

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SPARTANBURG, SC



NOVEMBER 2, 2025

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

ALL SAINTS' DAY

8:30AM EARLY

9:00AM CONTEMPORARY

11:00AM TRADITIONAL

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH!

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church Spartanburg – we are delighted that you are joining us for worship today! First Presbyterian is a community of believers in the heart of Spartanburg seeking to know and share the transformative love of Jesus Christ with others. Here you will encounter people who come from all walks of life representing diverse beliefs and faith experiences. What binds us together is our common hope in Jesus Christ. Through worship, study, fellowship, and mission we seek to root our lives in scripture, nurture our unity in Christ, and serve our neighbors in faith! No matter who you are or where you are on your spiritual journey, know that you are welcome here.

Peace,

Rev. Alan F. Dyer
Senior Pastor

IF YOU ARE NEW HERE Whether you are searching for a church home or visiting from out of town, we are delighted that you are worshipping with us today. If you are interested in receiving more information about membership or the ministries of our congregation, please be sure to speak with a pastor before or after today's worship or fill out the friendship register. We would love to get to know you better!

PASTORAL CONCERN? Please let us know how we can be praying for you by visiting with a pastor before or after worship. If you need to contact a Minister, call 864-208-2142 day or night.

CHILDREN OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP!

Activity Bags located in the welcoming areas of each worship venue are available 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.

Nursery is available for infants through age 3 in the Clark Building in Room 105.

After *The Word for Children* in the 11:00am Traditional Service, children 3K-1st grade may attend Children's Worship with Ms. Kara. After the service, families are asked to pick their children up from Room 202 of the Clark Building.

TO AID IN WORSHIP Advanced listening technology, large-print hymnals, and large-print bulletins are available upon request for the Chapel and Sanctuary. Please locate an usher for assistance.

WORSHIP ONLINE Livestreaming of the Contemporary and Traditional Worship Services is available at fpcspartanburg.org/worship. Additionally, sermons are on Apple Podcasts, Spotify, Amazon Music, or wherever you find your podcasts!

WAYS TO GIVE There are many ways you can support the missions and ministries of First Presbyterian. During worship, place your gift in the Offering Plate or scan one of these QR Codes (you may give via **ShelbyNext** or via **Venmo**). Additionally, you may mail a check to the church office (address on back of bulletin). Thank you. *Questions? Contact Church Financial Officer Lynise Clarke; 864-208-2130/lclarke@fpcspartanburg.org.*



ShelbyNext
(No log in required)



Venmo

EARLY WORSHIP

8:30AM

CHAPEL

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND INVITATION

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

Rev. Rachel N. Klompmaker

We place stones in the baptismal font today to honor those who have died and to remember that in their baptism they were sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked as Christ's own forever. In life and in death, we all belong to God.

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Prelude on Crimond

Rebecca Groom te Velde

✠CALL TO WORSHIP

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
My soul longs for the courts of the Lord.
My flesh sings for joy to the living God.
**Happy are those who live in the house of the Lord,
ever singing your praise, O God.**
Happy are those whose strength is in you,
in whose hearts are the highways to Zion.
Let us worship God together.

Rev. Leslie L. Denny

FROM PSALM 84

✠HYMN 326

For All the Saints

SINE NOMINE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. L. Craig Foster

**God of mercy,
we confess that we have failed to live as your children.
We have set our minds on the things of this world,
and we have neglected the inheritance of love you bestow upon your saints.
We have pursued selfish aims in our daily business;
we have harbored uncharitable thoughts toward our enemies and friends;
we have avoided difficult responsibilities to our neighbors.
Forgive us, we pray. Free us from our selfish ways
and strengthen us to be faithful disciples of Jesus Christ.**

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

✠RESPONSE

HYMN 581

*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.*

GLORIA PATRI

✠PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

✠ Please rise in body or in spirit.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 1:11-23

SERMON *A Glorious Inheritance* Rev. Rachel N. Klompmaker

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Soon and Very Soon* arr. Jack Schraeder

✠ 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*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

HYMN 507, VERSE 1 (*Please remain seated*) TABLE OF GRACE

*Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.*

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER Hymnal Page 35

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

The gifts of God for the people of God. *All communion bread is gluten free.*

Thanks be to God!

