

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 (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/

Questions? Contact Karen King (565.0936, kking@firstpresgreenville.org) or visit 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 1-by-8-inch wood, 15 inches or longer*. Bring wood by **Sunday, November 15**, to the conference room near Children's Ministry, or contact Tina Jones (tjones@firstpresgreenville.org) for pick-up. Thank you!

College Ministry

COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESSES NEEDED

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/ministries/students/college. Please email your information to Autumn Clark (aclark@firstpresgreenville.org).

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 (click *Events*) by **Monday, November 2**. Questions? Contact Tammy Burkhalter, Congregational Care Director (565.0943, 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 (click *Connect, All Ministries, MILITARY*) by **Friday, October 30**. Questions? Contact Tammy Burkhalter (565.0943).

Music & Worship Arts

JOIN THE CHRISTMAS CHOIR!

"And Heaven and Nature Sing" will be the celebratory theme of *Christmas@First* 2020, to be performed **Saturday, December 12**, at 2:00pm and 6:00pm.

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).

Prayer Ministry, Stan Johnson

ONE PRAYER NOVEMBER 15

Join us for *ONE Prayer 2020* on **Sunday, November 15**, 5:00–7:00pm, in the Sanctuary. On the eve of His crucifixion, Jesus expressed His heart's longing for the Church, His body, to be one: "My prayer is

not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me."

—JOHN 17:20-21

This will be our primary prayer as several local churches come together to express unity during this special prayer and worship service. Please register at OnePrayerSC.com if you plan to attend; "Like" the *ONE Prayer* Facebook page for updates.

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 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 on **Thursdays through 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).

WOMEN'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES

You're invited to join a weekly morning or evening Women's Bible Study! See the list in the *Fall 2020 Weekly Schedule* at FirstPresGreenville.org. For more information, please contact Charlotte Joye (cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org) or Claire Ripley (cripley@firstpresgreenville.org).

Announcements

STAFF NEWS: WELCOME!

Frances (Reid) Twomey grew up at First Presbyterian, and is excited to be back on staff as Music & Worship Arts Coordinator. She and her husband, Mike, have spent the last four years in Atlanta at Peachtree Presbyterian, where she did music and worship production. The Twomeys moved back to the upstate in August to be near family. Frances holds a Master of Arts degree in Worship, and plans to finish her Master of Divinity in June 2021. She released her first album, *Deep Water*, in 2018 and enjoys writing music and being outdoors in her spare time.



CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Operations

for three months ended 09/30/2020

	Actual	Budget
Contributions	\$1,315,106	\$1,317,278
Expenses	<u>\$1,312,690</u>	<u>\$1,656,765</u>
Net income	\$ 2,415	\$ (336,487)

Capital Campaign

Transforming the Heart of the City

Total contributions received	\$10,174,568
Total pledges + unpledged giving	\$18,171,464

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Member News

CONGRATULATIONS

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to **Mr. and Mrs. Anthony "Tony" Lopez (Meredith Olivia Morgan)**, who were married in Harper Chapel on October 17.

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to **Mr. and Mrs. Larry Goodwin (Jessica)** in the death of his brother, Jack C. Goodwin Jr. of Taylors, SC, on October 16.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dickerman (Inge) in the death of their daughter, Karen Minor of Greenville, on October 16.

Calendar for the Week

COMMITMENT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

Pastor of the Day: Claire Ripley (423.2064)

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 26

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

6:00pm • Session Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
7:00pm • Community Bible Study (Zoom)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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 28

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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 29

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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 30

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 31

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

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

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

Sunday Worship

COMMITMENT SUNDAY
OCTOBER 25, 2020

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

Series:

“DEVELOPING A COURAGEOUS FAITH”

Matthew 7:1-12

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

Live Stream Sunday Morning Worship

For updates, visit
FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestream
and FPC’s Facebook page.

This WEDNESDAY

OCTOBER 28, 2020

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

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons: Romans

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

Grilled Beef and Onions
Fried Flounder, Baked Cod
Au Gratin Potatoes, Buttered Mashed Potatoes
Breaded Squash, Seasoned Vegetable Blend
Salad, Rolls, Dessert

Prayer & Pastoral Care

I Am

God said to Moses, “I AM who I AM.
This is what you are to say to the Israelites:
‘I AM has sent me to you.’”

