



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 25, 2021

8:30AM CHAPEL

10:30AM SANCTUARY

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND INVITATION

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

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

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Trumpet Tune

Robert Lau

ACOLYTE (10:30)

INTROIT

We Will Walk with God

SZOHAMBA NAYE

✠ *Please Stand*

✠CALL TO WORSHIP

One: God is rich in mercy. God has made us alive together with Christ so that in the ages to come we might see the immeasurable riches of God's grace in kindness toward us.

**All: We are no longer strangers and aliens,
but we are citizens with the saints and members of the household of God.
We are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets,
with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.**

One: In Christ the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom we also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

(Ephesians 2)

All: Let us worship God!

✠HYMN 610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

AZMON

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions.
Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
Forgive the unkind words I have spoken, the hurtful deeds I have done,
and the selfish thoughts that darken my soul.
You desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and sustain in me a willing spirit.
The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.
We ask these things in the name of Jesus...**

(Psalm 51)

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Since God in Christ has forgiven us, we put away all bitterness, anger, and malice.
Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

(Ephesians 4:31,32)

✠RESPONSE

HYMN 447

WE ARE FORGIVEN

*We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.*

✠PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: 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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

TRENTHAM

SCRIPTURE READING

Micah 6:6-8

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Acts 9:36-42

SERMON

The Fruit of the Spirit: Kindness

Dr. Lewis F. Galloway

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

HYMN 749

Come! Live in the Light!

WE ARE CALLED

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**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

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.**

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP: STEWARDSHIP

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

With All I Am

John Thornburg

✠DOXOLOGY

HYMN 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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 766

The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound

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✠CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✠BENEDICTION RESPONSE

HYMN 546, VERSE 1

SICILIAN MARINERS

*Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, your love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace.
O refresh us, O refresh us,
traveling through this wilderness.*

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Sixth Symphony
1. Allegro (Excerpt)*

Charles Marie Widor

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES

Dr. Lewis F. Galloway
Rev. J. Robert Bannan, Jr.
Rev. Joanne R. Hull
Rev. Leslie A. Lang

Miss Elizabeth J. Evans

Janet Kuntz, Guest Director
Diane O'Connell, Guest Organist

Genesis Choir
Summer Choir

*We welcome **cellist Grace Cook** to our services this morning.
Grace is a second year medical student at VCOM,
and we are thankful she continues to play in spite of her busy schedule.*

Miss Hattie M. Bannan, Acolyte

The Flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
Marc H. Henderson.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2021

CHECK IN TO WORSHIP!

If you are a church member, download the *ShelbyNext | Membership App*. After you download and launch the app, enter "firstpres.shelbynextchms.com" for the domain and your username and password. Instructions on how to get your username and password: fpcspartanburg.org/discover/member-login. Once you have the app downloaded, each Sunday when you arrive at church, open your ShelbyNext App and click "Check In" ("allow" it to know your location). Then click on "who" you are checking in, choose the worship service, then "Done."

If you would prefer not to download this app or you are one of our precious visitors, please sign the Fellowship Pad as it is passed down the pew. Our ushers will gather those after the service.

HOSPITALITY TIME Between Services this morning, stop by the Perrin Room - just down the hallway from the Tower Room - for a refreshing beverage. Feel free to take a few minutes to visit with other church members and visitors. If you have any questions about First Presbyterian, our Hospitality Team would like to help you find the answer. Additionally, if you are a church member in need of a Sonitrol Key Card, please come by to have your picture taken; your card should be available within the week (there is no charge for your first card; replacements are \$10).

THE PERFECT BLEND... *"Coffee and Friends with a Couple of Pastors Added In!"* Twice a month, join Rev. Joanne Hull and Dr. Lewis Galloway at 10:30am in the Large Private Dining Room in Fogartie Hall for Coffee, Friends, and a Spiritual Boost for your day! Next Meeting - Wednesday, July 28.

SUMMER BOOK DISCUSSION - THURSDAY, JULY 29 Join Rev. Leslie A. Lang in the Small Private Dining Room on Thursday, July 29, at 12:00pm to discuss the book, *I'm Still Here* by Austin Channing Brown. This book has been on the NY Times bestseller list and was referenced in a recent sermon by Leslie. It gives a firsthand account of a black woman growing up in the United States, and how she has experienced racism in her own life. All are welcome. Invite a friend - and bring your lunch if you would like.

