



Volume 19, No. 29 July 24–30, 2022

Ministry News

Activities Ministry

CHURCH BASKETBALL OFFICIALS NEEDED

The church youth basketball league is recruiting new referees (age 16 and up) to officiate at basketball games the upcoming season. If you have never officiated before, they will train you; if you have, they will put you right on the court! You'll earn \$20–\$30 per game. Games are played on Monday nights, Thursday nights, and Saturdays beginning in November. *Questions?* Contact Barry Smith (864.787.0251), John Bryson (864.419.6343), or clbbygreenville@gmail.com.

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

COME ON BOARD!

Has the Lord called you to serve in Children's Ministry? Teaching? Assisting? Loving the littlest ones? Serving behind the scenes? However you've been gifted, we would love for you to *COME ON BOARD* so all the children will know of the "praiseworthy deeds of the Lord" (Psalm 78:4-7)!

For a list of volunteer opportunities in Children's Ministry, visit FirstPresGreenville.org, Children's Ministry page (*CM Volunteer Team Position Descriptions*). *Questions?* Please contact Heather Tomlinson at htomlinson@firstpresgreenville.org.

PRAY FOR FAMILY MISSION TRIP TO ALASKA

Please pray for our Alaska Family Missions Team as we travel to Alaska **July 23-30** to support SEND North's outreach project of sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with a large and diverse population of unreached people. We will also do construction work at SEND North's new ministry center in Anchorage. Please pray that God's presence will be revealed in such a way that those we are serving will know the one true God!

College Ministry, Charlie Buchanan

SUMMER NIGHTS FOR COLLEGE-AGE

Join the college ministry as we walk through the book of Ephesians this summer and apply the gospel to our lives. We'll meet on **Tuesdays, July 26 and August 9**, 7:00–8:30pm at Rick and Joy Sturgis's home (209 Wilmington Road 29615). Dinner will be provided. Contact Charlie Buchanan with questions (cbuchanan@firstpresgreenville.org).

Life Connections Ministry, Claire Ripley

RE|ENGAGE MARRIAGE MINISTRY THIS FALL

re|engage, a 15-week marriage enrichment ministry designed to equip and disciple couples in their walk with Christ, teaches couples how to apply biblical principles to their marriage. This fall **re|engage** will be offered on **Wednesday evenings**, in person or Zoom, or on **Sunday evenings**, in person only. The joint kick-off will be held **Sunday, August 14**, at 9:00am in Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$55 per couple. Children's programming (birth–5th grade) is available on Wednesday evenings only. Register now at FirstPresGreenville.org. To find out more, view the FPC **re|engage** video at FirstPresGreenville.org/ministries/adult-ministries/marriage-and-family.

Men's Ministry, Charlie Buchanan

ALL MEN INVITED TO THURSDAY GATHERINGS

- **Bible, Fellowship, & Breakfast each Thursday, 7:30–9:00am** (Formal Dining Room). Study the Bible one book at a time, currently in *Exodus*. Optional breakfast (\$4) at 8:30am. Contact Carl Evans (carl.h.evans@gmail.com, 770.5647).
- **Christian Men's Fellowship each Thursday, 12:00–1:15pm** (Formal Dining Room). On **July 28**, Dean Anderson will be leading us in an interactive discussion about his favorite Scripture passage. RSVP for lunch (\$8) to Charlotte Joye, cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org.

Missions & Outreach, Brian Stewart

HOLLIS ACADEMY MINISTRY PARTNERSHIP

As we enter our 13th year of ministry at Hollis Academy, we are grateful for the hundreds of First Pres members who have given their time to faithfully serve our children there. If you are looking for ways to get involved at Hollis, pick up a card from the literature racks for a list of opportunities and First Pres contacts. Get signed up now!

HOLLIS BACK-TO-SCHOOL DRIVE

Save the date for our annual Hollis Back-to-School Drive. This year we will be collecting new books

for the school library. Keep an eye out for specific details and book titles coming **July 31!**

PERSPECTIVES COURSE BEGINS AUGUST 25

"Perspectives," the premier course in North America on cross-cultural missions, will be offered in Greenville **August 25–December 8**. Through the stories of a different instructor each week, the Perspectives course will take you on a journey, looking in-depth at the biblical, historical, cultural, and strategic aspects of God's global plan to reconcile every nation, tribe, people, and tongue to Himself. These instructors will challenge and inspire you with their personal experiences and expertise, opening your eyes to see how God is working among all peoples and how you can be equipped to join Him. Classes this fall will meet on **Thursdays, August 25–December 8**, (with Thanksgiving week off), 6:30–9:00pm at Mitchell Road Presbyterian Church. For information go to MitchellRoad.org/localoutreachupdates; contact Brian Stewart at bstewart@firstpresgreenville.org about scholarships for First Pres covenant partners.

2023 MISSION TRIPS TO THE DR

Watch for more details about these mission trips to the Dominican Republic planned for 2023:

- **February 14-21**—*Medical focus trip*. No medical training is necessary—everyone can help in the clinic welcoming people, directing "traffic," entertaining children, and counting medications.
- **June 10-17**—*Family trip*. Bring your entire family (age 10 and older) and serve together! Everyone can help with the medical clinic, VBS, and possible construction.
- **July 23-29**—*Youth trip*. VBS, construction, and handing out MannaPack meals.

