

Volume 19, No. 31 ∞ August 7–13, 2022

Ministry News

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

A MISSION FIELD WITH OUR OWN CHILDREN

Mission teams frequently hold a Vacation Bible School for the children they are visiting. This special encounter shares the gospel with children in a fun way while building relationships and caring for their needs. *Did you know that there's a mission field with the children right here in our own church?* Each Sunday there's an opportunity for sharing the gospel in a fun way while building relationships and caring for their needs. Contact Tina Jones at tjones@firstpresgreenville.org to get on a serving team.

BACKPACK BLESSING AUGUST 14

On **Sunday, August 14**, our pastors will pray over all educators, students (elementary through college), and preschoolers during our three worship services. We'd love for the younger folks to wear their backpacks as they are called forward for prayer.

DADDY DAUGHTER DANCE SEPTEMBER 9

3Gen Ministries is hosting a *Daddy Daughter Dance* for men of the upstate area and their daughters on **Friday, September 9, 7:00–9:30pm**, at Larkin's Sawmill (22 Graves Drive, Greenville, SC 29609)—a fantastic evening of delight, desserts, and dancing. Sign up at 3GenMinistries.org/ministry-resources/dance (enter discount code "FPC50" during registration.)

IT'S AUGUST. TIME TO THINK ABOUT CHRISTMAS!

Operation Christmas Child shoebox collection week is in November, but back-to-school season is a great time to buy items for the children's boxes. Prepare now to share Christmas with children all over the planet. Visit SamaritansPurse.org/article/attention-shoebox-shoppers/. Questions? Contact Karen at kking@firstpresgreenville.org.

Evangelism, Brian Stewart

ALPHA COURSE: EXPLORE THE MEANING OF LIFE

In a world of isolation, anonymity, and keyboard-warriors, Alpha offers a safe space for honest and open conversations about life's biggest questions. Everyone is welcome and no question is off limits.

Each week **beginning Wednesday, August 17, 6:00–7:30pm** in Room B315, we will join together to watch a teaching segment and then gather in small groups to discuss some of life's BIG questions. For child care and to register, contact Autumn Clark (aclark@firstpresgreenville.org). For information, contact Brian Stewart (bstewart@firstpresgreenville.org) or Claire Ripley (cripley@firstpresgreenville.org).

First Presbyterian Academy, Tom Roe

A WORLD-CLASS PRESCHOOL EXPERIENCE

The school bell will be ringing on **Wednesday, August 17**, but you still have time to enroll your preschooler in First Presbyterian Academy at the downtown location. Please contact Jennifer Bridges, Administrative Assistant (565.0990), or Vicky Burr, Administrator (565.0991).

First Pres Sports

SIGN UP NOW FOR YOUTH BASKETBALL

K5–12th graders can sign up now for church league youth basketball at FirstPresSports.com (click the CLBBY tab). We look forward to a great season ahead in our brand new gym. Don't miss out!

Life Connections Ministry, Claire Ripley

REGISTER NOW FOR RE|ENGAGE

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). 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). *Not meeting August 4 or 11; resume August 18.*

Missions & Outreach, Brian Stewart

HOLLIS ACADEMY BOOK DRIVE

"Today a reader... tomorrow a leader."

—Margaret Fuller

Help us collect 350 new books for the Hollis Media Center. Pick up a book title from Fellowship Hall, the Loggia, or Memorial Hall. Purchase the specific book listed at a local bookstore or online. Place your book in containers located around the church by **Sunday, August 21**. Questions? Contact Beth Simmons (simmonsfam@charter.net). Thank you for your support of our ministry to Hollis Academy!

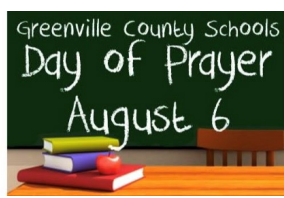
PERSPECTIVES COURSE BEGINS AUGUST 25

"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, 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.

Prayer Ministry, Stan Johnson

DAY OF PRAYER FOR GCS AUGUST 6

The HUB, a network of churches working together to Help, Unify, and Bless local schools in Greenville County, is sponsoring a Day of Prayer for Greenville



County Schools on **Saturday, August 6**. First Pres is a liaison church for *Greenville High, Greenville Middle, Beck Middle, A.J. Whittenberg, East North Street, Hollis Academy, and Legacy Early College*. We encourage you to earnestly pray for these schools' students, teachers, administration, and families, that they will be blessed with protection, excellence, and discernment. Questions? Contact Beth Simmons (simmonsfam@charter.net).

Women's Ministry, Leah Cloud

SPECIAL LEMONADE & LEARNING

All women are invited to the last session of our refreshing summer Bible series, *Lemonade & Learning*, featuring guest speaker Chrystie Cole, author of *A Woman's Words: Getting to the Heart of Our Speech*. Join us on **Tuesday morning, August 9**, at 10:00am in Fellowship Hall!