EXODUS 3:14

When you are weak, I am your strength.
When you are afraid, I am your courage.
When you are overwhelmed,
I am your peace.
When you are sad, I am your joy.
When you are in the midst of chaos,
I am your clear direction.
When you are lost, I am your way.
When you feel defeated, I am your victory.
I am the Great I AM.

Dear Heavenly Father, we praise You
because You are worthy to be praised. You
are the Great I Am and we give thanks
unto You as You provide our every need.
We can be at peace and rejoice because
we can rest in You, our Heavenly Father.
Thank You, Lord, for loving us and caring
for us! We praise You in the name of Your
precious and Holy Son, Jesus Christ, Amen!

Encouragement
& Support

If you would like 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 Directory Tammy Burkhalter, by email to tburkhalter@firstpresgreenville.org.

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

To share prayer requests with the Prayer Team:

call 565.0970

or email

prayer@firstpresgreenville.org

PRAYER REQUEST LINES

Congregational Care Director

Tammy Burkhalter: 565.0943

Prayer Appointments: 565.0960

Prayer Requests: 565.0970

Alice Bell, Mary Bull Benton, Keith Blackwell, Ann Bush, Sydney Clark, Joy Clawson, Levi Daniel, Ray Denny, Peggy Denny, Fred Dickerman, Inge Dickerman, Pat Dukes, Malcolm Floyd, Eddie Gambrell, Becky Garcia, Pam Goldman, Larry Goodwin, Allen Gresham, Natalie Hall, Ruby Hall, T.G. Hanner, Denise Portwood Hofstadter, Freddie Holland, Sherry Hooper, Amy Hunter, Rami Kozaily, Sandra Lamb, Jennifer Loft, John Loft, Pat Loft, Gerald Loyless, Doug MacCallum, Jane MacCallum, Janet MacCallum, Sally MacArthur, Roberta Maddox, Bill Marks, Bobbie McCall, Barbara McKenzie, Mozelle Moore, George Murdaugh, Chloris Norman, Alex Olyarchuk, Charlotte Parr, Alan Paramore, Jane Petrilli, Myra Phillips, Mason Powell, Pat Quarles, Julie Rhoden, Ken Rhoden, Jeff Shelton, Carol Shirley, Ronnie Shirley, Gary Spitzer, Libby Stewart, Carrie Stringer, Jackie Thompson, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, Gary Tompkins, Ryan L. Troyer, Betty Usher, Karen Van Galder, Charlene Vohs, John Vohs, Charlotte Watson, Lysle Wiley, Elizabeth “Liz” Williams, Esther Wilson, Fran Woodside, Jan Zimmerman

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Sundays at 10:30am

ONLINE GIVING



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

Commitment Sunday

OCTOBER 25

AN ACT OF WORSHIP

As we gather to worship this Sunday, let us thoughtfully, prayerfully, and joyfully make our commitments to return a portion of our possessions to our church for its mission of advancing the Kingdom of God.

We are thankful for the many blessings that our Father has bestowed upon us and for this opportunity to bring back a portion to Him.

Watch your mail this week
for your commitment card.
Fill it out and bring it to church
this Sunday, October 25,
or make your pledge online.

Commitment Card

Recognizing God as the provider of all good gifts, I/we intend to return a portion of those gifts toward the ministry and mission of First Presbyterian Church.

2021 Commitment \$ _____ Total Expected Giving for 2021 \$ _____

Printed Name _____ Phone Number(s) _____

Signature _____ Date _____

☐ I would like to continue and/or begin receiving offering envelopes.

☐ I plan to use online giving. For Online Giving instructions, see reverse.

☐ I am currently giving using ACH and have no account information changes.

Please change my ACH amount effective ___/___/2021 to \$ _____ per draft.

☐ I am currently giving using ACH but my account information has changed.
(Please complete the Bank Draft Authorization form below and return to the Accounting office.)

Give online! See reverse for details.

Please remember First Presbyterian Church Foundation in your estate planning.

“From what you have, take an offering for the LORD. Everyone who is willing is to bring to the LORD an offering.”

EXODUS 35:5

Questions? Contact Kristy Service • 565.0929 • kservice@firstpresgreenville.org