

# CONNECT@FIRST

*A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC*

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### GALLIVAN-MILLS SCHOLARSHIP APPS DUE

Submit your completed scholarship application, with all attachments, to the Gallivan-Mills Scholarship Committee no later than 2:00pm on Friday, March 31. Questions? Contact Steven Harvin (SLHarvin@gmail.com, 803.477.8123).

### SUMMER@1ST HIRING STAFF

First Pres Summer@1st is hiring energetic, flexible, responsible, loving staff for seven weeks this summer. For Nursery School positions to work with children age 3 months–4 years old, contact Beth Plyler, bplyler@firstpresgreenville.org. For Sports Camp positions to work with K5–8th grade students, contact Caleb McKisic at caleb@conquerorssportsacademy.com.

### FPA HIRING TEACHERS, ASSISTANTS, AND SUBS

First Pres Academy is hiring several teachers (including an Art/STEM teacher), teacher assistants, and substitutes for the 2023-2024 school year. Part-time (M/W/F) and full-time (M-F) openings are in Downtown campus preschool grade levels K2, K3, and K4. Contact Vicky Burr, vburr@firstpresacademy.com or 864.565.0991.

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one on Sunday, May 14 or 28, call 864.235.0496.

## DISCIPLESHIP

*Discipleship Ministry, Claire Ripley*

### NEW MEMBER WEEKEND APRIL 21-22

Are you interested in making First Presbyterian your church home? We invite you to attend our next Discover First New Member Weekend Friday–Saturday, April 21-22. Come discover more about the vision, discipleship, and outreach of FPC! Childcare is available for children age 5 and under. For details, contact Linda Sholtis (lsholtis@firstpresgreenville.org) or Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley (cripley@firstpresgreenville.org). Register at FirstPresGreenville.org.

*Student Ministry, Mason Simmons*

### CONFIRMATION WEEKEND APRIL 14-16

Confirmation 2023 will take place the weekend of April 14-16 for students 7th grade or older who wish to become Covenant Partners of First Presbyterian Church. Contact Autumn Clark, aclark@firstpresgreenville.org, for details.

## EVENTS

*Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser*

### ACTS THE 3-MAN SHOW COMING APRIL 14

Acts the 3-Man Show, a full-length action drama based on the powerful New Testament book, is coming to First Presbyterian Church on Friday, April 14, at 7:00pm in the new Worship & Arts Center. Armed with one of the great dramatic narratives in the Bible, three men take the stage to play all the roles—Peter, Paul, Stephen, Herod, Nero, and dozens of others. Come and experience the story of the early church as you've never seen it before! Purchase tickets for \$17 including fees on the EVENTS page of the website; \$20 at the door. *Parental discretion advised.*

*First Pres Sports Ministry, Caleb McKisic*

### SUMMER@1ST CAMP

Looking for fun activities for your K5–8th graders this summer? We are offering six weeks of Youth Camp and Junior Camp, June 5–July 28. Daily activities include Bible study, sports, outside play, and crafts. Register at FirstPresSports.com.

*Men's Ministry, Charlie Buchanan*

### REGISTER NOW FOR MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

This year's PURSUIT Men's Discipleship Weekend is April 21-23 at Awanita Valley Christian Camp & Retreat Center in partnership with 3GEN Ministries. Register at 3GENministries.org. The first 50 men who register from FPC can enter "FPC50" at checkout for a \$50 discount. Questions? Contact Michael Trotter (trottermichael1@gmail.com, 803.984.5242) or Russell Guest (russellguest@guestbrady.com, 864.380.4185).

### GREAT ALASKA SPORTING CLAY CLASSIC APRIL 14

The 10th Annual Great Alaska Sporting Clay Classic will be held on Friday morning, April 14, at The Clinton House in Clinton, SC, to support the ministry of Steven and Natalie Hall with SEND. Register for teams, individuals, and sponsorships at GASCCSC.org. Questions? Contact Steven Hall at shall@send.org or 907.320.0158.

*Music & Worship Ministry, Susan Messer*

### HYMNS@FIRST CONCERT AND CD

On Sunday, April 30, at 3:00pm, Hymns@First, a concert featuring the soloists of our First Presbyterian Church-produced CD, will premiere many hymns from this new "Hymns at First" album in our new Worship & Arts Center. Each soloist will sing a hymn from the album, with accompaniments performed and arranged by Stephen Griner, our church pianist. Invite family and friends to this premiere event! Watch for the release of the album "Hymns@First" soon!

