

# CONNECT@FIRST

A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HELP AFTER HURRICANE HELENE

Due to school closings, several of our teenage students have offered to assist those in need. These students are seeking to serve the seniors in our congregation by cleaning debris from driveways to allow those affected to go shopping for essentials. Due to safety concerns, students are unable to operate tools and machinery such as chainsaws or climb ladders. If you are in need, please reach out to Rev. Charlie Buchanan directly at 864.561.6346 or cbuchanan@firstpresgreenville.org. Charlie is organizing the student volunteers and can advise you if our students can help.

### DONATE SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you are interested in donating flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one on Sunday, 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.

## EVENTS

### Care Ministry, Don Feuerbach

#### GREENVILLE LIFE CHAIN OCTOBER 6

Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing for 1 hour along major streets or highways praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. The Greenville Life Chain will be held on Sunday, October 6, 2:30–3:30pm. It extends from near Target to WalMart on Woodruff Road on both sides of the street. For more information, please contact Stephanie Johnson at fpclightandlife@gmail.com.

#### VETERANS LUNCHEON NOVEMBER 7

The Military Ministry will host a Veterans Appreciation luncheon on Thursday, November 7, 11:30am–1:00pm in Fellowship Hall. If you are a member of FPC who served in the armed forces, we would love for you and your spouse to join us. Space is limited. Contact Sarah Emore at semore@firstpresgreenville.org by Tuesday, October 15 to register.

### Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

#### FEARFULLY & WONDERFULLY MADE POSTPONED UNTIL NOVEMBER 7

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, November 7. Pre-show reception begins at 5:30pm; event begins at 6:30pm. Tickets are on sale at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

#### BUDDY BREAK OCTOBER 25

First Presbyterian Church offers Buddy Breaks to families with children who have special needs. Let us care for your kids while you get some time away! Our next Buddy Break is Friday, October 25, 5:30–8:00pm. Bring all of your children to the church for supper and fun while you go out to dinner, go shopping, or even just go home and take a nap—whatever you need! If you have a passion for children with special needs, we are also looking for more Buddies! Training is provided. For questions, please email tjones@firstpresgreenville.org.

#### 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.

### 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. 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

#### WE ARE GROWING: VOLUNTEER WITH US!

Want to serve the growing number of families in our church? Could you give 1.5 hours each month to help in discipling these children? If so, we invite you to join the Children's Ministry team! There are 90 openings each month, most of which are on Sundays, 10:30am–12:15pm. Roles include greeters, teachers, assistants, baby-rockers, and even worship leaders. Email tjones@firstpresgreenville.org to pick your spot!

#### WINTER COAT DRIVE FOR GREENVILLE SUMMIT

FPC is collecting adult-sized coats (gently used or new) for the residents at The Greenville Summit this Sunday, October 6. 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.

### Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart

#### HELPING AT HOLLIS ACADEMY

As we have entered our 15th year partnering with Hollis Academy, there are many ways that you can be involved. We are looking for classroom volunteers, mentors, food packers, treat bakers, and various other occasional needs. Visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events under the *Hollis Volunteer* icon or contact Beth Simmons at simmonsfam@charter.net.

### Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

#### JOIN THE CHRISTMAS CHOIR!

You are invited to join the Christmas Choir rehearsals on Sundays, 4:00-5:30pm in the Choir Room. The Christmas@First concerts this year will be Saturday and Sunday, December 14-15.

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

OCTOBER 6, 2024

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

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 42

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

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## WEDNESDAY

October 9, 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

Fried Chicken

Baked Pork Chops

Mashed Potatoes

Corn on the Cob

Prince William Mixed Vegetables

Glazed Carrots

House Salads

Baked Rolls

Assorted Desserts

MEAL PRICES:

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

Children ages 0-3: Free

Family max: \$35

## LOOKING AHEAD

10/6: Communion

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

10/25: Ballet Magnificat Stratagem

11/7: Fearfully & Wonderfully Made

More info on all events at  
FirstPresGreenville.org/Events



## MEMBER NEWS

**SYMPATHY** ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to Rev. Mark A. Hutton (Sherry) in the death of his sister, Rebecca Hutton Graybeal, on September 12.*

**Mr. and Mrs. David Husman (Beth)** in the death of his mother, Mrs. Martha Southgate Husman of Cincinnati, OH on September 26.

### MEMORIALS & HONORS

#### CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

*In honor of Rip and Edith Parks* by Jean Kennedy Killey

#### CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

*In memory of Rebecca Hutton Graybeal* by Jo and Harry Ussery; Shirley Talley

*In memory of Inez Mantooth* by Annette Powell

#### TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND

*In memory of Rebecca Hutton Graybeal* by Mr. and Mrs. William Sykes

For Pastoral emergencies,  
please call 864.235.0496.

## 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, **Amy Hunter**, Charlie Hutton, Dennis Hutton, Tom Lide, Pat Loft, Anne Lybrand, Geoff Marsh, Paul McGahee, Joan Mercer, Mozelle Moore, Jim Nance, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Myra Phillips, Becky Powell, Ed Reed, Ken Rhoden, Louise Robinson, Bill Rogers, Lee Shelton, Barbara Seibel, Carrie Stringer, **Kathy Suddeth**, 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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GREENVILLE, SC 29601

## RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

phone | 864.235.0496

website | [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org)

email | [contactus@firspresgreenville.org](mailto:contactus@firspresgreenville.org)

facebook | [facebook.com/FirstPresGreenville](https://facebook.com/FirstPresGreenville)

instagram | [@FPCGreenville](https://@FPCGreenville)

mobile app | FPC Live

## TELEVISION

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

ONLINE  
GIVING



## WHAT'S INSIDE

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Hurricane Helene Relief Effort

Fearfully and Wonderfully Made  
Postponed To November 7

Hollis Academy Opportunities

Buddy Break October 25

Parenting Conference

For more information about  
the ministries of FPC, visit  
[FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org)

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*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.*

*Romans 15:13* ~



## Hurricane Helene Relief Effort

MIRACLE HILL MINISTRIES has an immediate need for non-perishable food items at their rescue missions and addiction recovery centers. Donations of food can be dropped off at their Food Warehouse located at 725 Keith Drive, Greenville, SC, 29607. Monday–Friday 8:00am–5:00pm. Monetary donations can be made directly through their website at [miraclehill.org/give](http://miraclehill.org/give).

GREENVILLE COUNTY EMS has established a food bank for their personnel and families. Please bring one or two non-perishable food items to church and place them in the receptacles in Memorial Hall and the reception areas by the main office and by the Worship & Arts Center.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE has established five sites for relief work in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene. To donate, go to: <https://samaritanspurse.org/article/pray-for-those-in-helene-path/>.

If you or someone you know needs assistance, please reach out to our church office at 864.235.0496.

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