If you have questions about these trips, please contact Joy Sturgis, jsturgis@firstpresgreenville.org.

Prayer Ministry, Stan Johnson

DAY OF PRAYER FOR GCS AUGUST 6

The HUB, a network of evangelical churches working together to **Help, Unify, and Bless** local schools in Greenville County, is sponsoring a Day of Prayer for Greenville County Schools. The goal is to have 200 churches commit to pray over every public school in the county on the same day, **Saturday, August 6**. We encourage you to choose a school and pray that day for its students, teachers, administration, and families, and for its protection, excellence, and discernment. *Questions?* Contact Beth Simmons (simmonsfam@charter.net).

Student Ministry, Mason Simmons

ROOTS DOWNTOWN FOR JUNIOR HIGHS

Junior High students are invited downtown this summer for lunch and fellowship on **Wednesday, July 27**, at 12:00pm. Students should bring money to cover their meal and meet in the church parking lot at noon. Contact Autumn Clark with questions (aclark@firstpresgreenville.org).

SUMMER NIGHTS FOR SENIOR HIGHS

Senior High students are invited to join us for relaxed, organic nights of hanging out, playing games, and reading through Scripture together. Watch for an email the week before for location. The meetings will take place 7:00–9:00pm on **Wednesdays, July 27 and August 10**. Food will be provided. Contact Autumn Clark for details (aclark@firstpresgreenville.org).

Women's Ministry, Leah Cloud

REVIVE WOMEN'S MINISTRY SOCIAL

All women in their 30s and 40s are invited to the Revive Summer Social. Please join us for food and fellowship on **Wednesday, July 27**, 6:00–8:00pm, at the home of Jane Sykes (80 Woodvale Avenue, Greenville 29605). For details and to RSVP, contact Leah Cloud (lcloud@firstpresgreenville.org, 565.0931).

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

Join us for a book study of *Throw the First Punch: Defeating the Enemy Hell-Bent on Your Destruction*, by Beth Guckenburger. Tina Jones (tjones@firstpresgreenville.org, 565.0921) will lead this study on **Thursday mornings through September 8**, 9:30–10:30am in Room 308. Zoom option is available. Come learn how to go on offence to fight against the enemy of our souls.

Member News

CONGRATULATIONS

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to **Mr. and Mrs. Alan Robinson (Jeanne)** on the birth of a grandson, John O'Neill Robinson Jr., on June 22; and to great-grandfather **Mr. Belton O'Neill Jr.** Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Neal Robinson (Ariel) of Greenville.

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to **Mr. and Mrs. Ken Warner (Leslie)** in the death of her mother, Suzanne Mary Wallace Clement of Greenville, SC, on July 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Blackston (Beth) and family in the death of his mother, Phoebe Blackston, on July 19; and to **Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Lackey (Dana) and family** in the death of her mother.

IN MEMORIAM

Phoebe Smoak Blackston

September 5, 1935 – July 19, 2022

Memorials & Honors

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

Geri Warren by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ussery

FPC FOUNDATION

In memory of

Bill Sturgis by Dr. Alex Patrick

MUSIC MINISTRY FUND

In memory of

Dabney Robinson Sr. by Dr. and Mrs. J. Kenneth Nickles

William B. Sturgis by the Agape-Fellowship Class

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND

In memory of

Kasey Dick by Ford and Libby Borders

Jean Hoffman by the First Presbyterian Church Foundation

William B. Sturgis by Mrs. Jennie Miler; FNPS Dept., College of Agriculture, Forestry & Life Sciences; Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Manley; Don P. Ferguson; Beth and Tom Baumgarten; Paul and Susan Grier; the First Presbyterian Church Foundation

Geri Warren by Mrs. Jennie Miler

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

Gerald Loyless by Agnes Williams; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eskridge; Frank and Mary Ann Callcott; Phil and Shelby Williams; David and Carolyn Baker; Tom and Diane Drake; Circle 10

Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, JULY 24

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

• Children's Nursery (birth–age 3)

9:30am • Children's Nursery & Sunday School

(birth–5th grade)

• 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, JULY 25

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

6:00pm • Session Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

• Diaconate Meeting (Formal Dining Room)

TUESDAY, JULY 26

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

11:00am • Route 56 Pool Party (Off campus)

7:00pm • Healing & Prayer Service (Harper Chapel)

• Boy Scout Troop 11 (Scout Hut)

• College Summer Nights (Off campus)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

12:00pm • Junior High Roots Downtown (parking lot)

6:00pm • Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

• Instrumental Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

7:00pm • Senior High Summer Nights (Off campus)

THURSDAY, JULY 28

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

9:30am • Women: *Throw the First Punch* (Room 308)

12:00pm • Christian Men's Fellowship: *Dean Anderson* (Formal Dining Room)

FRIDAY, JULY 29

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

SATURDAY, JULY 30

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

This SUNDAY

PRAYER List

Sunday Worship

SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2022

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

“HOSPITALITY IN HOSTILE TIMES”