### "SING OUR FAITH" RESONATE! CONCERT MAY 7

Resonate! Youth Choir will present a concert, "Sing Our Faith," on Sunday, May 7, at 1:30 in Harper Chapel. You are invited to join us for this program of beautiful songs by Steven Curtis Chapman, Mark Schultz, Laura Story, and others.

*Women's Ministry, Leah Cloud*

### WOMEN'S SPRING TEA APRIL 13

First Pres Women's Ministry invites you to our annual Spring Tea on Thursday, April 13, at 4:00pm in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy fellowship, tea and cakes, and guest speaker Carolyn Rice, who will share stories of how God is working in central Asia. RSVP by Thursday, April 6, to Charlotte Joye (cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org, 565.0956).

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

*Children's Ministry, Tina Jones*

### EASTER ANGELS PROJECT FOR THE SUMMIT

Help spread Good News to the residents at the Greenville Summit by making Easter cards with notes of encouragement and individually wrapped goodies (brownies, cupcakes, cookies, etc.) Bring donations to the Children's Ministry team by Wednesday, April 5. Cards and goodies will be delivered to the residents on Thursday morning, April 6. Questions? Contact Karen King (kking@firstpresgreenville.org, 864.884.9824).

### DONATIONS NEEDED FOR DAY MISSIONS

Please donate "necessity items" for Greenville Summit, Towers East, and Garden Apartments: paper towels, facial tissue, toilet paper, hand soap, body wash, shampoo, deodorant, dish detergent, laundry detergent, packaged snacks, zip-lock bags, 13-gallon trash bags. "Homeless kit" items needed are: hotel size toiletries, chap stick, toothbrush, and toothpaste. Bring items to the Children's Ministry check-in area by Sunday, June 4. Questions? Contact Karen King, kking@firstpresgreenville.org or 864.884.9824.

### SERVE WITH OUR CHILDREN JUNE 19-22

Have you thought about how you might serve others this summer? The number of adults participating determines the number of children who can attend VBS (K5–4th grade) and Day Missions (5th–12th grade), June 19-22, 9:00am–12:00pm. We can find a place for you! Contact Tina Jones (tjones@firstpresgreenville.org, 864.565.0921).

*Events Ministry, Caleb Miller*

### EVENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need individuals to provide a welcoming experience to those attending events at FPC. Opportunities in Event and Guest Services include Hosts, Ticket takers, Ushers, Merchandise, and Trained Crowd Managers. If you are interested, please email events@firstpresgreenville.org.

You can also serve in creating an exciting production experience for our guests. Opportunities in Production Services include Audio Technician, Lighting Technician, Camera Operator, and Video Playback. No experience is required. Training will be provided by our Event Operations Coordinator. If you are interested, please email productions@firstpresgreenville.org. Further details will be sent regarding scheduling and training.

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

### PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 2, 2023

**8:30 & 11:00am Sanctuary Worship**  
**10:45am Ignite Worship** *Fellowship Hall*

### Palm Sunday Message

**Luke 19:39-48**

**Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons**

**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)  
[FirstPresgreenville.org](https://firstpresgreenville.org) Watch menu

### 10:45am:

[Facebook.com/firstpresignite](https://facebook.com/firstpresignite)  
[YouTube.com/@FirstPresIgniteWorship](https://youtube.com/@FirstPresIgniteWorship)  
[FirstPresgreenville.org](https://firstpresgreenville.org) Watch menu  
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## THIS WEDNESDAY

### APRIL 5, 2023

**No classes or meals will be held during Holy Week.**

## PASTOR OF THE DAY

### MARCH 30–APRIL 5, 2023

03/30: Stan Johnson (864.423.2067)  
03/31: Charlie Buchanan (864.561.6346)  
04/01: Charlie Buchanan  
04/02: Charlie Buchanan  
04/03: Stan Johnson  
04/04: Stan Johnson  
04/05: Stan Johnson

*The Galleries*

AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

*Ponder Anew*

BAROQUE MASTERWORKS  
FROM THE MUSEUM & GALLERY

*Beginning April 4, 2023*

TUESDAY 9:30AM–1:30PM

THURSDAY 9:30AM–1:30PM

### 3RD FLOOR LENZ GALLERY

Baroque Masterworks paintings  
on loan from the Museum & Gallery  
at Bob Jones University

**ALL THINGS NEW**  
*A Local Response*

*Beginning April 3, 2023*

OPEN DURING CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

### 1ST & 2ND FLOOR GALLERIES

An exhibition of pieces by local artists who were all influenced by the collection of the Museum & Gallery at Bob Jones University during their education



MEMBER NEWS

BAPTISM ♦ March 26, 2023

Geoffrey Hinton Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Austin Johnson (Bettina)  
Thomas Wayne Potter, son of Ms. Lisa Potter

SYMPATHY ♦ The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nickles (Tracy) in the death of her father, Lucian Reeves Dabney of Lexington, SC, on March 25, and to Elizabeth, Laura Coleman, and Wilson Nickles in the death of their grandfather.

