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Ministry News

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones **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.

PROMOTION SUNDAY AUGUST 21

We will officially be promoting students to the next grade on **Sunday, August 21.** To celebrate, the Children's Ministry will provide special snacks and bounce toys during both Sunday School (2K-5th grade) and Kids Church (2K-1st grade). Children will tour their new classrooms, as well as participate in children's worship and a Bible lesson.

Rising 6th grade students will join the Junior and Senior Highs in Room D306 (CLC building).

MAKING A SPIRITUAL DIFFERENCE

Promotion Sunday for our children takes place on August 21 and our new Sunday School schedule begins August 28. We still need more team members to teach and assist in nursery-5th grade during the Sunday School hour (9:30–10:30am). You can commit to one Sunday per month (or more, if you prefer). We provide the curriculum and supplies; all you need to do is study the lesson, be prepared to teach, and pray for our children. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to make a spiritual difference in a child's life. Contact Tina Jones at tjones@firstpresgreenville. org to get on a serving team.

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.)

College Ministry, Charlie Buchanan

COLLEGE ADDRESSES FOR CARE PACKAGES Parents, please complete a College Information Form for your new or returning college student. Packages are sent out twice a year around exam time. Forms can be found at FirstPresGreenville.org (Connect tab, College) or in the literature racks. Please send completed forms to Autumn Clark (aclark@ firstpresgreenville.org). Thank you!

Congregational Care Ministry, Tammy Burkhalter SUPPORT GROUPS BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER

Our Wednesday evening DivorceCare and Sunday afternoon GriefShare Support Groups provide friendly, caring people to come alongside you through this difficult experience. The group leaders genuinely understand what you are going through and want to help. Helpful advice is also offered for "Surviving the Holidays." See the Grow@First Weekly Discipleship booklet (pages 7, 10) for details.

Evangelism, Brian Stewart

ALPHA COURSE: EXPLORE THE MEANING OF LIFE In a world of isolation, anonymity, and keyboardwarriors, 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 discussion groups. 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).

as you've never seen it before! Tickets are now available at FirstPresGreenville.org. Be advised: The performance will depict violence, including stoning, shipwreck, trials, and fighting, per the biblical Acts narrative.

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, Claire Ripley

NEW SUNDAY LIFE GROUP FOR 20-SOMETHINGS Cornerstone, a new Sunday Life Group for 18-25+ year olds, will begin meeting Sunday, August 21, 9:45–10:40am in Room B401. Together we will gain a better understanding of the gospel and develop a community for you to call home each week. Contact Catherine Culler, catherine@godshall.com.

Missions & Outreach, Brian Stewart HOLLIS ACADEMY BOOK DRIVE

We are collecting 350 new books for the Hollis Media Center. Remember to purchase your book(s) and place them in the containers located around the church by Sunday, August 21. Questions? Contact Beth Simmons (simmonsfam@charter.net). Thank you for supporting our ministry to Hollis!

PERSPECTIVES COURSE BEGINS AUGUST 25

"Perspectives," the premier course in North America on cross-cultural missions, will be offered in Greenville on Thursdays, August 25–December 8, 6:30–9:00pm at Mitchell Road Presbyterian Church. For details go to MitchellRoad.org/localoutreachupdates; contact Brian Stewart at bstewart@firstpresgreenville.org about scholarships for First Pres covenant partners.

Student Ministry, Mason Simmons ROOTS FALL KICKOFF

On Wednesday, August 17, all students are invited to the Roots Fall Kickoff to begin our fall semester. Come join us as we eat good food, play games, hang out, and worship together! Junior Highs (grades 6-8) meet 5:45-7:15pm in Room D306. Senior Highs (grades 9-12) meet 7:30-9:00pm in Room D302.

On Sunday, August 21, new 6th grade students will join the Junior and Senior Highs in Room D306 (CLC building) for Sunday School (9:30am).

Worship & Music, Susan Messer 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.

Member News **CONGRATULATIONS**

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to

- Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Johnson (Kelsey) on the birth of a son, Beals Holland Johnson, on April 4; and to grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Johnson (Becky).
- Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Leighton Sisk (Kendall Moore), who were married in Harper Chapel on August 6.

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to

- Mr. and Mrs. Todd Taylor (Ann) and family in the death of his father, Robert Overton Taylor of Greenville, on August 2.
- Mr. and Mrs. Joe Cash III (Jocelyn) and family in the death of his mother, Marti Cash of Greenville, on August 5; and to Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Simmons (Beth) in the death of his sister.
- Mr. Bob Halladay in the death of his wife, Marjorie Halladay, on August 8.