1 Peter 4:7-11

Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley

9:30am – Children’s Sunday School
9:30am – Youth Sunday Life Groups
9:45am – Adult Sunday Life Groups
10:30 – Kids Church

Live Streaming

Sunday Traditional Worship

8:30am–9:40am • Sanctuary
11:00am–12:10pm • Sanctuary

Live Streaming:

Facebook page:

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

FPC YouTube channel: [YouTube.com/FirstPresbyterianChurchofGreenville](https://www.youtube.com/FirstPresbyterianChurchofGreenville)

[FirstPresgreenville.org/media/livestream](https://www.firstpresgreenville.org/media/livestream)

Sunday IGNITE Modern Worship

10:45am–11:55am • Fellowship Hall

Live Streaming:

Ignite Facebook page:

[Facebook.com/FirstPresIgnite/](https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresIgnite/)

Ignite YouTube channel: [YouTube.com/FirstPresIgniteWorship](https://www.youtube.com/FirstPresIgniteWorship)

Please “like” & “subscribe” for easy access.



Prayer & Care

Encouragement & Support

If you would like a **Prayer Minister** or **Cancer Caring Ministry** member to contact you, please email Tammy Burkhalter at tburkhalter@firstpresgreenville.org.
If you need prayer or pastoral care, please contact the Pastor of the Day (see the calendar).

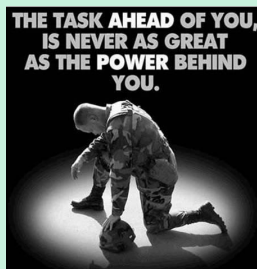
PRAYER REQUEST LINES

Congregational Care Director

Tammy Burkhalter: 565.0943

Prayer Appointments: 565.0960

Prayer Requests: 565.0970



MILITARY MINISTRY & PRAYER

[FirstPresGreenville.org/care/military](https://www.FirstPresGreenville.org/care/military)

Bill Anthony, Doane August, *Betty Bennett*, Susan Bennett, Gayle Boland, Jane Brennecke, Tom Brissey, *Bryan Buchanan*, John Burnett Jr., Joy Clawson, Annie Cobb, Stephanie Cox, Ryan Crais, Phyllis Crist, Harriet Crymes, *Buddy Daniel*, Levi Daniel, Nancy Deadwyler, Hammer Deadwyler, Judy DePriester, Franky Dillard, Gayle Duggan, Kenzie Etheridge, Malcolm Floyd, George Freeman, Larry Freeman, *Mike Freeman*, Nancy Freeman, Becky Garcia, Millie Gedney, Pam Goldman, Marianne Graves, Betsy Guffey, Natalie Hall, T.G. Hanner, Gladys “Hap” Henderson, Wanda Hightower, Sherry Hooper, Lynda Hoover, Amy Hunter, Jack Key, **Mary Sue Key**, Aline Kilgore, Phillip Kilgore Jr., Charles Kindig, Rami Kozaily, Sandra Lamb, Tom Lide, Jenna Livingston, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Jonathan Lotz, **Anne Lybrand**, Bob MacCallum, Doug MacCallum, Judy MacCullum, Jane MacCallum, Janet MacCallum, Kenneth MacCallum, Wyatt McCauley, *Donna McCoy*, Barbara McKenzie, John Michels, Mozelle Moore, Alex Olyarchuk, Jane Petrilli, Joe Petrilli, Myra Phillips, Mitchell Poe, Becky Powell, Mason Powell, Beth Ramsey, Nancy Ramsey, Ed Reed, Joann Reed, Jim Reynolds, Bill Rogers, Harriet K. Scully, Bob Shand, Lori Sharp, **Janice Shartle**, Carol Shirley, Ronnie Shirley, Amy Simmons, *Nick Simmons*, Abby Simmons, Isaac Smith, Jerry Steeves, Bill Stover, Carrie Stringer, Trey Suggs, **Carol Taylor**, *Thomas Tiller*, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, Charlotte Utter, Raelie Volnoggle, John Volpe, *Nixine Waters*, Brenda Williams, Elizabeth “Liz” Williams, *Esther Wilson*, Don Youatt, Jan Zimmermann

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WEDNESDAY

Wednesday meals & Pastor’s Bible Study have ended for the summer.

Watch for announcements in August about our Fall Wednesday Advantage schedule.

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mobile app FPC Live

TELEVISION

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

ONLINE GIVING



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Register for the ALPHA Course

Pray for Our Alaska Mission Team

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Register for Perspectives Course

Church Basketball Officials Needed

Hollis Academy Ministry Partnership

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

Are you new to the Christian faith?
Do you seek answers to life’s BIG questions?
Do you just want a place to explore?



the ALPHA Course is for you!

Join us for this practical introduction to the Christian faith

Wednesdays beginning August 17

6:00–7:30pm • Room B315

with facilitators **CHAD BROWN & CLAY BROWN**

Everyone is welcome! No question is off limits.

REGISTRATION & CHILDCARE

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THE GRAPEVINE

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