Worship & Music, Susan Messer

WEEKLY MUSIC FOR K4–12TH GRADE BEGINS

Beginning **Sunday, September 11**:

• **Grades 6-12 Resonate** (Music and other Performing Arts): 4:00–5:00pm

Beginning **Wednesday, September 14**:

• **Grades 3-5 Covenant Choir**: 5:30–6:15pm

• **K4-K5 Cherub Choir**: 6:15–6:45pm (Bible Study: 6:45–7:15pm)

• **Grades 1-2 Carol Choir**: 6:45–7:15pm (Bible Study: 6:15–6:45pm)

ORGAN ASSISTANT FOR A DAY

Rising K5 through rising 7th graders are invited to ring the chimes at the start or end of a Sanctuary service. Sign up at tinyurl.com/FirstPresOrgan or contact Sarah Wannamaker, our organist, at swannamaker@firstpresgreenville.org.



"IN THE STILLNESS" VOICE AND PIANO RECITAL

You are invited to a recital presented by Chelsea LaCourse, soprano, and Ruby Lee, pianist, on **Sunday, August 21**, at 3:00pm in Harper Chapel.

Announcements

STAFF NEWS

We welcome **Gretchen Horwath** to our team of sextons. She grew up in New Jersey, has lived in Pennsylvania, and moved to Greenville last year. Gretchen has worked in various positions, including Certified Nursing Assistant. Her current areas of responsibility are the Sanctuary, new Parlor, part of the children's building, and wherever else she is needed. Gretchen says she is enjoying First Pres and its friendly people. Welcome, Gretchen!



Member News

BAPTISMS (July 31, 2022)

Ericka Joy Schwab, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Alan Schwab (Sarah Steele)

Laila Sophia Harvey and **Paycie Keil Harvey**, grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Austin Harvey (Elaine)

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to **Mr. and Mrs. Craig Jones (Sue)** in the death of their son, David Jones of Cape Cod, MA, on July 20; and to **Mr. and Mrs. Vee Popat (Heather)** in the death of her brother.

Memorials & Honors

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

William B. Sturgis by Al Johnson III

MUSIC MINISTRY FUND

In memory of

Esther Wilson by the Agape-Fellowship Class

TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND

In memory of

Phoebe Blackston by Dr. and Mrs. Charles West

Charles and Phoebe Blackston by Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Manley

Dabney Robinson Sr. by Dr. and Mrs. Charles West

William B. Sturgis by Dr. and Mrs. Charles West; Mr. Leonard R. Byrne; Sara Karns; Mr. Kevin Sutton

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

Phoebe Blackston by the Covenant Class; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brennecke; Lou and George Creswell; Bob and Bootsie Efirid

Gerald Loyless by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ussery

William B. Sturgis by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brennecke

VISITATION MINISTRY FUND

In memory of

Esther Wilson by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sowinski

Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

Pastor of the Day: Claire Ripley (423.2064)

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, AUGUST 8

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

10:00am • Women: Lemonade & Learning (Fellowship Hall)

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

• Boy Scout Troop 11 (Scout Hut)

• College Summer Nights (Off campus)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

• Instrumental Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 11

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)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 12

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)

This SUNDAY

PRAYER List

Sunday Worship

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2022

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

“THE LAW OF CHRIST”

Galatians 6:2

Rev. Charlie Buchanan

“The primary activity of the church was one-anothering one another.” —Andy Stanley

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

WEDNESDAY

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

Watch for our Fall Weekly schedule coming later in August.

Live Streaming

Sunday Traditional Worship

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

Live Streaming:

Facebook page:

Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville

FPC YouTube channel: YouTube.com/

FirstPresbyterianChurchofGreenville

FirstPresgreenville.org/media/livestream

Sunday IGNITE Modern Worship

10:45am–11:55am • Fellowship Hall

Live Streaming:

Ignite Facebook page:

Facebook.com/FirstPresIgnite/

Ignite YouTube channel: 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).

