

CONNECT@FIRST

A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FIRST PRES ONLINE CALENDAR

We are excited to launch a new calendar that will feature all events happening throughout the week with details and links to register or purchase tickets. Be sure to visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Calendar or visit the Events page and click the FPC calendar link in the heading. There are several viewing and filter options to choose from to plan accordingly.

CHILDREN ON PALM SUNDAY

Bring your children to join in on our Parade of Palms in all three services this Sunday! If your child would like to participate in this processional of waving palm branches, check in by 8:20am (early service) or 10:20am (for Ignite and 11:00 services). If your child attends Sunday School, you may leave them with the Children's Ministry. They will bring all children back to Kid's Church for the remainder of the services.

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS SERVICE

The biannual Kirkin' o' the Tartans service will take place on Sunday, April 14, at 11:00am in the Sanctuary. The St. Andrews Society of Upper South Carolina and the Greenville Pipes and Drums will be our guests. Please come early to give yourself enough time to park for this very popular service.

DISCIPLESHIP

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.

LEARNING TO REST IN GOD CLASS

For many, the Sabbath commandment seems to mean little more than being a regular church attendee and "giving God" a little time each week. Join us on May 3-4 at First Pres as The Flourish Institute of Theology leads a class on what it means to rest in God and how that impacts every aspect of our lives. The cost is \$60 and includes supper on Friday evening. Watch for registration information coming soon. For more details, please contact registrar@flourishinstitute.online.

Discipleship Ministry, Claire Ripley

DISCOVER FIRST: NEW MEMBER WEEKEND

Discover more about the vision, discipleship, and outreach of FPC! New Member Weekend will be Friday–Saturday, May 3-4. Childcare is available for children age 5 and under. For details, contact Linda Sholtis (lsholtis@firstpresgreenville.org). Register at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

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! For questions, please email tjones@firstpresgreenville.org.

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser

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. Use discount code **SPRING24** at checkout for a \$4 discount per ticket through March 25. Visit TheGrayHavensMusic.com/music to preview to their music.

SPOTS OPEN FOR SUMMER 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.

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/gascc. Questions? Contact Steven Hall at shall@send.org or 907.320.0158.

Women's Ministry, Leah Cloud

WOMEN'S SPRING LUNCHEON

All women are invited to the Spring Luncheon, Thursday, April 4, at 12:00pm in 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 and Connections Director at Peachtree Presbyterian. Cost is \$15. Have fun decorating a table for our luncheon with your friends! The theme will be "Spring Blessings." Please register for the luncheon and sign up to decorate a table at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events under the Women's Luncheon icon. For more details, please contact Leah Cloud at lcloud@firstpresgreenville.org.

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

JOIN THE ADVENTURE AT MUSIC CAMP

Spaces are still available in Music Camp for rising 2nd–rising 6th grade children. 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

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR VBS

Please consider donating cotton fabric remnants (over 18" or longer) for VBS this summer. Any color, solid or print, is fine as long as it's cotton. We are also collecting any size, clean pill bottles with child-proof lids and labels removed. All donations can be dropped off at the children's check-in desk.

CHILDREN'S SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

Need a summer job, but want to 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.

EASTER ANGELS PROJECT FOR THE SUMMIT

Help spread the good news to the residents at the Greenville Summit by making Easter cards with notes of encouragement and individually wrapped goodies (brownies, cookies, etc.). Drop off donations to the Children's Ministry team by Wednesday, March 27. Questions? Contact Karen King at kking@firstpresgreenville.org.

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MEALS FOR NEW MOMS

Have you ever benefitted by receiving a meal when you were in need? Do you love serving others by making meals for them? The Women's and Children's Ministries are launching a Meal Train Ministry for new moms. For more information or to join the team, please contact Leah Cloud at lcloud@firstpresgreenville.org.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

MARCH 24, 2024

PALM SUNDAY

WORSHIP

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

10:45am Ignite

in the Worship & Arts Center

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

"Fulfilled: Matthew's Gospel"

Scripture: Matthew 21

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

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WEDNESDAY

MARCH 27, 2024

During Holy Week, there will

be no Bible studies, classes, or meals.

