

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Spartanburg, South Carolina

May 29, 2016

## WELCOME!

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

† Please rise in  
body or spirit.

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

## MAY 29, 2016

8:30 - Chapel and 10:30AM - SANCTUARY

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

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

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;  
All: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

#### OPENING VOLUNTARY

*In Memoriam*

Myron J. Roberts

#### † CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Choose this day whom you will serve.  
All: **The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.**  
One: Cry aloud, and call upon God's name.  
All: **The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.**  
One: Declare God's glory among the nations.  
All: **The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.**  
One: Sing to the Lord, and bless God's name.  
All: **The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.**

(8:30) Penny Wright  
(10:30) Rev. Christi O. Brown

#### Hymn 331

Today's Opening  
Hymn was  
written for  
an American  
Centennial  
celebration in  
1876. George W.  
Warren, Music  
Director at St.  
Thomas Church  
in New York City,  
composed the  
tune we now  
use, calling it  
NATIONAL HYMN.

#### † HYMN 331

*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

NATIONAL HYMN

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of the prophets,  
we confess that we have failed to heed your word.  
You stand as our all-powerful God,  
yet we are lured away by other powers.  
You offer to help, heal, and guide us,  
yet we want to rely on our own efforts.  
Forgive us, God of grace.  
Set us free from the idols of our culture.  
Reveal to us your presence and path  
so that we may know and follow you.  
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ...

SILENT CONFESSION

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: With refining fire, God burns away the idols of our lives that enslave us.  
All: **With God's very self in Jesus Christ, God has broken the hold of evil on us,  
and set us free for praise and service.**  
One: Do not let yourselves be burdened again by sin. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
All: **Thanks be to God!**



† RESPONSE

HYMN 643, VERSE 3

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

*All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,  
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:  
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,  
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.*

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: As Christ Jesus has shared his peace with each of us,  
let us now share that peace with each other. Peace be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

One: Let us greet one another in the name of Christ.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Joanne R. Hull

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

Children's Worship is recessed for the summer. We appreciate all the wonderful volunteers who have helped us out since September. We will resume on Rally Day, September 11, the week after Labor Day.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:30)

*Walton Farris Brown  
Son of Megan and Hunter Brown  
Bryan Watkins Whitfield, VII and Conner Lee Whitfield  
Sons of Katee and Bryan Whitfield*

Baptism enacts and seals what the Word proclaims: God's redeeming grace offered to all people. The Baptism of children witnesses to the truth that God's love claims people before they are able to respond in faith.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 9:51-56

Pew Bible Page 901

One: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SCRIPTURE READING

1 Kings 18 (selected verses)

Pew Bible Page 311

One: The Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*Calling for Fire*

Rev. Joanne R. Hull

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

### OFFERTORY

(8:30)

*Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer*  
Paul MacPhail

Dale Wood

(10:30)

*Like Rivers in the Desert*  
Summer Choir

Diane McAninch

### † DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen*

OLD HUNDREDTH

### † PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

#### Onward Christian Soldiers

The apostle Paul recognized the reality of spiritual warfare when he wrote, "Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places." (Ephesians 6:11-12 ESV)

### † HYMN

*Onward Christian Soldiers*

ST. GERTRUDE

*Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus going on before:  
Christ, the royal Master, leads against the foe;  
Forward into battle, see His banners go.*

*Refrain:*

*Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,  
With the cross of Jesus going on before.*

*Like a mighty army moves the Church of God;  
Brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod;  
We are not divided, all one body we,  
One in hope and doctrine, one in charity. [Refrain]*

*Crowns and thrones may perish, Kingdoms rise and wane,  
But the Church of Jesus constant will remain;  
Gates of hell can never 'gainst that Church prevail;  
We have Christ's own promise, and that cannot fail. [Refrain]*

*Onward, then, ye people, join our happy throng,  
Blend with ours your voices in the triumph song;  
Glory, laud, and honor, unto Christ the King;  
This thro' countless ages men and angels sing. [Refrain]*

### † CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Eternal Father, Strong to Save*

Gerhard Krapf

† BENEDICTION RESPONSE

One: Wind of God,

**All: blow again!**

One: Tongues of fire,

**All: burn again!**

One: Spirit of God,

**All: pour over us again, and send us into the streets to proclaim your power and glory! Amen!**

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*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Jerry Crenshaw from her loving family.*

*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. For the Chapel service, please ask an usher for a hearing aid device and return when you exit. Thank you.*

*Large-print bulletins and large-print Bibles are available from the ushers upon request.*

