



# 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.”

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## SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

FEBRUARY 5, 2017

8:45AM - Chapel

11:00AM - Sanctuary

† *Please rise in  
body or spirit.*

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

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

All: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

OPENING VOLUNTARY *I Want to Walk As a Child of the Light*

(11:00) ACOLYTE

Paul Manz

Anna Beeson

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Sing to the Lord a new song;

All: **sing to the Lord, all the earth.**

One: Jesus said: You are the light of the world.

All: **Let our light shine, giving glory to God.**

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.

Deuteronomy  
32:3 was the  
basis for this  
hymn of praise  
- "For I will  
proclaim the  
name of the  
Lord; ascribe  
greatness to  
our God!" (ESV)  
Using a variety  
of metaphors for  
God and for His  
works, this text  
overflows with  
proclamations  
of God's loving  
care for His  
people.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Almighty God,

we have asked for your righteous judgment against others,  
but we have not acknowledged the sin in our own lives.

We have worshiped you with our lips,

but have dishonored you with our actions.

We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world,

yet we have not practiced compassion  
and generosity toward others.

Our religion has become the source of quarreling

rather than a testimony to your grace.

Forgive our self-righteousness and give us integrity of heart,  
that we may shine forth the light of your salvation.

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

## SILENT CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Sisters and brothers,

Jesus brings healing, justice, and peace.

Your sins are forgiven by the faith of Christ,

who chose love over hatred and forgiveness over blame.

Rejoice and be glad, for God's mercy is great!

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## † RESPONSE

HYMN 744, VERSE 4

FESTAL SONG

*Arise, your light is come!  
The mountains burst in song!  
Rise up like eagles on the wing;  
God's power will make us strong.*

## † PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Rejoicing in Christ's life among us,

let us share signs of welcome with one another.

The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

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

## LIFE OF THE CHURCH

(11:00) MOMENT FOR MISSION: BOY SCOUTS

Tom McMeekin

The Boy Scouts  
of America  
designates the  
Sunday that falls  
before February  
8 (Scouting  
Anniversary  
Day) as Scout  
Sunday. Today  
we recognize  
the contributions  
of young people  
and adults to  
Scouting.

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 58:4b-12

Pew Bible Page 638

One: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

### SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:13-16

Pew Bible Page 838

One: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*At the Speed of Light*

Dr. Thomas E. Evans

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

(8:45)

*Open My Eyes*  
Genesis Choir

K. Lee Scott

(11:00)

*How Firm a Foundation*  
Chancel Choir

arr. Dan Forrest

### † DOXOLOGY

HYMN 485, VERSE 4

ENGELBERG

*A new creation comes  
to life and grows  
as Christ's new body takes  
on flesh and blood.  
The universe, restored  
and whole, will sing: Alleluia!*

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

### THE GREAT PRAYER OF 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

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All children are invited to the front of the sanctuary during The Word for Children.

At the 11:00 service, children 4 yrs-1<sup>st</sup> grade are welcome to attend Children's Worship.

Pick-up Location:  
Stepping Stones hallway, Clark Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

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.

## SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

## COMMUNION MUSIC

(8:45)

*I Am the Bread of Life*

Valerie MacPhail

René Clausen

(11:00)

*Acquaint Now Thyself With Him*

Chancel Choir

Raymond Haan

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

## BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

† HYMN 377

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

HOUSTON

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns above*

Raymond Haan

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

## PARTICIPATING IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45am

Dr. Thomas E. Evans

11:00am

Dr. Thomas E. Evans, Rev. L. Craig Foster, and Rev. Joanne R. Hull

*The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Kat and Henry Cohen by their children.*

*Many thanks to Paul MacPhail for his musical leadership while Holt is 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.*

### Hymn 377

Kathleen Thomerson is Organist and Music Director at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church in Austin, Texas. She studied music at the Universities of Colorado and Texas, the Flemish Royal Conservatory in Antwerp, and privately in Paris. This is her best-known hymn, set to her hymn tune HOUSTON.

Today we have the opportunity to participate in a different kind of Super Bowl by supporting a local ministry through the **Souper Bowl of Caring**. To help serve our community, our youth will be collecting donations in large soup pots following all services this morning that will help support the Spartanburg Soup Kitchen. Thank you for your support.

