

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.”



“Plaque with Saints Peter and John Healing the Lame Man”
- Artist Unknown

SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY
JUNE 19, 2022
8:30AM CHAPEL
10:30AM SANCTUARY

✠ Please rise in
body or in spirit.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND INVITATION

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Prelude from "Suite Antique"

John Rutter

INTROIT

The Lord is My Light

THE LORD IS MY LIGHT

✠ CALL TO WORSHIP

The Word of Life spoke:
so we could hear the angels' "Alleluias!"
The Word of Life reached out:
so we could touch the hope which heals us.
The Word of Life walked out of death's dread tomb:
so we could follow him into life forever.

✠ HYMN 65

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

The Prayer of Confession both lays the ground for confessing and provides, in Reformed fashion, a note of grace, for forgiveness precedes repentance.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God,
we come to you knowing that we are broken
but reluctant to be made whole.
We confess that we often fear your healing touch
and what it might mean to be made well.
We are comfortable in our brokenness because it is familiar.
We are afraid that we would owe you too much if we allowed you to make us new.
Yet that is what we long for, deep in our souls,
for you to make our lives whole again.
Heal our hearts, forgive our failings, and mend our hurts.
Reach out to us, O Lord,
so that we might have the courage to reach back.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

This promise is for you, and for us. No matter who we are or where we have been,
the Spirit of the Living God falls fresh, with mercies new every morning.
Know that you are forgiven!
Thanks be to God. Amen.

✠ 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

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another as we share the love and peace of Christ.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (10:30) *Isabel Mae Dixon*
Daughter of Christie and Stephen Dixon

RESPONSE *Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.* JESUS LOVES ME
Little ones to him belong. They are weak, but he is strong.
Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION *Come, Bring Your Burdens to God* WOZA NOMTHWALO WAKHO

FIRST READING Psalm 147:1-11

SECOND READING Acts 3:1-10

SERMON Rev. Alan F. Dyer

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✠AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FROM A DECLARATION OF FAITH

In his concern for justice in the social order

God has never forgotten the needs of individuals.

In the end the Lord will judge all persons by the simple, unremembered acts of kindness they did or failed to do for the least of their sisters and brothers.

We believe God sends us to risk our own peace and comfort in compassion for our neighbors.

We are to give to them and receive from them, accepting everyone we meet as a person;

to be sensitive to those who suffer in body or mind;

to help and accept help in ways that affirm dignity and responsibility.

We must not limit our compassion to those we judge deserving, for we ourselves do not deserve the compassion of God.

The **Affirmation of Faith** is the response of the people to the proclamation of the Word. The faith we affirm shapes our lives and expresses the hope and expectancy that are part of the Christian life.

"If the only prayer you ever said was 'Thank you,' you would have said all the prayers." – Meister Eckhart

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:30)	<i>What a Fellowship</i>	arr. Gilbert Martin
(10:30)	<i>We Come to You for Healing, Lord</i>	Ruth Elaine Schram

✠ DOXOLOGY

HYMN 606

OLD HUNDREDDTH

*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.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

✠ HYMN 738	<i>O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee</i>	MARYTON
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✠ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

HYMN 175, VERSE 1

LAFFERTY

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God
and its righteousness,
and all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Cwm Rhondda

arr. Paul Manz

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES

Rev. Alan F. Dyer
Rev. Joanne R. Hull

Holt Andrews, Music Director
Marcia Andrews, Organist

Mrs. Carolyn R. Hammett, Baptism Elder
Miss Charlotte E. Clementson, Baptism Reader

Musicians

Janet Kuntz, flute
Genesis Choir
Chancel Choir

The Flowers in the Sanctuary

are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of

Lint W. Eberhardt III

*by Alice M. Eberhardt, Dr. Linton W. Eberhardt IV,
Mr. and Mrs. Brand R. Stille, Reid and Ebbe Stille.*