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER SCHEDULE

### 9:30-10:30AM

#### CHILDREN and YOUTH

**Nursery** (Birth-2K)

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Clark Bldg

**Preschool** (3K-5K)

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Clark Bldg

**Elementary** (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Clark Bldg

**Youth** (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor FLC

#### ADULTS

**BIBLE ALIVE! (Room 2210)** *will continue their study of Luke on May 29 and June 5. The class will join the Summer Adult Class on June 12.*

**FAITH DRIVEN CLASS AND SPARK (Room C210)** *This combined class is made up of young adults, both single and married, with and without children, and seeks to learn more about the Bible and how to apply its truths within the workplace and the home.*

**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.*

**NEW SUMMER ADULT CLASS (Room 2201)** *will meet May 29 - Aug 28. "The Story of the Bible, Part I: From its Origins to the Middle Ages" is a Lecture Series by Luke Timothy Johnson, Professor at Emory University and mentor of our own Dr. Kyle Keefer. Dr. Johnson is an engaging speaker who explains in this series how the Bible came to be written and assembled, as well as how various versions were developed, circulated, and preserved over hundreds of years. Each lecture is 30 minutes. Kyle Keefer, Tom & Nan McDaniel, and other First Presbyterian teachers will lead discussion before and after the lectures. There will be special Mission presentations on June 5 and August 14.*

# LIFE @ FIRST

MAY 29, 2016

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 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each 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 **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).

## REMEMBERING THEIR SERVICE AND SACRIFICE

Today we honor your loved ones who have served in the United States Armed Forces and have entered the church triumphant, including:

Name	RANK	Branch of Service	Dates of Service
Marion Lee Arnett	Major	Army	1943-63
C. Bartram Barre	Lt. Colonel	Army	
Elizabeth Evert Bean	SP2	Navy	1942-44
Howard Carlisle Bean	Lieutenant	Navy	1943-45
Harry N. Craft	Lt. Colonel	Air Force	1942-45
Elton Crenshaw	Tech Sergeant	Army Air Corps	1933-35
Charles Douglas Crump	1st Lieutenant	Army	1941-43; KIA
Aaron J. Cunningham, Chaplain	Lt. Colonel	Army	1968-52; 1963-79
James Oscar Farmer, Sr.	Corporal	Army	
Fred F. Groke	Major	Army	1961-79
Julius Clyde Hedden, Sr.	Colonel	Army	
Frank Heitler	Lieutenant	Marines	1956-60
James Powers Hickson	Staff Sargent	Army	1941-45
Robin Marcellus Hood	Captain	Army	1940-46
Al Huey	Brigadier General	Marines	1960-90
John F. Kelly	Sergeant	Army	1941-45
John F. Lally	Private	Marines	1942-43
Harry Lancaster, Sr.	Chief Yeoman	Navy	
Donald Cameron MacPhail	1st Sergeant	Army	1916-18
Thomas C. Murphy	Commander	Navy	1941-46; 1953-63
Vernon W. Patterson, Jr.	Private 1st Cl	Army	1944-45
Benjamin Robinson Pickens, Sr.	Captain	Army	1942-56
Benjamin Robinson Pickens, Jr.	Captain	Army	1965-76
Paul Edward Rudeen, Sr.	Chief Warrant Officer	Army	
Paul Edward Rudeen, Jr.	2nd Lieutenant	Marines	
John Robert Schloz	SF1	Navy	1943-46
Elgia Vernon Sheppard	Ship's Cook 3rd Class	Navy	1941-45
Robert Lee Stoddard	Lt. Commander	Navy	1944-46
Edward "Ned" Sydnor	Staff Sergeant	Army	1951-53
Wendell Tiller, MD	Lieutenant	Navy	1940-45
J.D. Trout	Mailman 2nd Class	Navy	1943-46
Willard G. Wade	Seaman 2nd Class	Navy	1946-52
William A. Wallace, MD	Captain	Army	
Joel Willard	PFC	Army Air Corps	1942-45
Michael Raymond Williams	Lieutenant	Navy	1965-82

We give thanks for all those that served, named and unnamed.

## CHANGE IN PARKING ON CHESTNUT STREET

The City of Spartanburg Fire Department has determined that parking will only be allowed along one side of Chestnut Street, to permit their equipment to have access in the event of a fire. Also, any of us who have found ourselves in, or needing to cross, Chestnut Street when cars are parked on both sides would readily agree that we have a dangerous situation there. This past week, the City made changes to Chestnut Street to allow parking only along the west (church) side of the street and painted a "drop-off" and "pick-up" at the Weekday School entrance, at no cost to the church. The Church staff and Weekday School staff are in agreement with these changes. Thank you for making our church safer!

