

The Service for the Lord's Day

8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

September 20, 2009

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

One: The grace and peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

One: Let us prepare our hearts for worship.

PRELUDE "Allegro from Concerto No. 3" J.G. Walther

WELCOME Please sign and pass the Ministry of Friendship Pad.

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP George Nixon

INTROIT "Spirit of the Living God" Daniel Iverson
(Congregation joins in singing second time.)

*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.*

CALL TO WORSHIP (8:45) Nan McDaniel (11:00) Rev. Craig Foster
Let us lift up our hearts and voices and worship God!

† **HYMN 376:** (Blue) "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" HYFRYDOL
(vs. 1-3)

† **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)
Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior and our Judge,
in your risen splendor we adore you,
for through your suffering
you have broken the power of sin,
and have burst the bonds of death.
Unable to save ourselves, may we know our dependence
upon your grace and mercy, now and for ever.
So may your joy cast out the darkness of the world,
and the darkness in our lives,
which we freely confess before you in silent confession. . .

SILENT CONFESSION

† **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**
One: Receive this good news and be at peace.
**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.**

† **RESPONSE TO PARDON** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" HYFRYDOL
Finish, then, Thy new creation; Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changed from glory into glory, Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee, Lost in wonder, love, and praise.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

FIRST READING John 15:1-12, 16-17 Pew Bible Page 939
One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00)

*Anna Elizabeth Evans
Daughter of Mary Elizabeth and Craig Sloan Evans*

At the 11:00 service, four- and five-year-olds and first graders will depart for Children's Worship.
Pick-up Location: Joseph's Workshop (red door),
Pathway2Truth hallway in the Clark Building – 2nd floor.

SECOND READING Galatians 5:13-26 Pew Bible Page 1015
One: The Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON Christian Character: "Power Steering" Dr. David A. Renwick

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

† **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Unison) Apostles' Creed Dr. William L. Arthur
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, for ever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Gracious Spirit, Dwell With Me" K. Lee Scott
(8:45) Genesis Choir
(11:00) Chancel Choir

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
And, with actions bold and meek, For Christ, my Savior, speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions brotherly, Speak Christ's sincerity.

Holy Spirit, dwell with me, I would holy be;
Show thy mercy tenderly, Make me more like thee;
Separate from sin, I would And cherish all things good,
And whatever I can be Give him who gave me thee.

Mighty Spirit, dwell with me, I would mighty be;
Help me now thy power to see, I would be like thee;
Against all weapons hell can wield, be thou my strength and shield;
Let thy word my weapon be, Lord, Thine the victory.
Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would be like thee!

† **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.

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GO IN GOD'S NAME

† **HYMN 426:** (Blue) "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak" CANONBURY

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

† **CHORAL RESPONSE**
"Go, My Children, With My Blessing" Hal H. Hopson
Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.

POSTLUDE "Rondeau" Henry Purcell

† Congregation will stand.
**** Ushers will seat latecomers.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Suzanne Carter Dunson by her family.

Nursery care is available on the first floor of the Clark Building for all services for children six weeks through three years old. Silent pagers are provided to parents in case one of our nursery staff needs to reach you. **If your child becomes restless or needs to leave the sanctuary for any reason, an usher can direct you to the Church Parlor as a place to stay with your child and still hear the worship service through our sound system.**

Rainbow worship bags are provided at the doors of the Sanctuary for your child to use during worship. Please return the crayons, book, puzzle game, and bag to the baskets at the conclusion of worship. The papers or leaflets are for your child to keep.

Hearing devices are available for your use. Please ask an usher for assistance before the service.

As a courtesy to those around you, kindly turn off cell phones, beepers, and wristwatch alarms during worship.

Please contact the church or your P.A.C.E. leader if a member of your family or you are admitted to the hospital.

The 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Worship Services are available live on our website, www.fpcspartanburg.org, by clicking on "Web Cast." The 11:00 a.m. service is broadcast live over radio station WOLT 103.3-FM.

