

## Ministry News

### Basketball Ministry

#### REGISTER NOW FOR YOUTH BASKETBALL!

First Pres offers a basketball ministry for K5 through 12th grade with Church League Basketball for Youth (CLBBY). The CLBBY Board announced the season will run **January 2–February 25, 2021**. Registration is open until **November 1**; cost is \$70. Register at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (click *Youth Basketball* icon).

### Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

#### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

Be a part of changing children's lives all over the world in Jesus' name through a simple gift!

- Pick up a shoebox with instruction/label pamphlet from the Loggia or Fellowship Hall.
- Fill your shoebox with requested items.
- Return it by **Monday, November 16**.
- **OR you can choose to build a shoebox online** at [SamaritansPurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/](http://SamaritansPurse.org/operation-christmas-child/buildonline/)

*Questions?* Contact Karen King (565.0936, [kking@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:kking@firstpresgreenville.org)) or visit [SamaritansPurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/](http://SamaritansPurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/).

*Thank you for spreading good news and great joy!*

#### SCRAP WOOD NEEDED FOR ADVENT FESTIVAL

For this year's Family Advent Festival, Children's Ministry needs *scrap wood, eight inches wide, any length*. Bring wood by **November 15** to the conference room near Children's Ministry, or contact Tina Jones ([tjones@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:tjones@firstpresgreenville.org)) for pick-up. Thank you!

### Congregational Care Ministry, Tammy Burkhalter

#### JOIN THE GRACE BEREAVEMENT TEAM!

The apostle Paul said, "We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is... serving, let him serve... if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully" (Romans 12:5-8).

We are expanding our Grace Bereavement Ministry, which serves bereaved members of our congregation, and would love to hear from you if you feel called to fill this vital role. Please contact Susan Stewart ([ss Stewart@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:ss Stewart@firstpresgreenville.org) or 565.0966) for details on how you can serve.

### Military Ministry, Tammy Burkhalter

#### FPC VETERANS LUNCHEON NOVEMBER 9

The Military Ministry is hosting our annual luncheon for FPC Veterans and their spouses on **Monday, November 9**, 11:30am–1:00pm in Fellowship Hall. We would love for you to join us if you are a member of FPC and have served in the armed forces. Guest speaker will be retired MG Mastin Robeson, USMC. Lunch is included and there will be a prize drawing. Space is limited, so please register at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (click *Events*) by **Monday, November 2**. *Questions?* Contact Tammy Burkhalter, Congregational Care Director (565.0943, [tburkhalter@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:tburkhalter@firstpresgreenville.org)).

#### UPDATING FPC VETERAN INFORMATION

Our Military Ministry would like to honor those veterans who are current First Pres members by publishing their names in the church bulletin on Sunday, November 8. If you have not previously submitted your information, please complete the form online at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (click *Connect, Covenant Partners Directory*) for instructions. Printed directories will be available soon in the Vineyard Bookstore. Watch for more details.

### Missions and Outreach Ministry, Brian Stewart

#### NEIGHBORHOOD FOCUS BENEFIT OCTOBER 29

Join Neighborhood Focus on **Thursday, October 29**, at Cleghorn Gun Club (Rutherfordton, NC) for the 3rd Annual *Pull for Hope*, a sporting clays benefit to support the 2020-2021 Afterschool Program at Neighborhood Focus. For details and registration, go to [NeighborhoodFocus.org](http://NeighborhoodFocus.org). Contact Keith Groce at 704.7848 or [kgroce@neighborhoodfocus.org](mailto:kgroce@neighborhoodfocus.org) for more information.

### Music & Worship Arts

#### ARE YOU READY TO SING CHRISTMAS MUSIC?

"And Heaven and Nature Sing" will be the celebratory theme of *Christmas@First* 2020, to be performed **Saturday, December 12**.

It's not too late to join our Christmas Choir! Rehearsals are on **Sundays**, 9:00–9:40am and 4:00–5:00pm—choose morning or afternoon rehearsal time. Children and teens (grades 3-12) are invited to rehearse and sing with parents/grandparents. You

can sing with a mask and/or face shield, and you will be encouraged to spread out in the Sanctuary during rehearsals. If you prefer to participate in rehearsals or performances virtually, contact Susan Messer ([smesser@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:smesser@firstpresgreenville.org)).

### Prayer Ministry, Stan Johnson

#### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER VIGIL

In the movie *Unplanned*, the group praying outside the Planned Parenthood clinic was *40 Days for Life*. First Presbyterian is invited to join the *40 Days for Life* prayer vigil outside the Greenville abortion facility on Grove Road **now through November 1**. If you want to spend an hour bringing the power of prayer to saving pre-born children from abortion, please sign up at [40daysforlife.com/greenville](http://40daysforlife.com/greenville) or contact Meredith Roddey at 846.395.2701.

