

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 28, 2019

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.

† Please rise in body or spirit.

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Come as you are, gifted and beloved,
All: and find purpose in God's calling.
One: Come as you are, weary and wary,
All: and find comfort in God's embrace.
One: Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
All: and worship God with gladness.

One: Let us worship God together!

Hymn 624

The original French text, 'Je te salue, mon certain Redempteur," was published in 1545 and appears to be a Protestant version of the Roman Catholic hvmn "Salve Regina." The translation (1868) is mostly the work of Elizabeth Lee Smith. † HYMN 624 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

Toulon

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

We bring our burdens and our sins to You, O Christ, who bears the heavy load for us.

We place upon You our excuses, our shortcomings, our angers, and our desires, knowing that You can remove these sins from us and restore us to life.

We confess that we have gone astray.

We confess that we have not loved You fully and have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

We confess that we have not fully loved even our very selves.

Forgive us of our sins.

Help us to turn back to You.

Restore what has been broken,

transform what has been twisted,

find what has been lost.

so we may be the living, loving image of You in creation.

SILENT CONFESSION

Assurance of Pardon

One: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

† 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

One: We are the body of Christ. His Spirit is with us.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us greet each other as we share the love and peace of Christ.

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

Life of the Church

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 55:8-9

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

Luke 11:1-13

SCRIPTURE READING

One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Light Divine Rev. Ansley B. Page

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

(8:30) The Gift of Love Hal H. Hopson (10:30) What a Fellowship arr. Gilbert Martin

† Doxology 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

During the **Word for Children**, all children are invited to come to the front. Afterwards, they will return to the pews.

Nursery is available for infants through age 3.

Children's Worship will resume on September 8, at the 11:00 service only.

<u>Offering</u>

The Christian life is marked by the offering of one's self to God. In worship, God presents us with the costly self-offering of Jesus Christ, who has claimed us and set us free. In response to God's love in Christ we offer our lives, our gifts, our abilities, and our material goods for God's service.

† Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

† HYMN 450 Be Thou My Vision Slane

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† BENEDICTION RESPONSE

HYMN 288 LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me. Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

† CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Allegro Pomposa

Thomas Roseingrave

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PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICES

Rev. Ansley B. Page Rev. Leslie A. Lang

Janet R. Kuntz, Director Diane V. Pickens, Organist Genesis Choir Summer Choir

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

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.

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

<u>Hymn 450</u>

With its heartfelt poetry and moving melody, this hymn beautifully expresses the desires of the Christian heart. The writer expresses his adoration of God through the many titles he gives him: Vision, Wisdom, Word, Great Father, Power, Inheritance, High King of heaven, Treasure, bright heaven's Sun, Ruler of all.

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

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL AT 9:30AM

CHILDREN

Birth-age 2 – Clark Building, Room 105 Completed 3K-5K – Clark Building, Room 110 Completed 1st-4th Grade – Clark Building, Room 201 (red door) Rising 6th graders will join the youth classes for Sunday School.

YOUTH

(Rising 6th-12th Grades) 2nd Floor of Family Life Center

We will have two youth Sunday School classes this summer led by Robert, our youth interns and other volunteer teachers. Rising 6th graders are invited to join the Middle School Sunday School class. Rising 9th graders are invited to join the High Schoolers as well. In July, both groups will look at "Friendships and Peer Pressure" through the Book of Proverbs. In August, they will do a series called "Busting Myths" and, guided by the book of Ephesians, tear down myths about being a Christian.

ADULTS

EXPERIENCING GOD (Room 2201) This Summer Series will explore the ways that we experience God through the lens of Tom Evans' sabbatical work and through the work of several of our mission partners.

<u>July 28</u>: Foster Care: Chamlee Loscuito (Hope Center) / Jonathon Sampson (Thornwell)

August 4, 11, 25: Tom Evans, Experiencing the Holy

August 18: Experiencing God through Youth Mission

Going to the Good Book (Room 2200) This summer open your Bible!