SHARING OF ELEMENTS

COMMUNION MUSIC *Day of Arising* Michael Burkhardt

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

✠ HYMN 801, VS. 1-4 *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* CRIMOND

✠ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

HYMN 801, VERSE 5 CRIMOND

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

CLOSING VOLUNTARY *For All the Saints* Charles Callahan

The invitation to the Lord's Supper is extended to all who desire to follow Christ, remembering that access to the communion table is not a right conferred upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. Even one who has doubts or whose trust is wavering is invited to the table in order to be assured of God's love and grace in Christ Jesus.

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

9:00AM
FOGARTIE HALL

INSTRUMENTAL PRAYER

WELCOME

Rev. Alan F. Dyer

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

✦ SONG OF PRAISE

The Table

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SUNG ASSURANCE OF PARDON

O Come To The Altar

✦ PASSING OF THE PEACE

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 1:11-23

SERMON

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COMMUNION

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COMMUNION MUSIC

Goodness of God

✦ CLOSING SONG

Well Done

✦ BENEDICTION

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

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SANCTUARY

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Logan Harvey

ACOLYTE

INTROIT

How Lovely, Lord

MERLE'S TUNE

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THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

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those 2nd grade and older may return to the pews.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Nothing Can Trouble

NADA DE TURBE

SCRIPTURE READING

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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.**

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CRIMOND

We go forth into
the world to
serve God in our
daily lives as a
continuation of
our worship so
that our work is
our worship until
such time as we
gather again.

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CRIMOND

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Charles Callahan

The Flowers in the Sanctuary

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

Gay Cecil Frick

*by Ken and Jeanie Frick, John and Sarah Frick, Jean Cecil Frick,
and Jamie and Alex Stacy.*

ALL SAINTS' DAY

All Saints' Day is a time to give thanks for all those who through the ages have faithfully served the Lord. The day reminds us that we are part of one continuing, living communion of saints. In the knowledge that others have persevered, we are encouraged to endure against all odds (Hebrews 12:1-2). Reminded that God was with the faithful of the past, we are reassured that God is with us today, moving us and all creation toward God's end in time. This morning, in all worship services, we remember and name our members who died in the past year. As we recall their witness, let us also pray for comfort for those who love and miss them.

We give thanks for . . .

<i>James Leander Adams III</i>	<i>Roberto Mark Inclán</i>
<i>Susanne Gabriel Arthur</i>	<i>Clarence Roland Jones, Jr.</i>
<i>Suzanne Parris Bagwell</i>	<i>Lisa McGahey Lefebvre</i>
<i>Dagmar Binovec</i>	<i>Rodney Johnston Moss</i>
<i>Lisa Anne Bonacci</i>	<i>Sara Seay Morris</i>
<i>Dianne Curry Boulware</i>	<i>Kirk Hudson Neely</i>
<i>Joyce Kellett Cauble</i>	<i>David William Nicholson</i>
<i>Marthanne "Martha" Colvert</i>	<i>Donald Alan Owen</i>
<i>Charles Antonio Crescenzi</i>	<i>Jean Wade Palmer</i>
<i>Frances "Fran" Lollis Gaston</i>	<i>Homer Cullen Reed, Jr.</i>
<i>Cheryl Jackson Goode</i>	<i>Marty Grover Richards</i>
<i>Rhesa Purnell "Pen" Hodges</i>	<i>James "Jim" Traviss</i>

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2025

THIS EVENING: EVENSONG SERVICE

This evening, we will hold a special All Saints' Evensong Service at **5:00pm in the Columbarium** with scripture, prayer, meditation, and music accompanied by a string quartet. All are welcome to this service of remembrance and thanksgiving for any loved one who has died, whether here or elsewhere, recently or a long time ago.

VETERANS / ACTIVE SERVICE PERSONNEL

Next Sunday, **November 9**, we will recognize current church members who have served OR are currently serving in the military in honor of Veteran's Day. Please fill out the brief form at fpcspartanburg.org/veteransday or scan the QR code by tomorrow, November 3 if you would like to be recognized during this service and in the bulletin.

HELP WITH A WAY HOME

Our third rotation for A Way Home is **November 16-23**. We need your help to welcome families into our facilities. The specific needs are for evening/overnight hosts and help on Saturday, November 22. Sign up at fpcspartanburg.org/awayhome or scan the QR code. If you did not receive training, contact Rhonda Dickerson (rhonda032856@gmail.com or 843-407-8065).



