

## Ministry News

*Children's Ministry, Tina Jones*

### CONCRETE & CRANES VBS JUNE 21-24

**Rising K5–rising 4th graders**, grab your hardhats and tools and come explore how Jesus is our foundation at “Concrete & Cranes” VBS, **Monday–Thursday, June 21-24**, 9:00am–12:00noon. Register now at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (*Featured Events, Children*).

Parents and friends—*WE NEED YOU!* Click on the volunteer link to sign up to serve. For details, contact Evelyn Penkert at [epenkert@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:epenkert@firstpresgreenville.org). *Don't forget to register by **June 1** to receive a free T-shirt to wear each day of VBS.* (A few extra T-shirts will be available for \$10 each on a first come, first served basis.)

### DAY MISSIONS JUNE 21-24

For **rising 5th–12th graders, college students, and adults**, Day Missions will be **June 21-24**, 9:00am–12:00noon, at mission locations that meet COVID guidelines. Because students' placement in groups depends on available chaperones, *please register early* at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (*Featured Events, CHILDREN*). For details, contact Karen King at [kking@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:kking@firstpresgreenville.org). *Register by June 1 and receive a free T-shirt!*

### DONATIONS NEEDED FOR DAY MISSIONS

Please donate “Necessity Gift Bag” items for Greenville Summit, Garden Apartments, Towers East, and others in need: *Paper towels, facial tissue, toilet paper, body wash, shampoo, deodorant, dishwashing liquid (for handwashing dishes), laundry detergent, fabric softener, glass cleaner, packaged crackers and snacks, sugar-free snacks, zip-lock bags (any size).* Bring items to the Children's Ministry area by **Sunday, June 13**. Questions? Contact Karen King, [kking@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:kking@firstpresgreenville.org).

*College & Young Adult Ministry, Charlie Buchanan*

### THE GATHERING SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUP

College student home for the summer or young adult? All singles, dating, and married, late teens to early 30s, are invited to join us on **Sunday mornings**, 9:45–10:30am in Room 401. Lee and Margaret Dixon lead this life group with biblical teaching on life topics. Questions? Contact Margaret Dixon ([mdixon21@charter.net](mailto:mdixon21@charter.net), 864.678.0212).

*Congregational Care Ministry, Tammy Burkhalter*

### NEW PASTORAL VISITATION MINISTERS

The Pastoral Visitation Ministers assist the FPC pastors by visiting and sharing God's love, comfort, and hope with our members who are unable to come to church. The Congregational Care Ministry gratefully welcomes our newest PVMs who were commissioned on May 16:

Nancy Bopp	Nancy Harvell
Kim Brakmann	Jane Mills
Kim Cummings	Amy Murray
Barbara Dabney	Stephanie Pierce
Sandi Feldman	Nancy Piper
Bob Fenning	Lise Rollert
Larry Freeman	Maxine Sharp
Laura Griner	Stephanie Troyer
Stephen Griner	Ingrid Weaver

To learn more about the ministry, view our video at [Vimeo.com/firstpresgreenville](http://Vimeo.com/firstpresgreenville) or contact Susan Stewart ([ss Stewart@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:ss Stewart@firstpresgreenville.org), 565.0966).

*Foster & Adoption Ministry, Tina Jones*

### MAY IS FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH

James wrote, “Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: take care of orphans and widows in their affliction, and keep oneself unstained from the world” (James 1:27).

If you feel called to follow through on this mandate in one way or another, we have a place for you. We're not all called to do the same thing, but we're all certainly capable of doing something! Some opportunities include:

- helping with childcare at the annual Foster Family Celebration in October
- assisting families with handyman-type chores
- becoming a foster parent
- offering respite to foster families for an evening or a weekend
- offering rides to medical appointments
- training to become a child advocate or guardian ad litem

- tutoring a foster child
- leading a support group for dads
- becoming a mentor to a foster child

This list is not exhaustive—you may want to help in another way. *Let's discuss your calling!* Contact Tina Jones at [tjones@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:tjones@firstpresgreenville.org).

*Missions, Brian Stewart*

### NEIGHBORHOOD FOCUS SUMMER ENRICHMENT

This June and July, Neighborhood Focus Summer Enrichment Program camps promise to be a special time for the vulnerable children and families served by Neighborhood Focus. Please continue to pray and consider financially supporting the needs of this excellent program for less fortunate kids in the White Horse Road Corridor. For details, contact Keith Groce (864.704.7848, [kgroce@neighborhoodfocus.org](mailto:kgroce@neighborhoodfocus.org)).

### LEAF FELLOWSHIP ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

*How does my faith relate to my career? How do I live out my faith well in a pluralistic age? How might Christians who are committed to Greenville's future invest in the renewal of our city?*

Leaf Fellowship, a nine-month faith, work, and theology discipleship program founded by Redeemer Presbyterian Church in NYC, is partnering with Gotham Fellowship to provide a uniquely Greenville-focused training program in theological, spiritual, and relational formation.

