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A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHT & LIFE MINISTRY

The vision of Light & Life ministry vision is to speak life and shed light through educating and raising awareness of the devastating effects of abortion, and offer hope and healing to women and men through Christ. For information on opportunities to get involved, contact Stephanie Johnson at fpclightandlife@gmail.com.

BOOKMARKS AVAILABLE

The *Fulfilled* series bookmark includes a breakdown of the passages Dr. Gibbons will cover each Sunday through Easter plus questions to work through during the week. Pick up a bookmark this Sunday or download a copy from the website at FirstPresGreenville.org/Watch under Current Sermon Series.

DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship Ministry, Claire Ripley

FINANCIAL PEACE STARTS FEBRUARY 21

Sign up now for Dave Ramsey's class, *Financial Peace* to be held on Wednesdays from 6:00-7:15pm, February 21–May 1. You will learn how to budget, pay off debt fast, save money, invest, communicate in marriage and plan for a better financial future. There is a fee to cover the cost of class materials/books. Space is limited. For more information or to register, visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

NEW MEMBER WEEKEND

Discover more about the vision, discipleship, and outreach of FPC! New Member Weekend will be Friday–Saturday, February 9-10. Childcare is available for children age 5 and under. For details, contact Linda Sholtis (lsholtis@firstpresgreenville.org). Registration is open at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Men's Ministry, Charlie Buchanan

PURSUIT 2024 MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP WEEKEND

The 2024 PURSUIT Men's Discipleship Weekend is March 1-3 at Carolina Point YoungLife Camp. The cost, \$235, includes incredible facilities, five meals, two nights lodging, and the weekend journal. Please use code FPC75 for a discount. Space is limited so sign up early. Visit 3GenMinistries.org to register.

EVENTS

Events Ministry, Caleb Miller

COMEDY NIGHT WITH SHAMA

Join ministry leaders around the country on Monday, January 29, for a fun comedy night to kick off the ECO National Gathering! Doors open at the Worship & Arts Center at 6:00pm; event begins at 6:30pm. Shama Mrema is an African-born, American-raised host, actor, comedian, and part-time musical artist. Tickets are available at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events for \$15.

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser

MYSTERY OF BEAUTY ARTS CONFERENCE

The FPC Fine Arts Ministry will host a half-day conference, *Mystery of Beauty*, for anyone interested in the topic of art and faith, on Friday, March 1, in the Worship & Arts Center. Makoto Fujimura will be our keynote speaker. You will not want to miss this conference! Register now at FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Light & Life Ministry, Stan Johnson

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

40 Days for Life, February 14–March 24, is an internationally coordinated 40-day campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day

vigil in front of abortion businesses. Please consider signing up to pray with other Christians—your presence and prayers can make a difference between life and death! To take part in our local effort, visit 40DaysforLife.com/greenville.

Sports Ministry, Caleb McKisic

SPRING SPORTS CAMPS IN GRAHAM GYM

There are several upcoming sports programs coming this spring and summer! Registration is now open at FirstPresSports.com for Adult Spring Basketball and Pickleball, and Kid's Golf Clinic. Beginning February 1, registration will also open for Summer Youth Sports Camp and Youth Basketball. For more information, email caleb@firstpressports.com.

Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer

REGISTER NOW FOR MUSIC CAMP!

Time to register for Music Camp on June 10-13, 12:00pm–4:00pm, following VBS, for children rising 2nd–6th grade. (Rising 7th–12th may apply to be counselors.) End the week with a “showcase” of musical accomplishments for family and friends! For more information or to register, visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events.

Worship & Music Ministry, Graydon Tomlinson

IGNITE ANNOUNCES NIGHT OF WORSHIP

On Thursday, February 22, at 7:00pm, the Ignite Worship Team will host a Night of Worship at the Worship & Arts Center. It will feature songs from the latest Ignite Worship album, *Known*, as well as familiar songs from other artists. We will also be filming and recording the concert for later release as a live album, along with video clips. Nursery up to age 3 will be provided, so bring your family, invite your friends, and join us.

