

Ministry News

College Ministry

COLLEGE CARE PACKETS

Parents, please send us your college student's information, including date of graduation and allergy list. This year we will be mailing packages to students at home, so please provide both home and school addresses. Forms can be found on our website at FirstPresGreenville.org. Please email your information to Autumn Clark (aclarke@firstpresgreenville.org).

Congregational Care Ministry, Tammy Burkhalter

GRIEF SHARE SUPPORT GROUP BEGINS

Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? If you have experienced the loss of a spouse, child, family member, or friend, we know it hurts. We want to help by providing you with the understanding, support, and encouragement you need during your grieving process.

Join us on **Sunday, October 4**, to begin a supportive 13-week session. We will meet 3:00-5:00pm, location to be determined. Workbook (\$15) will be available at the first class. Please register with Susan Stewart (sstewart@firstpresgreenville.org, 565.0966) right away, as the class is limited to 8 participants.

First Presbyterian Academy, Tom Roe

FPA DOWNTOWN POSITION

First Presbyterian Academy Downtown is looking for two people to staff the daily Late Stay Program. The schedule is 2:00–5:30pm with an hourly rate of \$10.75. If you are interested, please contact Vicky Burr at vburr@firstpresacademy.com.

Membership Ministry, Claire Ripley

NEW MEMBER WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 18-20

Are you interested in making First Presbyterian your church home? We invite you to attend our next **New Member Weekend Friday-Sunday, September 18-20**. Come discover more about the vision, discipleship, and outreach of FPC!

- Friday, September 18, 6:00–8:30pm:
Your Identity in Christ
- Saturday, September 19, 8:45am–12:00pm:
What We Believe
- Sunday, September 20, 3:00–5:30pm:
Join the Journey

Childcare is available upon request. Register online at FirstPresGreenville.org. For more details, contact Charlotte Joye (cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org) or Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley (cripley@firstpresgreenville.org).

Men's Ministry, Claire Ripley

CHRISTIAN MEN'S FELLOWSHIP SEPTEMBER 17

The Christian Men's Fellowship meetings resume **Thursday, September 17**, 12:00–1:30pm in Fellowship Hall. This group of retired, or nearly retired, First Pres men meets weekly for lunch (\$8) and an informative, interesting, inspirational program. Contact Bob Jones, rhjones@charter.net.

Missions, Brian Stewart

ALPHA COURSE BEGINS SEPTEMBER 9

This fall on Wednesday evenings, we're offering Alpha, a practical introduction to the Christian faith. Alpha is recommended for those seeking answers to life's biggest questions and for those who are just getting started in the Christian faith. Classes will be on **Wednesdays, September 9–November 18**, 6:15–7:30pm in Room 303/304 for those who can attend in person and via Zoom for those who would like to video conference. To register, contact Autumn Clark (aclarke@firstpresgreenville.org). For details, contact Brian Stewart (bstewart@firstpresgreenville.org). For childcare, contact Evelyn Penkert (epenkert@firstpresgreenville.org).

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR HOLLIS STUDENTS

Studies show that disadvantaged students struggle the most with online learning. As the Hollis Academy students are currently on a hybrid schedule (some days in class, others e-learning at home), there is a danger that they will fall behind in their academics. Greater Mount Calvary Baptist Church, a church in the Hollis community, is opening its doors to 12 students per day while schools are on the hybrid schedule. Pastor Windell Rogers is asking for our help in securing volunteers to work with students one day a week in a socially distanced setting. The church will host students Monday–Thursday,

8:00am–12:00pm. Please contact Beth Simmons (simmonsfam@charter.net) if you are willing to help make a real difference in the academic success of these children.

Music Ministry

PEDALS, PIPES, & PIZZA SEPTEMBER 12

Are you curious about the contraptions that make an organ work? Do you know the basics, but want to see inside the chambers? An organ open house, "Pedals, Pipes, & Pizza," is **Saturday, September 12**, 10:30am–12:30pm in the Sanctuary (use choir entrance door). The event includes a short demonstration by Sarah Wannamaker; a technical discussion by the organ tuner; open console time, where participants try playing the instrument; and a pipe peek, a tour of the inside pipe chambers. This is geared toward children ages 6-18, but all persons curious about the organ are invited. Register at greenvilleago.org. This event is sponsored by Music & Worship Arts and the American Guild of Organists Greenville Chapter.

Senior Adult Ministry, Tammy Burkhalter

WIT & WISDOM POSTPONED UNTIL FEBRUARY

Wit & Wisdom, monthly programs and lunch for age 55 and up, will be postponed until **Tuesday, February 2, 2021**, in order to keep everyone as safe and healthy as possible.

