

Ministry News

Children's Ministry, Tina Jones

FAMILY ADVENT FESTIVAL DECEMBER 2

Bring your kids or grandkids and celebrate the season at the 15th annual Family Advent Festival! *ALL ages are welcome!* On **Wednesday, December 2**, 5:30–7:30pm in Fellowship Hall, your family will work together to make a star mosaic and a paper hymn chain garland. You'll also receive *Prepare Him Room*, a family advent devotional book. Cost is \$30 per family; add \$15 per family for optional Chick-fil-A dinner. Social distancing and mask guidelines will be followed. One family per table. Space is limited to 40 families, so register online soon at FirstPresGreenville.org (click Featured Events). *Questions?* Contact Heather Tomlinson (565.0954, htomlinson@firstpresgreenville.org).

Foster & Adoption Ministry, Tina Jones

ORPHAN PRAYER EVENT MONTH OF NOVEMBER

As we continue to pray for needs of orphans and those surrounding their care this month, please pray this week for:

1. elected officials
2. respite care providers (those who offer a break to foster families)
3. foster care advocates in our church and community
4. siblings in foster care
5. healthcare professionals
6. mentors and mentees
7. youth aging out of foster care

Over the course of this prayer event, we hope you have seen that it takes the whole Body of Christ with each member doing its part to truly cover the needs of the orphan. May God hear your prayers and show you how He wants you to help.

Ignite Worship Ministry, Graydon Tomlinson

IGNITE WORSHIP TEAM VIRTUAL AUDITIONS

If you have a passion for worship and a gift for music but haven't yet gotten involved, we invite you to take a next step by submitting a Virtual Audition for the Ignite Worship Team! Our focus is to identify vocalists, guitar players, piano players, and drummers to be part of the core Ignite Worship Team. We also hope to identify any other instrumentalists who could play a role in the ministry. All levels of skill and experience are invited to submit an audition! Visit FirstPresGreenville.org/Ignite-Audition to find more information.

Life Connections Ministry, Claire Ripley

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY SCHEDULE

Wednesday Bible Studies, classes, and meals for 2020 concluded November 18, and will resume in **January 2021**. Watch for dates and details.

Men's Ministry, Claire Ripley

MEN'S BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

Men's Bible Fellowship meets on **Thursday mornings** (except November 26), 9:00–10:15am via Zoom. Men of all ages are invited to join this Bible study, currently in Galatians. Contact Ron Kennett (kennetts4usc@gmail.com) for Zoom invitation.

JOBS FOR LIFE PROGRAM BEGINS IN JANUARY

Jobs for Life is a transformational ministry designed to equip men who are getting back on their feet to find and keep a job. The First Pres Men's Ministry is sponsoring the *Jobs for Life* program in partnership with Miracle Hill's Greenville Rescue Mission, with the first eight-week class beginning in January. We are praying that a few men with a heart for others will join our team to serve as mentors, and that business owners will volunteer to serve as guest speakers and help with mock interviews. For details, call Ron Clarke, 650.279.1096, or visit FirstPresGreenville.org/ministries/adult-ministries/men.

Missions & Evangelism, Brian Stewart

HOLLIS ANGEL TREES & CHRISTMAS STORE

This year's angels are students from Hollis Academy. The Christmas gifts you provide will be made available to their parents for purchase at a "Christmas Store" December 4 and 5. Please choose an angel (from a tree in Fellowship Hall, Memorial Hall, or the Loggia, OR virtually), purchase gifts in store or online, and return gifts (unwrapped) to the church by **Sunday, November 22**. Choose an angel virtually at FirstPresGreenville.org/hollisangels. Proceeds

will be placed into a college scholarship fund for youth in the Hollis neighborhood. For more details, contact Christy Glenn (christywglen@hotmail.com) or Heather Ware (905.7753).

