

Ministry News

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

BUDDY BREAK JANUARY 27

If you know a family who has a child with special needs, tell them about *Buddy Break*—a night to bring ALL their children to FPC for pizza and play while mom and dad enjoy some much-needed respite. The next *Buddy Break*, on **Friday, January 27**, 5:30–8:00pm, will be our Super Hero night, so we encourage everyone to wear their capes or masks. RSVP (required): tjones@firstpresgreenville.org.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY HIRING SUMMER INTERNS

We will be hiring two summer interns to work 30 hours a week for Children's Ministry and one summer intern to work 20 hours a week for Summer@1st. Contact Tina Jones (tjones@firstpresgreenville.org) for an application.

Congregational Care Ministry, Tammy Burkhalter

SUPPORT GROUPS BEGIN JANUARY 25

Our Wednesday morning *GriefShare* Support Group (10:00am–12:00pm at Maple Brook Terrace) and Wednesday evening *DivorceCare* Support Group (6:00–8:00pm in the FPC Formal Dining Room) provide friendly, caring people to come alongside you through this difficult experience. The group leaders genuinely understand what you are going through and want to help. Seats are filling quickly—register by **January 23** at GriefShare.org or DivorceCare.org. See the *Grow@First Weekly Discipleship* booklet (pages 9-10) for details, or contact Leslie Warner (lwarner@firstpresgreenville.org, 565.0966).

First Pres Sports Ministry, Caleb McKisic

JIM JOHNSON BASKETBALL SUPPER

Youth Basketball Teams (grades 4-12) and their parents are invited to the Jim Johnson Basketball Supper on **Sunday, February 5**, at 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Come for pizza and awards for teams, scholarship, and coaches. There is no charge. Please return reversible jerseys only.

Life Connections Ministry, Claire Ripley

SERVE AS A TRADITIONAL SERVICE USHER!

FPC is looking to expand the rosters for our Traditional Services usher teams. Each team ushers once per month for either the 8:30 or 11:00 service. Ushers pass out the bulletins, take up the offering, and occasionally help someone with directions or getting to a seat. Please consider joining an usher team—it's an easy and fun way to serve! Contact Chad Brown (cbrown@dodgeindustrial.com or 864.252.6195) for more information and to sign up.

COME GROW WITH US!

In our new *Grow@First* schedule, you'll find details on Sunday Morning Worship and classes, weekday studies, and music opportunities for all ages. Pick up a brochure from the literature racks or visit FirstPresGreenville.org (Weekly Schedule icon). Questions? Contact Charlotte Joye (cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org) or Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley (cripley@firstpresgreenville.org).

HISTORY & ARCHITECTURE TOUR OF FIRST PRES

Are you interested in First Pres architecture, history, stained glass, symbols, and true stories of real people from 1848 to present? Our guided church tour of the Sanctuary and Harper Chapel on **Thursday, January 19**, 3:00–4:30pm, begins in the reception area. RSVP to Charlotte Joye (cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org).

The Light & Life Ministry

VIABLE PLAY AT ANDERSON UNIVERSITY

The professional one-act sanctity-of-life play *Viable* will be performed in Anderson University's Student Center Theatre (316 Boulevard, Anderson 29621) at 7:30pm on **Tuesday, January 31**, with a panel discussion afterward. You can preview *Viable* at ViablePlay.org. This is a ticketed event, but the tickets are free. For tickets, contact Lynn Guthrie (lguthrie@andersonuniversity.edu, 864.231.2125).

Missions, Brian Stewart

FILL YELLOW BAGS FOR MIRACLE HILL

Did you know that a small yellow bag can make a big difference in the lives of people in our community? 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 at church beginning **January 29**, to be filled and returned on **February 12**.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC FAMILY MISSION TRIP

Our family mission trip to the Dominican Republic, **June 10-17**, is your next opportunity to travel and serve. Bring your entire family (age 10 and older) and serve together in the medical clinic, VBS, and possible construction. We already have families signing up—come join us! Register by **February 26** by contacting Joy Sturgis, jsturgis@firstpresgreenville.org.

Student Ministry, Mason Simmons

REGISTER NOW FOR YOUTH DR MISSION TRIP

This summer's Senior High mission trip to the Dominican Republic will be **July 16-22**. Registration for this trip has been extended until **January 22**, so register now by contacting Joy Sturgis, jsturgis@firstpresgreenville.org. Pray for our students and leaders as they prepare for VBS, construction, and MannaPack meal distribution.

CULTIVATE SUMMER INTERNSHIP 2023

First Pres is excited to invest in emerging leaders. While there are many ways in which everyone can partner with us, college students who have the ability to make a more concentrated and intense time investment during the summer months may want to consider **The Cultivate Project**. For application and information, go to FirstPresGreenville.org/ministries/students/youth.

Summer Camps, Beth Plyler, Tina Jones, Susan Messer

REGISTER NOW FOR SUMMER CAMPS

It's winter, but summer's coming! Find details and register for kids' summer camps at FirstPresGreenville.org (Events tab, Ministry Events). Space is limited, so register soon!

Summer@First Nursery School Camp—wait list

Monday–Friday, June 5–July 28

9:00am–2:00pm • 3 months–4 years old
Email bpilyler@firstpresgreenville.org to be placed on the wait list.