# TROOP 2 EAGLE HONOR ROLL



**1929:** Paul Craig; **1930:** Wesley Walker, Gabriel Rouquie; **1931:** Martin Crook, John Glenn, Fred Wyse; **1936:** Dan Wimberly; **1940:** Willard Johnson, Trev Neuberger; **1942:** Edward Perrin, Tom Teasley Galt; **1943:** Ed Moon; **1944:** Wallace DuPre; **1945:** Walter Montgomery, Edwin Shiver, Charles Cauthen, Billy Morgan; **1946:** Hugh Chapman; **1950:** Henry Mitchell, Craig Kennedy; **1951:** Lewis Terry, Patrick Roark, John Renfro; **1952:** Johnny McLendon, Ralph Crutchfield, Perrin Dargan, Michael Mangum, Ned Austell; **1953:** William Davenport, Charles Yeomans; **1954:** Dusty Gray; **1958:** Cone Patterson; **1959:** Alan Cannon; **1960:** Jules Hedden; **1965:** Steve Jeffords; **1966:** William Halligan; **1967:** Theodore Eilenberg, Thomas Langston; **1968:** Arthur Erwin, William Still, James Foster; **1969:** John Keith, William Hamilton, Frank Tiller, Howard Tiller; **1970:** Bruce Eastes, Robert Overman; **1971:** Charles Halliday; **1972:** David Jones, Dwight Eastes; **1976:** Hunter Keith, John F. Renfro, III, Stuart Smith; **1979:** David Tate, Harry Defore, Danny Kahrs; **1981:** Grant Tate, Stephan Bolliger; **1983:** Brian Tate; **1984:** James Bearden; **1985:** Kenneth Tuck; **1989:** Julius Hedden, Jack Murphy, Clarence Crews, Jonathan Silliman; **1990:** Samuel Shackelford; **1991:** John Lee; **1992:** Andy McKee, Hutson McClure, Benjamin Ratterree; **1993:** Johnny Campbell, Thomas Roberts, Brooks Crenshaw, Michael Pack; **1994:** Paul Lee, William Bean, Philip Lowe, Jay Reagan, Joseph Biber, Tripp James, Stephen Shaw; **1995:** Walton Irwin, Paul Davis, James Pickens, Lewis Clayton; **1996:** Stephen Fitzpatrick, Hampton Crow, Grant Close; **1997:** W. Keenan Mayo, Robert Hicklin, Chase Biber, Bryan Pack, Matt Jeffords, James R. Glenn; **1998:** Norman Jones, David Berry, John Burrell, Drew Story, William Clayton, William Bean, McGregory Hayslip, William Ratterree, Carlisle Bean, Stephen Long, William Richter; **1999:** Grey Wicker, Noah Douglas, Carrington Dunn, Jake Erwin, Tommy Jeffords, Robert F. Chapman, Andrew Kinard; **2000:** William Halligan, Adam Bean, Steven Harman, Stuart Davis; **2001:** Duncan Berry, Steven Olejnik, Van Burchfield, Nathan Erwin, Scott Davis; **2002:** Michael Williams, Jay Easterling; **2003:** Christopher Duren, Deas Richardson; **2004:** Calvin Wicker, John Long, Mack Harman, Max Gravlee; **2005:** William Sanders, Kamal Treifi, Ayman Treifi, Ross Anderson; **2006:** Grier Bomar, Alex Gravlee, Louis Howell; **2007:** Michael Cannon, Ashton Ward, William Ward, Taylor France, Matthew Smith, William Bagwell, Powell Henderson, Cobb Howell; **2008:** Hal Crow, James Foster, Steven Axelrod, Matthew Roberts, Jacob Strehl; **2009:** Tanner Oldham, James Sanders; **2010:** John Nelson, Jacob Henderson, James Purinton, Christopher Keith, Andrew Burrell, William Dawes, Martin Groke, Will Hall, Evan Reid; **2011:** Michael Edwards, Bryan Graham, Robert West, Nicholas Broome, Graham Gowan, Robert Grier; **2012:** Parker Scott, Shaw Camp, Cole Harp, Luke Strehl, Mercer Heath, Davis Kleman, Glen McKinney, Troy McKinney, Mason Barrett, Cameron Brown; **2013:** Hollis Burnett, Harrison Carmichael, Chambers Easterling, Ryan Harp, Shelton Laney, Jack Madsen, Hudson McKinney, Myers McKinney, Elford West Morgan, Bow Smith, Ian Threath, William Valainis; **2015:** Calum Cecil, Jonathon Henderson, Cody Horton, Jack Lodmell, Will Patterson, Cole Ray; **2016:** Mac Barrett, Wells Laney, Justin Barron, Tom McMeekin, Colin Cumbo, Thomas Hollingsworth, Lawson Page, Ellis Smith

