

WELCOME to FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Spartanburg, SC

First Presbyterian Church is a community of believers committed to "Glorifying God and Sharing Christ Together through Word and Deed."

Service for the Lord's Day

July 2, 2017

8:30AM - Chapel

10:30AM - Sanctuary

† Please rise in body or spirit.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Lord, Revive Us

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

OPENING VOLUNTARY Two Early American Hymn Tunes

Dove of Peace

Gilbert Martin

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Praise the Lord! Holy and awesome is his name!

All: We shall give thanks to the Lord with our whole hearts,

Together as one voice and as one congregation!

One: Great are the works of the Lord, full of honor and majesty!

All: The righteousness of God endures forever.
The hands of the Lord are faithful and just.

One: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; All who practice it have good understanding.

All: The praise of the Lord shall endure forever. The glory of God shall last a lifetime.

One: Let us worship God.

Please sign and pass the Ministry of Friendship Pad, note the names of those around you, and greet one another after worship.

(adapted from Psalm 111)

Materna

Each stanza of this hymn

combines appreciation of America's beauty with prayers to God for His blessings on and aid for the nation. In petitioning God to "mend [America's] every flaw," we acknowledge our imperfection as a country. In praying for the unity of

> brotherhood "from sea to

shining sea," we acknowledge that the disunity that exists is undesirable.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

† Hymn 338

Sustaining Lord and everlasting Father, you are the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation.

We confess before you the many times when we have eaten from another table, when we have filled our bellies with evil, and when we have caused suffering upon others.

Have mercy on us, God.

Pour out your Spirit and harvest for us your grace, that we may give thanks to you at all times and in all places.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ...

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SILENT CONFESSION

One: If we have died with Christ,

we believe that we will also live with him. Therefore, consider vourselves dead to sin

and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God!

† RESPONSE Hymn 581

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

† Passing of the Peace

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ,

let us also forgive one another.

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us greet each other as we share the peace of Christ.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

(8:30)

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READING John 6:35

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON I AM... Tired Dr. Thomas E. Evans

(10:30)

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READING John 6 (selected verses)

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON I AM... The Bread of Life Rev. Christi O. Brown

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

OFFERTORY

(8:30) I Am the Bread of Life Rene Clausen

Valerie MacPhail

(10:30) Christ, the Way of Life Possess Me K. Lee Scott

Summer Choir

† Doxology

HYMN 609 LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! After the Word for Children, all children will return to the pews. Nursery is available for

infants through

age 3.

The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. During his earthly ministry Jesus shared meals with his followers as a sign of community and acceptance and as an occasion for his own ministry.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING (Sung Responsively)

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up, lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us all give thanks to the Lord our God. All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

One: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

All communion bread and wafers are gluten free.

Communion Music

(8:30) Land of Rest Wilbur Held

10:30) I Am the Bread of Life Rene Clausen

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(10:30) I Am the Bread of Life Valerie MacPhail

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

<u>Hymn 801</u>

Of all metrical versions of the psalms, this versification of Psalm 23 from the 1650 Scottish Psalter is probably the best known. † HYMN 801 The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

† Charge and Benediction

† CLOSING VOLUNTARY Foundation Edward Broughton

Participating in This Morning's Worship Services

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8:30am Dr. Thomas E. Evans and Rev. Joanne R. Hull

10:30am

Rev. Christi O. Brown and Rev. Jason C. Moore

You are invited to stay and listen to the Closing Voluntary but you are welcome to leave following the Benediction.

<u>The greens in the Sanctuary</u> are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of all those who served in the United States of America military.

<u>Many thanks to Bruce Campbell (organist) and Justin Boazman (conductor)</u> for their musical leadership while Marcia and Holt Andrews are away.

For the hearing impaired: Our Sanctuary is equipped with a T-coil hearing loop. If your hearing aid or cochlear device is equipped with T-coil technology, please switch it to the "T", T-Coil, or telephone position for improved hearing during the service. Hearing aid devices are also available in the Narthex and Tower Room. Please ask an usher and return these to the Usher Stands when you exit. Thank you. For the Chapel service, please ask an usher for a hearing aid device and return when you exit.