Stewardship Ministries, Andy Douglas

GIVING ONLINE OR BY MAIL

Your generous giving enables us to continue transforming the heart of the city! You can give electronically to the operating budget or Capital Campaign at FirstPresGreenville.org (click GIVE). You may also, of course, mail in your weekly offering or drop it by the church office. If you need help navigating the website or have questions, contact Kristy Service, *Contributions Administrator* (kservice@firstpresgreenville.org, 565.0929).

I WAS BROKE. NOW I'M NOT.

I Was Broke. Now I'm Not. will be offered on **Wednesdays, September 9–October 14**, 6:00pm–7:30pm. Join our group for six evenings of practical, action-oriented, biblically based study that will inspire you to take charge of our personal finances. Cost for materials is \$30, payable to FPC. To register or for more information, contact Andy Douglas (565.0962, adouglas@firstpresgreenville.org).

Women's Ministry, Claire Ripley

WOMEN'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES BEGIN SOON

Several weekly morning and evening Bible Studies for women begin this week and next, as listed in the *Fall 2020 Weekly Schedule* (see FirstPresGreenville.org). For more information, please contact Charlotte Joye (cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org) or Claire Ripley (cripley@firstpresgreenville.org).

WOMEN'S CIRCLES BEGIN IN JANUARY 2021

Monthly Circle Bible Studies will be held **January through May**, studying *Ezra & Nehemiah: The Good Hand of God Is Upon Us*, by Sarah Ivill. Contact Brenda Evans (325.1070, brendaot313@gmail.com) if you would like to join a 2021 circle.

Member News

BAPTISM (August 30, 2020)

Luke Harrison Dannelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Christian Dannelly (Riley)

CONGRATULATIONS

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to **Mr. and Mrs. Drew Tilden Boland (Jennifer)**, on the birth of a son, Thomas Leggett Boland, on August 24.

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to **Mr. and Mrs. Scott Stribling (Jeanette)** in the death of her brother, Larry Manning Dodgens of Hartwell, GA, on August 22.

Mrs. Laura Huff in the death of her husband, Jay Huff, on August 30.

IN MEMORIAM

Jasper "Jay" William Huff III

September 13, 1955 – August 30, 2020

Announcements

FALL SCHEDULE UPDATE

Thank you for your prayers over the past few weeks as we have been planning FPC's fall activities. Our *Fall 2020 Weekly Schedule*, now available at FirstPresGreenville.org, details the classes, Bible studies, and services available in September, along with updated safety guidelines.

WEDNESDAY CLASSES BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 9

This fall's Wednesday noon and evening Bible Study will continue in the Epistle to the Romans. Join us **September 9–November 18** in Fellowship Hall for the Luncheon Study (12:30–1:00pm) or the Evening Study (6:30–7:15pm), taught by Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons. The evening study will also be live-streamed.

Children's and several adult classes also begin **September 9**. Details at FirstPresGreenville.org.

SUNDAY MORNING Worship & Education Beginning September 6

IGNITE Contemporary Worship

10:45am–11:55am • Fellowship Hall

Live Streaming:

FirstPresgreenville.org/media/livestream

Traditional Worship

11:00am–12:15pm • Sanctuary

Live Streaming:

FirstPresgreenville.org/media/livestream

Sundays for Children

10:30am–12:15pm

Birth through K5 ONLY

Preregistration required:

FirstPresGreenville.org/ministries/children;
click the date(s) to sign up.

Children 1st Grade and older should attend worship with their families.

Sundays for Youth

9:45–10:40am • Room 354 (Junior High Room)

Sunday Life Groups for Adults

9:45–10:40am • On campus and/or Zoom

Please refer to the *Fall 2020 Weekly Schedule* for class details, social distancing, and mask guidelines: FirstPresGreenville.org.

Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

Please arrive 15-20 minutes early for worship services.

9:45am • Youth Sunday Life Groups (Room 354)

- Adult Sunday Life Groups (On campus, Zoom)

10:30am • Children's Nursery and Programs (birth-K5)

10:45am • Ignite Worship (Fellowship Hall, live stream)

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

Church Office, Academy, & FPNS closed: Labor Day

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

12:00pm • Call to Prayer for the Nation (Chapel)

6:30pm • Radiance Bible Study (Rm 303, Off campus)

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

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

11:45am • Luncheon Bible Study: *Romans* (Fellowship Hall)

5:15pm • Supper (Fellowship Hall)

6:00pm • Study: *I Was Broke. Now I'm Not.* (Rm 309)

6:15pm • Study: *Alpha* (Room 303, Zoom)

6:30pm • Bible Study: *Romans* (Fellowship Hall, live stream)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Pastor of the Day: Claire Ripley (423.2064)

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

9:30am • Women: *Who Is Jesus?* (Off campus, Zoom)

8:00pm • Women: *Foster & Adoption Support Group* (Off campus, Zoom)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

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10:30am • Pedals, Pipes, & Pizza (Sanctuary)

This SUNDAY

Sunday Worship

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2020

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

Series:

“DEVELOPING A COURAGEOUS FAITH”

Matthew 5:13-16

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

Live Stream Sunday Morning Worship

FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestreaming,
FPC's Facebook page, YouTube channel,
FPC Live mobile app.