SWITCH FREEDOM GALA FINALE NOVEMBER 20

SWITCH is a mission dedicated to ending human trafficking and sexual exploitation in the Upstate. You're invited to the annual SWITCH Freedom Gala grand finale presentation (online) on **Friday, November 20**, at 8:00pm. For free tickets or to host a watch party, visit SWITCHSC.org/fifth-annual-freedom-gala. Please contact Autumn Clark, aclark@firstpresgreenville.org or 565.0947, if you have questions.

Prayer Ministry, Stan Johnson

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE DECEMBER 8

This beautiful candlelight service to honor and remember loved ones who will be especially missed during the Christmas season will be held in the Sanctuary on **Tuesday evening, December 8**, at 6:30pm. The service will include Scripture readings with a time of reflection and meditation, the observance of Holy Communion, special seasonal music and commemorative candle lighting, with Dr. Richard Gibbons leading. Childcare is available; please contact Evelyn Penkert (672.1843 or epenkert@firstpresgreenville.org).

Stewardship Ministry, Andy Douglas

LEAVING A LEGACY

Have you considered leaving a legacy gift to the First Presbyterian Foundation? If so, or if you have questions, please contact Andy Douglas, 565.0962 or adouglas@firstpresgreenville.org.

Announcements

NOW MORE THAN EVER. DONATE BLOOD!

The Blood Connection reports a shortage as we enter the holiday season. Bloodmobiles will be in the FPC parking lot **Sunday, November 29**, 9:00am–1:00pm. Appointments are recommended: scan this QR code or visit FirstPresGreenville.org (*Events, Featured Events*). Those who donate will receive a \$20 Visa gift card and a COVID-19 antibody test. *Plan to donate!*



CONGREGATIONAL MEETING RESCHEDULED

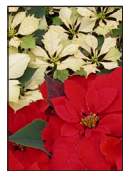
Because a quorum was not present for the Congregational Meeting on November 15, the Session has rescheduled the meeting for **Sunday, December 6**, at 11:50am in the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall.

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS NOVEMBER 22

Our 11:00am worship service on **Sunday, November 22**, will include the Kirkin' o' the Tartans. Sanctuary tickets are "sold out," but the service will be live-streamed in Harper Chapel (limited seating) and at FirstPresGreenville.org.

POINSETTIAS FOR CHRISTMAS

Help decorate our church for Christmas by ordering poinsettias in honor or memory of loved ones. Order online at FirstPresGreenville.org, or fill out a form from the literature racks. Orders are due by **Monday, December 14**.



FIRST AND FOREMOST ARTICLES ON WEBSITE

To read past *Greenville News First and Foremost* articles by Dr. Gibbons, visit FirstPresGreenville.org, and click *Media, First and Foremost Archive*.

Memorials & Honors

CHURCH MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

Ray Denny by Dalea Frye; the Meheles Family; Dunes Beach Home Rentals

John Satterthwaite by Jeri and Taryn Jackson

TURNER MEMORIAL FUND

In memory of

John Satterthwaite by Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brennecke

Member News

CONGRATULATIONS

The pastors and congregation extend blessings to **Mr. Hal Roach** on the birth of a granddaughter, Hailey Rayne Morrow, on November 10. Parents are Mr. and Mrs. Alex Morrow (Cheri) of Greer, SC.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Jay Fields (Morgan Darst Guest), who were married in the Sanctuary on November 13.

SYMPATHY

The pastors and congregation extend sympathy to **Ms. Joan Garrett** in the death of her mother, Lola Garrett, on November 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Scott Sanders (Jill) and family in the death of his father, Robert "Bob" Robinson Sanders of McCormick, SC, on November 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Guest (Darst) and family in the death of her mother, Darst Yvonne Rose of Taylors, SC, on November 15.

The family of Dottie Cole. Mrs. Cole died on November 16.

IN MEMORIAM

Lola Grace Garrett

September 6, 1933 – November 11, 2020

Dorothy "Dottie" Glenn Cole

October 18, 1928 – November 16, 2020

Calendar for the Week

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)

Please arrive 15-20 minutes early for screening.