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:30AM

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Children - *All Rooms are in the Clark Building*

Nursery - Room C105 and Room C108; Preschool (3's & 4's) - Room C110

Elementary Drop-off: Kindergarten-4th Grade (Room C201)

Elementary Pick-Up Locations:

K - 1st Grade (Rm C203); 2nd - 4th Grades (Rm C206)

Youth - *All Youth Rooms are on the Second Floor of the Family Life Center*

Middle Schoolers (including rising 6th Graders) will meet in the Middle School Room (F207)

High Schoolers will meet in the High School Room (F202)

ADULTS

Emmaus and Friends - Room 2207 **LIFT and Friends** - Purnell Room

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Sunday, June 19, 2022

SUMMER SCHEDULE

8:30am Chapel Worship
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am MorningSong
(Fogartie Hall) and
Sanctuary Worship
11:30am Fellowship /
Summer Sizzle
(See next page for dates)

We will return to our regular schedule on September 11.

PASTORAL CONCERN?

If you need to contact a Minister for a Pastoral Concern, call 864-208-2142 day or night. The minister on-call will answer your call as soon as possible.

INTERESTED IN JOINING?

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian, come to the Parlor on the second Sunday of the month at 10:00am. Ministers and members of the Session will be there to greet you. Questions? Contact Rev. Joanne Hull; 864-208-2125 / jhull@fpcspartanburg.org.

BLUE WORSHIP BAGS

are available in the Narthex and Tower Room (Traditional Worship) and in the back of Fogartie Hall (MorningSong) for your child to use during worship. After worship, please return the crayons and bags to the baskets. The activity sheet is for your child to keep as a reminder of today's scripture and message.

SUMMER GYM HOURS

Monday-Thursdays (8am-8pm)
Fridays (8am-2pm)

TODAY IS FATHER'S DAY... a day when we honor fathers and celebrate fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. Father's Day was inaugurated in the United States in the early 20th century to complement Mother's Day. As we remember our earthly fathers, let us also give thanks to our Heavenly Father - for we are all children of God! Happy Father's Day!

WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY Join your faith sisters for Bible study, discussion, prayer, and fun fellowship! This study - "The Prayers of Jesus & the Heart of God" - will meet on Tuesdays, June 21 - July 26, 7:00-8:00pm in the Arthur Center. Email Rev. Ansley Page (apage@fpcspartanburg.org) for book order information. A wonderful way to nurture your soul this summer!

FILL THE PANTRY (AND THE TRUCKS) FOR HAND IN HAND!

Hand In Hand is a ministry supported by this church that helps provide food, clothing, and basic necessities to families of students in need in Spartanburg County. Due to greater than expected demand, they have recently donated all of their supplies. Hand In Hand plans to continue to provide weekly deliveries throughout the summer to these families, and they need our help to restock their pantry! Vacation Bible School will be collecting supplies ALL week (June 27-30) in the Family Life Center lobby, so please bring your items and watch the supply grow! If you are unable to bring them during VBS, you will also have an opportunity to Fill the Trucks on the morning of Sunday, June 26, 10am-12pm, in the top FLC parking lot. Reach out to Pastor Leslie if you have questions!

ORDER YOUR KIRKIN' TARTAN - YES, IT IS TIME!

First Presbyterian Church will hold its annual Kirkin' o' the Tartans Worship Service on Sunday, October 30, 2022. 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 tartan fabrics are ordered from Scotland, so we need your order and payment by Friday, July 22. The cost of a banner is \$135. **Some clans have multiple patterns available. If you want a particular pattern, please indicate on the form. Otherwise, we will order the most common pattern for that clan.** At the conclusion of the service on October 30, 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.

Order forms can be found throughout the church or you may order online (*click the Kirkin' picture on the church's website homepage*).

Questions? Contact Martha Bean at mtbean@icloud.com.

CELEBRATE COLLEGE & GRAD SCHOOL GRADUATES!

