



# 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

MAY 14, 2017

8:45AM - Chapel

11:00AM - Sanctuary

### 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

*Rhosymedre*

Ralph Vaughan Williams

(11:00) ACOLYTE

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

All: **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

One: How can we know the way of God?

All: **Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.**

One: Let us worship God.

† *Please rise in  
body or spirit.*

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

Hymn 263

Like many hymns  
describing the  
glory of God  
and the hope  
that one day all  
people will see  
that glory, this  
hymn alludes  
to Philippians  
2:9-11: "at the  
name of Jesus  
every knee  
should bow, in  
heaven and on  
earth and under  
the earth, and  
every tongue  
acknowledge  
that Jesus Christ  
is Lord, to the  
glory of God the  
Father."

† HYMN 263

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

CORONATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Almighty God,  
your word offers freedom from sin,  
but we confess that we have not obeyed your word.  
We have harbored malice toward our enemies;  
we have been deceitful in our relationships;  
we have been insincere in our commitments;  
through gossip we have slandered our friends.  
Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance.  
Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk  
that we may grow into the joy of salvation.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: This is how God shows his love for us:  
while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

† RESPONSE

HYMN 245, V3

LLANFAIR

*Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!  
Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!*

† 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

MOMENT FOR MISSION: MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING

# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

## THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

### SCRIPTURE READING

John 14:1-14

Pew Bible Page 938

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*Many Mansions*

Dr. Thomas E. Evans

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

(8:45)

*My Jesus I Love Thee*  
Justin Boazman

arr. Dan Forrest

(11:00)

*My God Is So High*  
Chancel Choir  
Reel Robertson, solo

Moses Hogan

### † DOXOLOGY

HYMN 245, v4

LLANFAIR

*Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Alleluia!  
Praise to you by both be given, Alleluia!  
Every knee to you shall bow, Alleluia!  
Risen Christ, triumphant now. Alleluia!*

### 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

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### SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

#### At the 8:45

service, all children are invited to the front of the Chapel during The Word for Children.

#### At the 11:00

service, all children are invited to the front of the Sanctuary during The Word for Children. Afterwards, 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.

All communion bread and wafers are gluten free.

Hymn 268

Christ is Lord  
of all, to be  
crowned for  
many things that  
all add up to Him  
being Savior of  
the world. Each  
crown represents  
a different  
aspect of who  
Christ is – Lord of  
life, Lord of love,  
Lord of years,  
Lord of heaven,  
the Lamb upon  
the throne. Christ  
is King, Servant,  
Lamb, Shepherd,  
and we  
celebrate this all-  
encompassing,  
paradoxical  
nature of  
our Savior by  
crowning Him  
the Lord of all.

COMMUNION MUSIC

(11:00)

*Thy Perfect Love*  
Chancel Choir

K. Lee Scott

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

† HYMN 268

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

DIADEMATA

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Crown Him With Many Crowns*

Wilbur Held

PARTICIPATING IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICES

8:45am

Dr. Thomas E. Evans, Rev. Joanne R. Hull  
Brady Johnson

11:00am

Dr. Thomas E. Evans, Rev. Christi O. Brown, Rev. L. Craig Foster,  
Rev. Joanne R. Hull, Rev. Jason C. Moore  
John Mullen (Acolyte), Caroline Colbath

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Ila Belle Levie Bagwell, Lula Frances Hill Levie, Dovie Powell Bagwell, Ophelia (Felie) Williams Adams, and all the wonderful mothers, grandmothers, and godmothers who have gone before us by Frances (Fran) Jewell Bagwell.*

*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.*

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

# COME TO SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:45AM

## CHILDREN AND YOUTH

**Nursery** (Birth-2K)  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Clark Building

**Preschool** (3K-5K)  
1<sup>st</sup> Floor Clark Building

**Elementary** (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Clark Building

**Youth** (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Family Life Center

## ADULTS

**BIBLE ALIVE! (Room 2210)** *A talented and experienced teaching team leads this class for those who want to study the Bible in-depth, book by book.*

**CHOIR CLASS (Room 2208)** *This class uses the Uniform Lesson Series to frame their study and application of Bible texts to daily living. They meet from 10:00 to 10:30am to accommodate choir members, but anyone can join.*