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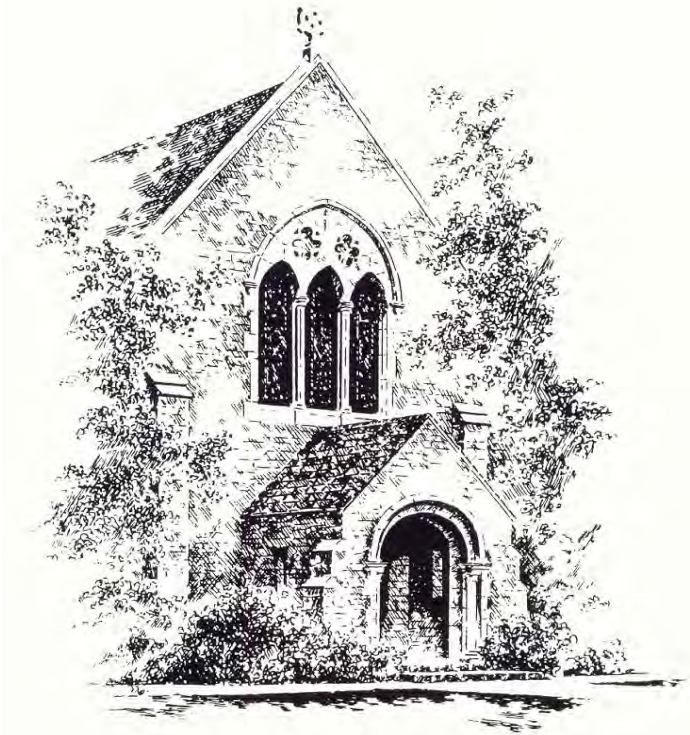
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Calendar of the Week

Sunday, September 20

8:45 a.m. MorningSong Worship (Forgartie Hall)
8:45 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages
9:45 a.m. Welcome Class
11:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)
12:00 p.m. College and Young Adults Lunch
4:00 p.m. Study: *The Authority of Scripture*
4:45 p.m. First Steps in Music
5:30 p.m. First Steps in Music
6:00 p.m. Chamber Singers Rehearsal
6:00 p.m. Jr. High U-Turn
7:15 p.m. Sr. High U-Turn

Monday, September 21

7:30 a.m. Sr. High Breakfast West
10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry
11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Guild
5:30 p.m. Deacons Meeting
6:00 p.m. Job Seekers' Communications Workshop Begins
6:45 p.m. Boy Scouts Troop 2

Tuesday, September 22

8:15 a.m. Beginner Yoga Class
9:15 a.m. Ladies Tuesday Morning Study: *Esther*
9:15 a.m. Church Staff
9:30 a.m. Advanced Yoga Class
10:00 a.m. Library Committee
12:00 p.m. Tuesdays at Noon for Women
12:00 p.m. Tuesdays at Noon – *Great Themes of the Bible*
5:30 p.m. Stated Session
6:00 p.m. Handbells

Wednesday, September 23

9:15 a.m. *Ongoing Journey for Women*
10:00 a.m. Christians in the Making
5:00 p.m. Children's Choirs
5:00 p.m. *Wednesdays at First* (see insert)
5:30 p.m. Pathway2Truth Teacher Training
5:30 p.m. Singles Fellowship
6:30 p.m. Adult Electives
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, September 24

8:15 a.m. Beginner Yoga Class
11:00 a.m. Thursday Study Group: *Great Themes of the Bible*
12:00 p.m. Pick-Up Basketball
4:45 p.m. First Steps in Music
5:30 p.m. First Steps in Music
5:30 p.m. Fit@First Challenge

Friday, September 25

6:30 a.m. Men's Study Group: *A Study of Genesis*
7:00 a.m. Men's Study Group:
Ordering Your Private World
8:15 a.m. Strength Training Class
4:00 p.m. Youth Sr. High Fall Retreat (offsite)

Sunday Morning Worship

MorningSong

Looking for a more relaxed service in an informal atmosphere?

Follow the signs to MorningSong each Sunday.

8:45 a.m. Fogartie Hall.

8:45 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary

New Welcome Class Begins Today!

- * Interested in joining First Presbyterian?
- * Interested in learning more about the Presbyterian Church?
- * Interested in starting the new year afresh after being away for a while?

You are warmly invited to a series of Welcome Classes
beginning today through Sunday, November 8

9:45 – 10:45 a.m.

Follow the signs to Room 2200.

This class is taught by Dr. David Renwick and other church staff members.

*If you would like to join us, please contact
Cheryl Regets at 208-2129 cregets@fpcspartanburg.org.*

Volunteers Needed as "Worship Greeters"

- A new committee has been formed at First Presbyterian Church to greet people for 15 minutes before and after the worship services.
- Our goal is to make all those who are worshipping with us feel warm and welcomed whether they have been attending this church for 20 years or are just visiting.
- Time involvement is just one month per year.
- Volunteers are needed at each of our three services.
- You may choose at which of our three services you would like to serve.