8:30am • Worship Service (Sanctuary, live stream)

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/Kirkin' o' the Tartans

(Sanctuary, live stream)

4:00pm • Christmas Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

5:00pm • Ensemble/Resonate Rehearsal (various rooms)

6:30pm • Re/engage Marriage Ministry (Zoom)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

7:00pm • Community Bible Study (Zoom)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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

• Boy Scout Troop 11 (Scout Hut)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

THANKSGIVING, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26

Pastor of the Day: Brian Stewart (423.2660)

Church Office, Academy, and FPNS closed:

Thanksgiving holiday

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Pastor of the Day: Charlie Buchanan (561.6346)

Church Office, Academy, and FPNS closed:

Thanksgiving holiday

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28

Pastor of the Day: Stan Johnson (423.2067)

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December 8 Service of Remembrance:
6:30pm

December 12 Christmas@First Concerts:
2:00pm, 6:00pm

TICKETS: In Vineyard now
Online beginning November 23

December 24 Christmas Eve Services:
2:00pm: Afternoon Service (traditional)
5:00pm: Children's Service
7:30pm: Candlelight Service (modern)
11:00pm: Watchnight Service (traditional)
TICKETS: In Vineyard beginning November 29
Online beginning December 7

Sunday Worship

NOVEMBER 22, 2020

8:30am & 11:00am Worship • Sanctuary
 "HAVE YOU TRIED THE BASEMENT?"
 Isaiah 43:1-8
 Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

10:45am IGNITE Worship • Fellowship Hall
 "FEAR NOT!"
 Isaiah 43:1-7
 Rev. Dr. Shelton Sanford

Live Stream Sunday Morning Worship
 For updates, visit
FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestream
 and FPC's Facebook page.

This WEDNESDAY

NOVEMBER 25, 2020

No Bible Studies, Classes, or Meals
 Wednesday events will resume in January.

LET US COME BEFORE HIS PRESENCE WITH
THANKSGIVING
 PSALM 95:2

Live Streaming

Sunday Traditional Worship

8:30am-9:35am • Sanctuary
 11:00am-12:15pm • Sanctuary
 Live Streaming: Facebook, YouTube, and
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/FirstPresIgnite/>
 Ignite YouTube page:
<http://bit.ly/firstpresigniteworship>
 Please "like" & "subscribe" for easy access.

Christmas@First Concerts

December 12: 2:00pm, 6:00pm
 Live Streaming: Facebook, YouTube, and
FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestream

Christmas Eve Services

December 24: 2:00, 5:00, 7:30, 11:00pm
 Live Streaming: Facebook, YouTube, and
FirstPresGreenville.org/media/livestream

FirstPresChristmas.com

Prayer & Care

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 Director 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

June Anderson, *Dottie Ayers*, Alice Bell, Mary Bull Benton, Keith Blackwell, Ann Bush, Sydney Clark, Joy Clawson, Levi Daniel, Peggy Denny, Fred Dickerman, Inge Dickerman, Pat Dukes, Malcolm Floyd, Eddie Gambrell, Becky Garcia, Pam Goldman, Larry Goodwin, Allen Gresham, Natalie Hall, T.G. Hanner, Denise Portwood Hofstadter, Freddie Holland, Sherry Hooper, Amy Hunter, Rami Kozaily, Sandra Lamb, Jennifer 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, 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*, Elizabeth "Liz" Williams, Esther Wilson

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TELEVISION

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

ONLINE GIVING



November 22-28, 2020

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

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENVILLE presents

CHRISTMAS@FIRST

And Heaven and Nature Sing!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12 • 2:00pm & 6:00pm

Seating is limited • \$8 tickets for sale now in the Vineyard bookstore, online beginning November 23

More details at FirstPresChristmas.com

And Heaven and Nature Sing

is a concert event for all ages with a delightful variety of Christmas music performed by the First Presbyterian Church choir, chamber orchestra, guest soloists, and a piano quartet. This 90-minute event will fill your soul with the spirit of the season!

As a gift to the community, both concerts will be live-streamed at no charge.

November 22-28, 2020