

CONNECT@FIRST

A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC

VOLUME 1, NO. 6 | APRIL 13–19, 2023



ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOOKSTORE SCHEDULE

The Vineyard bookstore will be open Sunday, April 16, at the new location in the Worship & Arts Center.



FREE EASTER PHOTOS AVAILABLE ONLINE

Look for 'Easter Photos' icon on the EVENTS page of the website or scan the QR code here to view and download Easter photos from Sunday. Thank you to our photographers—Michael Gibbons, Mark Massingill, and Abby Tripp.

NEW INSTAGRAM! FINE ARTS MINISTRY

Follow @fpc_arts to stay up to date with our Fine Arts Ministry for news, announcements, events, and photos.

STUDENT MINISTRY ENVELOPE FUNDRAISER

Help support this summer's Senior High Dominican Republic mission trip by picking up an envelope from tables around the church on Sundays, April 16–April 30. Enclose the suggested amount (\$5 to \$100)—or \$1,500 to sponsor the trip for one student—and return it by Sunday, May 7, to the church office or offering plate. Questions? contact Mason Simmons at msimmons@firstpresgreenville.org. Thank you for supporting Youth Missions!

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one on Sunday, May 14, please contact Jamie Stoltz at 864.565.0901.

DISCIPLESHIP

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

EVENTS

Care Ministry, Tammy Burkhalter

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER MAY 4

On Thursday, May 4, we will host the National Day of Prayer, joining other communities across the nation for a single purpose—Prayer. The event will be held in the new Worship and Arts Center, with special music by Trevor Manor, worship leader at Mitchell Road Presbyterian Church, beginning at 6:15pm and the Prayer and Worship service kicking off at 6:30pm.

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

BUDDY BREAK APRIL 28

Buddy Break is offered to families with children who have special needs and their siblings. Bring all of your children to the church for supper and fun while you go out to dinner, go shopping—whatever you need! Adult volunteers are still greatly needed for Buddy Break. Dinner is provided! We will equip you with the necessary training. This is a special time to minister to families who don't normally get a break. The next Buddy Break will be Friday, April 28, 5:30–8:00pm. RSVP required to jmoore@firstpresgreenville.org.

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser

ACTS THE 3-MAN SHOW - LAST CHANCE!

Tickets are still available for Acts the 3-Man Show, this Friday, April 14, at 7:00pm in the Worship & Arts Center. Come and experience the story of the early church as you've never seen it before! Purchase tickets for \$17 on the EVENTS page of the website; \$20 at the door. *Parental discretion advised.*

THE GALLERIES AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

You're invited to visit our newly opened Galleries! *Ponder*

Anew, Baroque Masterworks on loan from the Museum & Gallery at Bob Jones University, is open on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:30am–1:30pm in the 3rd floor Lenz Gallery.

All Things New, A Local Response, is open during church office hours in the 1st and 2nd floor Galleries. This is an exhibition of pieces by local artists who were all influenced by the collection of the Museum & Gallery during their education.

Men's Ministry, Charlie Buchanan

COMING SOON: 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. Questions? Contact Michael Trotter (trottermichael1@gmail.com, 803.984.5242) or Russell Guest (russellguest@guestbrady.com, 864.380.4185).

Worship & Music, Lori Shelton

"SING OUR FAITH" RESONATE! CONCERT MAY 7

Resonate! Youth Choir will present a concert, "Sing Our Faith," on Sunday, May 7, at 1:30pm 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. Enjoy light refreshments in the Loggia afterward.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR DAY MISSIONS

Please donate "necessity items" for the homeless and for Greenville Summit, Towers East, and Garden Apartments. A list of items is on the Children's page of the website. 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.

Discipleship Ministry, Claire Ripley

SERVE WITH THE FIRST PRES WEDDING GUILD

Do you love weddings? The Wedding Guild is seeking volunteers who are interested in learning to direct and assist at rehearsals and weddings. Training is available for serving in this special ministry. Contact Dawn Stewart at 864.270.6801 for more information.

IGNITE USHERS NEEDED

Now that we are in our new Worship & Arts Center, we need more volunteers to usher each Sunday for the 10:45am Ignite service. If you are willing to consider this commitment once a month, please reach out to Leigh Johnstone at LeighMJohnstone@gmail.com or Trey Suggs at TSuggs@RoeCassidy.com.

Events Ministry, Caleb Miller

EVENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are interested in Event and Guest Services, which include Hosts, Ticket takers, Ushers, Merchandise, and Trained Crowd Managers, please email events@firstpresgreenville.org. If you are interested in Production Services, which include Audio Technician, Lighting Technician, Camera Operator, and Video Playback, please email productions@firstpresgreenville.org.

Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart

HOLLIS CARNIVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Hollis Carnival is on Friday, April 28, and volunteers are needed to help during the event. This is a fun time to interact with students, teachers, families and the community. It's Missional Ministry at its finest! To sign up for a shift (3:30–5:45pm or 5:45–8:00pm), contact Beth Simmons at simmonsfam@charter.net.

