

CONNECT@FIRST

A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

FISCAL YEAR-END GIVING

June marks the final month of our fiscal year and the beginning of summer. We are grateful that the 2025–2026 fiscal year has been strong to date, and we thank you for your continued generosity and faithful support of the Ministry Budget.

As we approach year-end, our prayer is to finish the fiscal year well. If you are traveling or away during the summer, you can still give in several convenient ways:

- Online giving
- Mail-in gifts
- IRA distributions (RMD or Qualified Charitable Distributions)
- Donor Advised Funds or Trust distributions
- Gifts of appreciated stock

If you have questions about any of these giving options, please contact Kristy Service at 864.565.0929 or Bobby Hoffman at 864.565.0962.

JUNE 21st FATHER'S DAY CHOIR

Calling all men! With Father's Day approaching, First Pres Men's Discipleship will be hosting a very special men's choir at both our **8:30am and 11:00am services on June 21**. Sign up and invite your son, father, brother, or friends! To participate, simply email Charlie Buchanan at cbuchanan@firstpresgreenville.org.

2026 GRADUATES TO BE ANNOUNCED IN JUNE

FPC members and family members who are 2026 (or August/December 2025) graduates of High School, College, Graduate School, and Seminary will be announced in early June. To be included, complete the form online at FirstPresGreenville.org/events or contact Austin Clay (aclay@firstpresgreenville.org) by **this Sunday, May 31**.

DISCIPLESHIP

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR DAY MISSIONS AND VBS

We are collecting necessity and homeless kit items for Day Missions and snacks for onsite volunteers for the week of **June 8–11**. Your donations will help us share the love of Jesus with the Greenville community. Click the QR code for links to donate and serve with VBS and Day Missions. Questions? Email Tina Jones, tjones@firstpresgreenville.org, or Karen King, kking@firstpresgreenville.org.



Men's Discipleship, Charlie Buchanan

JOIN THE CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Christian Men's Fellowship gathers each **Thursday from 12:00–1:15pm in the Formal Dining Room** (located behind the kitchen in Fellowship Hall). The group is currently watching *The World of the End*, a video series by Dr. David Jeremiah that explores Jesus' teachings in the Olivet Discourse. All men are warmly invited to join for fellowship, biblical study, and encouragement. An optional lunch is available for \$10.

Women's Ministry, Tiffany Boggs

REGISTER NOW: WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

Registration is open for the First Pres Women's Summer Bible Study: *Now and Not Yet* by bestselling author and artist Ruth Chou Simons. Too often, we feel disappointed with our "right now"—our life circumstances, our relationships, our lack of progress towards our dreams and goals, our daily grind. Simons reminds us of God's powerful provision and faithful promises for those "who have ears to hear." The study will be offered on **Tuesdays, June 16–July 28, 9:30–11:00am** and **6:00–7:30pm**, and **Wednesdays, June 17–July 29, 9:30–11:00am** (with childcare). We hope you will join us this summer! Visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events to register.

RADIANCE SMALL GROUP REGISTRATION

Are you a woman in your 20s to early 40s looking for a small group? Join Radiance! Groups meet in mentor leaders' homes for dinner and Bible study on Tuesday or Wednesday evenings from 6:30–8:00pm. Together, we "do life" as we grow in faith, enjoy retreats and fun activities, and serve our Greenville community.

Registration is open now through August 8 for the Fall and Spring 2027 semesters. Participants are placed in groups with others in a similar life stage. Click the Radiance icon at FirstPresGreenville.org to sign up. Questions? Contact Diana Orders at dianaschmittorders@gmail.com.

ICE CREAM SUMMER SOCIAL

Save the dates: **June 17, July 15, and August 12!** Join us at 1:00pm in Fellowship Hall for a delightful summer afternoon of delicious ice cream, warm fellowship, and encouraging discipleship. Bring a friend and enjoy meaningful conversation and community together. Adults only. No registration is required—just come and enjoy! \$3 at the door.

EVENTS

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser

CULTIVATE 2026: ROOTED RETREAT

Cultivate 2026: *ROOTED* is coming to First Pres **June 19–21**. This in-person retreat will gather faithful creatives and leaders for a weekend of keynote speakers, workshops on writing and publishing, worship, guided prayer, and meaningful community in the heart of downtown Greenville. Space is limited, with fewer than 35 seats remaining. Registration is \$250 and includes special offerings such as a free Friday community dinner, professional author/artist head shots, and unique breakout experiences. For more details and to register, click the QR code.



