CONNECT@FIRST A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS FOR SENIOR HIGH DR TRIP

Please join us in prayer for our Senior High students and leaders traveling to the Dominican Republic July 21-26. Pray that as our crew loves and serves together, they will grow stronger in their love for Jesus and learn how to make an impact in the world.

DISABILITY RESOURCE EXPO

Do you know someone who lives with a disability? If so, be sure they are aware of the Upstate Disability Resource Expo to be held at the Kroc Center on Sunday, August 25, at 2:00pm. First Presbyterian was asked to be an exhibitor due to our KultureCity certification and our Special Needs Ministry. Spread the word and help us to come alongside those with special needs.

DISCIPLESHIP

RE|ENGAGE MARRIAGE MINISTRY BEGINS AUGUST 11

Re|engage is a safe place to connect or reconnect with your spouse. God designed and has a specific plan for your marriage. This fall, Re|engage will be offered on Wednesday and Sunday evenings. The joint kick-off will be held Sunday, August 11, at 9:30am in Fellowship Hall. The cost is \$55 per couple. Children's programming (birth—5th grade) is available on Wednesday evenings only. To register, visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events and click the *Re|engage* icon. Contact Charlotte Joye at cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org for more details.

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, September 6-7. Childcare is available for children age 5 and under. For details, contact Linda Sholtis (lsholtis@firstpresgreenville.org). Register at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

EVENTS

Care Ministry, Don Feuerbach

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.

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

SAVE THE DATE: FEARFULLY & WONDERFULLY MADE

Saddle up and mosey on over for a night of fashion, food, music and fun! We are celebratin' all of God's Fearfully & Wonderfully Made cowboys and cowgirls. Grab your boots, hat, and best bling, and round up all your friends for a night at the barnyard (aka The Worship & Arts Center) on Thursday, October 3. Pre-show reception begins at 5:30pm and event begins at 6:30pm. Tickets on sale Monday, August 5.

BUDDY BREAK IS JULY 26

Do you know of a family raising a child with special needs? Once a quarter we hold Buddy Break to give these parents a respite. Our next Buddy Break is Friday, July 26, from 5:30–8:00pm. Please share this information and consider serving as a "Buddy." Training is provided. Contact Tina Jones with questions or to register at tjones@firstpresgreenville.org.

BACKPACK BLESSING & PROMOTION SUNDAY

All students will be promoted on Sunday, August 11. The Children's Ministry will have a "circus-themed" celebration. We will also have our annual Backpack Blessing in each worship service, when our pastors pray over all educators and students who are going back to school. Children are encouraged to wear their backpacks. Mark your calendars and plan to join us!

3GEN DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE

3GEN Ministries is hosting a Daddy Daughter Dance for men of the upstate area on Friday, September 13, 7:00–9:30pm at Larkin's Sawmill (22 Graves Drive, Greenville, SC 29609). It will be a fantastic evening of desserts, fun, and dancing. Dads will receive detailed instructions with creative ideas on how to create an unforgettable date night with their daughters. Registration is open at 3GenMinistries.org/ministry-resources/dance.

DON'T MISS A NIGHT WITH THE LAFLINS

Child Evangelism Fellowship is proud to partner with the Laflins and FPC to bring you a fun night for the whole family on Friday, September 27, at 6:00pm in the Worship & Arts Center. Doors open at 4:00pm with food, inflatables, and kid-friendly activities. Witness the impossible at *A Night of Good News* as internationally recognized illusionists David and Teesha Laflin create a dazzling spectacle that's perfect for families and audiences of all ages. Tickets will be available soon.

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING BOOK CLUB

Everyone is invited to join *The Fellowship of the Ring* Book Club to read this Tolkien classic we know you will enjoy. We hope that you'll be encouraged by the beauty, courage, and agape love in the telling of this story. We will meet weekly on Tuesdays, 3:30–4:30pm, August 13 through December 10. You don't have to attend each week, but plan to come as often as you can! Visit FirstPresGreenville.org/ Events and click the *Fellowship of the Ring* icon to register.