Vacation Bible School

Monday–Thursday, June 19–22

9:00am–12:00pm • rising K5–4th grades

Summer Day Missions

Monday–Thursday, June 19–22

9:00am–12:00pm • rising 5th–12th grades

Summer Music Camp

Monday–Thursday, June 19–22

12:00noon–4:00pm • rising 1st–8th grades

Summer Sports Camp

Monday–Friday, June 5–July 28

Youth Camp: K5–5th grades, 9:00am–12:00pm
Junior Camp: 6th–8th grades, 1:00–4:00pm

Announcements

BEHOLD! EVENT JANUARY 22

Behold, children are a gift from the Lord (Psalm 127:3). All adults and senior high students are invited to *BEHOLD!* in Harper Chapel on **Sunday, January 22**, 9:30–10:30am, to hear personal stories from five covenant partners ranging from abortion to fostering to adoption. If you'd like to be inspired by what our God can do, please join us. Tables in the Loggia will give you more information on using your gifts to help the vulnerable.

Group photo: If foster care, adoption, or kinship care has touched you personally in any way, we invite you to participate in a group photo in the Chapel prior to the event (9:15am sharp). *Note:* While children most definitely should join for the photo, the event is not age-appropriate for them due to the sensitive nature of the messages.

FINAL MDC ORIENTATION OPPORTUNITY

Open to all covenant partners in the congregation, FPC's Ministry Development Course (MDC) is great preparation for individuals with a zeal for Transforming the Heart of the City. It is also a prerequisite for nomination as an elected church officer, as well as a valuable resource for all members. *A final orientation meeting opportunity will be held on Sunday, January 22*, 9:30–10:30am in the Formal Dining Room. To register before coming, email Autumn Clark at aclark@firstpresgreenville.org.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one on a **Sunday in January or February**, please call 235.0496.

Member News

CONGRATULATIONS

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to **Mr. and Mrs. Zachary Hennigan (Madison)** on the birth of a daughter, Ella Grace Cordelia Hennigan, on January 12; and to grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Rusty King (Karen) and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Hennigan (Mandi).

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to **Mr. and Mrs. Steve Mauch (Carlene)** in the death of his mother, Virginia Mauch of Elk Grove, CA, on January 8.

Memorials & Honors

FPC FOUNDATION

In memory of

Bill Sturgis by Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Austell (Marion)
Marti Simmons Cash by Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Austell (Marion)

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND

In memory of

Dorcas Lindsay by Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Manley

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

Jane Brennecke by Charles F. Powell; Edie and Paul Odomirok; Kirk and Margarette Carter; the Covenant Class

Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)

8:30am • Worship Service (Sanctuary, live stream)

• Children's Nursery (birth–age 3)

9:30am • Children's Nursery & Sunday School

(birth–5th grade)

• Youth Sunday School (Room 354)

• MDC Orientation (Formal Dining Room)

• **BEHOLD! Event (Harper Chapel)**

9:45am • Adult Sunday Life Groups (On campus, Zoom)

10:30am • Kids Church (birth–1st grade)

10:45am • Ignite Worship (Fellowship Hall, live stream)

11:00am • Worship Service (Sanctuary, live stream)

4:00pm • Resonate Worship (grades 6-12) (Chapel)

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

6:00pm • Session Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

• Diaconate Meeting (Formal Dining Room)

6:30pm • Community Bible Study (Various rooms)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

8:45am • Women: *Psalms 23 Shepherd* (Formal Dining Rm)

11:30am • Circle #1 (Off campus: Foothills)

7:00pm • Healing & Prayer Service (Harper Chapel)

• Boy Scout Troop 11 (Scout Hut)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

9:00am • Above All Women (Fellowship Hall)

10:00am • *GriefShare* Support Group (Off campus)

11:45am • Lunch (Fellowship Hall)

12:30pm • Bible Study: *Psalms & Proverbs* (Fellowship Hall)

5:00pm • Supper (Fellowship Hall)

5:30pm • Covenant Choir (grades 3-5) (Room C205)

5:45pm • Junior High ROOTS (Rooms 352, 354)

6:00pm • Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

• Instrumental Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

• *DivorceCare* Support Grp (Formal Dining Rm)

6:15pm • Age 0-2: Nursery (Room C213)

• Age 2-3: Bible lesson (Room C215)

• Age 4-5: Study/Cherub Choir (C201/C205)

• Grades 1-2: Carol Choir/Study (C205/C201)

6:15pm • Grades 3-5: WOW Bible Study (Room C301)

• Study: *Getting Older* (Harper Chapel)

• Study: *Parenting* (Room B304)

• Study: *The Kingdom of Heaven* (Room B303)

• Study: *Encouraging Blended Families* (B306)

• Study: *Exodus* (Room B314)

• Revive Women: *1 Corinthians* (Room B206)

6:30pm • Bible Study: *Psalms & Proverbs* (Fellowship Hall, live stream)

• Radiance Women (Off campus)

7:30pm • Senior High ROOTS (Room 352)

• Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 402)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

7:30am • Men's Bible Fellowship: *Deuteronomy*

(Formal Dining Room, Zoom)

9:30am • Women: *Blessed/Revelation* (Rm B301, Zoom)

• Women: *Anxious for Nothing* (Room B311)

• Women: *Book of Galatians* (Room B312)

• Women: *Book of Romans* (Room B315)

11:00am • Women's Community Study: *Romans VIII* (B303)

12:00pm • Christian Men's Fellowship (Formal Dining Rm)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

5:30pm • Buddy Break (Room C205)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

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