



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 15, 2018

8:30AM - CHAPEL

10:30AM - 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 *Chanson from "Suite Antique"*

John Rutter

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Out of the depths, O Lord, we cry to you.

All: **O God, hear our prayers and supplications.**

One: Let your ears hear the anguish of our pleas.

All: **For you alone our souls wait with longing.**

One: Wait for the Lord,
more than those who wait for the morning.

All: **We place our hope in you, O God,
and in the power of your steadfast love.**

One: Come! Let us worship, pray, and sing!

(from Psalm 130)

† 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.

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)

We thank you, Gracious God,
for those times when we have been lifted up by you
and experienced your healing touch.
Forgive us when we fail to be compassionate and caring
toward our brothers and sisters.
We may be bold to ask,
but we pray that you will let your mercy reign down upon us,
even though we do not extend the healing words
or hands that you need us to offer in this world.
O Great Healer,
send your power on this place and on us.
Heal our brokenness and lift us up out of despair,
so we can be your healing presence for others.
Walk with us on paths of fear,
that we might discover faith and courage.
Dry the tears of our sorrow
and show us the way to hope, health, and wholeness once more,
through Jesus Christ our Lord...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Hope in the Lord, the one who made heaven and earth,
for God has heard our cries and answered our prayers.
All: **Through Jesus Christ, God heals our brokenness, forgives our sin,
and makes us whole again.**
One: We are redeemed by God's steadfast and eternal love for us.
All: **Amen and Amen!**

† RESPONSE

HYMN 435, V1

IN BABILONE

*There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.
There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.
There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.
There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.*

† PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: Christ is our source of healing, our source of peace.
Let us share this healing and peace with one another,
as we share signs of Christ's gracious love today.
The peace of Christ be with you.
All: **And also with you.**
One: Let us greet one another in the name of Christ.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 5:21-43

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

(8:30)

If God Be For Us

Clifford McCormick

(10:30)

In Thee Is Gladness

Giovanni Gastoldi

SERMON

Healing Compassion

Rev. Joanne R. Hull

At the 8:30 service, all children are invited to the front of the Chapel during The Word for Children.

At the 10:30 service, all children are invited to the front of the Sanctuary during The Word for Children. Afterwards, children 4 yrs-1st grade are welcome to attend Children's Worship. Pick-up Location: Clark Building, 2nd floor

Nursery is available for infants through age 3.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

arr. Robert Powell

† 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!*

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

Hymn 415-

In 1757, after living a life he described as "carnal and spiritual wickedness, irreligious and profane," Joseph Hart turned to Christ. Two years later, he wrote this famous hymn. Now, having undergone numerous text and tune changes, it remains a classic hymn of invitation to turn from our sinful ways by the grace of God into the waiting arms of our Savior.

BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

† HYMN 415

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

RESTORATION

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† BENEDICTION RESPONSE

HYMN 70

(SING 2 TIMES THROUGH)

MOON

*What does the Lord require of you?
What does the Lord require of you?
To seek justice and love kindness
and walk humbly with your God.*

† CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Sinfonia from "Solomon"

G. F. Handel

PARTICIPATING IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICES

Rev. Joanne R. Hull

Dr. Thomas E. Evans

Mr. Mark A. Ashby

Mrs. Mary B. Dixon

Mrs. Janet R. Kuntz, flute

Genesis Choir

Summer Choir

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

The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wallace Chapman (Susan) by their family.

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

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

SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL THROUGH AUGUST 26 AT 9:30AM

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Nursery (Birth-3K) and Preschool (3K-5K)

1st Floor Clark Bldg

Elementary (1st-4th Grades)

2nd Floor Clark Bldg

Youth (5th-12th Grades)

2nd Floor FLC

ADULTS

Summer Sunday School Combined Class

(Room 2201)

Lessons from the Old Testament

by Amy-Jill Levine, professor at Vanderbilt Divinity School

Each week we will dip into a part of the Old Testament with a video lecture, followed by a discussion led by one of our own FPCS teachers and pastors. Come whenever you're in town this summer. Dr. Levine is a superb teacher and her insights into the Old Testament are well worth hearing and discussing.

