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Ministry News

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL PLANNING

Vacation Bible School 2021 will be **June 21-24!** We are excited that we'll be able to both host families on campus and offer a virtual option so everyone can be included. VBS provides a unique opportunity for parents and kids of all ages to get involved. For our planning, we need an early feel for the area you and your family would like to serve. Please respond to let us know if you are interested in serving:

- Behind-the-scenes prior to VBS;
- In-person at the church the week of VBS;
- Off-campus virtually the week of VBS.

Contact Tina Jones (tjones@firstpresgreenville.org, 565.9021) to volunteer or find out more. Watch the *GrapeVine* for registration information.

College Ministry

GALLIVAN-MILLS SCHOLARSHIP FOR 2021-2022

The Gallivan-Mills Scholarship is granted each year to college undergraduate and seminary students who are FPC members. Applications are available at the FPC Reception Desk and online at FirstPresGreenville.org/gmscholarshipapp.pdf. Submit your completed scholarship application, with attachments, to the Gallivan-Mills Scholarship Committee (drop off at the Reception Desk or email to Heather Swofford) no later than **Wednesday, March 31**. Questions? Contact Heather Swofford (hbhg316@gmail.com, 864.380.2099).

Discipleship Ministry, Claire Ripley

NEW MEMBER WEEKEND APRIL 23, 24, 25

Are you interested in making First Presbyterian your church home? We invite you to attend our next *New Member Weekend Friday-Sunday, April 23-25*. Come discover more about the vision, discipleship, and outreach of FPC! Childcare is available upon request. For details, contact Autumn Clark (aclarke@firstpresgreenville.org) or Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley, (cripley@firstpresgreenville.org).

First Pres Nursery School, Beth Plyler

SUMMER@1ST SUMMER CAMPS

Summer@1st is designed for infants through 3 year olds for the months of June and July, with fun activities, free play, crafts and snacks, musical activities, playground time, and of course, daily Bible stories. Flexible registration and sibling discounts are available. Campers can attend 2, 3, or 5 days per week; choose the weeks that work for your family. Enroll at FirstPresNurserySchool.org (click Programs; scroll down to Summer@1st). Questions? Contact Beth Plyler, Summer@1st Director (565.0940, summer@firstpresgreenville.org).

Light & Life Ministry, Stan Johnson

40 DAYS FOR LIFE MOVEMENT

The Light & Life Ministry of First Pres invites you to participate in the 40 Days for Life movement, which aims to end abortion locally through prayer and fasting, community outreach, and a peaceful all-day vigil in front of abortion businesses. Over the 40 days of Lent, prayer vigils are being held outside the Greenville Women's Clinic on Grove Road. Sign up at 40daysforlife.com or contact Judy Masterson at 864.506.0964.

Men's Ministry, Claire Ripley

ALL MEN INVITED: PURSUIT WEEKENDS

3Gen Ministries' 2021 plan for the Men's annual Pursuit Discipleship Weekend involves smaller groups meeting on a weekend during **late March and April**. The Pursuit Weekends will conclude with an outdoor celebration night on **Monday, May 3**, at the Saluda Outdoor Center. Details are at 3GenMinistries.org/ events. To lead a group or join a group or if you have questions, contact Michael Trotter (trottermichael1@gmail.com or 803.984.5242).

Missions & Outreach, Brian Stewart

2021 GASCC OF SC: REGISTRATION OPEN

The 8th Annual Great Alaska Sporting Clay Classic of South Carolina, benefiting Send North missionaries Steven and Natalie Hall, will be held on **Friday, April 23**, at The Clinton House in Clinton, SC. Visit 2021gasccsc.eventbrite.com for registration and sponsorships. Questions? Please contact Steven Hall at shall@send.org.

Women's Ministry, Claire Ripley

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

The women's Community Bible Study has begun! Lisa Van Riper will facilitate "Contending for the Faith in Today's Culture—Insights from the Book of Jude," by Jackie Hill Perry, on **Thursdays**, 11:00am–1:00pm in the Church Parlor.

Join this group of ladies from churches across Greenville to gain instruction from the book of Jude on how to present Christ to a questioning culture. Be equipped to identify the counterfeits to biblical Christianity by becoming more grounded in the Word of God.



Announcements

COMMUNION ON SUNDAY, MARCH 14

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at all services on **Sunday, March 14**.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

March 28 Palm Sunday

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

April 1 Maundy Thursday (free tickets required)

7:00pm Communion

April 4 Easter Sunday (free tickets required)

8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am Traditional (Sanctuary)
10:45am Ignite (Fellowship Hall)

In anticipation of larger attendance during Holy Week, tickets will be required for our Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday services. Reserve free tickets at FirstPresEaster.com.

