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A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF EFFORTS

Miracle Hill Ministries has an immediate need for non-perishable food items at their rescue missions and addiction recovery centers. Drop off food donations 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.

Greenville County EMS has established a food bank for their personnel and families. Please bring 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 relief work sites in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene. To donate, go to SamaritansPurse.org/article/pray-for-those-in-helene-path/.

FPC FOSTER & ADOPTION PHOTO COLLECTION

In preparation for Orphan Sunday in November, we are seeking pictures of our First Pres families who have been touched by foster care or adoption as a child or as an adult. A gallery wall is on display at the children's check-in area 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 if you'd like to be included.

EVENTS

Care Ministry, Stan Johnson

BRUNCH BUNCH IS BACK

All singles and families are invited to gather Sunday afternoon for brunch at a restaurant in downtown Greenville. Please meet at 12:15pm in front of the FPC bookstore. 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 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 Tina Jones, tjones@firstpresgreenville.org.

PARENTING CONFERENCE OCTOBER 11-12

Are you raising boys, girls, teens? Do you have grandchildren? If you could use a little godly advice and support, come to the "Raising Boys & Girls" Parenting Conference at First Pres Friday–Saturday, October 11–12, with podcast hosts David Thomas and Sissy Goff, well-known therapists, authors, and speakers. Tickets can be purchased for one day only or both days at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events. If you need financial assistance to attend, email Tina at tjones@firstpresgreenville.org.

firstpresgreenville.org. Due to the large attendance, childcare will not be offered for this event.

Contemporary Worship Ministry, Graydon Tomlinson CHRISTMAS CONCERT FOR A CAUSE

Save the date for *Christmas Concert for a Cause*, featuring Graydon Tomlinson and special guests, on Sunday, December 1. The pre-concert Christmas Market will begin at 3:30pm, followed by the concert at 5:00pm in the Worship & Arts Center. Tickets (\$10) go on sale Sunday, October 20, at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events. All proceeds support the mission of Isaiah 117 House, which provides physical and emotional support in a safe and loving home for children awaiting placement.

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser

QUILTED FAITH PRESENTATION OCTOBER 16

Come one and all on Wednesday, October 16, at 10:30am in the Sturgis Gathering space for a discussion regarding "An Integrated Life" by quilter Mandy Blankenship. For questions, please contact Chelsea Fraser at cfraser@firstpresgreenville.org.

BALLET MAGNIFICAT STRATAGEM

"Ballet Magnificat" on Friday, October 25, at 6:30pm at First Pres will 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.

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!

Events Ministry, Caleb Miller

PRODUCTION SERVICES WANTS YOU!

Sign up to serve in creating an exciting production experience for our guests. No experience is required. Training will be provided by our Event Operations Coordinator. Further details will be sent regarding scheduling and training. If you are interested, please email productions@firstpresgreenville.org for more details.

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 13, 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 42:14-28

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

October 16, 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

Brats & Sausage Baked with
Sauerkraut

German Pork Roast with Gravy

Roasted New Potatoes

German Red Cabbage

Spinach

Steamed Cheesy Cauliflower

German Potato Salad

House Salads

Pretzel Bites with Dip

Assorted Desserts

MEAL PRICES:

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

Children ages 0-3: Free

Family max: \$35

LOOKING AHEAD

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

10/25: Ballet Magnificat *Stratagem*

10/27: Stewardship Sunday

11/3: Commitment Sunday

11/7: *Fearfully & Wonderfully Made*

More info on all events at
FirstPresGreenville.org/Events

MEMBER NEWS

SYMPATHY ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. John Jones (Tina) in the death of her brother-in-law, David May of Orlando, FL, on October 1.*

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Pat Browning, Susan Cable, Cathy Castle, Lin Cundiff, Peggy Denny, John Dominick, Bud Fant, 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



Presbyterians Protecting Life (PPL), a national nonprofit serving Presbyterian and like-minded churches and their Life Teams, has been supported by FPC's Missions & Outreach Ministry for over 30 years. Believing that God considers life sacred from conception to natural death, PPL helps church leaders and congregants understand the full spectrum-of-life issue through a Reformed Christian worldview. PPL provides resources on topics ranging from preborn to end-of-life issues.

Please visit our Light & Life Ministry resource table in the Abbott Gathering Space this Sunday, October 13, for more information.

For Pastoral emergencies, please call 864.235.0496.



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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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Veterans Appreciation Luncheon

Hurricane Helene Relief Efforts

Parenting Conference
October 11-12

Buddy Break October 25

Fearfully and Wonderfully Made
November 7

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

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All FPC Veterans & their spouses are invited to the First Presbyterian Church Annual **VETERANS APPRECIATION LUNCHEON**



**THURSDAY 7 NOV 2024
AT 1130–1330
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

Guest Speaker

LTC Pat Devine, USA (RET)
Chaplain, Upstate Warrior Solution

Honoring Veterans

Dustan Chevalier & Brass Quintet

Lunch and prize drawings included

Space is limited, so please respond by
Tuesday, October 15,
to semore@firstpresgreenville.org

Questions? Contact Sarah Emore,
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