First Pres Sports, Caleb McKisic

YOUTH SUMMER BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Join us this summer for our Youth Basketball League in the Graham Gym! Open to K5–12th grade, the season runs **June 8–July 25**. Spots are limited, so register today (scan the QR code). For questions, contact Caleb McKisic at info@CSARec.com or visit FirstPresSports.com for more details.



Intro League (K5–1st Grade)

Co-ed league designed to teach basketball fundamentals in a fun, encouraging environment. Meets Saturdays only. Cost: \$65

Youth League (2nd–9th Grade)

Players will compete in age- and gender-based divisions, with weekday skills clinics and Saturday games. Cost: \$95

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

PROCLAIM LIBERTY CONCERT TICKETS

This July 1, experience an inspiring evening of worship and patriotic celebration at *Proclaim Liberty*—a concert honoring our nation's 250th birthday. Featuring a full choir and orchestra, this special event is designed for the whole family. Tickets are on sale now—Adults: \$15, Children: \$10. Visit the Events page at FirstPresGreenville.org to purchase. Join us as we celebrate 250 years of freedom, lift our voices in worship, and proclaim liberty together on **Wednesday, July 1, from 6:00–7:30pm in the Sanctuary**.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

First Presbyterian Academy, Rob Brown

OPEN YOUR HOME. CHANGE THEIR WORLD.

First Presbyterian Academy is excited to partner with iGoGo International to welcome exceptional international students from Brazil and Spain for the upcoming school year. We are seeking Christian families willing to host and mentor these students by welcoming them into daily family life, offering spiritual encouragement, and sharing the love of Christ in a meaningful way. If you are interested in learning more about this unique ministry opportunity and how it works, click the QR code or contact Jynne Stowe at 864.678.5107 or jstowe@firstpresacademy.com.



SUNDAY WORSHIP

May 31, 2026

Sermon Series:

"Life Empowered and Enabled"

Colossians 1:9–14

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons preaching

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30am | Sanctuary

10:45am | Worship & Arts Center

11:00am | Sanctuary

SUNDAY EDUCATION

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

All services

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

"Like" and "Subscribe" for easy access

FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

WEDNESDAY

JUNE 3, 2026

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

Rev. Don Feuerbach teaching

12:30pm–1:00pm • Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY LUNCH

11:45am • Fellowship Hall

MENU:

Fried Chicken Tenders

Baked Salmon Burre Blanc

Green Beans, Oven Roasted Carrots

Fried Green Tomatoes, Rice Pilaf

Chef's Choice Salads, Fresh Fruit

Rolls, Chef's Choice Desserts

MEAL PRICE: \$10

PLEASE NOTE: Bible Study and Lunch will be cancelled June 10 due to Vacation Bible School.

LOOKING AHEAD

JUNE

7: Communion Sunday

8–11: VBS and Day Missions

9: Youth Summer Basketball League Begins

12: *In the Land of Wooden Shoes* Exhibit Opening/Reception

16–17: *Now and Not Yet*

Women's Bible Study Begins

17: Summer Ice Cream Social

19–21: Cultivate 2026: *ROOTED* Retreat

28: Patriotic Sunday Services

JULY

1: *Proclaim Liberty* Concert

3: Church Campus Closed for July 4 Holiday

15: Summer Ice Cream Social

This newsletter offers highlights of announcements, events, and opportunities. For more information, visit firstpresgreenville.org/about/connect@first.

MEMBER NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend blessings to Mr. and Mrs. Tread Davis (Emily) on the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Leigh Davis, on March 24; and to grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Scott Sanders (Jill).*

PRAYER LIST ♦ **Bold** = New *Italics* = In Hospital

Nancy Adams, Bill Anthony, Sandra Banks, Betty Bennett, Harry Bolick, Dan Boling, Dick Brennecke, Brantley Daniel, Peggy Denny, Harry Hightower, Don Hobbs, Charlie Hutton, **Joe James**, Anne Lide, Jenny McCorkle, Lisa Merck, Rachel Mullinax, Chloris Norman, Carolyn Rice, Thom Robelot, Louise Robinson, **Bob Shell**, *Alex Therien*, Lewis Tollison, Charlotte Watson, Beryl Wickliffe, Jetty Wickliffe

For Pastoral emergencies, please call 864.235.0496.