IN MEMORIAM

Marjorie J. Halladay April 29, 1939 – August 8, 2022

Memorials & Honors

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Esther Wilson by June Shaw; Gloria Wilson; Cres and Mike Calabrese

MUSIC MINISTRY FUND

In memory of

Esther Robbins by the Agape-Fellowship Class Esther Wilson by Sylvia Evette

COVENANT CLASS FUND

In memory of

Phoebe Blackston by Elise Erp

FPC FOUNDATION

In memory of

Bill Sturgis by Dr. and Mrs. C. David Williams (Nina) TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND In honor of

Rev. Dr. Shelton Sanford by Mr. and Mrs. Joel A. Daniel In memory of

William B. Sturgis by Mike and Holly Thomason Esther Wilson by Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Manley

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of Gerald Loyless by Ann and Winston Lee

VISITATION MINISTRY FUND

In memory of

Phoebe Blackston by Mr. and Mrs. Joel A. Daniel William Boswell Jr. by Mr. and Mrs. Joel A. Daniel Geri Warren by Mr. and Mrs. Joel A. Daniel Esther Wilson by Mr. and Mrs. Joel A. Daniel

Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346) 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 D306)
 re | engage Kickoff (Fellowship Hall)
 9:45am Adult Sunday Life Croups (On camput

9:45am • Adult Sunday Life Groups (On campus, Zoom) Kids Church

Events Ministry, Chelsea Fraser ACTS THE 3-MAN SHOW COMING SEPTEMBER 10

Acts the 3-Man Show, a full-length action drama based on the powerful New Testament book, is coming to the First Pres Sanctuary on Saturday, September 10, at 7:00pm. 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, actionpacked, moving drama that highlights the truth of the Word of God and upholds high artistic integrity. Come and experience the story of the early church "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

Lori Shelton, our new Children's Music Coordinator, joined the staff on August 1. She has been involved in music ministry as accompanist, organist, and director of music for 30 years, and has taught private

lessons as well as music in schools and at Southern Wesleyan University. She has a B.M. degree in piano performance from the University of Kentucky and an M.M. in piano pedagogy from the University of South Carolina. Lori is looking forward to working with the children of First Presbyterian and making music with them to honor and praise the Lord!

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of a loved one on Sunday, August 28 or September 11 or 18, call 235.0496.

10:45am • Ignite Worship (Fellowship Hall, live stream) 11:00am • Worship Service (Sanctuary, live stream) **MONDAY, AUGUST 15**

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067) 7:00pm • Healing & Prayer Service (Harper Chapel) Boy Scout Troop 11 (Scout Hut)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067) 5:45pm • Junior High ROOTS Kickoff (Room D306) 6:00pm • Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

- Instrumental Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- ALPHA (Room B315)
- re|engage Marriage Enrichment (various rooms)

7:30pm • Senior High ROOTS Kickoff (Room D302) **THURSDAY, AUGUST 18**

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 B311) 12:00pm • Christian Men's Fellowship: Doug Harper, "The Lord's Prayer" (Formal Dining Room)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 19

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

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A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, GREENVILLE, SC



CThis SUNDAY

Sunday Worship

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022

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

> **"IDENTITY IN CHRIST"** Galatians 2:17-21 **Rev. Dr. Brian Stewart**

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 will resume September 14.

Refer to our fall weekly schedule Grow@First for opportunities for all ages.

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, John Burnett, Jr., Joy

PRAYER List

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, Mary Anne Moroney, 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, Jerry Steeves, Carrie Stringer, Trey Suggs, Carol Taylor, Thomas Tiller, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, John Volpe, Nixine Waters, Brenda Williams, Elizabeth "Liz" Williams, Don Youatt, Jan Zimmermann

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

ONLINE GIVING



August 14–20, 2022

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For more information about the ministry

Fall 2022

Grow@First

Weekly Discipleship

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of FPC, visit FirstPresGreenville.org

Fall 2022 Grow@First Weekly Discipleship

To help you navigate the opportunities in our large, active church, our new fall schedule brochure describes all First Pres worship, children's, youth, music, discipleship, and study activities. It is now available in the literature racks around

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



the building and on the church website at FirstPresGreenville.org. **Brochure sections include** Sunday Morning Worship & Discipleship Children Students Adults Monthly Circles Missional Communities Music Weekly Schedule

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