Applications for the upcoming session, **September 2021–April 2022**, are due by **Monday, June 21**. For details and to apply, go to <https://www.leafinstitute.org/fellowship>, or contact Brannon McAllister at [brannon@leafinstitute.org](mailto:brannon@leafinstitute.org) or 347.218.1980.

*Women's Ministry, Claire Ripley*

### WOMEN'S SUMMER STUDIES

- **Lemonade & Learning**—This summer's refreshing monthly study for women will focus on the book of Nehemiah, and will be led by Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley and Leah Cloud. Join us on **second Tuesday mornings—June 8, July 13, August 10**—at 10:00am in the Parlor.
- **Redeeming Love Study begins May 20**—All women are invited to a book study of *Redeeming Love* by Francine Rivers. This is a retelling of God's amazing grace through the classic story found in Hosea. Join us **every other Thursday** beginning **May 20**, 9:30–10:30am. Contact leader Tina Jones ([tjones@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:tjones@firstpresgreenville.org), 565.0921) for location and more details.
- **Video Study of Exodus on Thursdays**—Join us for a video study of Exodus, by Tom Bradford of Torah Class. Led by Kate Hellier ([khellier@bellsouth.net](mailto:khellier@bellsouth.net), 801.3189), this class meets each **Thursday**, 9:30–11:30am in Room 303/304, and welcomes you to join at any time.

## Member News

### CONGRATULATIONS

*The pastors and congregation extend blessings to*

**Mr. and Mrs. Robert John Barreto Jr. (Sullivan)** on the birth of a daughter, Virginia Elizabeth “Libby” Barreto on May 14, and to grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Michael Short Sr. (Suzanne).

### SYMPATHY

*The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to*

**Mr. and Mrs. Sam Howard (Gayle)** in the death of his father, Jesse Samuel Howard Jr. of Nashville, TN, on May 15, and to Will, Eli, and David Howard in the death of their grandfather.

**Rev. and Mrs. Carey Hedgpeth (Betty)** in the death of his sister, Thelma Hedgpeth McIntyre of Lumberton, NC, on May 16.

## Announcements

### 2021 GRADUATES TO BE ANNOUNCED IN JUNE

FPC members and family members who are 2021 (or December 2020) graduates of High School, College, Graduate School, and Seminary will be announced in early June. To be included, complete the form online at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (*Featured Events, Graduates* icon) or contact Tomi Wier ([twier@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:twier@firstpresgreenville.org)) by **Friday, May 28**.



### LEARN ABOUT SERVING AS A CHURCH OFFICER

Covenant partners who have completed the Ministry Leadership Development course and are sensing a call to serve as an Elder or Deacon starting in 2022 are invited to an informational meeting. Come on **Sunday, May 23**, at 5:00 pm or **Wednesday, June 2**, at 6:00 pm. Register with Susan Stewart, [ss Stewart@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:ss Stewart@firstpresgreenville.org).

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of loved ones on **Sunday, May 30**, or a **Sunday in June**, call 235.0496.

### COVID-19 PROTOCOLS

The church is conscious of recent developments with CDC protocols. On May 24 at our scheduled Session meeting, we will discuss changes based on the CDC guidelines for Communities of Faith. We will update the congregation moving forward. Changes will be reflected on our church website at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (COVID-19 icon).

## Memorials & Honors

### AGAPE FELLOWSHIP CLASS FUND

*In memory of*

**Bill and Sarah Walker** by Mrs. Janice Dickenson

**Allie Fish** by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Reed

### CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

*In memory of*

**Allie Fish** by Mandy and Danny Sides; Virginia Sides; Joan Bash

**Betty Kabas** by Mrs. Dee Mitchell McGowan

**Jim Williams** by Jeff and Ellison Hunter; John and Patty Ivy; Joseph and Kay Spratt

### PRAYER MINISTRY FUND

*In memory of*

**Jim Childs** by Charlie and Dottie Bryan; Mrs. Agnes Williams; Scot and Natalie Mann; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Drake; Ms. Marsha Ducker; Mrs. Mary Pate; JMG Realty, Inc.; Dr. Alexander Patrick; Bill and Emmie Smith; Mr. and Mrs. Ewan Sweeney Sr.

### TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY

*In memory of*

**Jim Childs** by Charlie and Cheryl West

**Allie Fish** by the Town of Beech Mountain, NC

**Jo O'Neill** by Charlie and Cheryl West; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fulk

**Chas Thomason** by Charlie and Cheryl West

## Calendar for the Week

### SUNDAY, MAY 23

*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/Senior Recognition (Fellowship Hall, live stream)**

**11:00am • Worship Service (Sanctuary, live stream)**

**5:30pm • Senior Recognition Dinner (Fellowship Hall)**

### MONDAY, MAY 24

*Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)*

**6:00pm • Session Meeting (Fellowship Hall)**

### TUESDAY, MAY 25

*Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)*

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

• Healing & Prayer Service (Harper Chapel)

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

*Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)*

**11:45pm • Lunch (Fellowship Hall)**

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

**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, MAY 27

*Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)*

**7:30am • Men's Bible Fellowship (Formal Dining Room, Zoom)**

**9:30am • Women: Exodus (Room 303)**

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

### FRIDAY, MAY 28

*Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)*

### SATURDAY, MAY 29

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### Sunday Worship

SUNDAY, MAY 23, 2021

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

“ELIJAH:

Perseverance • Providence • Politics”

1 Kings 19:1-14

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

9:30am – Children’s Sunday School

9:30am – Youth Sunday Life Groups

9:45am – Adult Sunday Life Groups

10:30 – Kids Church

### This WEDNESDAY

MAY 26, 2021

*Bible Study (12:30pm)*

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons: *Romans*

*Wednesday Lunch (11:45am)*

Glazed Pork Chops

Stuffed Flounder with Hushpuppies

Seasoned Green Beans, Steamed Rice

Steamed Mixed Vegetables

Oven-browned Potatoes

Salad, Bread, Dessert

### Live Streaming

**Sunday Traditional Worship**

8:30am–9:35am • Sanctuary

11:00am–12:15pm • Sanctuary

Live Streaming:

Facebook page:

[https://www.facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/firstpresgreenville)

[firstpresgreenville](https://www.facebook.com/firstpresgreenville)

FPC YouTube page:

<http://bit.ly/firstpresyoutube>

[FirstPresgreenville.org/media/livestream](http://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>

**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](mailto: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](mailto:prayer@firstpresgreenville.org)

#### PRAYER REQUEST LINES

**Congregational Care Director**

*Tammy Burkhalter: 565.0943*

**Prayer Appointments: 565.0960**

**Prayer Requests: 565.0970**

June Anderson, Emma Barfield, Susan Black, Joy Clawson, Amelia Cryer, Levi Daniel, Greg Dobson, Gayle Duggan, Lori Driscoll, Betsy Farnsworth, Malcolm Floyd, Becky Garcia, **Daisy Garrett**, Pam Goldman, Larry Goodwin, Natalie Hall, T.G. Hanner, Sherry Hooper, Amy Hunter, Rami Kozaily, Sandra Lamb, Ron Lemley, Jennifer Loft, Gerald Loyless, Doug MacCallum, Jane MacCallum, Janet MacCallum, Roberta Maddox, Bill Marks, Jeff Meadors, Bobbie McCall, Barbara McKenzie, John Michels, Lindy Miller, Mozelle Moore, Alex Olyarchuk, Charlotte Parr, Jane Petrilli, Myra Phillips, Charles Scales III, Lori Sharp, Janice Shartle, Jeff Shelton, Carrie Stringer, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, Dale Tompkins, Charlene Vohs, John Vohs, *John Volpe*, Lysle Wiley, 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



May 23–29, 2021

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*For more information about  
the ministry of FPC, visit  
[FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org)*

## Welcome to Our Summer Interns!



*Addison Holmes*  
attends Anderson University and will be a Junior in the fall. She is studying elementary education and hopes to teach third grade when she graduates. In her free time Addison enjoys being with family and friends, playing the violin, and being outdoors.



*Katala Peterson*, a recent graduate of North Greenville University’s psychology program, is a sister to six siblings. She is from Minnesota but is making her home in Greenville. Katala spends her time writing for an adoption magazine and hiking in the Upstate. She has a heart for children in transition in both foster care and the education system and hopes to use that at FPC this year.



*Lawson Day* considers the opportunity to work with students and spend the summer serving in the Student Ministry a blessing. His experience in Roots Student Ministry built lasting friendships, and also fostered deep spiritual growth. Because he will always be thankful for the impact his youth leaders made in his life, Lawson is excited to be an intern for the youth staff this summer.



*Caroline Henderson* just finished her sophomore year at Clemson University as a communication major. Caroline says, “This church and the people in it mean the world to me and make me feel so loved. Being a part of the youth group growing up changed my life, and I’m excited to show that same love as I get the opportunity to pour back into this ministry and church.”



*Barber Sykes*, a junior at Clemson, is a business management major with an emphasis in entrepreneurship and a minor in Spanish. He has a passion for giving back after so many people have given of themselves to him. He also loves social interaction and the awesome opportunity of sharing the gospel with others.

*Children’s Ministry*

*Student Ministry*