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. The group that brought you some of Christian music's biggest anthems—*Control (Somehow You Want Me), By Your Side, You Are More, Worn, I Have This Hope,* and *Healing Begins*—is back and better than ever. You are officially invited to the *Invited Tour*. Who will you invite to come with you? Purchase tickets at FirstPresGreenville. org/Events or at the FPC Box Office (new reception desk) during regular business hours. Cashless payments only.

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer THE LIGHT OF CHRIST CONCERT FEATURING "ILLUMINARE"

Save the date on Sunday, September 15, at 3:00pm for a free concert presented by the First Presbyterian Church Choir and Orchestra. Celebrate the love and light of Christ through some of your favorite hymns, anthems, Scripture readings, and the brand new 5-movement work, "Illuminare," by composer Elaine Hagenberg. Prepare to be moved, inspired, and reminded of Jesus' unique divine identity and His purpose as the light of the world. Free tickets available on July 28.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart HOLLIS ACADEMY BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE

Pick up an apple from the displays around the church to help purchase new toys, classroom supplies, and games for Hollis Academy. Pick-up and drop-off locations can be found in the Loggia, Memorial Hall, and Worship & Arts reception area. Please visit our website to view the Amazon link for a list of items needed, and bring items to the church by Sunday, July 21.

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer CHRISTMAS IN THE SUMMER!

Christmas music for the Christmas@First concerts will be introduced on Wednesday, August 7, 6:00—7:30pm, in the Choir Room. If you are interested in singing in the Christmas Choir, please join us! Regular Christmas Choir rehearsals will begin in September. Contact Susan at smesser@firstpresgreenville.org for further details.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

JULY 21, 2024

WORSHIP

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

10:45am Ignite

in the Worship & Arts Center

Rev. Don Feuerbach

Sermon: "Where To Begin" Scripture: 1 John 4:16b-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:

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FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

10:45am:

Facebook.com/firstpresignite

YouTube.com@FirstPresIgniteWorship

FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

WEDNESDAY

Bible studies, classes, and meals will resume in the Fall.

LOOKING AHEAD

7/19: Skye Peterson concert

7/26: Buddy Break

8/7: Christmas Choir Music Introduction

8/11: Re|engage Kick-Off

8/11: Promotion Sunday

9/13: Daddy Daughter Dance

9/15: The Light of Christ concert

featuring "Illuminare"

9/20: Tenth Avenue North

9/27: A Night of Good News with the Laflins

For Pastoral emergencies, please call 864.235.0496.

BAPTISMS * *July 14, 2024*

Mary Sanders Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tradewell Davis IV (Emily)

Smith Alexander Strange and Jackson Thomas Strange, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Trevor Strange (Tate)

CONGRATULATIONS • *The pastors and congregation extend blessings to* Mr. and Mrs. Chris Carter (Anna) on the birth of Gibson McKinney Carter, on July 8.

SYMPATHY • *The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to*

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Robinson (Jeanie) in the death of his brother, Alex Robinson, on June 30.

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, *Barbara Brasington*, Susan Cable, Zach Cooter, Peggy Denny, Sylvia Evette, Bud Fant, **Susan Findley**, Meredith Holliday, Tom Lide, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Anne Lybrand, Geoff Marsh, Paul McGahee, Joan Mercer, Mozelle Moore, Jim Nance, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Katherine Pate, Wayne Patterson, Becky Powell, Mason Powell, Will Reid, Ken

Rhoden, Louise Robinson, Lee Shelton, Carrie Stringer, Holly Thomason, Frank Vickers, John Volpe, Michael Volpe, Tim Walsh, Jack Whitesides, Beryl Wickliffe, John Woodham, Don Youatt, Jan Zimmerman

Bold = New *Italics* = In Hospital



The FPC Military Ministry assists and prays for church members of our congregation serving in the Armed Forces (Active Duty, Reserves,

and National Guard). Visit the Care Ministry page (see Military Ministry) on our website to learn more.

PRAYER RESOURCES

Congregational Care: For emergencies, upcoming surgeries, or hospital information, call 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



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TELEVISION

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

> **ONLINE GIVING**



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