

CONNECT@FIRST

A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

WASHINGTON STREET PARKING LOT CHANGES

A new company is managing the Washington Street parking lot and will begin auditing this week. FPC members will need to display a First Pres sticker or magnet, or pay to park during times other than weekday Bible studies, Sunday mornings, or special events.

FREE EASTER PHOTOS AVAILABLE ONLINE



Look for the 'Easter Photos' icon on the Events page of the website or scan the QR code here to view and download Easter photos from Sunday. Thank you to our photographers—Michael Gibbons, Mark Massingill, and Abby Tripp.

HIRING FOR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

We are seeking an Executive Assistant to the Senior Pastor. Candidates can send their resume and direct their inquiries to Catherine Culler at catherine@godshall.com. We thank Lynn Johnson for her 24 years of service at First Pres, and wish her a joy-filled retirement.

STUDENT MINISTRY ENVELOPE FUNDRAISER

Help support this summer's Senior High Dominican Republic mission trip by picking up an envelope from tables around the church on Sundays, April 7–April 21. Enclose the suggested amount (\$5 to \$100)—or \$1,500 to sponsor the trip for one student—and return it by Sunday, May 5, to the church office or offering plate. Questions? Contact Mason Simmons at msimmons@firstpresgreenville.org. Thank you for supporting Youth Missions!

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.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING APRIL 21

The Session has approved a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, April 21, at 12:00noon in the Sanctuary and the Worship & Arts Center to hear the report of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee and vote on their recommendation for a new Congregational Care Pastor. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship Ministry, Claire Ripley

DISCOVER FIRST: NEW MEMBER WEEKEND

Are you interested in making First Presbyterian your church home? 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.

LEARNING TO REST IN GOD SEMINAR

The Flourish Institute of Theology (FIT), the educational arm of the ECO denomination, is hosting a seminar at FPC about Sabbath rest. Faculty member Rev. Dr. Mark Patterson 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. Please 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.

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.

Worship & Music Ministry, Lori Shelton

"HERITAGE" RESONATE! CONCERT MAY 5

Resonate! Youth Choir will present a concert, "Heritage," on Sunday, May 5, at 2:00pm in Harper Chapel. You are invited to join us for this program of sacred and secular Celtic and Appalachian inspired music. Enjoy light refreshments in the Loggia afterward.

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

SO YOU WANT TO LEARN TO READ MUSIC? CLASS

You are invited to music reading classes from 6:00–7:15pm on Wednesdays in July this summer—July 10, 17, 24, and 31 in the choir room. All age levels are welcome, but the primary focus will be adult learners. Musicians will be available during the class for individual questions and assistance. Our goal is to "sing with the spirit and to sing with understanding" (1 Corinthians 14:15). Please register at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR VBS

Please consider donating cotton fabric remnants (18 inches 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.

Events Ministry, Caleb Miller

VOLUNTEER FOR THE GRAY HAVENS CONCERT

We need individuals to provide an outstanding experience to those attending *The Gray Havens* at FPC. If you are interested in signing up for a shift, please visit FirstPresGreenville.org under the Signature Events page.

Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart

HOLLIS CARNIVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Hollis Carnival is on Friday, April 26, and we need volunteers to help during the event. This is a great time for FPC volunteers to help out while having fun interacting with the Hollis community. Middle school and high school volunteers are welcome to join us as well! If you are interested, please visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events under the Hollis Academy icon.

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

APRIL 7, 2024

WORSHIP

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

10:45am Ignite
in the Worship & Arts Center

Rev. Mark A. Hutton

"Do You Love Me?"

Scripture: John 21:1-19

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:

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10:45am:

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YouTube.com/@FirstPresIgniteWorship

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WEDNESDAY

APRIL 10, 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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WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

MENU:

Baked Spaghetti

Sweet Teriyaki Chicken

Corn

Oven Browned Potatoes

Carrots

Broccoli & Cheese

Fried Green Tomatoes

MEAL PRICES:

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

Children ages 0-3: Free

Family max: \$35

PASTOR OF THE DAY

April 4–April 10, 2024

For Pastoral emergencies,
please call 864.235.0496.

MEMBER NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend blessings to*

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McKeithan IV (Marlee) on the birth of a son, Malcolm Luther "Luth" McKeithan V, on March 19; and to grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm "Mac" McKeithan III (Jackie).

Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Chase Niedrach (Emily) on the birth of a son, Reid Mitchell Niedrach, on November 23, 2023.

SYMPATHY ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to*

The family of Mrs. Betty Cady. Mrs. Cady died on March 26.

Mrs. Sara Karns in the death of her son, Dr. Paul Daniel Karns, of Gaffney, SC, on March 23; and to Ms. Nancy Adams and family in the death of her brother.

IN MEMORIAM

Betty Claire Cady ♦ *January 25, 1927 – March 26, 2024*

MEMORIALS & HONORS

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of **Jerry Murdock** by The R. N. Ward Class

MUSIC MINISTRY FUND

In memory of **Daniel Karns** by The Agape-Fellowship Class

FPC FOUNDATION MEMORIAL DONATIONS

In memory of **Jerry Murdock** by Patrick Martin Cagle, Kenneth & Ann Holcomb, Tom & Sandra Banks, Bobby & Priscilla Hoffman, Justin & Aindrea Maddray, Craig & Betsy Marchant, Kevin & Donita Sims, George Strobel, Robert & Eileen

Staples, The Manley Co. of Simpsonville, Harold & Barbara Hill, Brenda Busby, Ann Freeman, Phil & Shelby Williams, Diversified Foam, Inc., Harry & Jo Ussery

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Robert Ashley, Tom Brissey, Pat Burns, Susan Cable, Quincy Cloud, Diane Cobb, Peggy Denny, **Marcella Franklin**, 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
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theGrayHavensMusic.com

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THE GRAY HAVENS

TICKETS AT FIRSTPRESGREENVILLE.ORG/EVENTS

FRIDAY, APRIL 19

7:30 PM (DOORS 7 PM)

\$30 ADVANCE / \$40 DOOR

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