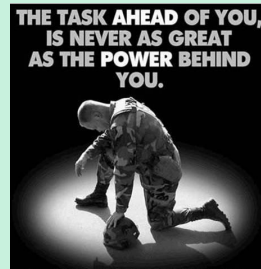
PRAYER REQUEST LINES

Congregational Care Director

Tammy Burkhalter: 565.0943

Prayer Appointments: 565.0960

Prayer Requests: 565.0970



MILITARY MINISTRY & PRAYER

FirstPresGreenville.org/care/military

Bill Anthony, Doane August, *Betty Bennett*, Susan Bennett, Jane Brennecke, Tom Brissey, *Bryan Buchanan*, Joy Clawson, Harriet Crymes, Buddy Daniel, Judy DePriester, Franky Dillard, Gayle Duggan, **Tom Drake**, Malcolm Floyd, George Freeman, Larry Freeman, Mike Freeman, Nancy Freeman, Becky Garcia, Millie Gedney, Pam Goldman, Betsy Guffey, Natalie Hall, T.G. Hanner, Gladys “Hap” Henderson, Amy Hunter, Tom Lide, Jenna Livingston, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Jonathan Lotz, Bob MacCallum, Doug MacCallum, Judy MacCullum, Jane MacCallum, Janet MacCallum, Barbara McKenzie, Mozelle Moore, Alex Olyarchuk, Jane Petrilli, Joe Petrilli, Myra Phillips, Becky Powell, Mason Powell, Beth Ramsey, Nancy Ramsey, Ed Reed, Joann Reed, **Ken Rhoden**, Janice Shartle, Carol Shirley, Ronnie Shirley, Amy Simmons, Nick Simmons, Abby Simmons, Carrie Stringer, Trey Suggs, Carol Taylor, Thomas Tiller, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, John Volpe, Brenda Williams, Elizabeth “Liz” Williams, Don Youatt, Jan Zimmermann

Bold = New *Italics* = In Hospital

Growing faithful Christians to engage and impact the culture with the transforming power of Jesus Christ

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
200 West Washington Street
Greenville, SC 29601

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

phone 864.235.0496

website FirstPresGreenville.org

email contactus@firstpresgreenville.org

facebook.com/FirstPresGreenville

instagram @FPCGreenville

mobile app FPC Live

TELEVISION

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

ONLINE GIVING



August 7–13, 2022

WHAT’S INSIDE

ACTS the 3-MAN SHOW

Staff News

Hollis Academy Book Drive

Register for

- re|engage Marriage Enrichment
 - ALPHA Course
 - Perspectives Course
 - Daddy Daughter Dance
 - Youth Basketball

Mission Field with Our Children

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
7:00–10:00PM IN THE SANCTUARY
TICKETS \$12 @ FIRSTPRESGREENVILLE.ORG

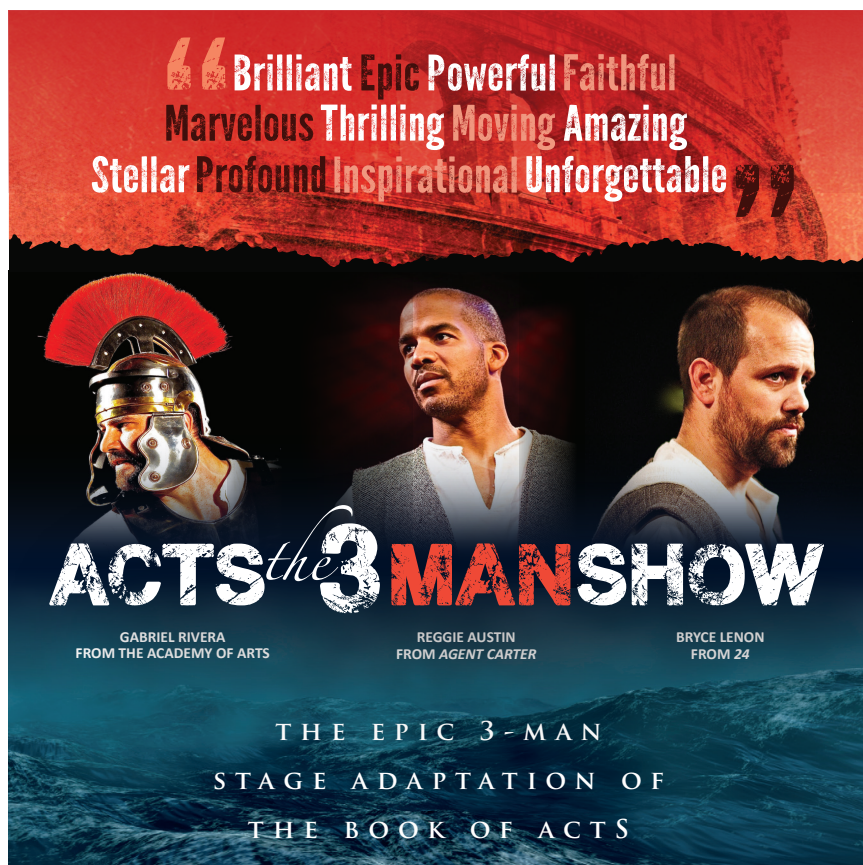


Armed with one of the great dramatic narratives in the Bible, three men take the stage to play all the roles—Peter, Paul, Stephen, Herod, Nero, and dozens of others.

Acts the 3-Man Show, which has been touring the country since 2012, is a bold, unflinching, action-packed, moving drama that highlights the truth of the Word of God and upholds high artistic integrity. Professional and accomplished Christian actors Bryce Lenon, Gabriel Rivera, and Reggie Austin bring the resounding drama of the book of Acts to audiences. Come and experience the story of the early church as you’ve never seen it before!

Be advised: The performance will depict violence, including stoning, shipwreck, trials, and fighting, per the biblical Acts narrative.

August 7–13, 2022



THE GRAPEVINE

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