CONGRATULATIONS TO REV. DR. STEWART!

Earlier this month Pastor Brian Stewart successfully completed the oral defense of his thesis entitled *Initiating a Missional Discipleship Movement in a Historic, Mainline Congregation: An Adaptive Leadership Study at First Presbyterian Church, SC*. He will be awarded the Doctor of Ministry degree from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary in Boston, MA, this May.

HELP DECORATE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER!

We invite you to order Easter Flowers in honor or memory of loved ones. Visit FirstPresGreenville.org (Easter flowers icon) or fill out a form from the literature racks, and return it with your payment (\$15 each) to the church office, by **Wednesday, March 24**.



SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of loved ones on **Sunday, March 14 or April 11, 18, or 25**, please contact Trish Alford, 235.0496.



Memorials & Honors

AGAPE CLASS FUND

In memory of

Dottie Ayers by Mr. Larry Klamforth; Mrs. Clara Shive

Dottie Cole by Mrs. Clara Shive

Marie Parker by Mrs. Clara Shive; Don and Sue Ciucci

Jackie Rudder by Mrs. Clara Shive

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

Ray Denny by the Walker Family: Sharon Boyd, Lewis Walker III, Geoffrey Walker, June Walker

Sally MacArthur by Rev. John G. Seabrook Jr.

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY

In memory of

Wake Myers by Steve and Kathy Horvath

Earle Russell Jr. by Mrs. Dorothy Ramseur

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

Mary Taylor by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brennecke

Member News

CONGRATULATIONS

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to **Mr. and Mrs. Steve Murray (Amy)** on the birth of a grandson, Lucas Joshua Hyatt, on March 3. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Hyatt (Rachel) of Fairbanks, AK.

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to **The family of Jerry Gallant**. Mrs. Gallant died on January 17.

The family of Peggy Wimberly. Mrs. Wimberly died on March 1.

Mrs. Teresa Cox in the death of her husband, Phil Cox, on March 3.

IN MEMORIAM

Jerry Howle Gallant

October 23, 1927 – January 17, 2021

Margaret Howerton "Peggy" Wimberly

December 6, 1938 – March 1, 2021

James Phillip "Phil" Cox Sr.

September 30, 1953 – March 3, 2021

Calendar for the Week

COMMUNION SUNDAY, MARCH 14

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

Please read COVID guidelines before coming on campus.

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

9:30am • Children's Nursery & Programs (birth–5th gr)

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)

MONDAY, MARCH 15

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

7:00pm • Community Bible Study (Zoom)

TUESDAY, MARCH 16

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

8:45am • Women: Elijah (Zoom)

8:30am • Women: A Woman's Words (Room 305)

6:30pm • Radiance Women (20s-30s) (Formal Dining Rm)

7:00pm • Boy Scout Troop 11 (Scout Hut)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

10:00am • Above All Women: Psalm 23 (FPC, Zoom, Off campus)

11:45pm • Lunch (Fellowship Hall)

12:30pm • Bible Study: Romans (Fellowship Hall)

4:30pm • Women: Gospel Project (Zoom)

5:15pm • Supper (Fellowship Hall)

5:45pm • Age 0-2: Nursery (Room 215B)

• Age 2-3: Bible lesson (Room 215D)

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

6:15pm • Age 4-5: Study/Cherub Choir (Rm 316/317)

• Grades 1-2: Carol Choir/Study (Rm 317/316)

• Grades 3-5: WOW Bible Study (Room 318)

• Study: In the Beginning (Formal Dining Rm)

6:30pm • Bible Study: Romans (Fellowship Hall, live stream)

• Radiance Women (20s-30s): A Woman's Words (FPC)

7:30pm • Senior High ROOTS (Youth 352)

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

9:00am • Men's Bible Fellowship (Zoom)

9:30am • Women: Who Is Jesus? (Off campus, Zoom)

• Women: Exodus (Room 303)

• Abide for Women: Growing in God's Family (Room 308, Zoom)

11:00am • Women's Community Bible Study: Jude (Parlor)

12:00pm • Christian Men's Fellowship: Rev. Bob Jones, speaker (Fellowship Hall)

6:30pm • Radiance Women (20s-30s): A Woman's Words (Room 303)

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

Pastor of the Day: Claire Ripley (423.2064)

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

Pastor of the Day: Claire Ripley (423.2064)

Looking Ahead

March 14	Communion
March 28	Palm Sunday
April 1	Maundy Thursday: 7:00pm (free tickets* required)
April 4	Easter Sunday: 8:00, 9:30, 10:45 Ignite, 11:00am (free tickets* required)
*Reserve free tickets at FirstPresEaster.com.	
March & April	Men's Pursuit Discipleship and Adventure Weekends
April 23-25	New Member Weekend