YOUNG ADULT FALL SOCIAL

All adults, age 21-40ish, are invited to join us at Breeden Farm for great food, fun, and fellowship on Sunday, **November 9**, 3:30-5:30pm! This event is kid-friendly. RSVP by tomorrow, November 3 at fpcspartanburg.org/fallsocial or scan the QR code.



WEDNESDAYS AT FIRST- NOV. 5

Full Schedule

- 5:00pm Dinner Line Opens (Fogartie Hall)
- 5:00pm Children's Choirs (Clark Building)
- 6:15pm Recreation for Children (Gym)
- 6:30pm Sacred Stones, Living Faith (Fogartie Hall)
- 6:30pm Youth Fellowship
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Pre-register for dinner by 4:00pm each Monday. We will welcome library historian Brad Steinecke for our programming in Fogartie Hall. He will share about the history of Spartanburg when FPC made the bold decision to move and build a new church building at 393 E. Main Street. Visit fpcspartanburg.org/waf or scan the QR code.



JOY FELLOWSHIP TRIP AND LUNCH

Join the JOY Fellowship on Monday, **November 17**, for a fun and fascinating outing to the Spartanburg County Library Planetarium Learning Center for *Aurora: Lights of Wonder*. Buses will depart from the FLC parking lot at 10:00am, with the show beginning at 10:30am. Following the presentation, we'll enjoy lunch together at Smoking Butt Heads, located just across the street. The buses seat 48 passengers, so there's no need to worry about downtown parking—but space is limited! Sign up at fpcspartanburg.org/joytrip or scan the QR code to reserve your seat, and don't forget to bring money for lunch.



FAITH INITIATIVE QUARTERLY MEETING

All are welcome to join the Faith Initiative to End Child Poverty quarterly meeting, which will be held on Thursday, **November 13**, 12-3pm in Fogartie Hall. There will be a program update and at 1:00pm, a screening of the new short documentary "Evicting the American Dream" to challenge our thinking on the causes of homelessness and how we can work together to address these large societal issues. Please come and invite everyone you know who will be interested. RSVP to Scott Neely (scott@faithinitativespartanburg.org) so we can plan food and space.

ADVENT WORKSHOP - DEC. 3

Following WAF dinner on December 3, join us in the Gym for our annual Advent Family Workshop. With different crafts and lots of holiday cheer, there is something for everyone! Crafting will start around 6:15pm and wrap up around 7:30pm.

WINTER WARMTH - THANK YOU!

The annual Winter Warmth Project of First Presbyterian Church was held on October 25. Over 640 coats were distributed to children in Spartanburg County and more will be given out in the coming weeks. Thank you to the nearly 100 volunteers who helped provide warmth for these children. There are still opportunities for you to help! For a gift of \$35, you can be a part of providing a new warm coat for a child in need. Use this QR Code and choose "Winter Warmth" from the drop-down box or visit fpcspartanburg.org/winterwarmth. Gift Acknowledgement Cards are available upon request.



ADVENT FLUFF DAYS

It's time to get your fluff on! Join the Sanctuary Guild as we get wreaths and decorations looking presentable for Advent! Fluff Days will be taking place on Tuesdays (Nov. 4, 11, 18) at 10:00am-noon, and Thursdays (Nov. 6, 13, 20) at 2:00pm-4:00pm. We will meet in Room 2200 (across from Heritage Chapel). Interested in helping? Contact LeAnne Thurmond at 864-621-0213 or leanne.thurmond@gmail.com

STEWARDSHIP 2026 UPDATE

Thank you to the more than 340 individuals and families who have already responded to this year's call to generosity by submitting a pledge for 2026! Your participation strengthens FPC's ministry and allows us to plan faithfully for the year ahead. If you have not yet made your pledge, will you join us? Every commitment helps us live more fully into our mission. Pledge cards are available throughout the church, or you can pledge easily online by using the QR code or visiting fpcspartanburg.org/stewardship.



SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00AM

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Nursery – Room C105 (Clark Building)
Preschool (3K-5K) – Room C110 (Clark Building)
1st & 2nd Grade - Room C202
3rd & 4th Grade - Room C203
5th Grade - Room C206
Youth - Second Floor of the Family Life Center

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Bible Alive – Room 2215 & Zoom

An extensive book-by-book study of the Bible

Emmaus – Purnell Room

A journey with eyes open towards Jesus, with fellowship and a fresh new scripture-based lesson each week.

