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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).

First Pres Nursery School, Beth Plyler

SUMMER@1ST SUMMER CAMPS

Due to construction, our 2021 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).

Foster & Adoption Ministry, Tina Jones

DONATE SMALL SUITCASES FOR FOSTER CHILDREN

Do you have any small suitcases that are just taking up space in your attic? Put them to good use. Children and youth in foster care, who move an average of seven times before the age of 18, usually leave abruptly, with just a few personal belongings thrown in a plastic bag. A simple thing like a suitcase of one's own can make such a difference. Drop off your donations in the Children's Ministry hallway.

Life Connections Ministry, Claire Ripley

SPRING WEDNESDAY ADVANTAGE SCHEDULE

March 17 Wednesday Advantage
March 24 Wednesday Advantage
March 31 **Holy Week:** No Wednesday Advantage
April 7 **Spring Break:** No Wednesday Advantage
April 14 Wednesday Advantage
April 21 Final Wednesday Advantage

#FPCfollowme THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

As the New Testament teaches, becoming a disciple is far more than an intellectual exercise. When Jesus called people into a relationship, he called them into a whole new life and way of being. To the religious scholar asking deep questions about eternal life, Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God with all of your heart, mind, soul and strength, and love your neighbor as yourself." This call to follow Jesus is a call for the transformation of the heart intended to impact every area of life. How are you following Jesus' commandment to love Him with your whole being? Are you intentional about spending time in God's Word on a regular basis? In your busiest days, do you make room for prayer? How will you worship Him today?

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 (aclark@firstpresgreenville.org) or Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley (cripley@firstpresgreenville.org). Register at FirstPresGreenville.org (New Member Weekend icon).

Missions & Outreach, Brian Stewart

NEIGHBORHOOD FOCUS PAR 3 FOR HOPE

Neighborhood Focus will host its 3rd annual *Par 3 for Hope* on **Thursday, April 22**, at 2:00pm at 3's Greenville (formerly Cross Winds). Join us for an afternoon golf benefit to raise needed support for the 2021 Summer Enrichment Program. Two-man teams (\$250) and individuals (\$125) will compete for a variety of prizes, including a \$30,000 hole-in-one prize. Hole sponsorships (\$500), which include a two-person team, are available. For more details or to register, contact Keith Groce (864.704.7848, kgroce@neighborhoodfocus.org).

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 2021gascsc.eventbrite.com for registration and sponsorships. Questions? Please contact Steven Hall at shall@send.org.

Prayer Ministry, Stan Johnson

SAVE THE DATE: NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Plan to join us on **Thursday, May 6**, for Greenville's 2021 National Day of Prayer Gathering at 6:30pm in our Sanctuary. Music by Steve Eager will begin at 5:45pm. For more details, visit NDOP-Greenville.com/home.

Stewardship Ministry, Andy Douglas

ARE YOU A FINANCIAL PROFESSIONAL?

Join our new ministry! Because of the growing need for Christian-based financial counseling among our covenant partners and our community, we are implementing a new First Pres financial ministry. **Our first step** is compiling a list of advisors willing to provide high-quality, one-to-one, Christ-centered care to people experiencing financial difficulties. **The next step** will be providing training in confidentiality guidance and biblical foundation resources. **Please consider** offering your expertise. To find out more, contact Andy Douglas (565.0962, adouglas@firstpresgreenville.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

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)

Tickets will be required for our Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday services. Reserve free tickets at FirstPresEaster.com.

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, April 11, 18, or 25**, please contact Trish Alford, 235.0496.



Member News

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to **Mr. and Mrs. Dylan Schaefer (Lei) and family** in the death of her sister, Elizabeth Callaway Grimball of Greenville, on March 10.

Mrs. Olive McCord in the death of her son, David Donald McCord of Little River, SC, on March 11.

Dr. and Mrs. Johnny Goforth (Rhonda) in the death of her father, Carol Hugh Calcutt of Pamlico, SC, on February 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Goforth (Brantley) in the death of his grandfather, Carol Hugh Calcutt of Pamlico, SC, on February 25, and to Charlotte, Jack, and Zimiya Goforth in the death of their great-grandfather.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Scales (Lee Anne) in the death of her grandfather, Carol Hugh Calcutt of Pamlico, SC, on February 25.

Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

Pastor of the Day: Claire Ripley (423.2064)

Please read COVID guidelines before coming on campus.