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CAMP ARCADIA

VBS Camp Arcadia is June 13-17, 1-4pm at Arcadia Elementary School and **we need your help** for one day, a few days, or all week! Contact Chris Curtis for more information.

*Email Chris Curtis today; [curtis1120@gmail.com](mailto:curtis1120@gmail.com).*

## HELP RELIEVE HUNGER IN SPARTANBURG

**Next Sunday, June 5**, please bring canned goods and loose change to Worship to benefit Total Ministries of Spartanburg. As we celebrate Communion together, let us serve others through our gifts for hunger relief. Containers are located at the entrances to the Sanctuary and Fogartie Hall (MorningSong). Please help provide the most needed items right now: **Peanut Butter, Tomatoes, and Canned Meat**.

## FIRST SUMMER SIZZLE IS NEXT WEEK, JUNE 5

**Come catch the VBS wave on the cupcake surfboard!** Gather with your church family in the Social Hall after the 10:30 worship services. Choose a cupcake from the surfboard to satisfy your sweet tooth and, if you are coming to VBS, you can pick-up your VBS T-Shirt at that time, too.

## BLOOD DRIVE - JUNE 5, 8:30AM-1:30PM

The Blood Connection will be here on Sunday, June 5, 8:30am-1:30pm, in the Gym and FLC parking lot. **Your donation can save three lives!** All donors will receive two free movie tickets and 500 TBC reward points.

*To make an appointment to donate,  
contact Beth Cecil; 208-2136/ [bcecil@fpcspartanburg.org](mailto:bcecil@fpcspartanburg.org).*

## THE SANCTUARY GUILD NEEDS YOUR VASES

Please bring your unwanted or seldom-used vases to the sacristy or the church office. Your gift will bring joy to many lonely hearts in our community.

*Please call Carol Gutman if you need someone to pick up your vases; 542-8653.*

## ORDER YOUR TARTAN BY JULY 29

The Church will hold its annual Kirkin' o' the Tartans Worship Service in October. The tartan fabrics are ordered from Scotland, so we need your order and payment by Friday, July 29. The cost of a banner is \$155. 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.

*Orders may be placed on the church website - click "Grow" and "Registrations".*

## GLENNON MELTON AT FPC – AUGUST 13

First Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg is delighted to host bestselling author Glennon Doyle Melton of Momastery.com on Saturday, August 13 at 10:00am (doors open at 9:30am). Admission is \$40 and includes a hardcover edition of her new book, *Love Warrior*. Special Sponsor tickets are \$80, include a Meet and Greet, and will allow FPC to donate a scholarship ticket to a local woman.

*Tickets may be purchased at [www.momastery.com/events](http://www.momastery.com/events).*

*Questions concerning this event? Please Dawn Bingham; [binghamdawn@hotmail.com](mailto:binghamdawn@hotmail.com).*

## CALENDAR THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY, MAY 29

8:30am Chapel Worship  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:30am MorningSong Worship  
10:30am Sanctuary Worship  
5:00pm SPIHN Guests Arrive

### MONDAY, MAY 30

#### MEMORIAL DAY

Church Facilities Closed

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1

12:00pm Men's Bible Study

### THURSDAY, JUNE 2

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

### FRIDAY, JUNE 3

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

*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 . . .

### SUNDAY, JUNE 5

*Communion  
Commissioning of VBS Leaders*

*8:30am Chapel Worship Service  
Dr. Tom Evans*

*10:30am MorningSong Worship  
Rev. Christi Brown*

*10:30am Sanctuary Worship  
Dr. Tom Evans*

*Summer Sizzle*

*Blood Drive*

### JUNE 6-9

*Vacation Bible School*

### JULY 29

*Deadline for Ordering Tartans*

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## FINANCIAL NEWS

### Budget

Needed weekly:	\$52,786
Received 5/22:	\$26,635



## 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; **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; **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 4 missionaries - **Jo Ella Holman**, Cuba and Dominican Republic; **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; **Philippines:** Precious Heritage Ministries orphanage and feeding program for street children; **Witness Season**; **Bread for the World**

***This week, please pray for our SPIHN family guests:***

***Marcia and daughters, Destiny and Legacy;***

***Zack and Michelle and daughter, Kaleigh;***

***and George and Cleo and their daughters, Krystal and Faith.***

## 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, Ann 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 Young Adults; **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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