

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, October 6, November 10, or 24, please email Linda Slash at lslash@firstpresgreenville.org.

FPC FOSTER & ADOPTION PHOTO COLLECTION

In preparation for Orphan Sunday in November, we are seeking pictures of our First Pres folks who have been touched by foster care or adoption as a child or as an adult. We will make a gallery wall of these families to serve as a reminder that we are all adopted through Christ and that many children are waiting for families here on this earth. Please send photos to Tina Jones at tjones@firstpresgreenville.org by Sunday, October 27.

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship Ministry, Claire Ripley SUNDAY LIFE GROUPS FOR YOUTH, YOUNG ADULTS, AND ADULTS

Join a Sunday Life Group on Sundays at 9:45am (Adults, various locations) or 9:45am (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 in Room B312. Information on each group can be found at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events under the *Sunday Life Group* icon.

Men's Ministry, Charlie Buchanan 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 our "What's Next?" series features Mr. Ryan Essington, Director of Advance Funeral Planning at Thomas McAfee Funeral Homes, who will present the fundamental steps to consider in preparing for a funeral. Lunch is optional (\$10) for anyone who wishes to have a meal. If you have questions, please contact Rev. Bob Jones at 864.203.6883.

Women's Ministry, Leah Cloud

WOMEN'S STUDY ON THURSDAY MORNINGS

Join us for a study of the life of Jesus written by Luke, a Gentile convert who was a traveling partner of Paul. Beginning students as well as more seasoned ones will gain a deeper understanding of the life and teachings of Jesus in this year-long study. Email Nancy Caudel at nancycaudel@att.net for weekly study information. Meetings are Thursday mornings at 9:30am in Room B301. For a complete list of Bible studies this fall, pick up a *Grow@First* brochure in the literature racks, or visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

EVENTS

Care Ministry, Don Feuerbach WORTHY MENTOR PROGRAM

Have you or someone you know experienced an unexpected pregnancy? If so, the Worthy Mentor Program offers spiritual support to women through a trained mentor to explore topics such as value, identity, grief, and hope as they learn more about Jesus. If you are interested in being paired with a Worthy mentor, please contact Amy Murray at hello2amymurray@gmail.com. A recent Worthy participant had this to say about her experience: "The 10-week Worthy mentorship helped to reassure me how very much God loves me, and wants me to heal from the pain, guilt, and shame I experienced from my unexpected pregnancy."

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. You won't want to miss when Rev. Charlie Buchanan is pulled into one of the illusions! Tickets available at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

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.

ART AND FAITH LUNCH OCTOBER 4

Our next Art and Faith Lunch is Friday, October 4, 12:00pm at Bridge City Coffee. Our speaker, Laura Nicholas, holds a B.A. and M.A. in Theatre Arts from Bob Jones University and an M.F.A. in Directing from Baylor University. Her background includes theatrical design and direction as well as stage management, vocal performance and theory. Prior to stepping into her current leadership role as the Managing Artistic Director at Centre Stage in downtown Greenville, she served on staff at the theatre as the Associate Artistic Director.

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 coats near the Children's Ministry check-in or in the lobby of the Worship & Arts Center. Extra or unused coats will be donated to Miracle Hill. Questions? Contact Deborah O'Brien at 864.326.6914, or Karen King at kking@firstpresgreenville.org.

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

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 22, 2024

WORSHIP

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

10:45am Ignite
in the Worship & Arts Center

Rev. Dr. Brian Stewart
Missions Sunday Update:
A Year in Review
Scripture: Acts 1:1-11

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 25, 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

Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville
YouTube.com/@FirstPresGreenvilleSC
FirstPresGreenville.org Watch menu

WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

Cheese Lasagna
Meatballs Marinara
Buttered Noodles
Fried Zucchini
Roasted Butternut Squash
Italian Green Beans
House Salad
Garlic Bread Sticks
Assorted Desserts
Tiramisu Cake

MEAL PRICES:

Adults: \$10 • Children ages 4-12: \$5
Children ages 0-3: Free
Family max: \$35

LOOKING AHEAD

10/3: Fearfully & Wonderfully Made

10/11-12: Raising Boys and Girls
Parenting Conference

10/25: Ballet Magnificat Stratagem

More info on all events at
FirstPresGreenville.org/Events

For Pastoral emergencies,
please call 864.235.0496.

MEMBER NEWS

NEW MEMBERS (September 15, 2024)

Mary Ann Feuerbach, Kevin and Natalie Hayes, Morgan and Caroline Barr (Margaret), Jim and Julia Frazier (Nan, Charlie and James), Jonathan and Blair Hull (McAvoy and Mary Margaret), Dustin and Lindsey Hughes (Kayden, Cooper, Palmer, and Liv), David and Janet Humphrey, Karen Lyons, David and Kathy Suddeth

SYMPATHY ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to*

Mr. Chris Roberts in the death of his father, Blake Roberts, on August 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Joye (Charlotte) in the death of his mother, Aline Mangham of California, on September 12.

Mrs. Sally Felicia Marsh in the death of her husband, Geoff Marsh, on September 12.

IN MEMORIAM

Geoffrey H. Marsh ♦ April 7, 1950 – September 12, 2024

MEMORIALS & HONORS

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Shirley Timmerman by Bob and Sharon Froneberger

CONGREGATIONAL CARE FUND

In memory of Mason Powell by Ewan and Becky Sweeney, Sr.

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND

In memory of Mason Powell by the Gospel Partners Class

In memory of Doug Seibel by Carlton and Belinda Manley

In memory of Frances Traxler by Lisa VanRiper

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Pat Browning, Susan Cable, **Cathy Castle**, Lin Cundiff, Peggy Denny, John Dominick, Michael Faw, Susan Findley, Betty Harrington, Don Hartz, Mary Haselden, Cliff Holekamp, Meredith Holliday, Charlie Hutton, Dennis Hutton, Tom Lide, Pat Loft, Anne Lybrand, Geoff Marsh, Paul McGahee, Joan Mercer, Mozelle Moore, Jim Nance, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Katherine Pate, Maddie Peters, Myra Phillips, Becky Powell, 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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Ukrainian Relief Report

Fearfully and Wonderfully Made

Laflin Illusionists

Worthy Mentor Program

Parenting Conference

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

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MISSIONS UPDATE: UKRAINE RELIEF

SEPTEMBER 22 | FELLOWSHIP HALL | 9:45–10:35AM



Come 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.



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