

Ministry News

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

FAMILY BLESSING CLASS FOR PARENTS OF 2's & 3's

All parents of 2- and 3-year-olds are invited to a Family Blessing Class on **Sunday, February 26**, 9:30–10:30am in Room C202. Drop off your kids and join us for breakfast as you learn how to pray God's blessing over your child. RSVP to Evelyn Penkert by **February 21** (epenkert@firstpresgreenville.org).

A SUMMER JOB THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Need a summer job, but want to really make a difference? The Children's Ministry team is looking for two 30 hour/week interns. Contact Tina Jones (tjones@firstpresgreenville.org) for an application.

Fine Arts Ministry, Chelsea Fraser

ELLIE HOLCOMB IN CONCERT MARCH 3

Singer/songwriter Ellie Holcomb will be performing a solo concert at First Presbyterian Church on **Friday, March 3**, at 7:00pm. Come experience Ellie's exuberant, Spirit-filled performance in an intimate way. Ellie has won two Dove Awards and has performed with Third Day, MercyMe, Steven Curtis Chapman, Amy Grant, Chris Tomlin, and more. Her projects include three full-length solo albums and two children's books with original companion songs.

Get your tickets now at FirstPresGreenville.org!



VOLUNTEER AT THE ELLIE HOLCOMB CONCERT

Our Events Ministry needs volunteers—hosts, ticket-takers, ushers, and trained crowd managers for the Ellie Holcomb concert on **March 3**. Sign up at FirstPresGreenville.org/signature-events or contact Linda Sholtis at LSholtis@firstpresgreenville.org.

First Presbyterian Academy, Tom Roe

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. Please contact Vicky Burr, vburr@shannonforest.com or 565.0991, for details.

First Pres Nursery School, Beth Plyler

SUMMER@1ST HIRING STAFF

Summer@1st is hiring for positions with First Pres Nursery School and First Pres Sports for **seven weeks this summer**. We are looking for energetic, flexible, responsible, and loving staff to work with children age 3 months–4 years old and K5–8th grade students. Please contact Beth Plyler, bplyler@firstpresgreenville.org, for more information.

Men's Ministry, Charlie Buchanan

SAVE THE DATE FOR MEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

The 2023 PURSUIT Men's Discipleship Weekend is **April 21-23** at Awanita Valley Christian Camp & Retreat Center in partnership with 3GEN Ministries. Come for a rich time of fellowship, discipleship, and adventure! Space is limited, so register early at 3GENministries.org. The first 50 men who register from FPC can enter "FPC50" at checkout for a \$50 discount.

Missions, Brian Stewart

THANK YOU FOR YELLOW BAG DONATIONS!

In spite of chilly, wet weather last weekend, the warmth and goodness of our congregation was on full display! Over 6,200 pounds of clothing and accessories were collected, representing a 24 percent increase over last year. The income generated through sales of your donations at Miracle Hill thrift stores directly supports the mission to help the homeless, hungry, and hurting within our community. Thank you for your generosity!

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. Register by **February 26**; contact Joy Sturgis, jsturgis@firstpresgreenville.org.

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. This clay shoot is a fundraiser for the ministry of Steven and Natalie Hall, serving with

SEND for the last 20 years. Register for teams and individuals, as well as sponsorships, at GASCCSC.org. Questions? Contact Steven Hall at shall@send.org or 907.320.0158.

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. Throughout the weekend we will address core beliefs, what it means to be a part of the church, and how the gospel affects our everyday life. Sign up online at firstpresgreenville.org (*Ministry Events, Students*). Contact Autumn Clark, aclark@firstpresgreenville.org, for details.

CULTIVATE SUMMER INTERNSHIP 2023

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, Tina Jones, Susan Messer, Beth Plyler

REGISTER NOW FOR SUMMER CAMPS

Sign up for summer camps! Find details and register soon at FirstPresGreenville.org (Events tab, Ministry Events). Space is limited.

Monday–Thursday, June 19–22

Vacation Bible School (free)

9:00am–12:00pm • rising K5–4th grades

Summer Day Missions (free)

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

Summer Music Camp (free)

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

Monday–Friday, June 5–July 28

Summer Sports Camp

Youth Camp: K5–5th grades, 9:00am–12:00pm

Junior Camp: 6th–8th grades, 1:00–4:00pm

Summer@First Nursery School Camp—wait list

9:00am–2:00pm • 3 months–4 years old

Email bplyler@firstpresgreenville.org.

Announcements

COMMUNION FEBRUARY 19

This Sunday, February 19, we will observe the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during our worship services at 8:30am, 10:45am Ignite, and 11:00am.

175th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION MARCH 5

Our congregation will celebrate our 175th anniversary on **Sunday, March 5**, giving thanks to God for His faithfulness and expressing our deep dependency on Him for the future. Our guest speaker that day will be the 62nd Chaplain of the United States Senate, Rev. Dr. Barry Black. We will hold only two services, at 9:00am and 11:00am in the Sanctuary, with an informal reception in the new gathering space between the two services.

MIDDLE EAST EARTHQUAKE RELIEF FUND

The Outreach Foundation, one of FPC's major international mission partners, has set up a fund in partnership with the Aleppo College (a Synod school run by the Presbyterian Church) in Syria and Turkey to open a relief center for those affected by the earthquakes on February 6. For details and to give online, visit TheOutreachFoundation.org/middle-east-earthquake-relief. Or write a check to FPC, memo "Earthquake Appeal."

ASSOCIATE PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEES

On Sunday, February 12, the congregation elected two Associate Pastor Nominating Committees:

Executive Pastor—Chuck Simmons (chair), Craig Bailey, Jonathan Barrington, Belinda Manley, Edith Parks, Jane Sykes, Jason Terry

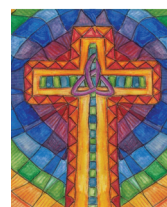
Congregational Care Associate Pastor—Chad Brown (chair), Cathy Castle, Emily Doll, Richard Harper, Rob Hassold, Nancy Lusk, Carlton Manley

SERVE ON THE SANCTUARY GUILD!

It takes a team to keep the Sanctuary looking beautiful. Sanctuary Guild volunteers straighten and replenish the pew racks throughout the week. For details or to join the Guild, contact Linda Sholtis (LSholtis@firstpresgreenville.org or 235.0496).

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one on **Sunday, March 5 or April 16**, call 235.0496.



Everyone is invited to
Take Me to the Cross
Lenten Worship & Prayer Service

Wednesday, February 22
6:15–7:15pm in Harper Chapel

presented by Children's & Student Ministries
Worship & Music • FPC Prayer Team

Questions? Contact Karen King
kking@firstpresgreenville.org • 565.0936

Member News

CONGRATULATIONS

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to **Mr. and Mrs. Chris Butler (Abby)** on the birth of a son, Canon Drew Butler, on February 10.

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to **Mrs. Sylvia Evette** in the death of her father, Charles Grisham of Beaufort, SC, on February 10.

The family of Alice Robinson. Mrs. Robinson died on February 12.

IN MEMORIAM

Alice S. Robinson

January 2, 1938 – February 12, 2023

Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19

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 D306)

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, FEBRUARY 20

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

• Boy Scout Troop 11 (Scout Hut)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

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 D302, D306)

6:00pm • Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

• 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* (Room B302)

• 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)

• *Take Me to the Cross* (Harper Chapel)

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

• Radiance Women (Off campus)

7:30pm • Senior High ROOTS (Room D302)

• Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Room 402)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

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: *Book of Colossians* (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, FEBRUARY 24

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