FAITH DRIVEN

(Room C210: Schedule on Classroom Door)

OPEN CLASS

(Room 2213)

PURNELL CLASS

(Purnell Room)

LIFE @ FIRST

JULY 15, 2018

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, see one of the Greeters, holding the baskets.

JOINING FIRST PRES...

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian, please come to the Church Library on the second Sunday of any month at 10:00am. Ministers and members of the Session will be there to greet you.

Questions? Contact Rev. Joanne Hull; 208-2125 / jhull@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.

FOR PARENTS

Nursery Care is available on the first floor of the Clark Bldg for children six weeks through three years old.

Rainbow Worship Bags are provided for your child to use during worship. Please return the bag to the baskets after worship. The bulletins are for your child to keep.

Online Games are available at: www.Games.Childrensbulletins.com. Enter the code found at the bottom right of each child's bulletin in the Rainbow Worship Bags. This code is unique to our church.

TODAY! - SUMMER SIZZLE

Today, following the 10:30am Sanctuary service, come to the Social Hall and celebrate Christmas in July! You will have the opportunity to create Christmas ornaments, enjoy caroling, decorate holiday cookies - and relish the cool weather (Air Conditioner!).

CELEBRATE MS. B! - JULY 29

As I'm sure you know, our Director of Children's Ministries, Beth Burris (or Ms. B, as the kids know her) will be retiring at the end of July. We will have an opportunity to thank her and wish her well in her retirement at a reception after the 10:30am worship service on July 29. Mark your calendars and make a point to be part of this special celebration.

SPIHN - JULY 29 - AUGUST 5!

Our next SPIHN week is Sunday, July 29 - Sunday, August 5. These families need assistance by providing meals, supplies, and positive interaction. If you have an interest, please contact:

Meals: Katherine Burns; marchk2b@yahoo.com.

Evening Host: Hannah Lane; hannahlanedc@gmail.com.

Overnight Host/Supplies: Crystal Workman; workman06@charter.net.

Overall Questions: Alan Workman; aworkman@aromacreation.com.

PURCHASE YOUR KIRKIN' TARTAN

First Presbyterian Church will hold its annual Kirkin' o' the Tartans Worship Services on October 28. If you would like to order a Tartan, we need your payment no later than Friday, July 27. After the 11:00am service on October 28, 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.

To purchase a tartan, please send your name, address, phone, Clan Tartan Name and Pattern, along with \$115 to the church office, Attention: Lynise Clarke. Checks payable to "First Presbyterian Church".

CHURCH RETREAT "FINDING REST" - SEPT 14-16

Over-committed? Over-scheduled? Over-programmed? Over-stressed? Today's world is fast-paced, crazy, and often relentless. Take a break from your weariness and find rest in Jesus among your church family in beautiful Montreat, NC. Over the weekend, we will learn about and practice the biblical concept of Sabbath, seeking that promised rest that can go with us down the mountain into our daily lives.

For more information: www.fpcspartanburg.org/retreat.

CALENDAR

JULY 15

MorningSong Worship
(8:30am - Sanctuary)

Traditional Worship
(8:30-Chapel & 10:30am-Sanctuary)

Sunday School (9:30am)

Summer Sizzle: Christmas in July

JULY 16-19

CAST Camp

JULY 25

Katie Jo O'Neal's Thank-You Recital

JULY 29

Celebration of the Ministry of Ms. B
Youth Sunday Night Fellowship

JULY 29 - AUGUST 4

SPIHN Guests Onsite

AUGUST 6-9

CAST Camp

AUGUST 12

Summer Sizzle: Sundae Sunday

AUGUST 26

Summer Sizzle: Big Sizzle Cookout
and Back to School Bash

SEPTEMBER 2

Fellowship at 10:00am
ONE Combined Worship at 10:30am
No Sunday School

SEPTEMBER 9

Rally Day
Return to Regular Worship Schedule

SEPTEMBER 12

WAF Returns

SEPTEMBER 14-16

Churchwide Retreat

OCTOBER 28

Kirkin' o' the Tartans

A complete calendar, including Weekly Bible Studies, Committee Meetings, Recreation Classes, and AA Meetings, is available at fpcspartanburg.org/calendar.

