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ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME TO NEW STAFF MEMBERS

Paula Applewhite recently joined FPC in Accounts Payable. Paula lives in Belton with her husband of 31 years and their two mini schnauzers and two budgies (parakeets). They have two adult children, Leah and Jacob. Her joy is going to Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure every year to ride! She previously worked at Boulevard Baptist Church in Anderson for 10 years in administration.



Please welcome Jennifer Peterson to FPC as the new Executive Assistant. She moved to Greenville in 2019 and enjoys cycling, kayaking, reading, gardening, and spending time with family and friends. She was married 31 years and has two sons. As an active-duty military family of 24 years, they had the privilege to serve stateside and in Europe. Her relationship with Jesus is the constant source of joy and stability in her life.

DONATE SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you are interested in donating flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one on Sunday, September 15 or 29, please email Linda Slash at lash@firstpresgreenville.org.

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship Ministry, Claire Ripley COME GROW WITH US!

We are excited to resume our weekly Bible Study and Discipleship opportunities this week. This fall, our prayer is that you will find ways to grow and mature in your faith and in community with others at First Pres. The brochure is now available in the information racks and at FirstPresGreenville.org.

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP: THURSDAYS AT NOON

Every Thursday, the Christian Men's Fellowship meets for lunch and a program at 12:00pm in the Formal Dining Room. This week we will begin a six-week study of "What Happens One Second After I Die?" Rev. Stan Johnson will be the initial speaker on what happens the moment after we pass. Next Thursday, September 12, Attorney Dan Collins will address the subject, "Legal Issues and Death." Then on September 19, a funeral director from Thomas McAfee Funeral Home will give a lecture on how to prepare your family for death and burials. We look forward to your joining us on Thursdays.

EVENTS

2025 TRIPS TO SCOTLAND AND EUROPE

Dr. Richard Gibbons and Lindsay Graham are hosting two trips in 2025: Scotland (June 11-18, *waitlist*) and Europe (September 16-26). Please join us on Sunday, September 8, at 6:00pm in the Abbott Gathering Space to hear more details. Register at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events. Contact Lindsay Graham at ltravel@firstpresgreenville.org with questions.

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

FEARFULLY & WONDERFULLY MADE OCTOBER 3

Saddle up and mosey on over for a night of fashion, food, music, and fun as we celebrate God's *Fearfully & Wonderfully Made* cowboys and cowgirls. Grab your boots and hat, and round up your friends for a night at the barnyard (aka the Worship & Arts Center) on Thursday, October 3. Pre-show reception begins at 5:30pm; event begins at 6:30pm. Tickets are on sale at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

PARENTING CONFERENCE OCTOBER 11-12

Are you raising boys, girls, teens? Do you have grandchildren? Could you use a little godly advice and support? Then you will want to attend our upcoming Parenting Conference! Podcast hosts David Thomas and Sissy Goff, who are well-known therapists, authors, and speakers, will be at First Pres Friday–Saturday, October 11-12. If you need financial assistance to attend, email

tjones@firstpresgreenville.org. We expect this event to fill up quickly, so mark your calendars now. Due to the expected large attendance, childcare will not be offered for this event; please make alternate arrangements.

LAFLIN ILLUSIONISTS COMING BACK TO FPC!

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 the Laflins create a dazzling spectacle that's perfect for families and audiences of all ages. Tickets available at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser

TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE FOR 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. Purchase tickets at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events or the new reception desk during regular business hours. Cashless payments only.

Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart

UKRAINIAN RELIEF UPDATE

Please join us in Fellowship Hall during the Sunday Life Group hour (9:45–10:35am) on September 22 to hear Ret. Brig. General Victor Petrenko give a follow-up report on his trip to deliver first aid kits to Ukrainian soldiers on the frontlines. FPC donated toward this relief effort last year.

PIEDMONT WOMEN'S CENTER NIGHT FOR LIFE

PWC invites you to join *A Night For Life* on Thursday, September 19, at 7:30pm at Fellowship Greenville, with guest speaker Melissa Ohden. Piedmont Women's Center comes alongside each client to educate, equip, and empower women to choose life. Free tickets are available at PiedmontWomensCenter.org/n4l.

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

THE LIGHT OF CHRIST CONCERT

Join us Sunday, September 15, at 3:00pm in the Sanctuary for a free concert presented by the FPC 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. Free tickets are now available at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events and the reception desks.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

JOIN US IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Have you considered serving in Children's Ministry? Join us at the Nuts & Bolts training on Sunday, September 8, 9:30–10:30am in Room C201. Come hear about the different roles available, what we teach, and what to expect on a typical Sunday. A light breakfast is included. RSVP to Tina Jones, tjones@firstpresgreenville.org.

Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart

HOLLIS BAKERS NEEDED!

Each month throughout the school year, FPC provides homemade treats and snacks for the faculty and staff during a Wednesday afternoon meeting. This is a great way to show them our love and support. Visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events and click the *Hollis Bakers* icon to sign-up!

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

CHRISTMAS CHOIR REHEARSALS

You are invited to join the Christmas Choir rehearsals that begin Sunday, September 29, 4:00–5:30pm. The *Christmas@First* concerts this year will be Saturday and Sunday, December 14–15.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

WORSHIP

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

10:45am Ignite

in the Worship & Arts Center

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

Sermon Series: "Faithfulness—
The Life of Joseph"

Scripture: Genesis 40:1-23

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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YouTube.com/FirstPresGreenvilleSC

FirstPresGreenville.org Watch menu

10:45am:

Facebook.com/firstpresignite

YouTube.com/FirstPresIgniteWorship

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WEDNESDAY

September 11, 2024

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

"The Book of Philippians"

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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Watch menu

WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

Chicken and Sausage Lowcountry

Perloo OR Shrimp and Grits

Fried Okra

Black Eyed Peas

Cauliflower Bake

Garden Salad

Special Salad

Anadama Bread with Honey Butter

Special Dessert

Assorted Desserts

MEAL PRICES:

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

Children ages 0-3: Free

Family max: \$40

LOOKING AHEAD

9/13: Daddy Daughter Dance

9/13: Switch Freedom Gala

9/15: Light of Christ Concert

9/22: Ukrainian Relief Report

More info on all events at
FirstPresGreenville.org/Events

For Pastoral emergencies,
please call 864.235.0496.

MEMBER NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend blessings to*

Mr. and Mrs. Cody Robertson (Mary Margaret) on the birth of a daughter, Eleanor Marie Robertson, on July 17; to grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Mike Carter (Debbie); and to great-grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Bob Carter (Becky)

MEMORIALS & HONORS

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY FUND

In memory of Samuel Simmons, Jr. by Susan and James Graves

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Shirley Timmerman by Tina Faris; Joan and Earle Gaulden

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND

In memory of Doug Seibel by Kathi and Buddy Daniel

In memory of Samuel Simmons, Jr. by Kathi and Buddy Daniel

In memory of Shirley Timmerman by Jim and Toni Childers

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Bob Efird by Susan and James Graves

In memory of Ted Gaines by Beth and Chuck Simmons

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, **Dick Brenneke**, Pat Browning, Susan Cable, **Eddie Clay**, Peggy Denny, John Dominick, Susan Findley, Becky Graybeal, **Betty Harrington**, Don Hartz, Mary Haselden, Cliff Holekamp, Meredith Holliday, Charlie Hutton, Dennis Hutton, Tom Lide, John Loft, Pat Loft, Anne Lybrand, Geoff Marsh, Paul McGahee, Joan Mercer, Mozelle Moore, Jim Nance, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Katherine Pate, Wayne Patterson, Maddie Peters, Myra Phillips, Becky Powell, Will Reid, Ken Rhoden, Louise Robinson, Bill Rogers, Lee Shelton, Barbara Seibel, Carrie Stringer, Holly Thomason, Frank Vickers, John Volpe, Michael Volpe, Tim Walsh, **Carey Williamson**, John Woodham, Don Youatt, Jan Zimmerman

Bold = New *Italics* = In Hospital

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



WHAT'S INSIDE

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Art Exhibit Openings

The Light of Christ concert

Ukrainian Relief Report

Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

Parenting Conference

For more information about
the ministries of FPC, visit
FirstPresGreenville.org

SEPTEMBER 5–SEPTEMBER 11, 2024

FINE ARTS MINISTRY OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN PRESENTS

OPENING RECEPTION

QUILTED FAITH: A CELEBRATION OF FIBER ARTS
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, AT 6:00PM



QUILTED FAITH

The exhibit features work from local makers and fine artists in quilt, embroidery, fiber art, and more. It will be open during regular church business hours, Monday through Friday.

LUKE ALLSBROOK WILL BE LEADING
A GUIDED TOUR THROUGH THE EXHIBITION
THIS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, AT 6:00PM!

LOOKING FOR A PLACE

LUKE ALLSBROOK



For more info or to sign up to receive the FPC Fine Arts newsletter, please contact Chelsea Fraser at cfraser@firstpresgreenville.org.

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