

Ministry News

Activities Ministry

TRAVEL TO HISTORIC VIRGINIA & DC

September 19-24, 2021

Travel with Dr. Gibbons to experience the history and charm of Richmond, Charlottesville, Colonial Williamsburg, and Washington, DC. Highlights include Monticello, Maymont Estate and Gardens, Museum of the Bible, and much more! Trip cost includes five nights at the Hyatt House Richmond-West, deluxe motorcoach transportation, all breakfasts, three dinners, and gratuities. Space is limited; \$1330 (double), \$1650 (single). To register, send \$500 per person deposit to First Presbyterian Church, ATTN: Registrar, 200 West Washington Street, Greenville, SC 29601.

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

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. 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

For rising 5th graders and up this summer, we are preparing tentative mission locations that meet COVID guidelines. Because kids' placement in groups depends on available chaperones, please register early at FirstPresGreenville.org (*Featured Events, CHILDREN*). For details, contact Karen King at kking@firstpresgreenville.org. Register by June 1 and receive a free T-shirt!

First Presbyterian Academy, Tom Roe

FPA SPRING PLAY APRIL 29 & 30

First Presbyterian Academy at Shannon Forest will present the spring drama, "The Murder Mystery at the Murder Mystery," on **Thursday, April 29**, and **Friday, April 30**, at 7:00pm in the Upper School Gymnasium. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults and \$5 for elementary children. You're invited to come and support our Academy students!

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. 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).

Life Connections Ministry, Claire Ripley

WEDNESDAY ADVANTAGE SCHEDULE

Evening Wednesday Advantage and supper have ended for this semester and will resume in the fall. Wednesday lunch and midday Bible study will continue through **June 30**, with breaks on April 28, May 5, and June 23.

Men's Ministry, Claire Ripley

MEN'S BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

Men's Bible Fellowship will resume in-person meetings (while also continuing to Zoom) on **Thursday, May 13**, at 7:30am with breakfast at 8:30am (\$4). Until then, the group meets on **Thursday mornings**, 9:00–10:15am via Zoom. Men of all ages are invited to join this Bible study. Contact Ron Kennett (kennetts4usc@gmail.com) for Zoom connection codes.

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Christian Men's Fellowship invites retired and nearly retired men to their program every **Thursday** at 12:00pm in Fellowship Hall. If you wish to reserve a lunch (\$8), contact Charlotte Joye (cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org or 565.0956).

Missions, Brian Stewart

SUPPORT PCSC MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING MAY 9

At this time of year, South Carolina Presbyterian churches participate in an offering for older residents in the Presbyterian Communities of SC, who despite responsible saving, need financial assistance to stay in their retirement home. Their average age is 89! Offering envelopes will be available in our literature racks on Mother's Day, or visit PresCommunities.org to contribute online.

Prayer Ministry, Stan Johnson

TUESDAY EVENING HEALING & PRAYER SERVICE

The Tuesday Evening *Healing & Prayer Service* in Harper Chapel is 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.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER GATHERING MAY 6

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 5:30pm. For more details, visit NDOP-Greenville.com/home.

Worship & Music Ministry

GREENVILLE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AT FPC

First Pres is hosting the Greenville Symphony Orchestra concert "Sensational Strings" in our Sanctuary on **May 1** (8:00pm) and **May 2** (3:00pm). General admission tickets (\$35) are available by calling the Peace Center Box Office (864.467.3000). Visit GreenvilleSymphony.org.

Announcements

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operations

for nine months ended 03/31/2021

	Actual	Budget
Contributions	\$4,652,524	\$5,035,572
Expenses	<u>\$4,139,182</u>	<u>\$4,911,242</u>
Net income	\$ 513,342	\$ 124,330

Capital Campaign

Transforming the Heart of the City

Collected	\$13,368,899
Commitments	\$18,499,422

Thank you for your continued generosity!

UPCOMING ECO EVENTS AT FPC

First Pres will serve as host to several ECO denominational events on our campus this spring. Beginning April 28, Ordination Candidates from across the nation will gather for two separate retreats. On May 4, the ECO Synod Executive Council will hold their annual meeting, led by Rev. Dr. Dana Allin, Synod Executive. Finally, on May 5 and 6, Presbytery Leaders from 22 Presbyteries across the nation will gather for their annual meeting. We are grateful for your prayers as we serve our denomination for these upcoming events.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of loved ones on **Sunday, May 2, 9, 16, or 30**, contact the receptionist at 235.0496.



Member News

CONGRATULATIONS

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb McClain (Elizabeth) on the birth of a son, Theodore Ridgeway McClain, on April 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Morris (Sarah) on the birth of a daughter, Elizabeth Grace Morris, on April 13.

Dr. and Mrs. John Bruch (Jane Anne) on the birth of a grandson, John Granger Foster, on April 15. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Scott Foster (Virginia) of Birmingham, AL.

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to

Mr. Belton O'Neill in the death of his wife, Jo O'Neill, on April 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Robinson (Jeanne) in the death of her mother, Jo O'Neill, on April 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Rick Kalk (Fran) in the death of her mother, Carolyn White of Greenville, on April 19.

IN MEMORIAM

Josephine Ricci O'Neill

April 7, 1932 – April 18, 2021

Memorials & Honors

AGAPE CLASS FUND

In memory of

Marie Parker by Mrs. Dorothy Rollins

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

Betty Kabas by Phil and Shelby Williams; Ms. Mary Seiley; Bradshaw, Gordon & Clinkscales, LLC ; Ms. Nancy Cox

Jim Williams by Ms. Gena McGowan; Mr. and Mrs. Gary Schlansker; Mrs. Mary Jane Myers; Dwight and Lee Odom; Nita Hopkins; Mr. John Cooter; Ms. Mary Gaston; The Todd Anderson Family and The Thomas N. Anderson Family

MUSIC MINISTRY FUND

In memory of

Bill Walker by the Agape Class

MUSIC MINISTRY FUND/CHILDREN'S CHOIR

In memory of

Jim Williams by Mr. and Mrs. Ewan Sweeney Sr.

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY

In memory of

Betty Kabas by Mr. John E. Trexler; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoffman

Jim Williams by Ms. Anne Lybrand; Ms. Phyllis Crist; Beth and Chuck Simmons; Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Manley

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

Dottie Ayers by Mrs. Dorothy Rollins

Sally MacArthur by Mrs. Dorothy Rollins

Jim Williams by Mr. and Mrs. George Creswell; the Covenant Class; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brennecke

Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, APRIL 25

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, APRIL 26

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

6:00pm • Session Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

7:00pm • Community Bible Study (Zoom)

TUESDAY, APRIL 27

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

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

• Healing & Prayer Service (Harper Chapel)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

6:15pm • Study: *In the Beginning* (Formal Dining Rm)

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 29

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

9:30am • Women: *Exodus* (Room 303)

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

12:00pm • Christian Men's Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)

FRIDAY, APRIL 30

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)

SATURDAY, MAY 1

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Looking Ahead

May 6	National Day of Prayer
May 9	PCSC Mother's Day Offering
May 12	Lunch and noon Bible Study resume
June 21-24	VBS and Day Missions
June 30	Final Lunchtime Bible Study

PRAYER List

Sunday Worship