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A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

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.

EASTER PHOTOS

Two flower-covered crosses will be on campus Easter Sunday morning for family photos. Before and after each service, photographers will be at the corner of Washington and Richardson Streets, and in the Washington Street courtyard in front of the new building. You will receive a card with a QR code to download your photos, or look for the 'Easter Photos' icon on FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

EASTER MEMORIALS AND HONORS

A list of Easter Honors and Memorials will be available in the literature racks on Sunday. You may also view the PDF version on FirstPresGreenville.org/Events, under the Easter Lily icon.

DISCIPLESHIP

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.

FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES FOR COLLEGE GRADUATES

FPC is pleased 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 SEMINAR

The Flourish Institute of Theology (FIT), popularly considered to be the educational arm of the ECO denomination, is hosting a seminar at FPC about Sabbath rest. Faculty members Rev. Dr. Mark Patterson and Rev. Dr. Greg Wagenfuhr will look at the importance of rest amidst a culture that seems to teach that significance is found in maintaining a busy and demanding schedule. The event will take place on the First Pres campus Friday evening, May 3, 6:00pm–8:45pm (dinner provided), and Saturday morning, May 4, 8:45am–noon. The cost is \$60. The teaching will indeed be insightful and compelling. Please add this event to your calendar and register at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events under the *Learning to Rest in God* icon.

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 pizza 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, for their 10-year anniversary tour concert. Doors open at 7:00pm and concert begins at 7:30pm. For tickets, visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events. Visit TheGrayHavensMusic.com/music to preview to their music.

First Pres Sports Ministry, Caleb McKisik

WEEKLY SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

Looking for fun activities for your K5–5th graders this summer? We are offering six weeks of Sports Camps, June 3–July 26. Each week includes daily sports activities, snack breaks, organized gym games, themed character lessons, free play, outdoor playground sessions, and more! Register at FirstPresSports.com.

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

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE MARCH 28

Please join us for our Maundy Thursday worship service on March 28 at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary. We will focus our thoughts on all that took place that evening, to help us see Jesus for who He is—the One whose death takes away all our sins. We will share communion together during this service.

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 pill bottles with child-proof lids. Please clean and remove labels. All donations can be dropped off at the children's check-in desk.

JOIN US FOR A FAMILY MISSION TRIP

Looking for an opportunity to serve on a Family Missions Trip to Richmond, VA at a very affordable cost? Please contact Karen King for more details at 864.565.0936. Dates for the trip are July 7–14. Children must be 10 years or older in order to participate.

Women's Ministry, Leah Cloud 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 31, 2024
EASTER SUNDAY

WORSHIP

8:30am & 11:00am in the Sanctuary
9:15am & 10:45am Ignite
in the Worship & Arts Center

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

"Fulfilled: Matthew's Gospel"
Scripture: Matthew 28:5-10

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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FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

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WEDNESDAY

APRIL 3, 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
Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville
YouTube.com/@FirstPresGreenvilleSC
FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

MENU:

Fried Chicken, Baked Salmon, Mixed Vegetables, Yellow Squash, White Rice, Black Eyed Peas, Baked Apples, and Green Beans

MEAL PRICES:

Adults: \$10 • Children ages 4-12: \$5
Children ages 0-3: Free
Family max: \$35

LOOKING AHEAD

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 1: Church office closed

April 4: Women's Spring Luncheon

April 14: Kirkin' o' the Tartans service (11:00am only)

April 19: *The Gray Havens* concert

PASTOR OF THE DAY

March 28–April 3, 2024

For Pastoral emergencies, please call 864.235.0496.

MEMBER NEWS

BAPTISMS ♦ *March 24, 2024*

Emmett Banks Burgess son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnathan Brett Burgess (Samantha)

Adelaide Jean Fellers daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cameron Fellers (Magdalena)

Mack Treadwell Bignon son of Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Bignon (Riley)

CONGRATULATIONS ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend blessings to*

Rev. Dr. Claire and Mr. Todd Ripley on the birth of grandson, Lukas Manning Zelenka, on March 22. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. John Zelenka (Kate) of Atlanta, GA.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Malinowski (Shelly Lomax-Malinowski) on the birth of a daughter, Hallie Elizabeth Malinowski, on March 19.

SYMPATHY ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to*

Ms. Emily Gilstrap in the death of her mother, Ina Blackburn, of Forest Park, Georgia, on March 11.

Mrs. Sara Karns in the death of her son, Dr. Paul Daniel Karns, of Gaffney, SC, on March 23.

MEMORIALS & HONORS

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of **Mary Anne Sullivan** by Dr. Alex Patrick

YOUTH MINISTRY FUND

In memory of **John Burnett, Jr.** by Ewan and Becky Sweeney, Sr.

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Robert Ashley, Tom Brissey, Pat Burns, Susan Cable, **Quincy Cloud**, 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 Prosize, 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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First and Foremost Program
on WHNS-TV FOX Carolina
Sundays at 10:30am

ONLINE
GIVING



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more info: FIRSTPRESEASTER.COM

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