THANK-YOU VOICE RECITAL - JULY 25

Katie Jo O'Neal will be offering a recital on Wednesday, July 25 at 7:00pm in the Chapel. Katie Jo is moving to New York City in August to study at the Mannes School of Music, and is presenting the program as a thank-you to First Pres for the church's love and support during her time here. Expect a variety of music... something for everyone!

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8:30am Chapel Worship Service and MorningSong (Sanctuary)**

9:30am Sunday School

10:30am Sanctuary Worship

11:30am Fellowship/Summer Sizzle - July 15, August 12, and August 26.

READ THE BIBLE THROUGH THIS YEAR

This week's readings:

Sunday, July 15

Esther 1-3 / Psalm 79

Monday, July 16

Esther 4, 5 / Luke 11

Tuesday, July 17

Esther 6, 7 / Luke 12

Wednesday, July 18

Esther 8-10 / Luke 13

Thursday, July 19

Job 1, 2 / Psalm 80

Friday, July 20

Job 3, 4 / Luke 14

Saturday, July 21

Job 5, 6 / Luke 15

RECOMMENDATION FOR CHURCH OFFICERS

Your Congregational Nominating Committee needs the help of our members in nominating members of the church to serve as Elders and Deacons. Please return this form with your suggestion of one name. You may submit additional copies of this form with additional suggestions for Elder or Deacon. You may suggest any member of First Presbyterian Church, including yourself.

I suggest the following person(s) to serve as ☐ Elder or ☐ Deacon:

I believe that this person(s) should be considered because:

Your name and phone number: _____

You may submit your suggestion(s) by:

☐ **Returning** this form to the church office.

☐ **Mailing** this form to: Bert Moore, CNC Chair

First Presbyterian Church, 393 E. Main St Spartanburg, SC 29302

☐ **Emailing Bert Moore:** bert@diversifiedcolors.com

Deadline for submittal is noon, Sunday, July 15, 2018.

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: Kate Taber (Israel-Palestine).

CHURCH OFFICERS

SESSION

Class of 2018: Bert Barre, David Berry, Jennifer Biber, Mark Cann, David Cecil, Fred Cumbo, Sally Dover, Emma Harrill, Ann Jones, Stan Lummus, Eric Nease, Richard Strasburger, Winnie Walsh, Tom Webster, Lewis White

Class of 2019: 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

Class of 2020: David Beacham, Dawn Bingham, Leslie Calicutt, Muffet Chapman, Mary Dixon, David Ellis, Sloan Evans, Nan McDaniel, Kam Neely, Michael Pack, Jennifer Parker, Carter Smith, Septima Smith, Pat Tatham, Mary Helen Wade

DIACONATE

Class of 2018: 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 2019: 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

Class of 2020: Marjorie Appiah, Fran Bagwell, Budge Bean, Marsha Calvert, Alice Eberhardt, Karen Edwards, Sharon Hill, Brenda James, Andy Lancaster, Hannah Lane, Cheryl Lang, Jack Mason, Beth Neidenbach, Ryan Reynolds, Frank Waters

STAFF

Dr. Thomas E. Evans, Senior Pastor; **Rev. L. Craig Foster**, Associate Pastor, Communications/Operations; **Rev. Joanne R. Hull**, Associate Pastor, Congregational Care; **Rev. Christi O. Brown**, Pastoral Associate for Missions; **Holt Andrews**, Pastoral Musician; **Marcia Andrews**, Associate Director of Music and Organist; **Mark Ashby**, Director of Youth Ministries; **Beth Burris**, Director of Children's Ministries; **Beth Cecil**, Parish Nurse; **Colleen Darrall**, Director of Recreation; **Jane Mullins**, Director of Hospitality



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