## ARROW OF LIGHT AWARD

The following Cub Scouts will receive their Arrow of Light Award this month:  
Mills Bullington, Hayes Edwards, Mark Gauthier, Parker Hoenig, James Howlett,  
Brady Johnson, Foster Neely, Avery Phillips, William Pickens





# LIFE @ FIRST

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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 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 10:30am. 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 **Pastoral Emergency** after 5:00pm during the week or anytime over the weekend or on holidays, please call **208-2142**. 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 pastoral needs for our youth, contact Jason Moore (804-9244).

## TODAY, FEBRUARY 5

### SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

We have the opportunity to participate in a different kind of "Super Bowl" by supporting a local ministry through the Souper Bowl of Caring. To help serve our community, our youth will be collecting monetary donations in large soup pots following all three services that will help support the Spartanburg Soup Kitchen.

### HELP RELIEVE HUNGER IN SPARTANBURG

Today, 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).

## BBC WITH KIRK NEELY MEETS THIS WEEK

The BBC with Kirk Neely will meet on Tuesday, February 7 at 10:30am and 7:00pm in the Arthur Center (on Kennedy St) - pick which time suits you. The selection for February is Duel of the Heart by Rose Moore Tomlin. The BBC with Kirk Neely is open to all interested persons, even those who haven't read this book.

## WEDNESDAYS AT FIRST - FEBRUARY 8

**Dinner:** The dinner line is open 5:00-6:15pm. Menu for Feb 1: *Salad Bar, Pork Loin, Broccoli with cheese sauce, Fried Apples, Bread, and Dessert.* The dinner cost is \$7 for Adults and Youth (12 and older), \$6 for Seniors (55 and over), \$4 for Children - with a limit of \$20 per family of 4 or more.

**Healing and Wholeness Service:** 5:15pm in the Chapel. This service provides an opportunity to pray for the healing of oneself and others, reflect on the components of healing, receive communion, and experience God's blessing.

**Children's Choirs** meet at 5:00pm in the Clark Building and Choir Room

**CRC (Christian Recreation for Children)** starts at 6:15pm in the Gym.

**Desserts and Devos for Youth** - meets in the Middle School Class Room at 6:15pm.

**Missions Series**, 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. This Week, Local Missions: We are excited to update you on the new Congolese refugee family that we are sponsoring with World Relief. They moved to Spartanburg in January and are living in an apartment on the Westside. There are three children in the family, ages 7, 4, and 9 months. Come hear all about God's blessings in this new friendship!

**Sit 'n Stitch:** Meets in the FLC Lobby following dinner.

**Wednesday Walkers:** Burn off those WAF dinner calories on the walking track.

Dinner reservations can be made by calling the church office (583-4531) or on our website (Grow/Registrations...) prior to noon on Monday.

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, February 12, immediately following the 11:00am worship service for the purpose of voting on the Terms of Call for Mr. Jason C. Moore as Associate Pastor for Youth Ministry.

## SAVE 3 LIVES - DONATE A PINT! - NEXT SUNDAY

We will observe Blood Sunday with other local congregations on **February 12**, 8:30am-1:30pm, in the Family Life Center Gym. Honor someone with a donation and the Health Committee will send a Valentine Card to your designated honoree!

*To make an appt, contact Beth Cecil; 208-2136/bcecil@fpcspartanburg.org.*

## COLLEGE LUNCH - FEBRUARY 12

All college students are invited to join together for lunch at Mellow Mushroom on Sunday, February 12, following the 11am service. Just bring \$7 and look for Penny Wright or Jessica Meggs.

*Want more info? Contact Penny Wright; (864) 921-8809.*

## YOUTH

### HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT

The Foothills Presbytery High School Retreat will be held March 17-19 at Montreat Conference Center. Enjoy a weekend of worship and friends with keynote speaker, Rev. Andy Casto-Waters. The cost for the weekend is \$130.