**CHRISTIAN PERSPECTIVES (Room C212)** *This class explores and studies contemporary issues from a variety of perspectives using the Bible, the Christian faith and life, the Presbyterian/Reformed tradition, and World Christianity to form its conclusions.*

**EMMAUS CLASS (Room 2207)** *Join us on our journey as we welcome everyone, with eyes open towards Jesus. We are the loud class at the end of the hall, enjoying fellowship, coffee, and a fresh, new, scripture-based lesson each week.*

**FAITH DRIVEN (Room C210)** *This class is largely made up of parents of young children and seeks to learn more about the Bible and how to apply its truths within the workplace and the home.*

**FELLOWSHIP CLASS (Room 2212)** *Special, distinctive, and important: The host presents a scholarly and factual study of selected books of the Bible presented with a mature flair and wisdom. All ages feel at home with this loyal group.*

**OPEN CLASS (Room 2213)** *A small-group discussion of Christian themes in literature; open to all ages and points of view.*

**PURNELL CLASS (Purnell Room)** *For a hymn sing and an excellent Bible lesson, join this faithful group of men and women.*

**SPARK (Room 2216)** *This class is made up of young adults in their 20's and 30's, both single and married, with and without children, who are interested in connecting and building relationships with each other, while exploring Christianity and the Bible and their applications to life.*

**SPIRITUAL LIFE CLASS (Room 2201)** *This class is for adults who seek to apply the Bible to life and grow spiritually.*

**NOTE:** All rooms with a C in the room number are located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Clark Building. Room numbers in the 2000's are on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Main Building. The Purnell Room is on the first floor of the main building.

# LIFE @ FIRST

MAY 14, 2017

Complete details at [www.fpcspartanburg.org](http://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 10:30am. 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). **This Class is meeting at 10am on Sundays through May 14.**

*For more information, please contact Rev. Joanne Hull; 208-2125/  
[jhull@fpcspartanburg.org](mailto:jhull@fpcspartanburg.org)  
or Joanie Shackleton; 208-2132/  
[jshackleton@fpcspartanburg.org](mailto: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 IS MOTHER'S DAY

Today is a day when we honor mothers all around the world - mothers who nourish and nurture, who teach love by example, and who kiss away tears. We are thankful for all moms - the women who mother their own children or the children of others; for adopted moms; birth moms; grandmoms; moms-to-be; mom-in-laws; stepmoms; for the moms we had; and the moms we want to be. Happy Mother's Day!

## TODAY - HELP RELIEVE 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).

## REGISTER FOR VBS BY FRIDAY!

Join us at Hero Central on June 5-8, to discover your strength in God and earn your super hero cape. Space fills up quickly so don't forget and do not wait!

*Register at [fpcspartanburg.org/events/vbs](http://fpcspartanburg.org/events/vbs) or pick up a form in the church office.*

## REMEMBERING THEIR SERVICE AND SACRIFICE

On Sunday, May 28, the church will honor your loved ones who have served in the United States Armed Forces and have now passed on. We will print the information in the worship bulletin.

*Please contact Joanie Shackleton; [jshackleton@fpcspartanburg.org](mailto:jshackleton@fpcspartanburg.org)/208-2132 **prior to May 22** with the name of the person, their rank, branch of service, and dates of service.*

## HELP AT HABITAT RESTORE - OR WITH CONSTRUCTION!

Habitat for Humanity of Spartanburg is looking for some volunteers to **in their ReStore** (Tuesday-Saturday) **and at the Interfaith Construction Site** (Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday). Individuals and group volunteers are welcome.

*For more information about how you can get involved, please contact Carrie Vaughn, Volunteer Coordinator;  
864-591-2221 ext. 105 / [carrie.vaughn@habitatspartanburg.org](mailto:carrie.vaughn@habitatspartanburg.org).*

## DRIVE A GOLF CART!

A golf cart has recently been donated to the church so that we can shuttle people to and from the parking lots. If you would like to be one of our hospitable drivers on Sunday mornings ...