Led by Ansley Page, Jason Loscuito, and John Lefebvre.

Kicking it Old Testament

July 28: Minor Prophets: Amos with Dr. Lewis Johnson

James: Faithful Living

<u>August 4</u>: James 1 Faith and Wisdom

August 11: James 2 & 3 Faith without Works / Words Matter

August 18: Joint Class with Youth Mission Report

August 25: James 4 & 5 Patience and Faith

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.

Life @ First

JULY 28, 2019

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 <u>Pastoral Emergency</u> after 5:00pm during the week or anytime over the weekend or on holidays, please call <u>208-2142</u>. 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 Building 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.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE!

8:30am Chapel Worship Service

9:30am Sunday School

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

11:30am Fellowship/Summer Sizzles: August 11 and August 25.

There will be <u>One Combined Worship Service on Sunday, September 1</u>, at 10:30am in the Sanctuary. The regular Sunday morning schedule will resume on September 8.

FINAL SUMMER HANGOUT WITH HOLLY . . .

Rising 5th Graders: Come and spend some time with our Children's Director, Holly Bannan, this Thursday, August 1, 1:00-3:00pm. Be ready to play games in the gym/outside, share a special snack, and talk about your Summer "God Sightings!"

Parents: Please drop your kids off and pick them back up inside the gym.

CHURCH RETREAT: "FAMILY CAMP" - SEPT 20-22

Come experience time in the beautiful mountains of western North Carolina with your church family at Montreat Conference Center! This year's Church Retreat will be Family Camp for families of ALL ages, shapes, and sizes - with plenty to do together with and among families. There will also be plenty of time to relax and do your own thing as well. This year, we are also opening the retreat up to commuters. We very much hope that everyone who can will opt for the whole weekend, but if you can only come for Saturday, we are glad to welcome you! Registrations are due by Friday, August 16.

For more information and to register: www.fpcspartanburg.org/retreat.

Men's Breakfast - August 4

All Men are invited to a Breakfast on Sunday, August 4 at 7:30am in the Social Hall. A delicious breakfast will be prepared by Dick Mahon and crew - and Dr. J. Lewis Johnson will be our speaker.

To help with planning, please <u>RSVP by August 1</u> to Shannon Hutcheson in the Church Office; shutcheson@fpcspartanburg.org / 864-208-2144.

STEPHEN MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

If you are looking for a way to serve that allows you a flexible schedule, with once-a-week interaction with someone who is desperately in need of some Christian caring, this is the place for you! The new class starts Monday, August 5 at 5:30pm.

Interested? Contact Dana Halliday; danahalliday1@charter.net / 864-237-0330.

CALENDAR

JULY 28

Traditional Worship (8:30am-Chapel)

Sunday School (9:30am)

MorningSong Worship (10:30am - Fogartie Hall)

Traditional Worship (10:30am-Sanctuary)

JULY 28-AUGUST 4
SPIHN Guests

AUGUST 1

Hangouts with Holly (rising 5th)

AUGUST 4

Men's Breakfast

August 5-8
CAST Camp

AUGUST 11

Summer Sizzle: Dog Days of Summer

AUGUST 16

Registration Deadline for Church Retreat

AUGUST 25

Last Day of Summer Worship Schedule Summer Sizzle: Wet and Wild Back-to-School Bash

SEPTEMBER 1

One Worship Service @ 10:30am

SEPTEMBER 8

Regular Sunday Morning Schedule

SEPTEMBER 20-22

Church Retreat

SEPTEMBER 20-25

Cuba Mission Trip

OCTOBER 27

Kirkin' o' the Tartans

November 3

Ecumenical Blood Drive

FINANCIAL NEWS

2019 Operating Budget: \$3,023,835 Received to date: \$1,269,380

Needed to date: \$1,686,369

SUMMER SIZZLE: AUGUST 11 - DOG DAYS OF SUMMER

Join your church family in the Social Hall following the 10:30 worship services for a hot dog lunch with all the trimmings, live music, and fellowship.