*Register by February 8 with Shannon Stewart; sstewart@fpcspartanburg.org*

### YOUTH-A-PALOOZA

Sunday, February 12, 3:30-6:00pm at the YMCA. Bring all your friends from all corners of Spartanburg! Join in for volleyball or just enjoy pizza and fellowship at this event which benefits Total Ministries.

*RSVP to Penny Wright; pwright@fpcspartanburg.org.*

## WEEKDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Enrollment in our Weekday School for the 2017-2018 school year will begin soon. Registration will open for different groups of people on the following schedule:

Feb 13 – FPC members with children currently enrolled at the Weekday School

Feb 14 – Non-FPC members with children currently enrolled at the WDS

Feb 15 – FPC members with new enrollment

Feb 16 – Registration open to the public

Registration will continue until all classes are filled.

*For more information,  
visit [www.fpcspartanburg.org/grow/children/weekday-school](http://www.fpcspartanburg.org/grow/children/weekday-school).*

## DAVE RAMSEY EVENT – MARCH 22

Many of you are familiar with Dave Ramsey from his radio show or his Financial Peace classes, which our church has hosted several times. Dave Ramsey and Chris Hogan will have a one-day *Smart Money* event in Spartanburg on Wednesday, March 22 at 6:30pm at the Spartanburg Memorial Auditorium. The cost is usually \$39, however, FPC has secured discounted admission for our members and it will be \$29 (Be sure to use the code “FPCSpartanburg” when you register to get \$10 off admission and have the \$5.99 service fee waived).

*To register: <https://www.daveramsey.com/live/registration/intSeminarID/3003>*

## CALENDAR THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:45am MorningSong Worship  
8:45am Chapel Worship  
9:45am Sunday School  
11:00am Sanctuary Worship

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

9:15am Tickled Pink Bible Study  
10:30am BBC with Kirk Neely  
12:00pm "Looking at Jesus..." Study  
6:15pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal  
7:00pm BBC with Kirk Neely

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

10:00am Christians in the Making  
12:00pm Men's Bible Study  
5:30pm WAF (see article)  
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9

12:00pm "Looking at Jesus..." Study  
12:30pm SPARK Men's Bible Study

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10

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

*A complete calendar is available on the church website.*

*AA meets 3 times per week - Tues, Thurs, and Fri at 7am in the Scout Hut.*

*For the complete schedule of FLC Classes:  
[www.fpcspartanburg.org/grow/recreation](http://www.fpcspartanburg.org/grow/recreation).*

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## LOOKING FORWARD . . .

### FEBRUARY 12

Chapel - Rev. Joanne Hull  
MorningSong & Sanctuary -  
Dr. Tom Evans

### FEBRUARY 21

FPC Hosts  
Foothills Presbytery Meeting

### FEBRUARY 26

ONE Worship Service at 11:00am  
Ordination and Installation of  
Rev. Jason C. Moore, Associate Pastor

### MARCH 1

Ash Wednesday  
Worship at 6:30pm

### APRIL 21-23

Church-wide Retreat

## ***MISSION THAT SERVES OUR NEIGHBORS AND OUR GOD***

***Please pray for our Good Neighbor Team  
and the family of five who arrived recently from the Congo.***

*Pray for Mwamini, Fiston, Christina (4), Josephine (9 months), and Daniel (7) as they, with the help of the Good Neighbor Team, navigate through social services, public transportation, grocery shopping, learning English, opening bank accounts, starting school, finding employment, and all those things we take for granted.*

### **CHURCH OFFICERS**

#### **SESSION**

**Class of 2017:** Cathy Bagwell, Colleen Ballance, De Calvert, Kyle Clelland, Celia Cogdell, Cliff Gaubert, Brandt Goodwin, Kim Keith, Whit Kennedy, Tom King, Sanders Lee, Sylvia Spears, Monica Threatt, Linda West, Elizabeth Young

**Class of 2018:** 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

**Class of 2019:** 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

#### **DIACONATE**

**Class of 2017:** Will Adair, Vic Bailey, Gail Ballard, Dawn Bingham, Jason Blanton, Steven Blanton, Bill Cummings, Carroll Easterling, John Faris, Rob Hammett, Harriet Ike, Robby Kocisko, Laura Ringo, Mary Tygett, Mac White

**Class of 2018:** 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

**Class of 2019:** 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

### **STAFF**

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



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