This WEDNESDAY

SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

Bible Study (12:30 & 6:30pm)

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons: Romans

Wednesday Meals (11:45am & 5:15pm)

Fried Chicken

Baked Cod with Shrimp

Steamed Broccoli, Buttered Lima Beans

Confetti Rice, Cheese Potatoes

Assorted Rolls, Dessert

Prayer & Pastoral Care

Restored – part 2

2 Corinthians 5:17 says, “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, He is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.” Through faith in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we have been transformed from rebellious and sinful people into reflections of our Savior. God ran out to meet us at our point of greatest weakness and clothed us with a new nature so that we might no longer sin against Him, but live with Him in glorious, powerful communion.

Isaiah 43:1 says, “Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are Mine.” Our Father saved us from a life of wandering and searching for who we are. He now calls us His holy and redeemed children. Our name is no longer associated with a sinful nature, but rather with the bloodline of Christ Jesus. By no power of our own, we have been transformed, set free, redeemed, and made to be like our heavenly Father in both our nature and our deeds.

Take time today to listen and receive a fresh revelation of who you are. There is no greater joy than living in light of the incredible gift of a restored identity we’ve been given by the grace of our heavenly Father.

Encouragement & Support

If you would like a **Stephen Minister** to walk with you through these difficult days, 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 by emailing Susan Stewart, ss Stewart@firstpresgreenville.org.

If you are in need of prayer or pastoral care, please contact the Pastor of the Day (see calendar).

To share prayer requests with the Prayer Team:

call

565.0970

or email

prayer@firstpresgreenville.org

PRAYER List

Andy Anderson, June Anderson, Cora Anthony, Tammy Burkhalter, Ann Bush, Daryle Bush, **Bob Carter**, Sydney Clark, Joy Clawson, Lucas Clayton, Deborah Clyde, Debbie Davidson, Ray Denny, Ethel Anderson DuBose, **Frank DuPree**, Malcolm Floyd, Becky Garcia, Lola Garrett, Pam Goldman, Larry Goodwin, Tom Green, Natalie Hall, Ruby Hall, T.G. Hanner, Jim Hastings, Suzanne Hilger, Wanda Hightower, Freddie Holland, Sherry Hooper, Phil Hughes, Amy Hunter, Beth Husman, Sara Karns, Rami Kozaily, Sandra Lamb, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Gerald Loyless, Doug MacCallum, Jane MacCallum, Janet MacCallum, Ken MacCallum, Sally MacArthur, Roberta Maddox, Bill Marks, Bobbie McCall, Donna McCoy, Nancy McDaniel, Pierce McGowan, Barbara McKenzie, Deryl McKinney, Sylvia McKinney, Kristin Mixon, Linda Mobley, Mozelle Moore, Lee Moseley, Faye Mulligan, George Murdaugh, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Joe Palmer, Charlotte Parr, Alan Paramore, Jane Petrilli, Myra Phillips, Shari Phillips, Mason Powell, Pat Quarles, Elizabeth Rahman, Joann Reed, Darst Yvonne Rose, Roy Seaver, Lee Shelton, Jeff Shelton, Carol Shirley, Ronnie Shirley, Al Smith, Gary Spitzer, Libby Stewart, Carrie Stringer, Debbie Thomas, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, Gary Tompkins, Emory Turpin, Betty Usher, Charlene Vohs, John Vohs, **John Volpe**, Elizabeth “Liz” Williams, Esther Wilson, Jan Zimmerman

Bold = New

Italics = In Hospital

PRAYER REQUEST LINES

Congregational Care Assistant

Susan Stewart: 565.0966

Prayer Appointments: 565.0960

Prayer Requests: 565.0970

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TELEVISION

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

ONLINE GIVING



September 6–12, 2020

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

CALL to PRAYER FOR THE NATION

TUESDAYS FROM 12:00-1:00 PM*

COME TOGETHER WITH ONE VOICE TO PRAY:

- ★ Against fear and hatred across our nation
- ★ For an outpouring of God's grace and truth
- ★ For the Church to awaken to its mission to pray, listen, and obey
- ★ For our city, state, and national leaders
- ★ For police, first responders, and medical personnel

**Drop in as your time permits.*

...Greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world. 1 JOHN 4:4

Join us
Tuesdays

12:00–1:00pm

Harper Chapel



The LORD thunders at
the head of His army;
His forces are
beyond number,
and mighty is
the army that obeys
His command.

JOEL 2:11

September 6–12, 2020

THE GRAPEVINE

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