### Women's Ministry, Claire Ripley

#### NEW STUDY: HOW DO YOU SEE THE WORLD?

All women are invited to join our Thursday Community Bible Study Group as we begin a new study, *Christian Worldview*, by R. C. Sproul. This five-week study will meet **Thursdays, October 22–November 19**, 11:00am–12:30pm in the Parlor. In this series, R. C. Sproul examines today's popular worldviews and demonstrates that only the Christian worldview truly answers life's most important questions. There are no workbooks and no homework, but come prepared to take notes, ask questions, and discuss deep practical truths from God's Word. For details contact Joanne Quantz (843.340.3316) or Grace Lynn Curry (299.5268).

## Announcements

#### BOOKS RECOMMENDED BY DR. GIBBONS

Dr. Gibbons highly recommends two books written by South Carolinians who have occupied positions of national leadership amidst difficult circumstances: *Opportunity Knocks* and *Doesn't Hurt to Ask*. You can find these books in the Vineyard bookstore.

#### FIRST PRES ONLINE DIRECTORY

Our new online pictorial directory, accessible only to FPC covenant partners, will give you contact information for adult members and community groups. To access the directory, visit [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (click *Connect, Covenant Partners Directory*) for instructions. Printed directories will be available soon in the Vineyard Bookstore. Watch for more details.

#### OCTOBER IS DISABILITIES AWARENESS MONTH

Many of you enjoyed the *Fearfully and Wonderfully Made* dinner and fashion show last fall. View the video at <https://youtu.be/TMDetYViu3k>. Although we are unable to hold the event this year, remember to teach the young people you know that we are all *fearfully and wonderfully made*. Remember, too, to support individuals, organizations, and businesses that support and employ our friends with special needs.

#### STAFF NEWS: WELCOME!

**Trish Alford** joins First Pres as Receptionist, with experience in various positions from drapery fabric store owner, to IT company administrative assistant, to real estate and property manager. Growing up in Taylors, Trish attended Lee Road Baptist Church, and now lives in Greer near her son, Reid (and his wife Tia and son Lance), her daughter, Morgan, and her parents. Her hobbies are cooking, entertaining, gardening, and playing tennis.



**Leah Cloud** is serving as Women's Ministry intern to assist Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley through the end of this year. Leah grew up in Long Beach, CA, went to college in Chattanooga, and earned a B.S. in Missions/Cultural Studies and an A.A. in Deaf Studies. She served almost 10 years overseas as a missionary in Nepal, focused on women's discipleship and fighting human trafficking. Leah and her husband Chris have two children, Quincy (3½) and Hadassah "Haddie" (1).



## Calendar for the Week

### STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18

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

*Please arrive 15-20 minutes early for screening.*

- 9:00am • Christmas Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 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 (Fellowship Hall, live stream)**
- 11:00am • Worship Service (Sanctuary, live stream)**
- 4:00pm • Christmas Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6:30pm • ReJengage Marriage Ministry (Zoom)

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 19

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

- 7:00pm • Community Bible Study (Zoom)

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20

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

- 8:30am • Women's Study: *The Armor of God* (Rm 305)
- 8:45am • Women's Study: *Finding God Faithful* (Zoom)
- 12:00pm • Call to Prayer for the Nation (Chapel)
- 6:30pm • Radiance Women (20s-30s): Bible Study (Formal Dining Room, Off campus)
- 7:00pm • Healing & Prayer Service (Harper Chapel)
  - Boy Scout Troop 11 (Scout Hut)

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21

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

- 10:00am • Above All: *A Woman's Words* (various rooms)
- 11:45am • Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
- 12:30am • Bible Study: *Romans* (Fellowship Hall)
- 4:30pm • Gospel Project: *Gospel of Mark* (Off campus)
- 5:15pm • Supper (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:45pm • Junior High ROOTS (Room 354)
- 6:00pm • Study: *I Was Broke. Now I'm Not*. (Rm 309)
  - Christmas Orchestra Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6:15pm • Study: *Why Israel?* (Formal Dining Room)
  - ReJengage Marriage Ministry (various classrooms, Zoom)
  - Children's programs (Nursery/215D/316-318)
- 6:30pm • Bible Study: *Romans* (Fellowship Hall, live stream)
  - Radiance Women (20s-30s) (Room 403)
- 6:45pm • Radiance Women (20s-30s) (Off campus)
- 7:30pm • Senior High ROOTS (Room 352)

