

# CONNECT@FIRST

A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DONATE SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you are interested in donating flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one on Sunday, September 29, please email Linda Slash at [lslash@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:lslash@firstpresgreenville.org).

## DISCIPLESHIP

*Discipleship Ministry, Claire Ripley*

### SUNDAY LIFE GROUPS: YOUTH, YOUNG ADULTS, AND ADULTS

Join us for a group on Sunday at 9:45am (Adults, various locations) or 9:30am (Youth, Room A106)! The primary focus each week is to help Christians learn God's Word in community and enable them to grow into mature disciples. If you need help finding your place or a starting point, join us for the Next Steps Sunday Life Group. Information on each group can be found at [www.FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](http://www.FirstPresGreenville.org/Events) under the 'Sunday Life Group' icon.

*Men's Ministry, Charlie Buchanan*

### MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUP

Join us on Wednesdays at 6:15pm in B305 for a men's (post-college—40) discipleship group that seeks to provide a place of community for who desire to grow in their relationship with Christ and take steps toward biblical manhood. For details, contact Charlie Buchanan at [cbuchanan@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:cbuchanan@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.

*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](http://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](mailto: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.

*Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser*

### BALLET MAGNIFICAT STRATAGEM

Join Ballet Magnificat on October 25 at 6:30pm at First Pres as they put a new spin on the C.S. Lewis classic, *The Screwtape Letters*, with their most whimsical ballet to date, "Stratagem." Experience the humor, athleticism, and drama of this internationally acclaimed company founded by Kathy Thibodeaux, silver medalist at the second USA International Ballet competition. Tickets are available at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events).

### 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](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events) or the new reception desk during regular business hours. Cashless payments only.

### COME AND SEE: NEW EXHIBITS OPEN

*Quilted Faith: A Celebration of Fiber Arts* is now open on the first and second floors of Building A. 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. *Looking for a Place* features works by nationally acclaimed artist Luke Allsbrook. This exhibit is open in the Lenz Gallery, 9:00am–3:00pm. Enjoy the beautiful landscapes and engage in your own longing for the permanent home Christ has prepared for us! For details, contact Chelsea Fraser at [cfraser@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:cfraser@firstpresgreenville.org).

*Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart*

### MISSIONS UPDATE: UKRAINIAN RELIEF

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](http://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](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events) and the reception desks.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

*Children's Ministry, Tina Jones*

### WINTER COAT DRIVE FOR GREENVILLE SUMMIT

FPC will be collecting adult-sized coats (gently used or new) for the residents at The Greenville Summit on Sunday, September 22 and 29. Drop off will be near the Children's Ministry check-in or the lobby near the Worship & Arts Center. Extra or unused coats will be donated to Miracle Hill. Questions? Contact Deborah O'Brien, 864.326.6914, or Karen King at [kking@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:kking@firstpresgreenville.org).

*Men's Ministry, Charlie Buchanan*

### VOLUNTEER WITH JOBS FOR LIFE

*Jobs for Life* is a transformational ministry to equip men who are getting back on their feet to find and keep a job. The FPC Men's Ministry and Miracle Hill's Greenville Rescue Mission will host a 7-week class beginning September 17, 6:15pm–8:00pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays, at the Greenville Rescue Mission. We are prayerful that a few men who have a heart to serve others will join our team to serve as mentors, and for business owners to serve as guest speakers. For more information, please contact Dave Forry at [forrydcf@aol.com](mailto:forrydcf@aol.com).

*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 15, 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 41:1-16

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)

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10:45am:

[Facebook.com/firstpresignite](https://Facebook.com/firstpresignite)

[YouTube.com/FirstPresIgniteWorship](https://YouTube.com/FirstPresIgniteWorship)

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## WEDNESDAY

September 18, 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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### WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

Baked Fish

Italian Chicken Cacciatore

Rice

Fried Green Beans

Glazed Carrots

Spiced Apples

Turnip Greens

House Salads

Rolls

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

For Pastoral emergencies,  
please call 864.235.0496.



## MEMBER NEWS

### BAPTISMS ♦ September 9, 2024

**Charlotte Ann Carter**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Gearheart Carter (Kellee)

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

**Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Allen (Brittany)**, on the birth of a son, Wilkes Bennett Allen, born on June 24.

**Mr. and Mrs. David Edwards (Rianna)** on the birth of a son, Lincoln David Edwards, on September 5; and to grandparents Dr. Tom and Dr. Janet Edwards.

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

**Ms. Tye Lowden** in the death of her father, Mr. Edwin Gago Vazquez, on September 2.

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

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