

## Ministry News

*Children's Ministry, Tina Jones*

### FAMILY ADVENT FESTIVAL DECEMBER 1

All ages are invited to the Family Advent Festival on **Wednesday, December 1**, 5:30–7:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Learn about Advent by creating a family keepsake together, and enjoy a pizza supper (optional), Christmas music, and a great time of fellowship. Cost is \$30 per family. Registration ends **November 26**, and is limited to 35 families, so register today! *Questions?* Contact Heather Tomlinson (htomlinson@firstpresgreenville.org, 565.0954).

### TOUR THE NEW CHILDREN'S WING

Tour the new Children's Wing! Come to the Nursery check-in area **this Sunday, November 21**, 8:45–9:15am or 12:15–12:45pm, for a guided tour led by the Children's Ministry Team and volunteers.

*First Presbyterian Academy, Tom Roe*

### FIRST PRES ACADEMY TEACHER POSITIONS

First Pres Academy is now hiring for the Downtown campus: a K3 Assistant Teacher (M,W,F, 8:30am–2:30pm); an Afterschool Teacher (M-F, 2:00–4:30pm); and substitute teachers. If you are interested, please contact Jennifer Bridges (jbridges@firstpresacademy.com).

### FIRST PRES ACADEMY OPEN ENROLLMENT

2022-2023 Academy Open Enrollment is **November 29–February 27**. Discounts are available for FPC families, siblings, pastors' children, and early full tuition payment. Enrollment space for the school year is limited. Visit [FirstPresAcademy.com](http://FirstPresAcademy.com) or contact Kathleen Garrison (kgarrison@firstpresacademy.com, 864.678.5175).

*Missions and Outreach Ministry, Brian Stewart*

### HOLLIS ANGEL TREES & CHRISTMAS STORE

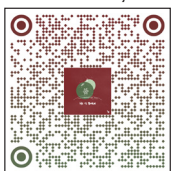
The angels from the Christmas trees at church have all been taken—thank you for your generosity! Virtual angels are still available at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (Angel Trees icon) or by scanning this QR code. Remember to turn in your unwrapped gifts by **Wednesday, November 24**. *Questions?* Contact Beth Simmons (simmonsfam@charter.net).



*Modern Music Ministry, Graydon Tomlinson*

### NEW IGNITE WORSHIP SONG "HE IS BORN"

Ignite Worship is excited to share a song composed specifically for the Christmas season called "He is Born." You will be able to hear it and add it to your Christmas playlist through streaming platforms on **Friday, November 19**. To pre-save and pre-order the song, access this QR code. We hope this song helps you build a more intimate connection with God and with our ministry at First Presbyterian. Follow @firstpresworship on Instagram for the most up-to-date information on when and where to hear "He is Born" on November 19!



*Senior Adult Ministry, Tammy Burkhalter*

### WIT & WISDOM DECEMBER 7

Bring a friend and join us on **Tuesday, December 7**, 11:30am–1:30pm in Fellowship Hall, for our program, fellowship, and lunch. Guest performer Rick Davis will portray various biblical characters through costume and monologue. RSVP by **November 30** to Susan Stewart (565.0966, sstewart@firstpresgreenville.org). Lunch costs \$8.

*Worship & Music Ministry, Susan Messer*

### "COME, LET US ADORE HIM" CHRISTMAS@FIRST

Come be a part of the joy and anticipation of the birth of our Savior as our Worship & Music Ministry presents its annual Christmas@First concert, "Come, Let Us Adore Him." **Friday, December 10**, at 7:00pm, and **Saturday, December 11**, at 3:00 and 7:00pm. This popular event features members of the Sanctuary Choir and Ignite Worship team, a full orchestra, Children's Choirs, and the *Resonate!* student ensemble. The performance will include both sacred Christmas music and classic holiday songs, including "Winter Wonderland of Snow," "Jingle Bell Medley," "See Amid the Winter's Snow," and other titles. Audience members are invited to join in singing favorite Christmas carols. **Tickets (\$10 each) are on sale at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (home page top banner) and at the reception desk.**

## Announcements

### 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THANKSGIVING

*Free tickets still available!* Join us to celebrate the 400th anniversary of Thanksgiving with a worship service that traces the pathway of the pilgrims in four sections—persecution, exile, loss (death), and provision. Within each section, the congregation, Ministry staff, and Music Ministry will recount the pilgrims' journey through prayers, Scripture, choir and orchestra music, and theological perspectives of historical events. **Free tickets are available at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org).** The service will begin at **6:00pm** on **Sunday, November 21**, preceded by the Georgia Boy Choir in concert at 5:30pm.

### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING REPORT

At the Congregational Meeting on November 14, the congregation voted to approve the Pastors' Terms of Call and elect the following ordained Church Officers and Foundation Board Directors:

**ELDERS:** Craig Bailey, Jay Bopp, Christine Bruner, Dave Forry, Randy Fowler, Richard Harper, Donnie Johnson, Mark Massingill, Don Nickell, Edith Parks, Susan Simmons, Rick Sturgis, Eric Swofford, Mack Ward, Chris Wright

**DEACONS:** Kent Barber, Jonathan Barrington, Lyon Bixler, Chad Brown, Nick Reinhardt, Ewan Sweeney, Tripp Welch, Heidi Wright

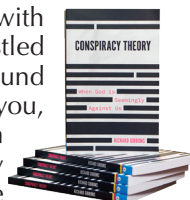
**FPC FOUNDATION BOARD:** Bob August, Susan Simmons, Rick Sturgis

### THANK YOU!

To all who have turned in their 2022 commitment cards, *Thanks you!* To date we have received 382 commitments for a total of \$3,339,428. If you have not already done so, please mail your card to the church, drop it by the church office, or make your commitment online at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (click *Give, Make Your Commitment – Operations*). Contact Kristy Service (565.0929, kservice@firstpresgreenville.org) if you have questions. *Thank you for your continued generosity!*

### NEW BOOK AVAILABLE: CONSPIRACY THEORY

If you have ever struggled with deep disappointments, wrestled with unanswered prayers, or found your life crumbling around you, *Conspiracy Theory* was written just for you! This new book by Dr. Richard Gibbons is available in the Vineyard bookstore, Barnes & Noble, and Amazon.com for \$14.99.



### GETTY CONCERT AT TFBC DECEMBER 21

Taylor's First Baptist Church has invited our congregation and guests to *Sing! An Irish Christmas*, a concert by Keith and Kristyn Getty. Come to TFBC on **Tuesday, December 21**, at 7:30pm for an evening of traditional and modern Christmas hymns and carols. Reserve your seats at [GettyMusic.com/tour](http://GettyMusic.com/tour). An early bird discount is available through November 18, and a family discount is available. As our hearts prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior, this is a wonderful opportunity for families to be intentional in their gathering.

### HELP THE SANCTUARY FLOWER GUILD

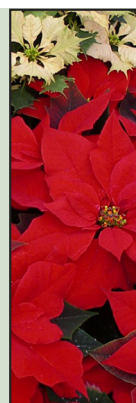
Our Sanctuary Flower Guild members rearrange the Sanctuary flowers each Monday into smaller arrangements for the PVMs to take to members who are homebound or in nursing homes. If you would like to help, please call or text Ann Freeman at 864.404.7531.

### Poinsettias for Christmas

Help decorate our church for Christmas by ordering poinsettias in honor or memory of loved ones.

Order online at [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org), or fill out a form from the literature racks.

Orders are due by **Monday, December 13**.



## Member News

### BAPTISM (November 14, 2021)

**Virginia Elizabeth Barreto**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert John Barreto Jr. (Sullivan)

### SYMPATHY

*The pastors and congregation express sympathy to* **Mr. and Mrs. Mike Farry (Betsy) and family** in the death of his mother, Betty Bolton Farry Benson of Knoxville, TN, on November 6.

**Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ramseur (Geni)** in the death of her mother, Gene Dillard, on November 12; to Mr. and Mrs. David Ramseur (Tracy) in the death of his grandmother; and to Bennett and David Jr. in the death of their great-grandmother.

**Mr. and Mrs. Tom Perry (Cara)** in the death of his mother, Linda Perry, on November 13; and to Kennedy Perry in the death of her grandmother.

### IN MEMORIAM

**Sarah Eugenia Stewart Dillard**

*October 29, 1916 – November 12, 2021*

**Linda Skinner Perry**

*July 31, 1942 – November 13, 2021*

## Memorials & Honors

### CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

*In memory of*

**Paul Karns** by Nancy King; Cynthia Mittleman  
**Gaile Patrick** by Ann G. Powell; Fran and Stuart Anderson

### PRAYER MINISTRY FUND

*In memory of*

**Frances Woodside** by Mr. and Mrs. Rob Hassold, Jr.;  
Mr. Philip S. Patrick

### TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

*In memory of*

**Frances Woodside** by Dr. Alexander Patrick

## Calendar for the Week

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21

*Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)*

**8:30am • Worship Service (Sanctuary, live stream)**  
• Children's Nursery & Programs (birth–age 3)

**8:45am • Congregation Tour of Children's Wing**  
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)**

**12:15pm • Congregation Tour of Children's Wing**

5:30pm • Georgia Boy Choir Concert (Sanctuary)