*If you feel that you have a heart for this type of ministry, please contact
Jennifer Howe, chair of the Worship Greeters Committee. (576-8138)*

Foothills Presbytery Invites You to Share in
The Installation
of

The Reverend Lewis Craig Foster
as

Associate Pastor of Education and Discipleship
First Presbyterian Church
Spartanburg, SC

Sunday, September 27, 2009
11:00 Worship

Guest Minister

The Reverend Dr. Allen McSween
Fourth Presbyterian Church
Greenville, SC

Reception to follow in the Social Hall

The Reverend Dr. George G. Wilkes, III
will be Guest Minister at 8:45 a.m. Worship

Sunday School
September 20, 2009
9:45 a.m.

NURSERY and PRESCHOOL – 1st Floor Clark Bldg.
Infants – C108; **Toddlers** – C105; **Twos** – C106
Preschool – 3K – C111, 4K – C110, 5K – C112

ELEMENTARY (1st – 5th Grades)

Pathway 2 Truth – Second Floor Clark Building
“How the Bible Came to Be”

1st Grade – *Science* – Green Door
2nd Grade – *Music/Movement* – Yellow Door
3rd Grade – *Games* – Blue Door
4th Grade – *Storytelling* – Purple Door
5th Grade – *Art* – Red Door

YOUTH “Discovering the Bible”

6th – 7th – Jr. High Room (F207)
What does the Bible say about serving? Jesus’ mission and message includes service.

8th – 9th – 9th Grade Room (F205)

10th – 12th – (Sr High Room)
What does the Bible say is right and wrong? What’s the big deal with the Ten Commandments?

ADULTS

Agnus Dei – Choir Room
Ezra: A Priest for the People – Bill Burns

Bible Alive! – Room C214
Study of the Gospel of Mark – Currie Renwick

Christian Perspectives – Room C212
Let’s Talk About... Three Cups of Tea – Nan McDaniel and Joe Dunn

Come One Come All – Social Hall
Overview of Calvin’s Theology – Dr. Michael Bush

Faith Builders – C210 – *Getting it Together:* “Not Enough Time, Too Many Choices” – Kam Neely

Fellowship Class – Room 2212
The Gift of Years: Growing Older, Getting Better – Dr. Tom McDaniel

Horizons – Room 2207
Study of Acts – Stan Lummus

Ladies Chapel Class – Chapel
Ezra: A Priest for the People – Calvin Wicker

Men’s Bible Class – Purnell Room
Ezra: A Priest for the People – Marc Wall

OPEN Class – Room 2216
Stories of God by Michael Curtis – Denise Stevens and Kamran Popkin

Spiritual Life – Room 2201
Hand Me Another Brick – Chapter 3
“Preparation for a Tough Job” – Nancy Tiller

Truth Seekers – Social Hall
Colossians: The Cosmic Christ – Art McQueen

Welcome Class – Room 2200 - Introduction

Wednesdays at First

September 23, 2009



Faith, Food, and Fellowship
for the Entire Church Family

THIS WEEK’S SCHEDULE

4:30 – 7:30 p.m. Nursery Care
(age 6 weeks – 3 years) – *Clark Building (C106, C108)*
5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Dinner Serving Line Open
Fogartie Hall
5:00 – 5:45 p.m. Children’s Choirs
5:00 – 5:40 p.m. Mom-to-Mom Book Study – C210
5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Singles Fellowship
5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Youth Detour – Sr. High
6:30 – 7:15 p.m. Youth Detour – Jr. High
6:30 – 7:15 p.m. Programs for all ages (see below)
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. CrossWalk Youth Band–*Jr. High Lounge*
7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Chancel Choir – *Choir Room*

Dinner reservations can be made by calling the church office (583-4531), by filling out the pink card in the pew rack and placing it in the offering plate, or by registering online (www.fpcspartanburg.org) prior to noon on Monday.

Wednesday Evening Programs
6:30 – 7:15 p.m.

KIDS’ CROSSING (4K-Grade 5) –
Front of Gym/Activity Room

HOW CALVIN SHAPED THE CHURCH AND ITS LIFE –
Sanctuary – with Dr. George Wilkes

POSITIVE PARENTING – *Room 2207*
with REACH Representative

SINGLES FELLOWSHIP BIBLE STUDY – *Room 2210*
Presented by Art McQueen

FAMILY PLAYTIME– *Far side of Gym*
For families who want to play together

WEDNESDAY WALKERS – *Gym Walking Track*