LOOKING AHEAD

March 24: Palm Sunday

March 24–March 31: Holy Week–
No Bible studies, classes, or meals

March 28: Maundy Thursday
Service 7:00pm

March 29: Good Friday

March 31: Easter Sunday services

8:30am | Sanctuary

9:15am | Worship & Arts Center

10:45am | Worship & Arts Center

11:00am | Sanctuary

April 4: Women's Spring Luncheon

April 14: Kirkin' o' the Tartans
service

April 19: The Gray Havens concert

PASTOR OF THE DAY

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For Pastoral emergencies,
please call 864.235.0496.

MEMBER NEWS

BAPTISMS ♦ March 17, 2024

Seaton Grace Myers, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Reames Myers (Mary Grace)
Kingston Malcolm Nelson and Joplin Alma Nelson, children of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Nelson Jr. (Julie)

MEMORIALS & HONORS

HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY FUND

In memory of **Tom Drake** by Martha and Harold Gallivan

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND

In memory of **Jerry Murdock** by Mr. and Mrs. William B. Sykes, Jr.

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of **T. G. Hanner** by Mr. and Mrs. Dan Boling

VISITATION MINISTRY FUND

In memory of **Doug Gilstrap** by Deryl McKinney

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Robert Ashley, Tom Brissey, Pat Burns, Susan Cable, Lang Cheves, Diane Cobb, Peggy Denny, Larry Freeman, Mike Freeman,

Richard Furman, Millie Gedney, Susan Gibson, Pam Goldman, Natalie Hall, Fran Hardin, Jack Hardin, Cathy Harman, Gladys “Hap” Henderson, Michael Hyde, Ginny Johnson, Tom Lide, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Anne Lybrand, Geoff Marsh, Megan McCommons, **Jenny McCorkle**, Paul McGahee, Mozelle Moore, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Becky Powell, Mason Powell, Courtney Prosise, Ken Rhoden, Bill Rogers, Carrie Stringer, Shirley Timmerman, Holly Thomason, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, John Volpe, Don Youatt, Tim Walsh, Beryl Wickliffe, Frank Vickers, Jan Zimmermann

Bold = New *Italics* = In Hospital

PRAYER RESOURCES

Congregational Care Director, Tammy Burkhalter: For emergencies, upcoming surgeries, or hospital information call 864.565.0943.
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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TELEVISION

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

ONLINE
GIVING



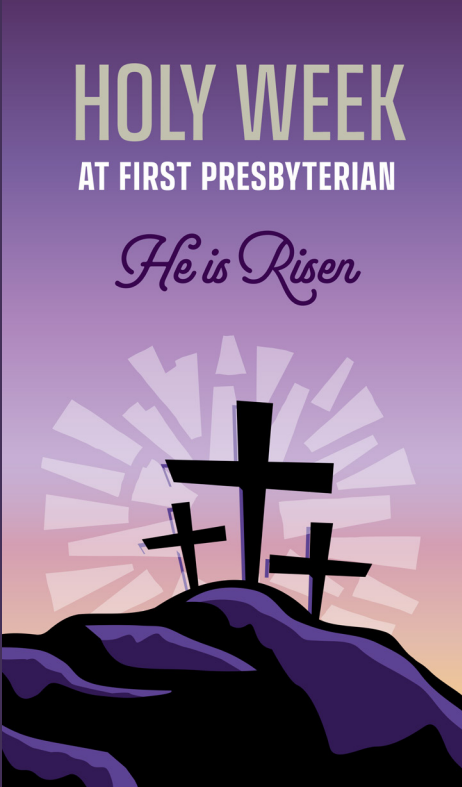
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FirstPresGreenville.org

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more info: FIRSTPRESEASTER.COM

During Holy Week, there will be no Bible studies, classes, or meals. On Easter Sunday, the main church parking lot will be reserved for seniors, visitors, and those who struggle with mobility. We encourage all others to use the Richardson Street parking garage. Thank you!