Bus Drivers

We are frequently in need of drivers for our church buses - short day trips, long day trips, and occasionally an overnight trip as well. A CDL is not required, but all drivers must be at least 25 years old, submit a background check, and go through a training session with our Facilities Administrator Chris Everette. Everyone who intends to drive one of the buses must go through this process - regardless of whether you have driven the old buses or the new buses before! To begin this process, please download and complete the Background Check Authorization (found on the church website) and return that, along with a copy of your driver's license and insurance card, to Lynise Clarke in the church office. Afterwards, training with Chris Everette can be scheduled.

Bring your Access Card to the Church

For the safety of our members, staff, guests, and facilities, an access card is required to enter the building at times other than Sunday morning. Please be sure to bring your FPC access card with you each time you come to the church. Access cards can be made while you wait and cost just \$10.

To obtain a key card, see Didi Terry in the church office during the week.

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: Michael Pack, CNC Chair First Presbyterian Church, 393 E. Main St Spartanburg, SC 29302 Emailing Michael Pack: mpack@dsdlegal.com
Deadline for submittal is noon, Wednesday, July 31, 2019.

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

<u>Poverty</u>: Monthly Hunger Offering; Mobile Meals; Winter Warmth; TOTAL Ministries; Spartanburg Interfaith Hospitality Network (SPIHN); Habitat for Humanity; The Haven; CAST Program; Neighborhood Meal Ministry; <u>Healing</u>: 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; <u>Education</u>: 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

<u>Missionaries</u>: 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; <u>Dominican Republic</u>: Clinica Cristiana; Center for Christian Education & Development (CCED School); Sponsorship of CCED School Children; Infant Nutrition Program; <u>Cuba</u>: Iglesia Presbiteriana Reformada in Santa Clara partnership; <u>Haiti</u>: Haiti Outreach Ministries; Haiti Reforestation Project (CODEP); <u>Philippines</u>: Precious Heritage Ministries orphanage and feeding program for street children; <u>India</u>: Set Free Alliance; <u>Witness Season</u>; <u>Bread for the World</u>

CHURCH OFFICERS

SESSION

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, Martha Bean, Dawn Bingham, Leslie Calicutt, Muffet Chapman, David Ellis, Sloan Evans, Nan McDaniel, Kam Neely, Michael Pack, Jennifer Parker, Carter Smith, Septima Smith, Pat Tatham, Mary Helen Wade
Class of 2021: Ali Beeson, David Berry, Cam Cecil, Blair Clementson, Sally Dover, Callie Hammett, Josh Jones, Stan Lummus, Donna Pulliam, Reel Robertson, Richard Strasburger, Charlotte Verreault, Ben Wall, Tom Webster, Lewis White

DIACONATE

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, Cheryl Lang, Jack Mason, Beth Neidenbach, Ryan Reynolds, Frank Waters, Hannah Zimmerman Class of 2021: David Berry Jr., Katherine Burns, Jeff Cleland, Mary Grace Close, Molly Colbath, Tres Cox, Hamp Crow, Carol Gutman, Marsha Hagins, Anne Hicklin, LeAnne Holcombe, Will Hoy, Beau Shuler, Denise Stevens, Alan Workman

STAFF

Dr. Thomas E. Evans, 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. J. Robert Bannan, Director of Youth and Campus Ministries; Rev. Ansley B. Page, Pastoral Associate; Mr. R. Holt Andrews, Pastoral Musician; Mrs. Marcia C. Andrews, Associate Director of Music and Organist; Mrs. Holly M. Bannan, Director of Children's Ministries; Mrs. Carrie H. Coleman, Youth Program Administrator; Ms. Beth S. Cecil, Parish Nurse; Mrs. Colleen M. Darrall, Director of Recreation; Mrs. C. Jane Mullins, Director of Hospitality