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

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

• Youth Sunday School (Room 354)

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 22

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

6:00pm • Diaconate Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

7:00pm • Community Bible Study (Zoom)

TUESDAY, MARCH 23

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 24

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

10:00am • Above All Women: *Psalms 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 • Junior High ROOTS (Rooms 352, 354)

6:00pm • Age 0-3: Nursery (Room 215D)

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 25

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 26

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

Looking Ahead

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 21 Final Wednesday Advantage

April 23-25 New Member Weekend

This SUNDAY

Sunday Worship

MARCH 21, 2021

8:30am & 11:00am Worship • *Sanctuary*
10:45am IGNITE Worship • *Fellowship Hall*

Series: "NEVERTHELESS"
Matthew 14:22-36
Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

Live Stream Sunday Morning Worship
For updates, visit
FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestream
and FPC's Facebook page.

This WEDNESDAY

MARCH 24, 2021

Bible Study (12:30pm, 6:30pm)
Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons: *Romans*
Classes for all ages (see calendar)

Wednesday Meals (11:45am, 5:15pm)
Sliced Turkey, Baked Ham
Cornbread Dressing, Glazed Sweet Potatoes
Green Beans with onions, Buttered Carrots
Macaroni and Cheese, Mixed Greens
Salad, Bread, Dessert

Live Streaming

Sunday Traditional Worship

8:30am–9:35am • Sanctuary
11:00am–12:15pm • Sanctuary
Live Streaming:
Facebook, YouTube, and
FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestream

Sunday IGNITE Modern Worship

10:45am–11:55am • Fellowship Hall
Facebook page and YouTube channel for
live streaming the Ignite worship service:
Live Streaming:
Ignite Facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresIgnite/>
Ignite YouTube page:
<http://bit.ly/firstpresigniteworship>

Wednesday Bible Study

12:30pm–1:00pm • Fellowship Hall
6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall
Live Streaming (6:30pm only):
Facebook, YouTube, and
FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestream

Please "like" & "subscribe" for easy access.

Prayer & Care

Encouragement & Support

If you would like a **Prayer Minister** to call and pray with you, or a member of our **Cancer Caring Ministry** to reach out to you, please contact Congregational Care Director Tammy Burkhalter, by email to tburkhalter@firstpresgreenville.org.
If you are in need of prayer or pastoral care, please contact the Pastor of the Day (see the calendar).

To share prayer requests with the Prayer Team:
call 565.0970
or email

prayer@firstpresgreenville.org

PRAYER REQUEST LINES

Congregational Care Director
Tammy Burkhalter: 565.0943
Prayer Appointments: 565.0960
Prayer Requests: 565.0970

PRAYER List

Susan Black, **David Boggs**, Ann Bush, Cathy Chandler, Sydney Clark, Joy Clawson, Amelia Cryer, Levi Daniel, Peggy Denny, Greg Dobson, *Gayle Duggan*, Betsy Farnsworth, Tom Finley, Allie Fish, Malcolm Floyd, Becky Garcia, Pam Goldman, Natalie Hall, T.G. Hanner, Sherry Hooper, Amy Hunter, **Betty Kabas**, Rami Kozaily, Sandra Lamb, Jennifer Loft, Gerald Loyless, Anne Lybrand, Doug MacCallum, Jane MacCallum, Janet MacCallum, Roberta Maddox, Bill Marks, Bobbie McCall, Deryl McKinney, Barbara McKenzie, Judy Meadors, **John Michels**, Lindy Miller, Alex Olyarchuk, Charlotte Parr, Jane Petrilli, Myra Phillips, Charles Scales III, Jeff Shelton, Carrie Stringer, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, **Dale Tompkins**, Charlene Vohs, John Vohs, Elizabeth "Liz" Williams, Esther Wilson, Jan Zimmermann

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TELEVISION

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

ONLINE GIVING



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

Easter Angels Project for the Summit

Help spread Good News to the
residents at the Greenville Summit!
Pick up Easter cards from the Loggia,
color them, write personal notes of
encouragement, and return them
to the basket in the Loggia by
Sunday, March 28.

The cards will be given to the
residents on Monday, March 29.

Questions? Contact Karen King
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The Greenville Summit
Apartments, right across
Washington Street
from the church, are
affordable housing units
for low income and
elderly residents. Our
church supports the
Summit through missions,
Bible studies, visitation,
supplies, cards, and treats
throughout the year.

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THE GRAPEVINE

"I am the vine; you
are the branches." JOHN 15:5