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Ministry News

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

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 notes of encouragement, and return them to the basket in the Loggia by **this Sunday, March 28**. Cards will be delivered to the residents on Monday, March 29. *Questions?* Contact Karen King (kking@firstpresgreenville.org, 565.0936).

JOIN THE PALM PARADE!

On Palm Sunday, **March 28**, we invite all children to process through a Sunday morning service waving palm branches. To join in, children should meet in Memorial Hall at 8:25 or 10:55 (traditional) or at the preschool check-in desk at 10:40 (Ignite).

REGISTER KIDS FOR EASTER

Because we anticipate a larger attendance for our Easter services, be sure to reserve your child's place in Sunday School and Kids Church ahead of time at FirstPresGreenville.org/ministries/children. Space is limited.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 21-24

Paralleling our church's building project, God is using us to build a foundation in our children at *Concrete & Cranes* Vacation Bible School for **rising K5–rising 4th graders, June 21-24**, 9:00am–12:00noon. Registration opens **April 1**. Be sure to secure your child's place soon (and your own place to serve) at FirstPresGreenville.org (*Featured Events, CHILDREN*). Choose the on-campus or virtual option. Volunteers may sign up to bring their younger children when they register to volunteer.

For details, contact Evelyn Penkert at epenkert@firstpresgreenville.org. *Register by June 1 and receive a free T-shirt!*

DAY MISSIONS JUNE 21-24

We've listened and know that you want Day Missions this summer for rising 5th graders and up. We are preparing tentative mission locations that meet COVID guidelines. Because kids' placement in groups depends on available chaperones, early registration is important. Register at FirstPresGreenville.org (*Featured Events, CHILDREN*) beginning **April 1**. For details, contact Karen King at kking@firstpresgreenville.org. *Register by June 1 and receive a free T-shirt!*

College Ministry

GALLIVAN-MILLS SCHOLARSHIP APPS DUE

Gallivan-Mills Scholarship applications are due no later than **Wednesday, March 31**. Drop off at the Reception Desk or email to Heather Swofford. *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 KIDS

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 31 **Holy Week:** No Wednesday Advantage
April 7 **Spring Break:** No Wednesday Advantage
April 14 Wednesday Advantage
April 21 Final evening Wednesday Advantage

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*).

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).

REGISTER FOR 2021 GASCC OF SC

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

HEALING & PRAYER SERVICE RESUMES APRIL 6

The Tuesday Evening *Healing & Prayer Service* in Harper Chapel resumes **April 6** and will again be held each **Tuesday** at 7:00pm. Come and receive God's love, peace, hope, and healing through prayer and the work of the Holy Spirit. Prayers are kept strictly confidential.

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).

Announcements

2021 FIRST GLANCE MAGAZINE



The 2021 First Glance was mailed to covenant partners last week, and is also available in the church literature racks. Within this magazine you will find ministry updates, congregational priorities, and personal stories of how God is using First Presbyterian to be further committed to transforming the heart of this energized, lively, growing city. You can view the electronic magazine with added videos at FirstPresGreenville.org (click *Media, Publications, First Glance 2021*).

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 the receptionist at 235.0496.



Member News

CONGRATULATIONS

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to
Mr. and Mrs. John Bomar (Kaitlyn) on the birth of a son, Bennett Falls Bomar, on May 27, 2020.
Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Stair (Laura) on the birth of a daughter, Caroline Elaine Stair, on February 28.
Dr. and Mrs. Ryan Paulk (Kara) on the birth of a son, Hal Otho Paulk, on March 19.

Memorials & Honors

AGAPE CLASS FUND

In honor of

Joann Reed by Mrs. Jane Brennecke

In memory of

Dottie Ayers by Circle 6

MUSIC MINISTRY FUND

In memory of

Jerry Gallant by the Agape Class

David McCord by the Agape Class

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY

In memory of

Wake Myers by Lydia B. Matthews

Phil Cox by Michael and Kelly Branning; Mr. and Mrs. James Childers; Russell and Cathy Collins; Susie Roberts; Lori Vale; Mike and Cheryl Cassel; Dwayne and Pam Hill; Tom and Mary Lang Edwards; Bruce and Barbara Cox; The Garrison Family; Donna Horton; J Michael Manley Team Intl, LLC; Greater Greenville Association of REALTORS; Better Business Bureau of the Upstate; Jamie Gomez; Andrew Wheeler; Debbie Gibson, Julie Thornton, Debra Ondruch and Jennifer Camp of Ted A. Cox, P.C.; Mr. Steve Worrell; Ms. Taimekia Bullock

Calendar for the Week

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 28

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

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 29

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

7:00pm • Community Bible Study (Zoom)

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

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 31

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 1

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

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

7:00pm • Maundy Thursday Communion Service (Sanctuary, live stream)

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)

SATURDAY, APRIL 3

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)

Looking Ahead

March 28 Palm Sunday
(no ticket required)

April 1 Maundy Thursday: 7:00pm
(free tickets* required)

April 4 Easter Sunday:
8:00am (tickets* remaining);
9:30, 10:45 Ignite, 11:00am
(full—watch by livestream)

***Reserve free tickets at FirstPresEaster.com.**

April Men's Pursuit Discipleship and
Adventure Weekends

April 21 Final Wednesday Advantage

April 22 Neighborhood Focus Event

April 23 Send North GASSC Event

April 23-25 New Member Weekend

Susan Black, David Boggs, Ann Bush, 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, John Michels, Lindy Miller, Alex Olyarchuk, Charlotte Parr, Jane Petrilli, Myra Phillips, Charles Scales III, Jeff Shelton, Carrie Stringer, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, Charlene Vohs, John Vohs, Elizabeth "Liz" Williams, Esther Wilson, Jan Zimmermann

*Wednesday Advantage meals,
classes, and Bible Studies
resume April 14.*

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Go to *FirstPresEaster.com* for tickets and Livestream links.