PRAYER RESOURCES

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

TUESDAY HEALING & PRAYER SERVICE

The Healing & Prayer Service is held each **Tuesday at 6:30pm in Harper Prayer Chapel**. You are invited to come and receive God's love, peace, hope, and healing through prayer and the work of the Holy Spirit. Click the QR code to watch a video with Prayer Team member Dr. John McGraw and prayer recipient Michelle Ward to learn more about the Healing & Prayer service.



PATRIOTIC WORSHIP SERVICES

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

Join us on **Sunday, June 28**, for two patriotic worship services at **9:00am and 11:00am in the Sanctuary**.

Save the date, bring friends and family, and wear your red, white, and blue. Throughout worship, we will weave patriotic elements into our services as we give thanks for the freedom and blessings we enjoy as a nation.

NOTE:

There will not be a contemporary service at 10:45am.



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TELEVISION

First and Foremost Program
on WHNS-TV FOX Carolina
Sundays at 10:00am

ONLINE GIVING



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WHAT'S INSIDE

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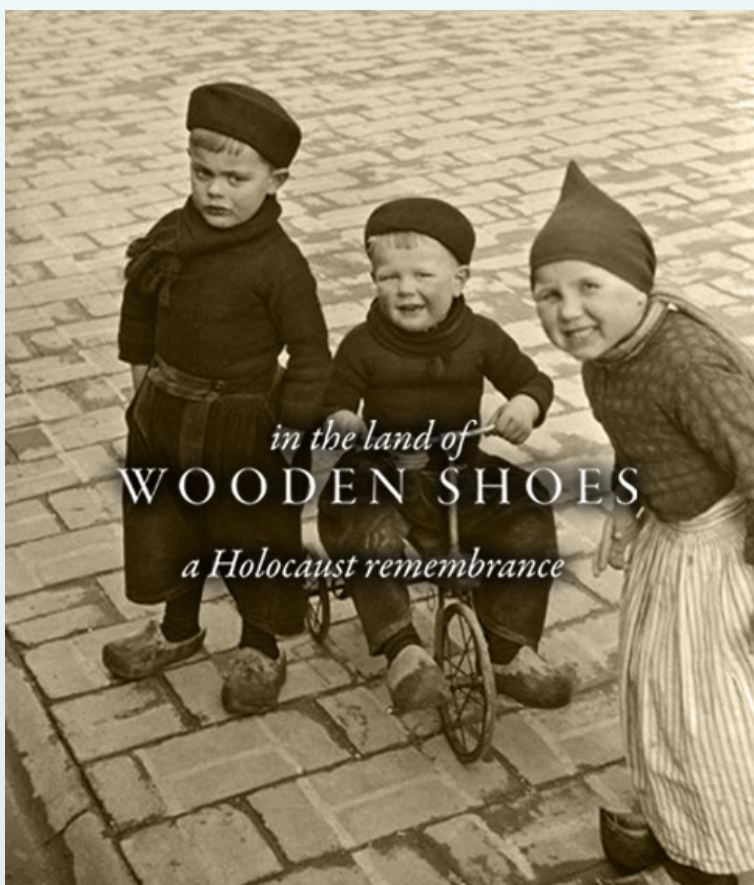
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For more information about
FPC, visit FirstPresGreenville.org

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JUNE 12 – NOVEMBER 20 LENZ GALLERY

Join us for an Opening Night Reception on Friday, June 12, at 6:00pm in Building A and Lenz Gallery. This powerful exhibition, a collaboration between the Anne Frank Center and South Carolina artist Mary Burkett, tells the stories of children affected by the Holocaust through moving visual portraits and storytelling. More than an art exhibit, it is an immersive experience of remembrance—honoring young lives, fostering empathy, and inviting reflection. The exhibition runs through November and is open to individuals, families, schools, and community groups, with guided tours and special programming available. For more information or group bookings, contact Chelsea Fraser at cfraser@firstpresgreenville.org.

Click the QR code to watch videos about
the exhibit and artist Mary Burkett.



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