Large-print bulletins are available from the ushers upon request.

SUMMER SCHEDULE SUNDAY SCHOOL JUNE 4 - AUGUST 27 at 9:30AM

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Nursery (Birth-2K) and Preschool (3K-4K) 1st Floor Clark Bldg

Elementary (5K-5th Grade) 2nd Floor Clark Bldg

Youth (6th-12th Grade) 2nd Floor FLC

ADULTS

Special Summer Class (Room 2201)

The Story of the Bible, Part 2: Reading the Bible from the Middle Ages to Today
A Video Lecture Series by Luke Timothy Johnson

We will be exploring how the Bible came to us, looking particularly at the renewed interest in biblical languages in the Renaissance, the efforts to translate the Bible into English and other common languages, and how the interpretation of the Bible has changed over the last several centuries up to today.

FAITH DRIVEN and **SPARK** (Combined Classes in Room C210)

Meets Periodically Throughout the Summer

OPEN CLASS (Room 2213)

PURNELL CLASS (Purnell Room)

Life @ First

JULY 2, 2017

Complete details at www.fpcspartanburg.org Join us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter!

Welcome!

If you are visiting with us today, you are our honored guest! **Please sign the Fellowship Pad**, so that we may contact you.

For more information about First Presbyterian, check the church website or see one of the Worship Greeters, holding the baskets.

JOINING FIRST PRES...

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please come to the Church Library on the second Sunday of the month at 10:00am. The Church Library is located on the first floor of the main building, on the hallway near the Chestnut Street Door. Ministers and members of the Session will be there to greet you.

Additionally, a Welcome Class is held twice a year, which is open to all visitors interested in joining our church or to anyone wanting to learn more about the Presbyterian Church (USA).

For more information, please contact Rev. Joanne Hull; 208-2125/ jhull@fpcspartanburg.org or Joanie Shackleton; 208-2132/ jshackleton@fpcspartanburg.org.

PASTORS ON-CALL

If you have a <u>Pastoral Emergency</u> after 5:00pm during the week or anytime over the weekend or on holidays, please call <u>208-2142</u>. The message will be sent to the pastoral care team member who is on-call and your call will be returned as soon as possible. For <u>pastoral needs for our youth, contact Rev.</u> <u>Jason Moore</u> (804-9244).

TODAY - HELP RELIEVE THE HUNGER IN SPARTANBURG

As we celebrate Communion together, let us serve others through our gifts for hunger relief. Containers for canned goods and loose change are located at the entrances to the Sanctuary, the Tower Room, and Fogartie Hall (MorningSong).

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30am Chapel Worship Service*

9:30am Sunday School

10:30am MorningSong (Fogartie Hall) and Sanctuary Worship11:30am Fellowship/Summer Sizzle (July 16, August 6, August 27)

*There will be <u>One Combined Worship Service on Sunday, September 3</u> at 10:30am in the Sanctuary. The regular Sunday morning schedule will resume on Sunday, September 10.

You Won't Want to Miss This

Some special Presbyterian mission co-workers, our church has supported for many years, will be with us on <u>Tuesday, July 11 at 6:30pm in the Chapel</u>. These co-workers serve in the Middle East and live close to the frontlines with ISIS. On a daily basis they deal with issues that make headline news; they will be sharing their stories. For reasons of security, we don't print this couple's name or location in our bulletins, on our website, or any social media.

BLOOD DRIVE

On Sunday, July 23, First Presbyterian Church, along with 4 other churches, will participate in an ecumenical blood donation event. If you haven't scheduled a time to donate, please contact Beth Cecil to do so. It cost nothing to donate and the benefits for those receiving as well as for those donating far exceeds anything money could buy. If you have never donated in the past, now is the time to become a new donor. Please remember, in order to keep our two-bus status, we must have at least 50 donors. Two buses expedites the donating process!

For more information, or to schedule an appointment, please contact Beth Cecil; 208-2136 / bcecil@fpcspartanburg.org.

FOR PARENTS

Rainbow worship bags are provided at the doors for your child to use during worship. Please return the crayons, book, bookmarks, and bag to the baskets after worship. The papers or leaflets are for your child to keep as a reminder of today's scripture and message.

