

CONNECT@FIRST

A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

STAFF NEWS

Please join us in welcoming these new members to the First Pres Staff.



Tiffany Boggs recently joined FPC as the Women’s Ministry Discipleship Coordinator. Tiffany lives in Greenville with her husband of 22 years and their two boys. Their daughter is a junior at Clemson University. Tiffany has spent over 15 years walking with women in discipleship and finds deep joy in sharing Christ’s love with others. In her free time, she enjoys lake days with her family and friends, playing tennis, and volunteering at The Dream Center.



Austin Clay is excited to rejoin the FPC staff as Communications Assistant after previously working with the Children’s Ministry and Communications team for 11 years. She lives in Greer with her husband, two sons, and two doodles. Their daughter is a Tiger at Clemson. Austin finds joy in playing tennis, snowboarding, watching any of the sports her kids participate in, and digging into God’s Word with her Bible study group. She is so thankful to be working at FPC again!

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one on one of the following Sundays, please contact Linda Slash (lslash@firstpresgreenville.org or 864.565.0901): dates...

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship, Claire Ripley GROW@FIRST FALL SEASON HAS BEGUN

It’s not too late to get connected in a Bible study, class, or choir this fall and grow in your faith! In our new Fall Grow@First schedule, you’ll find details on Sunday morning worship and classes, weekday studies, and music opportunities for all ages. Printed booklets are available in the literature racks or you can download a booklet at FirstPresGreenville.org/events. Questions? Contact Charlotte Joye at cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org or 864.565.0956.

DISCOVER FIRST: NEW MEMBER WEEKEND

Would you like to discover more about the vision, discipleship, and outreach of FPC? Our next New Member Weekend will be Friday–Saturday, October 3–4. Childcare is available for children age 5 and under. For details, contact Charlotte Joye at cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org. Registration is open at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Missions, Eric Swofford MISSIONS WEEKEND—COMBINED SUNDAY LIFE GROUPS SEPTEMBER 21

All Sunday Life Groups are invited to gather for a special Missions Weekend session as we welcome Grant Haynes, founder of Global Frontier Missions in Clarkston, GA. Join us at 9:45am in Fellowship Hall as Grant shares how God is moving among the unreached in our own communities and how we can engage in reaching them. GFM exists to mobilize, train, and multiply disciples and churches to meet the physical and spiritual needs of the world’s least-reached people groups. For more details, contact Autumn Clark at aclark@firstpresgreenville.org.

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer MUSIC MINISTRY FALL OFFERINGS

The Music Ministry invites preschoolers, children, students, and adults to participate in the many choir opportunities on Wednesdays this fall. Visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events and click the Music Opportunities icon for details and times. Questions? Contact Susan Messer (smesser@firstpresgreenville.org) or Dustan Chevalier (dchevalier@firstpresgreenville.org).

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.

JOIN THE BRUNCH BUNCH ON SUNDAYS

All singles and families are invited to gather Sunday afternoon for brunch in downtown Greenville. Please meet at 12:15pm in the Abbott Gathering area. No sign-ups, just show up and enjoy a meal together. Questions? Contact Stan Johnson at sjohnson@firstpresgreenville.org.

Children’s Ministry, Tina Jones FEARFULLY & WONDERFULLY MADE

Join us Thursday, October 2, at 6:30pm in the Worship & Arts Center for an evening of food, fashion, fellowship, and fun as we celebrate our friends with special abilities! This year’s event features Tanner Smith—ClemsonLIFE graduate, Netflix’s “Love on the Spectrum” Season 2 cast member, and passionate advocate for joy and inclusion. Purchase tickets and learn more at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser “THE NATURE OF US” 10TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR WITH JOEL ANSETT

Folk songs and stories are coming your way this fall as Joel Ansett celebrates with an anniversary tour of “The Nature of Us” on Thursday, October 9, at 7:00pm in the Student Ministry program space. Joel Ansett is an award-winning singer-songwriter whose blend of folk and R&B has been described as “soul therapy.” With over 40 million streams, a Lennon Award, and multiple film/TV placements, his grassroots approach continues to resonate widely. His latest album, *Layers*, explores the unseen barriers in our relationships with strangers, loved ones, and God. Ansett was the wonderful opening act for the Gray Havens’ concert last year and we can’t wait to have him back. The Songwriter Q&A session will begin at 6:00pm and concert will begin at 7:00pm.

**Women’s Ministry, Claire Ripley
RADIANCE KICKOFF SEPTEMBER 16—FREE TICKETS**
Hope Heals author, Katherine Wolf, brings her inspiring story of true faith and healing in a relatable way that women will not want to miss. Join us on Tuesday, September 16, 6:30pm, in the Worship & Arts Center. Tickets are required and available at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events. Look for the Radiance Kickoff icon.

ABOVE ALL KICKOFF SEPTEMBER 17

Above All Ministries is excited to announce their kickoff with “A Morning with Katherine Wolf” on Wednesday, September 17, in the Worship & Arts Center. Doors open at 9:30am and tickets are available at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events. Join us afterward for “LaCroix and Linger,” where we’ll continue the conversation and Katherine Wolf will hold a book-signing.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer JOIN THE CHRISTMAS@FIRST CHOIR!

