

# CONNECT@FIRST

A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### 2024 GRADUATES: LAST CALL

FPC members and family members who are 2024 (or August/December 2023) graduates of High School, College, Graduate School, and Seminary will be announced in early June. To be included, fill out a form from the literature racks, complete the form online at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org), or contact Austin Clay ([aclay@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:aclay@firstpresgreenville.org)) by Friday, May 31.

### STUDENT MINISTER JOB OPENING

Student Ministries is searching for a full-time person to help shepherd our students, with a special emphasis on the Junior High grades. We are looking for someone who is relational, caring, fun-filled, organized, and creative, with good Bible knowledge and a commitment to the essentials of the reformed faith. Please contact Charlie Buchanan at [cbuchanan@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:cbuchanan@firstpresgreenville.org) for more information.

### A FAMILY GUIDE TO COMMUNION

Our First Pres church family will celebrate communion on Sunday, June 23, at all worship services. For those members of your family who are new believers, new to the church, or have younger children who are new to this sacrament of faith, the Children's Ministry has a resource available called "A Family Guide to Communion." It is in literature racks around the church or online on the Children's Ministry page.

### YOUTH DR FUNDRAISER AND MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING UPDATE

A huge thank you to everyone who gave to support the Youth Mission Trip to the Dominican Republic. Over \$33,750 was donated to cover expenses for several students who are serving this summer. We are also grateful for your generosity in donating over \$6350 for the Mother's Day offering to support Presbyterian Communities in SC.

## DISCIPLESHIP

### Men's Ministry, Charlie Buchanan

#### ALL MEN INVITED TO THURSDAY GATHERINGS

##### Thursdays at 7:30–9:00am:

Bible, Fellowship, & Breakfast in the Formal Dining Room. Optional breakfast (\$4) at 8:30am. Contact Carl Evans at [carl.h.evans@gmail.com](mailto:carl.h.evans@gmail.com).

##### Thursdays at 12:00–1:15pm:

Christian Men's Fellowship in the Formal Dining Room. Contact Charlotte Joye at [cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org) for questions, or to RSVP for lunch (\$8).

## EVENTS

### Care Ministry, Stan Johnson

#### BRUNCH BUNCH ON SUNDAYS

All singles and families will continue to gather on Sundays during the summer for brunch downtown. We will meet after the service at 12:15pm in front of Books & Gifts@First and break up into groups. No sign-ups, just show up and enjoy a meal together. Questions? Contact Stan Johnson at [sjohnson@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:sjohnson@firstpresgreenville.org).

### Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser

#### TENTH AVENUE NORTH: THE INVITED TOUR

FPC will welcome Tenth Avenue North: *The Invited Tour* on Friday, September 20, at 7:00pm, in the Worship & Arts Center. Tenth Avenue North has always been a band of deep conviction and they've never shied away from uncomfortable topics and asking hard questions. What they thought was the end of Tenth Avenue North in 2020—with a farewell tour disrupted by the global pandemic—turned into a four-year hiatus that sharpened the band's focus and cemented the convictions that made them one of the most popular bands in Christian music. Purchase tickets at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events).

### SKYE PETERSON PERFORMS JULY 19

Skye Peterson will perform at FPC on Friday, July 19, at 7:00pm, in the Student Program Space. She is a singer-

songwriter based in Nashville, TN. Although she has been writing and recording since high school, she began her career as a musician after studying theology, biblical history, and hermeneutics. Skye writes hymns for Getty Music and the local church, and is now performing in hopes of telling the world they are not alone and there's a King who's worth singing about. Tickets available soon at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events).

### Events Ministry, Caleb Miller

#### CHONDA PIERCE LIFE IS FUNNY LIVE IN CONCERT

Ladies, get ready to laugh until your sides ache and your mascara runs! Join Chonda Pierce for her "Life is Funny" LIVE in Concert on Thursday, September 12, at 7:00pm (doors open at 6:00pm) in the Worship & Arts Center. Purchase tickets at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events) to this must-see event that will leave you feeling uplifted, inspired, and grateful for the gift of laughter.

### Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart

#### SWITCH CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

Join us for the 2024 Switch Charity Golf Tournament at Fox Run Country Club in Simpsonville, SC, on Monday, June 17, 10:00am–5:00pm. Switch is a grassroots organization that leads a movement to end human sex trafficking and sexual exploitation in the Upstate of South Carolina, and serves those affected. Slots will fill up fast, so register today at [SwitchSC.org](http://SwitchSC.org).

### Student Ministry, Mason Simmons

#### ROOTS FOR SENIOR AND JUNIOR HIGHS

All middle and high schoolers are welcome to join us for our 7th Annual Roots Mini-Open Championship at McPherson Park on Sunday, June 9, from 5:00pm–7:00pm. Junior High students are also invited downtown this summer for lunch and fellowship on June 4 and July 16. Students should bring money to cover their meal and meet in the church parking lot at noon. Senior High students will be meeting at different houses this summer, so keep an eye out for an email the week before for information. The meetings will take place 7:00–9:00pm on June 5 and July 31. Food will be provided. Contact Autumn Clark for details ([aclark@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:aclark@firstpresgreenville.org)).