Mr. and Mrs. Greg Smith (Dana) in the death of his mother, Margaret Stenhouse Smith of Greenville, on March 25, and to Cameron and Andrew Smith in the death of their grandmother.

MEMORIALS & HONORS

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Pierce McGowan III by Mrs. Nancy Jennings

MUSIC MINISTRY FUND

In memory of Ann McLellan by the Agape-Fellowship Class

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF GREENVILLE FUND

In memory of Todd Taylor by Luther and Sally Boliek; Mr. and Mrs. James H. Watson; Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Holmgren; Ginny Weede; Jo and Harry Ussery; Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Townsend; Mary and John McKenzie; First Bank

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Rutledge Galloway by Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sykes

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Doane August, Becky Barron, Susan Bennett, Archie Black, Tom Brissey, John Burnett Jr., Les Burns, Becky Carter, Dave Carter, Luke Chapman, Sarah Chapman, Joy Clawson, Annie Cobb, Joe Cole, Charlene Comer, Peggy Denny, Tom Drake, Collin Etheridge, Bud Fant, George Freeman, Larry Freeman, Mike Freeman, Nancy Freeman, Becky Garcia, Millie Gedney, Pam Goldman, Betsy Guffey, Natalie Hall, Sally Hall, T.G. Hanner, Fran Hardin, Jack Hardin, Jim Hastings, Gladys “Hap” Henderson, Dan Hoover, Vicky Hunt, Amy Hunter, Gerald Huskamp, Art Jeffrey, Sherry Jenkins, Ginny Johnson, Craig Jones, Mac Kearsse, Tom Lide, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Janet MacCallum, Kenneth MacCallum, Geoff Marsh, Polly Martin, Seth McCullen, Megan McCommons, Barbara McKenzie, Mozelle Moore, Alex Olyarchuk, Jane Petrilli, Joe Petrilli, Becky Powell, Mason Powell, Ken Rhoden, Bill Rogers, Robyn Rush, Pete Russell, Fran Sanders, Janice Shartle, Libby Stewart, Cole Swartwood, Carrie Stringer, Shirley Timmerman, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, John Volpe, Don Youatt, Spires Welch, Beryl Wickliffe, Jan Zimmermann

Bold = New      Italics = In Hospital

PRAYER RESOURCES

PRAYER REQUEST LINES

Congregational Care Director Tammy Burkhalter: 864. 565.0943  
Prayer Appointments: 864. 565.0960 | Prayer Requests: 864. 565.0970

If you would like a Prayer Minister or Cancer Caring Ministry member to contact you, email Tammy Burkhalter at tburkhalter@firstpresgreenville.org.

If you need prayer or pastoral care, please contact the Pastor of the Day (see the website calendar).

MILITARY MINISTRY & PRAYER

FirstPresGreenville.org/care/military



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Sundays at 10:30am

ONLINE  
GIVING



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

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Celebrate Holy Week with Us! FirstPresEaster.com

PALM SUNDAY

April 2

8:30am, 11:00am • Sanctuary  
10:45am Ignite • Fellowship Hall

Remember Christ’s triumphant entry into Jerusalem just days before He is betrayed, tried, and crucified. Our services will include inspiring music by the Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra and the Ignite Worship Team. Children will help us turn our hearts and minds toward Jesus by waving palm branches in a processional, symbolizing the palms laid on Christ’s path into Jerusalem. A nursery is available for all services.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 6

7:00pm Communion • Sanctuary

This powerfully moving service takes us back to the Upper Room, where Jesus spent His last meal with the disciples, washed their feet, and spoke of his betrayal and death. As we focus our thoughts on the events of that evening, Maundy Thursday helps us see Jesus for who He is—the One whose death takes away all our sins. We will share communion together during this service.

EASTER SUNDAY

April 9

8:00am, 9:30am, 10:45am, 11:00am

On this joyous day of celebration, we give God glory for the Resurrection and victory over death. Each of the four services will have special music by the Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra or the Ignite Worship Team, as well as a message by Dr. Gibbons. Gather your family and friends and join us for Easter worship. A nursery is available for all services.