CALENDAR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, JULY 2

8:30am Chapel Worship

9:30am Sunday School

9:45am Summer Choir

10:30am MorningSong Worship

10:30am Sanctuary Worship

Tuesday - Independence Day

ALL Church Facilities Closed Have a Safe and Happy Fourth of July

Wednesday, July 5

12:00pm Men's Bible Study

THURSDAY, JULY 6

10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry 12:30pm Men's Small Group

FRIDAY, JULY 7

6:30am Men's Study Group 7:00am Men's Study Group

A complete calendar, including Committee Meetings, Recreation Classes, and AA Meetings, is available on the church website.

LOOKING FORWARD . . .

JULY 9

Chapel - Dr. Thomas E. Evans Sunday School

MorningSong - Dr. Thomas E. Evans Sanctuary - Rev. Joanne R. Hull

JULY 16

Summer Sizzle: Sundae Sunday

JULY 28

Last Day to Order Tartans

July 31 - August 3 CAST Camp Week 3

August 6

Summer Sizzle: Dog Days of Summer

AUGUST 27

Summer Sizzle: End of Summer Celebration

OCTOBER 22

Celebrate Kirkin' o' the Tartans and 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

FINANCIAL NEWS

2017 Operating Budget: \$2,828,008 Needed weekly: \$54,385

Received 6/25: \$31,486

SUMMER CHOIR

Anyone who enjoys singing is welcome in the Summer Choir, which meets every Sunday from Memorial Day through Labor Day. The group is designed for maximum flexibility...show up any summer Sunday at 9:45am. We prepare the music for that day's 10:30am Sanctuary service only, so you will not be behind if you are a one-time visitor or have been away on vacation, etc. Anyone high-school age and above is welcome, and there are strong singers there to lean on if you're feeling a bit insecure. Summer Choir is perfect for those who like to sing but can't be a part of one of our regular ensembles, for students home for the summer, for out of town guests, etc.

For more information contact Holt Andrews; rhandrews@fcpcspartanburg.org.

KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS BANNER SPONSORSHIP FORM

First Presbyterian Church will hold its annual Kirkin' o' the Tartans Worship Service on October 22, 2017. At our Kirkin' service, we remember ancient times, as well as past and present kith and kin, while asking God's help and blessings in the future through special music and a procession of bagpipes and tartans.

The construction of the staffs and stands as well as the sewing of the banners will be performed by volunteers, but we need sponsors to help with the cost of purchasing the tartan fabric and staff materials. The cost of a banner is \$115.

The tartan fabrics are ordered from Scotland, so we need your payment <u>no later</u> than Friday, July 28.

- Some clans have multiple patterns available. If you want a particular pattern, please indicate below. Otherwise, we will order the most common pattern for that clan.
- You will receive an acknowledgment of your order and payment.
- At the conclusion of the service, the tartan banners will be given to the sponsor for storage or display until the next Kirkin. Only the staffs and banner stands will remain at the church.

2017 Kirkin' o' the Tartans Banner Sponsorship Form

Name:
Address:
Phone:
Clan Tartan:
Pattern:

Please send this form and check for \$115.00 to: First Presbyterian Church ~ Kirkin' Fund 393 East Main St., Spartanburg, SC 29302, Attn: Lynise Clarke

If you have any questions or wish to confirm which tartans

have already been purchased, please contact Paul McKee; <u>paulmckee202@gmail.com</u> / 864-621-6939.

MISSION THAT SERVES OUR NEIGHBORS AND OUR GOD

Our congregation serves God and our neighbors at home and abroad with these local and international missions.