Worship & Music Ministry, Lori Shelton

CHILDREN'S & YOUTH CHOIRS

Wednesdays, 5:30–6:15pm, C205

Covenant Choir, Grades 3-5

Wednesdays, 6:15–6:45pm, C205

Cherub Choir, K4-K5

Wednesdays, 6:45–7:15pm, C205

Carol Choir, Grades 1-2

Sundays, 4:00–5:00pm, Harper Chapel

Resonate! Choir, Grades 6-12

For more information, please contact Lori Shelton at lshelton@firstpresgreenville.org or 864.247.6602.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY SUMMER INTERNSHIPS

Are you in college? Looking for a summer internship? Our Children's Ministry has opened applications for three full-time intern positions for this summer. For more information, contact Tina Jones at tjones@firstpresgreenville.org or call 864.565.0921.

Events Ministry, Caleb Miller

ECO NATIONAL GATHERING COMING TO FPC

We are excited to host over 1500 guests from around the country at the ECO National Gathering the week of January 29–February 1, 2024. We need many event and guest service volunteers to provide a welcoming experience for those attending. Visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Events under the ECO icon to volunteer.

Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart

YELLOW BAG PROJECT

As you clean out closets and drawers, please set aside gently used clothing, shoes and accessories for our Miracle Hill Ministries Yellow Bag Project. Bags will be available mid-February and can be returned on February 25.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

JANUARY 21, 2024

Sanctity of Life Sunday

WORSHIP

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

10:45am Ignite

in the Worship & Arts Center

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

Sermon Series:

“Fulfilled—Matthew’s Gospel”

Scripture: Matthew 5:1-10

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:

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FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

10:45am:

Facebook.com/firstpresignite

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FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

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WEDNESDAY

January 24, 2024

PASTOR’S BIBLE STUDY

“The Book of Daniel”

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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FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

MENU:

Lunch and dinner are prepared by our chef each Wednesday, serving a selection of meats, vegetables, salads, and desserts.

MEAL PRICES:

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

Children ages 0-3: Free

Family max: \$35

PASTOR OF THE DAY

January 18–January 24, 2024

For Pastoral emergencies, please call 864.235.0496.

MEMBER NEWS

SYMPATHY ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to Mrs. Amy Botkin* in the death of her father, ~~Doug Gilstrap~~, January 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Poe (Catherine) in the death of her father, Alfred “Al” Greene Eskridge Jr. of Greer, SC, on January 7; and to Amy, Anna, and Bryan in the death of their grandfather.

Mrs. Clare Phinney in the death of her husband, Al Phinney, on January 12.

IN MEMORIAM

Richard Allison Phinney ♦ *December 19, 1954 – January 12, 2024*

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Tom Brissey, Pat Burns, Susan Cable, Lang Cheves, Diane Cobb, Joe Cole, Janet Collins, Marian Dameier, Peggy Denny, Becky Dueben, ~~Marcella Frankin~~, Larry Freeman, Mike Freeman, Becky Garcia, Millie Gedney, Pam Goldman, Sandy Gravlee, Coleman Gravlee, Lucas Groome, Christy Groome, Natalie Hall, Fran Hardin, Jack Hardin, Cathy Harman, Gladys “Hap” Henderson, Ginny Johnson, Tom Lide, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Anne Lybrand, Geoff Marsh, Megan McCommons, Mozelle Moore, ~~Jerry~~

~~Murdock~~, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Katherine Pate, Bette Ann Phillips, Shari Phillips, Becky Powell, Mason Powell, Courtney Prosisie, Ed Reed, Ken Rhoden, Catherine Sandifer, Janice Shartle, Jude Smith, Carrie Stringer, Shirley Timmerman, Holly Thomason, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, Frank Vickers, John Volpe, Spires Welch, Charlie West, Beryl Wickliffe, Don Youatt, Jan Zimmermann

Bold = New *Italics* = In Hospital

PRAYER RESOURCES

Congregational Care Director, Tammy Burkhalter: Call 864.565.0943
For emergencies, upcoming surgeries, or hospital information.

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 Services: 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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Summer Camp Sign-ups
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Ignite Night of Worship

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

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It’s time to sign up
FOR SUMMER CAMPS!

VBS: JUNE 10-13
MUSIC CAMP: JUNE 10-13
DAY MISSIONS: JUNE 10-13
SPORTS CAMP: JUNE/JULY
DRAMA CAMP: JUNE 17-21

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