



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

AUGUST 5, 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

Sheep May Safely Graze

J.S. Bach

† CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

All: **God’s steadfast love endures forever.**

One: Jesus said: I am the bread of life.

All: **Give us this bread always.**

One: Let us worship God!

† 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.

Hymn 37

Katherine K. Davis wrote this text for the tune ASH GROVE in the 1920s. The text was first published under the name John Cowley, one of her pseudonyms. (Davis wrote "The Little Drummer Boy," 1941, as well as many other songs under this and other pseudonyms.) Employing Old Testament images, the text calls forth praise from all creatures and directs that praise to God the Creator.

† HYMN 37

Let All Things Now Living

ASH GROVE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of unity and love,
place within each of us
a spirit of hope and community.
Have mercy upon us
when we speak without love
or act without humility.
Cleanse us with the living water of your grace.
Create in us willing hearts
to live in patience and gentleness.
Raise us up to be your children,
growing toward maturity in faith and love.
Strengthen this church,
that we may be a model of ministry
and unity for all the world to see.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ...

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: God has received us, pardoned us and loved us;
let us forgive each other in love and share the peace of Christ.
Peace be with you.
All: And also with you.
One: Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

MOMENT FOR MISSION: CHURCH RETREAT

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

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.

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 4:1-7

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Living Worthy of the Calling

Rev. Christi O. Brown

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

(8:30)

Psalm 23

Albert Hay Mallotte

(10:30)

Make me a Channel of Your Peace

Sebastian Temple

† DOXOLOGY

HYMN 607

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.*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING (Sung Responsively)

One: *The Lord be with you.*

All: ***And also with you.***

One: *Lift up, lift up your hearts.*

All: ***We lift them up to the Lord.***

One: *Let us all give thanks to the Lord our God.*

All: ***It is right to give God thanks and praise.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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SHARING OF THE ELEMENTS

One: The gifts of God for the people of God.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

COMMUNION MUSIC

(10:30)

Psalm 23

Albert Hay Mallotte

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper is the sign and seal of eating and drinking in communion with the crucified and risen Lord. During his earthly ministry Jesus shared meals with his followers as a sign of community and acceptance and as an occasion for his own ministry.

All communion bread and wafers are gluten free.

BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

Hymn 697

This hymn is a beautiful prayer that God would both draw us closer to Himself, and use us to bring others to Him. God calls us to a life of discipleship, and our only response should be, "Here am I. Send me."

† HYMN 697

Take My Life

HENDON

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† BENEDICTION RESPONSE

HYMN 801, VERSE 5

*Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house for evermore
my dwelling place shall be.*

CRIMOND

† CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Choral song

Samuel Wesley

PARTICIPATING IN THIS MORNING'S WORSHIP SERVICES

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

Rev. Christi O. Brown

Rev. Joanne R. Hull

Rev. L. Craig Foster

Dr. Budge Bean

Mrs. Martha Bean

Miss Katie Jo O'Neal

Summer Choir

The Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Bobby Freeman by his 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

* no Sunday School on August 12

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

AUGUST 5, 2018

Complete details at www.fpcspartanburg.org.
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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.

PLANNED POWER OUTAGE - AUGUST 6-17

There will be a planned power outage, this time affecting the entire side of the street that includes the Main and Clark Buildings, on August 6-17. This is to allow the replacement of some aging electrical panels that power that entire side of the street. All activities in the Main Building, Clark Building, Chapel, and Columbarium will be relocated or rescheduled during that time. During this time frame, our staff will be also be relocated. If you feel the need to meet with our staff, please make an appointment in advance.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

WORSHIP IN THE GYM

SUMMER SIZZLE "BLACKOUT BREAKFAST"

Due to the Planned Power Outage, on Sunday, August 12, Worship will be in the Gym – at 8:30am and 10:30am, with a Summer Sizzle "Blackout Breakfast" at 9:30am - Yogurt Bar, Muffins, Fruit, and Donuts in the FLC Lobby! *No Sunday School or Nursery on August 12.*

FIRST STEPS & CHILDREN'S CHOIRS - REGISTER TODAY

FIRST STEPS: Are you interested in learning how to sing and play with your baby? Do you long for some quality one-on-one time with your toddler? Join us for this 8-week class filled with fun and music for Newborns through Age 3. Classes begin the 2nd week of September. Space is limited to the first 10 people (per class).