6:00pm • Thanksgiving Worship Service (Sanctuary)

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 22

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

6:00pm • Session Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

7:00pm • Community Bible Study (Harper Chapel)

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

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

11:30am • Circle #1 (Off campus: Foothills)

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

• Boy Scout Troop 11 (Scout Hut)

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

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

6:30pm • Radiance Women (20s–30s) (Off campus)

### THANKSGIVING, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25

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

Church Office, Academy, FPNS closed: Thanksgiving

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26

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

Church Office, Academy, FPNS closed: Thanksgiving

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 27

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

*Wednesday Advantage meals & classes*  
will resume in January.

Stay tuned to the *GrapeVine* for more details.



# This SUNDAY

## PRAYER List

### Sunday Worship

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2021

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

Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

Series:

“Pumpkins, Parables & Thanksgiving”  
“THE PRODIGAL SON”

Luke 15:11-32

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

### Live Streaming

#### Sunday Traditional Worship

8:30am–9:35am • Sanctuary  
11:00am–12:15pm • Sanctuary

Live Streaming:

Facebook page:

[Facebook.com/firstpresgreenville](https://www.facebook.com/firstpresgreenville)

FPC YouTube page:

<http://bit.ly/firstpresyoutube>

[FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestream](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestream)

#### Sunday IGNITE Modern 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/](https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresIgnite/)

[FirstPresIgnite/](https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresIgnite/)

Ignite YouTube page:

<http://bit.ly/firstpresigniteworship>

### 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](mailto:tburkhalter@firstpresgreenville.org).

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

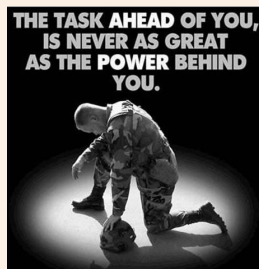
#### PRAYER REQUEST LINES

##### Congregational Care Director

Tammy Burkhalter: 565.0943

Prayer Appointments: 565.0960

Prayer Requests: 565.0970



#### MILITARY MINISTRY & PRAYER

[FirstPresGreenville.org/care/military](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/care/military)

Betty Jo Allen, *Bill Anthony*, Susan Black, Anne Boroughs, John Burnett Jr., Luke Chapman, Joy Clawson, Tristan Crooks, Amelia Cryer, Levi Daniel, Nancy Deadwyler, Franky Dillard, Greg Dobson, Gayle Duggan, Lori Driscoll, Pat Dukes, Malcolm Floyd, Becky Garcia, Millie Gedney, Pam Goldman, Larry Goodwin, Natalie Hall, T.G. Hanner, Wanda Hightower, Sherry Hooper, Amy Hunter, Doug Kolbe, Rami Kozaily, Sandra Lamb, Rhonda Lance, Tom Lide, *Jenna Livingston*, Jennifer Loft, Jonathan Lotz, Gerald Loyless, Doug MacCallum, Jane MacCallum, Janet MacCallum, Roberta Maddox, Bobbie McCall, Barbara McKenzie, Jeff Meadors, John Michels, Mozelle Moore, Nancy Moseley, Alex Olyarchuk, Judy Outlaw, Jane Petrilli, *Myra Phillips*, Tom Preston, Beth Ramsey, Elizabeth Robison, Bill Rogers, Lori Sharp, Jeff Shelton, Carol Shirley, Ronnie Shirley, Clara Lee Shive, Dawn Stewart, Carrie Stringer, Melanie Ann Tinnelly, John Volpe, Lysle Wiley, Brenda Williams, Elizabeth “Liz” Williams, Esther Wilson, John Woodham, Don Youatt, Jan Zimmermann

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*Italics* = In Hospital

## WEDNESDAY

*Bible Study & Wednesday Meals*  
have finished for the fall semester.

Watch for a brochure of  
Winter/Spring semester classes  
coming in December.

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the transforming power of Jesus Christ

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*mobile app FPC Live*

#### TELEVISION

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

#### ONLINE GIVING



November 21–27, 2021

### WHAT’S INSIDE

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*For more information about the ministry  
of FPC, visit [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org)*

November 21–27, 2021

CELEBRATING THE 400<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF

*Thanksgiving*

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*A Celebration  
Worship Service!*

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Scripture, choir and orchestra music, and  
theological perspectives of historical events.

**Free tickets are available at  
[FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org).**

Questions?

Contact Susan Messer  
[smesser@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:smesser@firstpresgreenville.org)

THE GRAPEVINE

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