We would like to be able to celebrate together as a church the hard work of all our college and graduate school graduates. Please email the names of those in your household who are graduating, as well as the college or university from which they are graduating, to fpc@fpcspartanburg.org by July 1 so that they may be included in the August edition of First News.

SUMMER SIZZLE AND FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE

June 26	Celebration of Alan Dyer's Installation and VBS Kickoff
July 24	Old Fashioned Ice Cream Party
Aug 14	Blessing of the Backpacks Popsicle Party
Sept 11	Rally Day: Food Trucks!

SUMMER SERMON SERIES This Summer we will explore the stories of the earliest Christians and consider what they teach us about being and becoming the church for our world today. From the birth of the church at Pentecost to missionary journeys to the edge of the known world, these first followers of the Way - led by the Spirit - show us the marks of faithful Christian community: generosity, touch, leadership, joy, vision, openness, risk, and courage. Join us during the months of June and July as we explore these stories and consider how God is calling us to become the church anew for one another and for the world around us.

DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRY On Sunday, Aug 7, Kara Clark will begin her ministry with us as our new Director of Children's Ministry. Kara most recently served as a middle school teacher at McCracken Middle School and for ten years has worked at Montreat during summer camps, most recently as Director of Children's Camps. We believe that Kara's extensive experience shepherding children, ability to build strong relationships with families, and high energy with thoughtful purpose make her uniquely qualified to lead our church in this most important work.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Habitat of Humanity of Spartanburg Please contact BJ Camp, Habitat's Volunteer Coordinator (bj.camp@habitatpartanburg.org / 864-707-0230 / 864-431-4964).

Mobile Meals Please contact Vivian Tanner at Mobile Meals (vivian@mobile-meals.org).

Neighborhood Meal Ministry Contact Mary Lorick Thompson (marylorick.thompson@salem.edu) or Betsy Burrell (b_burrell52@yahoo.com).

PEACE AND JUSTICE TASKFORCE *For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you— that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine.* (Romans 1:11-12) The Peace and Justice Taskforce invite all First Presbyterian Church members to a special community Juneteenth Celebration and Renewal this afternoon - at 5:00pm - at Cornerstone Baptist Church (700 S Converse St, 29306). We pray today for the fellowship and the Holy Spirit that binds with all our sisters and brothers in Christ, that we may meet each other in ongoing community building with love, compassion, and authenticity.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JUNE 19

Father's Day

- 8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, JUNE 26

*Installation of Rev. Alan F. Dyer
Commissioning of VBS Leaders*

- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30am Summer Sizzle

SUNDAY, JULY 3

- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, JULY 10

- 8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, JULY 17

- 8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, JULY 24

- 8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
- 10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:30am Summer Sizzle

CHURCH STAFF

Rev. Alan F. Dyer
Senior Pastor

Rev. L. Craig Foster
Associate Pastor
Discipleship and Communications

Rev. Joanne R. Hull
Associate Pastor
Congregational Care

Rev. Leslie A. Lang
Associate Pastor
Young Adults and Missions

Mr. John Daniel DeBevoise
Associate Pastor
Youth and Campus Ministries

Rev. Ansley B. Page
Pastoral Associate and
Interim Director of Children's Ministries

Holt Andrews
Pastoral Musician

Marcia Andrews
Associate Director of Music; Organist

Beth Burris
Interim Children's Ministry Assistant

Beth Cecil
Parish Nurse

Colleen Darrall
Director of Recreation

Pano Stathakis
Director of Hospitality

Kris Graham
Director of the Weekday School

Lisa Cunningham
MorningSong Band Director

Landon Hammett
Director of Campus Ministries

Lee Raines
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Lynise Clarke
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Admin to the Senior Pastor

Joanie Shackleton
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Congregational Care and Deacons

Shannon Hutcheson
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Children's and Adult Discipleship

Ian Ritchings
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Missions, Young Adults, Communications

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