### 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](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events).

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

### Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

#### SERVE WITH US! DAY MISSIONS AND VBS JUNE 10-13

Several children remain on our VBS waiting list who do not currently have a church home, and we would love for everyone on that list to hear the gospel! You can serve at the church for VBS, or as a chaperone during Day Missions to students serving the needs of our city! We are also accepting donations for the week. To sign up to volunteer or donate items, go to the Children's Ministry page at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org). Questions? Contact Tina Jones at [tjones@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:tjones@firstpresgreenville.org) or Karen King at [kking@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:kking@firstpresgreenville.org) for details.

### Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

#### JOIN US FOR THE MUSIC CAMP SHOWCASE!

Join us on Thursday, June 13, at 3:00pm in the Sanctuary for our Music Camp Showcase. During the afternoons of June 10-13, over 80 children will learn a variety of new instruments, rehearse new music, and spend time in musical interest groups. We would love for you to come support them and celebrate all of their hard work!

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

JUNE 2, 2024

### WORSHIP

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

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons  
Sermon Series: "Becoming"  
Scripture: Romans 8:18-27

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](https://Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville)  
[YouTube.com/@FirstPresGreenvilleSC](https://YouTube.com/@FirstPresGreenvilleSC)  
[FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) Watch menu

10:45am:

[Facebook.com/firstpresignite](https://Facebook.com/firstpresignite)  
[YouTube.com/@FirstPresIgniteWorship](https://YouTube.com/@FirstPresIgniteWorship)  
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## WEDNESDAY

JUNE 5, 2024

This is the last study for the semester.

### PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

"Philippians: A Life Worth Living"

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

12:30pm–1:00pm • Fellowship Hall

(Lunch available through June 5)

6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall

(Dessert/beverages through June 5)

### LIVE STREAMING

6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall

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## LOOKING AHEAD

June 5: Last Wednesday

Pastor's Bible Study

June 9: Roots Mini-Open

June 10-13: VBS/Day Missions

June 10-13: Music Camp

June 19 & 20: Women's Summer

Bible Study begins

## PASTOR OF THE DAY

MAY 30–JUNE 5, 2024

For Pastoral emergencies, please call 864.235.0496.

## MEMBER NEWS

### BAPTISMS ♦ May 26, 2024

**George Barron Keene**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Keene (Whitney)

**Penelope Mason Weaver**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Weaver (Kelsey)

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

**Mr. and Mrs. Tom Angermeier (Paula)** in the death of her father, Paul Casteel, on May 24; and to Ted, Louisa, and Joe Angermeier in the death of their grandfather.

### CONGRATULATIONS ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend blessings to*

**Ms. Kerin Kiser** on the birth of a granddaughter, Maisie Faye Maness, born on May 7. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Maness (Jacquelin) of Greenville.

**Mr. and Mrs. Ron Burkhalter (Tammy)** on the birth of a grandson, Landon Cade McKee, born on May 25. The parents are Mr. and Mrs. Allen McKee (Shannon) of Piedmont, SC.

**Mr. and Mrs. Brett Ownbey (Kaylee)** on the birth of a daughter, Isla Mae Ownbey, born on May 28.

### WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Frank and Natalie Altman, Ted and Angela Brashier, Bruce Dodds, Andrew and Heather Gunter, Brian and Jillian Holmes, Horst and Kathy Huelsemann, Scott Lawson, Nick and Ashlea Neal, Wylie and Lacey Pearce, Leah Stoudenmire, Trevor and Tate Strange

### MEMORIALS & HONORS

#### CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

*In memory of Tom Brissey* by Circle 6, Larry and Rose Cooke, Peggy and David Murray

#### CONGREGATIONAL CARE FUND

*In memory of Jack DePriester* by Ewan and Becky Sweeney, Sr.

### TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND

*In memory of Frances P. May* by Ralph C. May, Jr.

*In memory of Al Phinney* by the Tim Stewart Family

### TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

*In memory of Betty Chandler* by Lou and George Creswell

*In memory of T.G. Hanner* by Tim and A.B. Stewart

### PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Robert Ashley, Phylis Browning, Susan Cable, Peggy Denny, Bud Fant, Millie Gedney, Pam Goldman, Natalie Hall, Fran Hardin, Jack Hardin, Gladys "Hap" Henderson, Meredith Holliday, Jeanie Kiser, Tom Lide, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Anne Lybrand, Geoff Marsh, Paul McGahee, Mozelle Moore, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Katherine Pate, Becky Powell, Mason Powell, Ken Rhoden, Louise Robinson, Bill Rogers, Donna Steeves, Carrie Stringer, Shirley Timmerman, Holly Thomason, Frank Vickers, John Volpe, Tim Walsh, Jack Whitesides, Beryl Wickliffe, John Woodham, Don Youatt

**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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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

May 30-June 5, 2024

Women's Summer Bible Study

*Clop Clop on the Reedy:  
A Tale of Huguenot Mill*

Summer Day Missions

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

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### WOMEN'S MINISTRY SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

## CONFORMING TO CHRIST

*Cultivating Fruit That Lasts*



Choose from 3 different start dates/times:

Wednesday, June 19 at 9:30am and 6:00pm

AND Thursday, June 20, at 9:30am

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

Childcare available on Wednesdays.

Visit [Books & Gifts@First](https://www.booksandgifts@first.org) to purchase your book.

Questions? Contact Leah Cloud [lcloud@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:lcloud@firstpresgreenville.org).

Matthew 7:20 "Therefore by their fruits you will know them."

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