Missions Ministry, Brian Stewart

NEIGHBORHOOD FOCUS SUMMER CAMPS

Please prayerfully consider supporting the needs of the 18th annual summer program by sending a kid to camp (\$500) or helping sponsor various other camp expenses such as Bibles, devotional curriculum, field trips, STEAM enrichment activities, or summer reading challenges. For more information, please contact Keith Groce at 864.704.7848 or kgroce@neighborhoodfocus.org.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2023

8:30 & 11:00am **Worship in Sanctuary**
10:45am **Worship in Worship & Arts Center**

Sunday Message

John 9: 1-25

Rev. Dr. Brian Stewart

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

YouTube.com/@FirstPresGreenvilleSC

FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

10:45am:

Facebook.com/firstpresignite

YouTube.com/@FirstPresIgniteWorship

FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

"Like" and "Subscribe" for easy access

THIS WEDNESDAY

APRIL 19, 2023

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

12:30pm–1:00pm • Fellowship Hall

6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall

PSALMS & PROVERBS FOR TODAY

Carolyn Rice

LIVE STREAMING

6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall

Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville

YouTube.com/

@FirstPresGreenvilleSC

FirstPresgreenville.org Watch menu

CLASSES & CHOIRS for all ages*

6:15pm–7:15pm

*Grow@First Weekly Discipleship

brochures are available online or from the literature racks.

WEDNESDAY MEALS

11:45am & 5:00pm • Fellowship Hall

MENU:

Lasagna

Baked Fish, Fried Fish

Steamed Broccoli

Breaded Okra

Steamed White Potatoes

Brussels Sprouts

Prince William Vegetables

Salad, Rolls, Dessert

MEAL PRICES:

Adults: \$8 • Children ages 4-12: \$4

Children ages 0-3: Free

Family max: \$30

PASTOR OF THE DAY

APRIL 13–19, 2023

04/13: Stan Johnson (864.423.2067)

04/14: Charlie Buchanan (864.561.6346)

04/15: Charlie Buchanan

04/16: Charlie Buchanan

04/17: Stan Johnson

04/18: Stan Johnson

04/19: Stan Johnson

MEMBER NEWS

SYMPATHY ♦ *The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to*

Mr. and Mrs. Seth McCullen (Ashley) in the death of his father, Hugh Anthony McCullen of Clayton, NC, on April 2, and to Brooks, Hayes, and Wells in the death of their grandfather.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Chandler (Cathy) in the death of Cathy's sister, Caron Elaine Wilson, on April 6, 2023.

PRAYER LIST

Bill Anthony, Doane August, Becky Barron, Susan Bennett, Archie Black, Tom Brissey, John Burnett Jr., Pat Burns, Becky Carter, Dave Carter, Luke Chapman, Sarah Chapman, Joy Clawson, Annie Cobb, Joe Cole, Charlene Comer, Peggy Denny, Tom Drake, Collin Etheridge, George Freeman, Larry Freeman, Mike Freeman, Nancy Freeman, Becky Garcia, Millie Gedney, Doug Gilstrap, Pam Goldman, Betsy Guffey, Natalie Hall, Sally Hall, T.G. Hanner, Fran Hardin, Jack Hardin, Gladys "Hap" Henderson, Dan Hoover, Vicky Hunt, Amy Hunter, Gerald Huskamp, Art Jeffrey, Sherry Jenkins, Ginny Johnson, Craig Jones, Mac Kearse, 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, Shari Phillips, 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

Pickleball in Graham Gym Starts April 17

Open Play Membership (Free to FPC Members)
register online at [FirstPresSports.com](https://www.FirstPresSports.com)



PRAYER RESOURCES

PRAYER REQUEST LINES

Congregational Care Director Tammy Burkhalter: 864. 565.0943

Prayer Appointments: 864. 565.0960 | Prayer Requests: 864. 565.0970



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

200 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
GREENVILLE, SC 29601

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

phone | 864.235.0496

website | [FirstPresGreenville.org](https://www.FirstPresGreenville.org)

email | contactus@firspresgreenville.org

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

instagram | [@FPCGreenville](https://www.instagram.com/@FPCGreenville)

mobile app | FPC Live

TELEVISION

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

ONLINE
GIVING



WHAT'S INSIDE

APRIL 13–19, 2023

The Galleries at First Pres

Acts the 3-Man Show April 14

New Member Weekend

Pickleball Open Play April 17

Hymns@First Concert and Tickets

"Sing Our Faith" Resonate! Concert

Hollis Carnival Volunteers Needed

For more information about
the ministry of FPC, visit
[FirstPresGreenville.org](https://www.FirstPresGreenville.org)

APRIL 13–19, 2023

SUNDAY, APRIL 30, 3:00PM
WORSHIP & ARTS CENTER

WORSHIP & MUSIC MINISTRY of
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, GREENVILLE, SC

HYMNS@FIRST

testimonies of grace

A concert featuring soloists
from our First Presbyterian
Church-produced CD,
Hymns@First.

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 in the new
Worship & Arts Center! Watch for
the release of the album
"Hymns@First" soon!

FREE TICKETS AT BOTH RECEPTION DESKS

CONNECT@FIRST

A Weekly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC
VOLUME 1, NO. 6 | APRIL 13–19, 2023