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS: Children's Choirs (4K-5th Grade) meet on Wednesday evenings during the school year. Choirs for younger children concentrate on providing fun and enriching musical experiences with beginning vocal training and an introduction to the music of the church. Choirs for older children continue this emphasis while adding specific musical and vocal training, hymn education, instruments, and opportunities to sing in worship. Choirs will begin September 12 – when WAF begins.

First Steps: www.fpcspartanburg.org/events/first-steps-in-music-registration

Children's Choirs: www.fpcspartanburg.org/events/childrens-choir

For more information, contact Marcia Andrews; mandrews@fpcspartanburg.org / 864/208-2135.

ONE COMBINED WORSHIP SERVICE - SEPT 2

There will be One Combined Worship Service on Sunday, September 2 at 10:30am in the Sanctuary. No Sunday School. Our regular Sunday morning schedule will resume on Sunday, September 9.

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.

MOBILE MEALS FAN CLUB

Many of our Mobile Meals recipients do not have the luxury of air conditioning in their homes. To assist them, we have established the MOBILE MEALS FAN CLUB. We are asking our FPC members to take box fans, oscillating fans, or any fans, and drop them off at Vivian's desk in the volunteer office at Mobile Meals (419 E Main St, Spartanburg). These fans will be distributed to those in need by the volunteer drivers. Fans are relatively inexpensive but bring priceless relief to those without AC in their homes in the hot Southern summer.

For more information contact Jimmy Trout; 864/680-0049.

MOBILE MEALS NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Mobile Meals of Spartanburg is looking for volunteers to pick up and deliver meals to our homebound neighbors throughout Spartanburg County! Take up a regular route or substitute when you can.

Contact Vivian at Mobile Meals for more information; 573-7684.

VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONIST(S) NEEDED

If you can answer a phone, please consider becoming a Volunteer Receptionist. From time-to-time, we need someone to cover the Receptionist's desk during work hours – sometimes for a half day and sometimes for just an hour or two. The phone system is not complicated and Didi is more than happy to train you.

Interested? Contact Didi Terry; dterry@fpcspartanburg.org / 583-4531.

WIRELESS AVAILABLE

First Presbyterian has a Wireless Network that you are welcome to use. Find the Network: “FPC–Guest”. No password required; just agree to the terms.

READ THE BIBLE THROUGH THIS YEAR

This week's readings:

Sunday, August 5	Job 37, 38 / Psalm 88
Monday, August 6	Job 39, 40 / Philippians 2
Tuesday, August 7	Job 41, 42 / Philippians 3
Wednesday, August 8	Proverbs 1, 2 / Philippians 4
Thursday, August 9	Proverbs 3, 4 / Psalm 89
Friday, August 10	Proverbs 5, 6 / Colossians 1
Saturday, August 11	Proverbs 7, 8 / Colossians 2

CALENDAR

AUGUST 5

MorningSong Worship
(8:30am - Sanctuary)

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

Sunday School (9:30am)

Youth Scavenger Hunt

AUGUST 6-9

CAST Camp

AUGUST 6-17

Planned Power Outage;
All Buildings on Westside
of Chestnut Street

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

Worship

(8:30am & 10:30am - FLC Gym)
"Blackout Breakfast" Summer Sizzle
(9:30am-FLC Lobby)

AUGUST 26

Summer Sizzle: Back to School Bash

SEPTEMBER 2

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

SEPTEMBER 3

Labor Day
All Church Facilities Closed

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.

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 these PC(USA) Missionaries: Elizabeth and Dan Turk (Madagascar).

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 Cecil**, Parish Nurse; **Colleen Darrall**, Director of Recreation; **Jane Mullins**, Director of Hospitality



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