*... please contact John Donovan; [John.Donovan@med.ge.com](mailto:John.Donovan@med.ge.com).*

## SUNDAY, JUNE 4

### PENTECOST - ONE SERVICE AT 10:30 - WEAR RED!

Celebrating the birthday of the Christian Church and the power of the Holy Spirit, is a time to open ourselves to God's creative new future. Come ready for the excitement!

Worship together at 10:30 in the Sanctuary.

Missions will be a featured aspect of worship, with special guest speakers.

Music will be provided by the MorningSong Music Team.

### SUMMER SIZZLE - BARBECUE AND BLUEGRASS

After Worship..... Bring your own lunch OR Pick up BBQ in the Gym (Cost is \$10 per plate; Tickets available: <sup>(1)</sup> Before and After worship today in the Receptionist Office and FLC Lobby; <sup>(2)</sup> In the Church Office during the week; and <sup>(3)</sup> At the Door on Sunday, June 4), then Picnic on the Lawn (bring chairs/blankets) and enjoy the Bluegrass band, "Off Duty".

## SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS IN JUNE

Beginning June 4 and concluding August 27, the Summer Worship schedule will be:

8:30am Chapel Worship Service\*

9:30am Sunday School

10:30am MorningSong (Fogartie Hall) and Sanctuary Worship

11:30am Fellowship/Summer Sizzle - Jun 4, Jun 25, Jul 16, Aug 6, and Aug 27

\*There will be One Combined Worship Service on Sunday, June 4 and on Sunday, September 3 at 10:30am in the Sanctuary. The regular Sunday morning schedule will resume on Sunday, September 10.

## VOLUNTEER FOR CAMP ARCADIA

Camp Arcadia will be held June 12-16, 1:00-4:00pm each afternoon at Arcadia Elementary. New changes this year mean smaller groups of children and more flexibility in commitment, so please volunteer and become a part of this amazing ministry! You may come on one afternoon - or all five! If you are interested in being a part of the leadership team next year, now is the time to get on board.

For more information, contact Chris Curtis; [curtis1120@gmail.com](mailto:curtis1120@gmail.com).

## YOUTH SUMMER TRIPS

**Salkehatchie Summer Service:** June 17-24 (14 yrs+)

**Mission Crawl Camp:** July 11-13 (11-14 yrs)

**Montreat Youth Conference:** July 15-22 (14yrs+)

Sign up online today!

Questions? Contact Shannon Stewart; 208-2133 / [ssewart@fpcspartanburg.org](mailto:ssewart@fpcspartanburg.org).

## FOR PARENTS

**Nursery care** is available on the first floor of the Clark Building for all services for children six weeks through three years old.

**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 at the conclusion of worship. The papers or leaflets are for your child to keep as a reminder of today's scripture and message.

## CALENDAR THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY, MAY 14

8:45am Chapel Worship

8:45am MorningSong Worship

9:45am Sunday School

9:45am Welcome Class

11:00am Sanctuary Worship

### MONDAY, MAY 15

10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry

5:30pm Women's Circle 12

### TUESDAY, MAY 16

12:00pm Study: *Church History*

5:00pm Neighborhood Meal Ministry

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

12:00pm Men's Bible Study

### THURSDAY, MAY 18

12:00pm Study: *Church History*

12:30pm Men's Small Group

4:00pm Women's Circle 9

### FRIDAY, MAY 19

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.

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

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## LOOKING FORWARD . . .

### MAY 21

Baccalaureate

**MorningSong & Sanctuary:**

Rev. Jason C. Moore

**Chapel:** Rev. Joanne R. Hull

### JUNE 4

Pentecost: One Worship Service in the Sanctuary at 10:30am

### JUNE 6-9

Vacation Bible School

### OCTOBER 22

Celebrate Kirkin' o' the Tartans and 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Reformation

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## FINANCIAL NEWS

2017 Operating Budget: \$2,828,008

Needed weekly: \$54,385

Received 05/07: \$43,726

## ***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**

***This week, please pray for this PC(USA) Missionary: Nancy Collins (Zambia)  
and for Spartanburg City Police Officer Keith Soules (FPC's Adopt-a-Cop).***

## **CHURCH OFFICERS**

### **SESSION**

**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

**Class of 2020:** 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**

**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

**Class of 2020:** 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**, Assistant Director of Music and Organist; **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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