CELEBRATE THE MINISTRY OF HOLLY AND ROBERT BANNAN Rev. Robert Bannan and Mrs. Holly Bannan have accepted a call to Kingston Presbyterian Church in Conway, SC; Robert as the Pastor and Holly as the Director of Discipleship and Communications. Join us for a reception on Sunday, August 8 at 11:30am in the Gym. If you would like to write them a note, there is a basket in the church office or bring it to the celebration of their ministry on their final Sunday at First Presbyterian Church Spartanburg. Please join us in expressing our gratitude to Robert, Holly, Jacob, Hattie, and Trace and wishing them God's blessing as they make Kingston Church their new home.

STEPHEN MINISTRY NEEDS YOU! If you are looking for a way to serve First Presbyterian Church that allows you a flexible schedule, once a week interaction with someone who is desperately in need of some Christian caring, this is the place for you!! A new training class will begin in August 2021. Come and join us! Interested? Contact Dana Halliday for more information; danahalliday1@charter.net/864 237-0330.

CHRISTMAS IN AUGUST – PREPARING FOR ADVENT The Sanctuary Guild will meet on Monday, August 16 at 10:00am in the Purnell Room. If you are interested in enhancing our church campus for special occasions, you are encouraged to attend.

GYM SUMMER HOURS: Mon-Thurs: 9:00am-5:00pm; Fri: 9:00am-1:00pm; Sat-Sun: closed. **Yoga:** Bring your mat and enjoy lunch-time yoga with instructor Leslie Lehman each Thursday at 12noon in the Activity Room. Questions? Contact Colleen Darrall, Recreation Director, at cdarrall@fpcspartanburg.org.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY WORKDAYS Habitat for Humanity of Spartanburg utilizes volunteers on new home construction as well as smaller exterior projects for our critical home repair program. These homes are in Spartanburg County, with most of the homes in or around the city of Spartanburg. Volunteers can participate Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, or Saturdays with the option to volunteer for a full day or a half day. Volunteers must be 16 years of age or older, anyone under 18 years of age must have a volunteering adult accompany them on the work site. Projects are lead under the direction of a construction supervisor. No experience is necessary to participate. Anyone interested in learning more, have questions about specific dates, or would like to schedule in advance for future dates should contact the Volunteer Coordinator, Carrie Vaughn (carrie.vaughn@habitatspartanburg.org // 864-707-0230).

WAYS TO GIVE

- 1) Scan the QR Code with the camera on your phone; it will direct you to our online giving portal
 - 2) Place your gift in the Offering Plate as it is passed during the service
 - 3) Click "Give Online" at fpcspartanburg.org/give
 - 4) Text the word "GIVE" to 864/309-0816
 - 5) Mail a check to the church (393 E Main St, Spartanburg, SC 29302 Attn: Lynise Clarke)
 - 6) Give via the ShelbyNext App
- Questions? Contact Lynise Clarke, Church Financial Officer, at lclarke@fpcspartanburg.org



FINANCIAL UPDATE (as of Sunday, July 18)

<u>2021 Budget</u>	<u>Needed to date</u>	<u>Received to date</u>	<u>Difference</u>
\$2,780,169	\$1,550,479	\$1,196,146	\$(354,333)

Please prayerfully consider what you can do to support Christ's ministry through your church.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 9:30AM

Children

Nursery: 6 months – 3 years in Room C105; Preschool: Room C110; Elementary: Room C201

Youth

Middle School Students: Middle School Classroom; High School Students: High School Classroom
All Youth Rooms are on the Second Floor of the Family Life Center

Adults

Summer Sunday School Series (9:30-10:15) Social Hall

This summer, you are invited to join a class on the great sweeping story of the Bible. We will be guided by the new book by Dr. George Thompson entitled, Welcome to the One Great Story. Led by Dr. Lewis Galloway and Dr. Lewis Johnson, the class will help us understand how to interpret the wide variety of literature in the Bible and how the many stories of the Bible come together to tell one great story. This class is designed for all levels of familiarity with the scriptures.

Mountaintop Moments (9:45-10:15) Parlor

Grab coffee and come catch up with church friends in the Parlor. Rev. Ansley Page will offer a devotion and discussion around mountaintop moments in Scripture and how they connect with our stories. A little extra lift for your Sunday morning!

WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP

SUNDAY, JULY 25

8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1

Communion Observed in All Three Worship Services

8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30am Summer Sizzle: Dog Days of Summer

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8

8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30am Reception in Honor of Holly and Robert Bannan (Gym)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15

8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
10:00am Summer Sizzle:
Blessing of the Backpacks (Front Lawn)
10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22

8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
6:00pm Shelter Worship (Fogartie Hall)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

8:30am Traditional Worship (Chapel)
10:30am MorningSong Worship (Fogartie Hall)
10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)
11:30am Summer Sizzle:
End of Summer Bash and Rally Day (FLC Parking Lot)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Communion
10:30am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)



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