



**The Advent greens in the Sanctuary** are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Barbara Jean Hanning and Jeannie Glenn by the family.

**Poinsettia Remembrance Booklets** with memorials/acknowledgements are available in the pew racks.

**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.

#### CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

##### **Sunday, December 20**

8:45 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary  
8:45 a.m. MorningSong – Fogartie Hall  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School (for all ages)  
11:00 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. Moravian Love Feast  
7:00 p.m. Moravian Love Feast

##### **Monday, December 21**

8:15 a.m. Beginner Yoga  
2:00 p.m. Church Staff

##### **Tuesday, December 22**

8:15 a.m. Beginner Yoga  
10:00 a.m. Library Committee

##### **Wednesday, December 23**

8:15 a.m. Beginner Yoga  
9:15 a.m. Ongoing Journey for Women  
10:00 a.m. Flower Guild  
7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Choir

##### **Thursday, December 24**

**2:00 p.m. Family Live Center Closes**  
5:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Family Service  
7:30 p.m. Candlelight Service  
11:00 p.m. Candlelight Service

##### **Friday, December 25**

**Christmas Day  
Church Facilities Closed**

##### **December 25 – 28**

**Family Life Center Closed**

##### **Monday, December 28**

**Church Facilities Closed**

*Need Large Print Bulletin?*

Please ask an usher for a copy.

**Today – 5:00 and 7:00 p.m.**

*Moravian Love Feast  
with the Chamber Singers*

The Moravian Love Feast is a lovely Christmas service of music, candle lighting, and the serving of the “feast” of special Moravian buns and coffee. It is a joint effort between First Presbyterian Church and the Palmetto Moravian Fellowship here in Spartanburg, who will serve the feast dressed in period costumes. Set in the beauty of our exquisite Chapel, this is a service you will not want to miss! This service lasts for approximately one hour. A nursery will be provided.

**The Chamber Singers’ new CD, “All My Heart This Night Rejoices,” is available for purchase in the Tower Room from 9:45-10:55 a.m. and 12:00-12:15 p.m. today. The cost is \$12.00. For purchasing at other times, please contact Cheryl Moore in the church office: 208-2144 ([cmoore@fpcspartanburg.org](mailto:cmoore@fpcspartanburg.org)).**

#### *Christmas Eve Services*

Wednesday, December 24

Family Service – 5:00 p.m. (Sanctuary)

Come all you angels, shepherds, and kings, join us on Christmas Eve for our children’s nativity pageant. Any child may come dressed as the part he or she wants to play. *Babies and young children are welcome to attend.*

Candlelight Services – 7:30 and 11:00 p.m.

These services, a tradition in our church, feature music by The Christmas Eve Choir. A special message will be delivered and the services will conclude with the Sanctuary bathed in candlelight. *Invite a friend!*

**Please note that a nursery  
will be provided at 5:00 and 7:30 p.m. only.**

#### **Staff**

**Dr. David A. Renwick**, Senior Pastor; **Reverend Susan E. Moorefield**, Associate Pastor, Pastoral Care; **Reverend L. Craig Foster**, Associate Pastor, Education/Discipleship; **Dr. William L. Arthur**, Parish Associate; **R. Holt Andrews**, Director of Music; **Marcia C. Andrews**, Assistant Director of Music and Organist; **Scott J. Neely**, Pastoral Executive; **Nan McDaniel**, Interim Director of Education; **Jeffrey S. Smith**, Director of Youth; **Carrie D. Williamson**, Assistant Director of Youth; **Bethany S. