30-11:00am in Room B311. Come deepen your faith, connect with other women, and discover how the gospel is alive and active today!

#### "WHEN FAITH BECOMES SIGHT" BEGINS MARCH 20

All women are invited to a new Women's Study starting March 20, 10:30am-12:30pm in Room B404. *Heaven. Where is it? What will we do there? Dispel myths and media-influenced images to gain a biblical understanding of this essential truth.* Author Jennifer Rothschild takes a deeper look at what God has prepared for his children, transforming wonder into excitement and peace.

### DISCOVER FIRST: NEW MEMBER WEEKEND

Would you like to discover more about the vision, discipleship, and outreach of FPC? Our next New Member Weekend will be Friday–Saturday, April 11-12. Childcare is available for children age 5 and under. For details, contact Linda at [lsholtis@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:lsholtis@firstpresgreenville.org). Registration is open at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/Events).

## EVENTS

*Events Ministry, Caleb Miller*

### THE GRAY HAVENS RETURNS TO FIRST PRES

Join The Gray Havens, American Christian folk pop duo, along with John Mark Pantana, Antoine Bradford, and Lovkn, for an unforgettable night of music, storytelling, and community as they bring *The Zion Caravan Tour* to First Pres! This special tour features soul-stirring songs, deep lyrics, and an atmosphere of joy and reflection. The concert is Thursday, May 1, at 7:30pm in the Worship & Arts Center. Whether you're a longtime fan or new to their music, you won't want to miss this! Scan the QR code for tickets.



*Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser*

### GREENVILLE CONCERT BAND AT FPC MARCH 28: "OLD, NEW, BORROWED, AND BLUE"

The Greenville Concert Band will present a fantastic array of great selections on Friday, March 28, at 7:00pm in the Worship & Arts Center. Go online to [GreenvilleConcertBand.org/concert-schedule](https://www.GreenvilleConcertBand.org/concert-schedule) for more information and to reserve your free tickets.

### RESURRECTION LETTERS COMING APRIL 3

Andrew Peterson is bringing his annual *Resurrection Letters Tour* to First Pres on Thursday, April 3, at 7:00pm! This tour celebrates Easter by focusing on Andrew Peterson's critically acclaimed albums. *Resurrection*

*Letters: Prologue, Volume 1, and Volume 2.* The record trilogy poignantly explores the event and surrounding themes of Christ's resurrection, along with its glorious implications for our lives today. Purchase your tickets online at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/Events) or in person at the FPC Box Office during church office hours.

*Missions, Eric Swofford*

### GREAT ALASKA SPORTING CLAY CLASSIC

The 12th Annual GASCC will be held on Friday morning, April 11, at The Clinton House in Clinton, SC. This clay shoot is a fundraiser for the ministry of Steven and Natalie Hall, who have been serving with SEND International for the last 20+ years. Register teams and individuals, as well as sponsorships, at [Send.org/gascc](https://www.send.org/gascc). Questions? Contact Steven Hall at [shall@send.org](mailto:shall@send.org) or 907.320.0158.

*Travel, Lindsay Graham*

### ONLY A FEW SEATS LEFT! FALL IN EUROPE TRIP

Don't delay if you want to be part of the First Pres group traveling to Europe this fall, September 16–26. Dr. Gibbons will lead the tour to Prague, Wittenberg, Eisenach, Munich, Zurich, and Geneva. Go online to <https://biblical-journeys.com/0925Graham> for all the details and to register. Questions? Contact Lindsay Graham at [ltravel@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:ltravel@firstpresgreenville.org).

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

*Children's Ministry, Tina Jones*

### VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED—SIGN UP TODAY

We have 394 children eager to attend Vacation Bible School (VBS) on June 9-12—what a blessing! However, we currently have only 28 registered volunteers, and we need your help to make this an unforgettable experience for these kids. Would you take a moment to pray and consider being part of this incredible week of bringing the Bible to life? Greatest Need: Tribe Leaders (serve in pairs) to guide small groups through stations like worship, Bible lessons, crafts, snacks, the marketplace, and games. Other Open Roles: Drama team, craft area, games, and preschool VBS. The sooner you register, the sooner we can finalize children's placements and prepare for an amazing week! Sign up today: [VBSpro.events/p/events/24572e/](https://www.vbspro.events/p/events/24572e/) volunteers or click the VBS icon at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/Events). Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus to these children!

*Events Ministry, Linda Sholtis*

### HELP WELCOME OUR GUESTS ON EASTER SUNDAY

Easter is right around the corner, and we need your help! We want to provide a welcoming environment for the many guests visiting FPC on Easter. We need over 250 volunteers to cover all five services to do this. Needs include Parking Hosts, Greeters, and Ushers. The only requirement is a welcoming smile. Three shifts are available to accommodate you and your family attending one of the services. If you can help, please click the QR code and enter your information.



*Events Ministry, Caleb Miller*

### PRODUCTION SERVICES WANTS YOU!

Join the production services team and help create exciting and worshipful experiences through sound, lighting, video, and stagecraft. Training will be provided—no experience is required. For more information, please email [productions@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:productions@firstpresgreenville.org).

*Family Missions, Karen King*

### SAVE THE DATE: FAMILY MISSION TRIP

We are seeking several First Pres families to participate in a mission trip to Richmond, VA, July 13-20. During this trip, we will partner with the Christian Arabic Church, supporting refugees from various countries. Our mission will include hosting a Vacation Bible School and assisting with yard work and church improvements. Who can participate? Families with children ages 10 and up are welcome to join this meaningful experience. Registration opens soon! Stay tuned for more details. For more information, contact Karen King at [kking@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:kking@firstpresgreenville.org) or 864.565.0936. We hope you'll join us in making a difference!

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

March 16, 2025

### SERMON SERIES

"Flourishing!

Healthy Then—Healthy Now"

Acts 9:1-19

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30am in the Sanctuary

10:45am Ignite in the

Worship & Arts Center

11:00am in the Sanctuary

8:30am Nursery

9:30am Children's Sunday School

9:45am Student Life Groups

9:45am Adult Life Groups

10:30am Kids Church

### LIVE STREAMING

8:30am & 11:00am:

[Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville](https://www.facebook.com/firstpresgreenville)

[YouTube.com/@FirstPresGreenvilleSC](https://www.youtube.com/@FirstPresGreenvilleSC)

[FirstPresgreenville.org](https://www.firstpresgreenville.org) Watch menu

10:45am:

[Facebook.com/firstpresignite](https://www.facebook.com/firstpresignite)

[YouTube.com/@FirstPresIgniteWorship](https://www.youtube.com/@FirstPresIgniteWorship)

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## WEDNESDAY

March 19, 2025

### PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

John's Passion Narrative

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](https://www.firstpresgreenville.org) Watch menu

### WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

### LUNCH & SUPPER MENU

Hungarian Chicken Paprikash

Barbecued Round Steak

Buttered Egg Noodles

Lemon Green Beans

Broccoli and Corn Casserole

Salads

Rolls

Chefs Choice Desserts

### MEAL PRICES:

Adults: \$10

Children ages 4-12: \$5

Children ages 0-3: Free

Family max: \$40

## LOOKING AHEAD

4/3: Resurrection Letters Tour

### EASTER SERVICES INFORMATION

Visit [FirstPresEaster.com](https://www.firstprespresgreenville.org)

4/13: Palm Sunday

4/17: Maundy Thursday Communion

4/20: Easter Sunday

More info on all events at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/Events)

## MEMBER NEWS

### BAPTISMS ♦ March 9, 2025

**Robert McAvoy Hull** and **Mary Margaret Hull**, children of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Hull (Blair)

**Liam Christopher Knight** and **James Maddux Knight**, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Ethan Knight (Jennings)

**CONGRATULATIONS** ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend blessings to* **Jamie Bach**, recipient of the 2025 Jim Johnson Award for Coaching Excellence.

### SYMPATHY ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to*

**Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Griner (Laura)** in the death of her father, Arther Rand Hull, on March 6.

**Ms. Cema C. Powell** in the death of her sister, Mareon Bryant Stall, on March 10.

### PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Nancy Adams, **Lee Alexander**, Sandra Banks, Dick Brennecke, Miriam Brice, **Karen Clay**, Lin Cundiff, Jamie Daniel, Peggy Denny, Bud Fant, Liz Fuqua, Tasha Garrison, **Darst Guest**, Betsy Guffey, Richard Hanks, Anna Hewitt, **Harry and Wanda Hightower**, Amy Hunter, Charlie Hutton, **Mary Kylin**, Tom Lide, Anne Lybrand, Jenny McCorkle, Paul McGahee, Buddy May, Mozelle Moore, **Rachel Mullinax**, Jim Nance, Martha Nance, Chloris Norman, Becky Powell, Ken Rhoden, Thom Robelot, Louise Robinson, Bill Rogers, Claire Taylor, John Volpe, Beryl Wickcliffe, Jan Zimmerman

**Bold** = New    *Italics* = In Hospital

### PRAYER RESOURCES

**Congregational Care:** To pass on information regarding a medical emergency, upcoming surgery, or admittance to the hospital, please call Don Feuerbach, 864.565.0928.

**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 Service:** Every Tuesday at 6:30pm in Harper Chapel

For Pastoral emergencies, please call 864.235.0496.



The FPC Military Ministry assists and prays for church members of our congregation serving in the Armed Forces (Active Duty, Reserves, and National Guard). Visit the Care Ministry page (see Military Ministry) on our website to learn more.



## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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GREENVILLE, SC 29601

### RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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email | [contactus@firspresgreenville.org](mailto:contactus@firspresgreenville.org)

facebook | [facebook.com/FirstPresGreenville](https://facebook.com/FirstPresGreenville)

instagram | [@FPCGreenville](https://www.instagram.com/FPCGreenville)

mobile app | FPC Live

### TELEVISION

**First and Foremost** Program  
on WHNS-TV FOX Carolina  
Sundays at 10:30am

ONLINE  
GIVING



### WHAT'S INSIDE

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Save the Date! Family Mission Trip

New Women's Bible Studies

*Resurrection Letters Concert*  
with Andrew Peterson April 3

Easter Volunteers Needed!

The Gray Havens Return to FPC

For more information about  
the ministries of FPC, visit  
[FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org)

## FPC Music Camp

after VBS

JUNE 9-12, 12-4PM  
CAMPER AGES: 2ND-RISING  
6TH GRADE | \$100



## Choose Your Interest

Options:

PIANO, ORGAN, UKULELE, DRAMA,  
ORFF INSTRUMENTS, RECORDER,  
AND WORLD PERCUSSION

MUSICAL SHOWCASE OPEN TO ALL FRIENDS AND FAMILY  
ON THURSDAY, JUNE 12 AT 3:00 PM IN THE FPC SANCTUARY.

Register at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events)

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