LOCAL MISSIONS

Poverty: Monthly Hunger Offering; Mobile Meals; Winter Warmth; TOTAL Ministries; Spartanburg Interfaith Hospitality Network (SPIHN); Habitat for Humanity; The Haven; CAST Program; Neighborhood Meal Ministry; Healing: Angel Tree; St. Luke's Free Medical Clinic; Children's Advocacy Center; HOPE Center for Children; SAFE Homes/Rape Crisis Network; Thornwell Home for Children; Presbyterian Communities of SC; Disaster Relief: One Great Hour of Sharing, Disaster Response Action Team; Kairos Prison Ministry; MLK, Jr. Celebration; Refugee Relief; Mental Health Advocacy; Education: Pine Street Elementary Tutoring; Boys & Girls Clubs; Spartanburg Presbyterian Student Association (UKIRK); Arcadia Outreach Ministry; Presbytery Unified Funds; The Shepherd's Center; Adult Learning Center

INTERNATIONAL MISSIONS

Missionaries: Support for missionaries - Jo Ella Holman, PCUSA liaison for the Caribbean; Mark Hare and Jenny Bent, mission co-workers in Haiti and the Dominican Republic; Mission Workers Serving with Kurds; Mission Workers Serving in the Middle East; Dominican Republic: Clinica Cristiana; Center for Christian Education & Development (CCED School); Sponsorship of CCED School Children; Infant Nutrition Program; Cuba: Iglesia Presbiteriana Reformada in Santa Clara partnership; Haiti: Haiti Outreach Ministries; Haiti Reforestation Project (CODEP); Philippines: Precious Heritage Ministries orphanage and feeding program for street children; India: Set Free Alliance; Witness Season; Bread for the World

<u>This week</u>, please pray for these PC(USA) Missionaries: Dustin and Sherri Ellington (Zambia) and for Spartanburg City Police Officer Keith Soules (FPC's Adopt-a-Cop).

CHURCH OFFICERS

Session

<u>Class of 2018</u>: Fran Bagwell, David Beacham, Roy Berry, Leslie Calicutt, Mark Coleman, Mary Dixon, Ken Frick, Mark Hicklin, David Ike, Kay McClure, Nan McDaniel, Kam Neely, Susan Oldham, Carter Smith, Pat Tatham

<u>Class of 2019</u>: Bert Barre, David Berry, Jennifer Biber, Mark Cann, Dick Carr, David Cecil, Fred Cumbo, Sally Dover, Emma Harrill, Ann Jones, Stan Lummus, Eric Nease, Richard Strasburger, Winnie Walsh, Lewis White

<u>Class of 2020</u>: Lee Close, Celia Cogdell, Suzy Cole, Andrew Darr, Melissa France, Laura Henthorn, Whit Kennedy, Craig Long, Jason Lynch, Ashley Millinor, Bert Moore, Steven Richards, Jessalyn Story, Monica Threatt, Linda West

DIACONATE

<u>Class of 2018</u>: Marjorie Appiah, Randy Barre, Budge Bean, Margie Beckett, Randall Chambers, Erin Chastain, Max Hyde, Brenda James, Donna Kennedy, Andy Lancaster, Lisa Lefebvre, Melissa Morehead, Juli Robertson, Joy Shackelford, Brand Stille

<u>Class of 2019</u>: Katherine Burns, Harry Clayton, Molly Colbath, Mary Deller, John Donovan, Phillip Glover, Carol Gutman, Marsha Hagins, Anne Hicklin, LeAnne Holcombe, Eunice Knouse, Tommy Rudeen, Denise Stevens, John Tatham, Alan Workman

<u>Class of 2020</u>: Will Adair, Vic Bailey, Steven Blanton, Bill Cummings, Chris Curtis, Carroll Easterling, Rob Elliot, John Faris, Dana Halliday, Andy Halligan, Catherine Johnson, Bryan Pack, Kristen Raynor, Leah Rigsby, Marsh Rogers

STAFF

Dr. Thomas E. Evans, Senior Pastor; Rev. L. Craig Foster, Associate Pastor, Education/Discipleship; Rev. Joanne R. Hull, Associate Pastor, Congregational Care; Rev. Jason C. Moore, Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults; Rev. Christi O. Brown, Pastoral Associate for Missions; Holt Andrews, Pastoral Musician; Marcia Andrews, Associate Director of Music and Organist; Penny Wright, Director of Youth; Beth Burris, Director of Children's Ministries; Beth Cecil, Parish Nurse; Colleen McCullough, Director of Recreation; Jane Mullins, Director of Hospitality