Do you like to sing? You’re invited to join the Christmas@First concert choir! Rehearsals begin on Sunday, September 28, 4:00-5:30pm in the Choir Room. Questions? Contact Choral Director Susan Messer at smesser@firstpresgreenville.org.

Congregational Care, Don Feuerbach WORTHY MENTOR PROGRAM

The Worthy Mentor Program is a ministry that offers spiritual support to women who have experienced an unexpected pregnancy. Some of these women may be walking through pregnancy and considering their options, while others may be healing from abortion. If you are interested in being paired with a Worthy mentor, or feel called to serve as a Worthy mentor, please contact Amy Murray at hello2amymurray@gmail.com.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

September 14, 2025

SERMON SERIES

“Sustaining Faith”
Genesis 16:1-16
Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30am | Sanctuary
10:45am | Worship & Arts Center
11:00am | Sanctuary

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

8:30am & 11:00am:
Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville
YouTube.com/FirstPresGreenvilleSC
FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

10:45am:
Facebook.com/firstpresignite
YouTube.com/FirstPresIgniteWorship
FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

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WEDNESDAY

September 17, 2025

PASTOR’S BIBLE STUDY
Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

12:30pm–1:00pm • Fellowship Hall
6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall

LIVE STREAMING

6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall
Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville
YouTube.com/FirstPresGreenvilleSC
FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

LUNCH & SUPPER MENU

Pasta with Red and White Sauces,
Meatballs, Lasagna, Lemon Broccoli
with Parmesan, Sautéed Squash,
Italian Garlic Bread Sticks, Caesar
Salad, Chef’s Choice Desserts

MEAL PRICES:

Adults: \$10
Children ages 4-12: \$5
Children ages 0-3: Free
Family max: \$40

LOOKING AHEAD

OCTOBER

2: Fearfully & Wonderfully Made
3–4: New Member Weekend
3–5: Pursuit Men’s Retreat
3: Communion Sunday
9: Joel Ansett Concert
17: Sidewalk Prophets Concert
24: Buddy Break

Note: This newsletter provides a brief overview of announcements, events, and discipleship and serving opportunities. For a complete list, visit firstpresgreenville.org/about/connect@first.

MEMBER NEWS

BAPTISMS ♦ September 7, 2025

Maeve Annalise Moss, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Moss (Amber)
Mr. Alex Cody Goden

SYMPATHY ♦ The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to

Mr. and Mrs. Rip Parks (Edith) in the death of her father, Mr. Elliott Batson, on September 4, 2025.
Mr. and Mrs. James Smith (Evelyn) in the death of her sister, Elaine Ellis Wood, on August 16, 2025

MEMORIALS & HONORS

AGAPE FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY LIFE GROUP FUND
In memory of Claire Brittain by Sara Karns

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND
In memory of Elliott Batson by Chuck and Beth Simmons

IGNITE MUSIC MINISTRY FUND
In memory of Charles Nickles by Paul and Susan Grier, Hayward and Elizabeth Grier, and Elizabeth Grier; Brenda Busby; Chuck and Beth Simmons

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND
In memory of Richard Tapp by Rick and Pam Knight; Ro and Landrum Knight

PRAYER LIST ♦ Bold = New Italics = In Hospital

Bill Anthony, Nancy Adams, Sandra Banks, **Betty Bennett**, Keren Clay, Brantley Daniel, Debbie Davidson, Peggy Denny, Bud Fant, Liz Fuqua, Martha Gallivan, Larry Goodwin, Darst Guest, Danette Hanks, Richard Hanks, Anna Hewitt,

PRAYER LIST Continued

Tina Hicks, Harry Hightower, Don Hobbs, Amy Hunter, Charlie Hutton, Stephanie Johnson, John Kylin, Mary Kylin, Tom Lide, Anne Lybrand, Paul McGahee, Mozelle Moore Rachel Mullinax, Jim Nance, Martha Nance, Chloris Norman, Becky Powell, Carolyn Rice, Thom Robelot, Louise Robinson, Bill Rogers, Tom Seay, Clifford Selby, Rhody Taber, Lewis Tollison, John Volpe, Jocelyn Williams, Beryl Wickcliffe, Jan Zimmerman

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
For Pastoral emergencies, please call 864.235.0496.



The FPC Military Ministry assists and prays for church members of our congregation serving in the Armed Forces (Active Duty, Reserves, National Guard). Visit the Military Ministry page under Care and Prayer on our website to learn more.



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Staff News
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Join the Brunch Bunch!
Radiance and Above All Kickoffs
Joel Ansett Concert October 9
For more information about the ministries of FPC, visit FirstPresGreenville.org

TELEVISION

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

ONLINE GIVING



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JOIN US FOR MISSIONS WEEKEND

Free Tickets at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events
FRIDAY, SEPT 19, AT 7:00PM | WORSHIP & ARTS CENTER

Revelación Maranatha



SUNDAY LIFE GROUPS WELCOME
SEPT 21, AT 9:45AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL



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OF GLOBAL FRONTIER MISSIONS

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