Faith Forum - Social Hall

All ages are welcome to the Faith Forum!

November

Dr. Courtney Kealy, Associate Professor of Religious Studies at Wofford, will lead a four-part series on “Listening Well: Paying Attention to God, Others, and Our Surroundings.” Dr. Kealy teaches ethnography classes at Wofford, where she guides students on how to be careful observers of their cultures and environments.

TODAY’S MUSICIANS

Early Worship

Leigha Keller, guest conductor;
Cheryl Duerr, guest organist; Genesis Choir

Contemporary Worship

Kolby Carrouth, drums;
Lisa Cunningham, piano/vocals;
Landon Hammett, vocals/keyboards;
Anna Harkey, violin;
Matt Kelly, guitar/vocals;
Corey McDaniels, bass guitar

Traditional Worship

Lisa Cunningham, guest conductor;
Cheryl Duerr, guest organist;
Chancel Choir

Front Cover:

A Gathering of Spirits by Jan Richardson

*Parts of today’s liturgy are from
Feasting on the Word Worship.*

OFFERTORY

O How Amiable

Ralph Vaughan Williams

O how amiable are thy dwellings: thou Lord of hosts!
My soul hath a desire and longing to enter
into the courts of the Lord:
My heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
Yea, the sparrow hath found her an house,
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young:
even thy altars, O Lord of Hosts, my King and my God.
Blessed are they that dwell in thy house:
They will be always praising thee.
The glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us.
Prosper thou the work of our hands upon us.
O prosper thou our handiwork.

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 2

All Saints’ Evensong Service

NOVEMBER 16-23

Host Church for A Way Home

NOVEMBER 25

Spartanburg Community Thanksgiving Service

NOVEMBER 30

First Sunday of Advent

LOOKING AHEAD

DECEMBER 3

Advent Family Workshop

DECEMBER 4

Service of Comfort and Light

DECEMBER 7

Chamber Singers Concert

DECEMBER 10

Celebration of Giving:
Continuing the Tradition of White Gifts

DECEMBER 14

Lessons and Carols

DECEMBER 24

Angel Tree Delivery / Christmas Eve Services

*Keep up with all Life of the Church events at
fpcspartanburg.org.*

TO PONDER PRAYERFULLY

*“We can find special friendships amongst the Communion of Saints.
People whose lives and journeys contain many of our own struggles,
whose growth in the Spirit tends in similar directions as our own.”*

- Claire Woodley-Aitchison

MINISTERS: ALL MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH

We are a community of believers committed to “Glorifying God and Sharing Christ Together through Word and Deed.”

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Rev. Leslie L. Denny
Associate Pastor
Young Adults and Missions

Rev. L. Craig Foster
Associate Pastor
Discipleship

Rev. Rachel N. Klompmaker
Associate Pastor
Congregational Care

Rev. Ansley B. Page
Pastoral Associate for Engagement

Holt Andrews
Pastoral Musician

Marcia Andrews
Associate Director of Music;
Organist

Kara Clark
Director of Children's Ministries

Carrie Coleman
Youth Ministry Coordinator

Beth Cecil
Parish Nurse

Colleen Darrall
Director of Recreation

Jane Mullins
Director of Hospitality

Pano Stathakis
Kitchen Assistant

Kris Graham
Director of the Weekday School

Lisa Cunningham
Contemporary Worship Music Leader

Lee Raines
Facilities Administrator

Jim Pitts
Campus Safety and Services Manager

Lynise Clarke
Director of Finance

Joanie Shackleton
Assistant Director of Finance
and Mission Support

Montaigne Campbell
Office Manager and
Admin to the Senior Pastor

Cathy Bagwell
Visitor and New Member Coordinator

Caroline Goodman
Communications Director

Ian Ritchings
Communications Coordinator

Shannon Hutcheson
Administrative Assistant
Weekday School, Children's and
Adult Discipleship

Cathy Rush
Receptionist and
Admin to Music

Kerri Bell
Administrative Assistant
Congregational Care and Deacons

Andy Mayfield
Grounds Manager

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