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

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

- 9:00am • Men's Bible Fellowship (Zoom)
- 9:30am • Women: *Who Is Jesus?* (Off campus, Zoom)
  - Women: *Even Better Than Eden* (Room 303)
  - Women: *Best Work with Empty* (Room 305)
  - Abide for mothers: *Elimination of Hurry* (Room 308, Zoom)
- 11:00am • Women's CBS: *Christian Worldview* (Parlor)
- 12:00pm • Christian Men's Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

*Pastor of the Day: Claire Ripley (423.2064)*

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

*Pastor of the Day: Claire Ripley (423.2064)*

## Memorials & Honors

### TRANSFORMING THE HEART OF THE CITY FUND

*In loving memory of*

**Nora McKeithan** by the David Thomas family

### Live Streaming SUNDAY & WEDNESDAY Worship & Education

#### IGNITE Contemporary Worship

10:45am–11:55am • Fellowship Hall

Facebook page and YouTube channel for live streaming the Ignite worship service:

Ignite Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresIgnite/>

Ignite YouTube page:

<http://bit.ly/firstpresigniteworship>

**Please "like" and "subscribe" for easy access.**

#### Traditional Worship

11:00am–12:15pm • Sanctuary

*Live Streaming:* Facebook, YouTube, and [FirstPresgreenville.org/media/livestream](http://FirstPresgreenville.org/media/livestream)

#### Wednesday Bible Study

12:30pm–1:00pm • Fellowship Hall

6:30pm–7:15pm • Fellowship Hall

*Live Streaming (6:30pm only):*

Facebook, YouTube, and [FirstPresgreenville.org/media/livestream](http://FirstPresgreenville.org/media/livestream)









# Welcome to the First Pres Family

*October 18, 2020*

## **New Members October 4, 2020**

Ed and Kim Brackmann

Anne-Marie Himmell

Ginny Johnson

Rietje Lulsdorf

Joy McManus

Buster and Nell Mobley

Ryan, Stephanie, Charlie, and Ava Troyer

Anthony and Libby Stewart

## **New Members October 11, 2020**

Molly Louise Bozeman

Taylor Alexander Goodwin

Pamela Lynn Stukey Hazlett

Parker and Anna Lee McTeer

Steve and Amy Murray

Jonathan and Laura Stair

## **Confirmands Class of 2020**

Mr. Mitchell Briggs Jr., son of Coty and Aften Briggs

Miss Adelaide Brown, daughter of Clay and Sarah Brown

Miss Anna Bruner, daughter of Terrence and Christine Bruner

Miss Aurora Clements, daughter of Ross and Jessica Clements

Mr. Hollis Coleman, son of Graham and Jennifer Coleman

Miss Hadley Darwin, daughter of Trey and Jannie Darwin

Mr. Maddux Doll, son of Josh and Emily Doll

Mr. Hampton Garrett, son of Hunter and Aimee Garrett

Miss Anna Greer, daughter of Reg and Sarah Greer

Mr. David Greer, son of Reg and Sarah Greer

Miss McKinley Griffeth, daughter of Jackson and Lesley Griffeth

Miss Kori Guest, daughter of Russell and Darst Guest

Mr. Tucker Hendrix, son of Jim and Elizabeth Hendrix

Miss Maria Jones, daughter of John and Tina Jones

Mr. Matthew Lewis, son of Rob and Nancy Lewis

Mr. James Madden Jr., son of Mike and Beth Madden

Miss Ellie Melzer, daughter of Scott and Audrey Melzer

Miss Sidney Mitchell, daughter of Sidney and Katie Mitchell

Miss Liza Parker, daughter of John and Sydney Parker

Miss Ellie Pestrak, daughter of Bob and Jen Pestrak

Mr. Michael Pestrak, son of Bob and Jen Pestrak

Mr. Steven Shanesy, son of Todd and Carolyn Shanesy

Mr. Adam Sobke, son of Kyle and Stephanie Sobke

Mr. Givens Stewart, son of Givens and Elizabeth Stewart

Mr. John Waldrop, son of Michael and Eugenia Waldrop

Mr. Will Wright, son of Jimmy and Heidi Wright

Miss Mary Helen Yoder, daughter of David and Kat Yoder

*(Member News on reverse)*



# First Presbyterian Church Member News

*October 18, 2020*

**BAPTISM (October 11, 2020)**

**Duncan Iain Fraser**

son of Mr. and Mrs. Iain Donald James Fraser (Chelsea)

**SYMPATHY**

*The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to*

**Dr. and Mrs. Dean Davis (Tonya) and family** in the death of his brother on October 6.

**Dr. and Mrs. Tom Baumgarten (Beth) and family** in the death of her father, Kenneth Maxwell Fisher of Greenville, SC, on October 7.

*(New Members on reverse)*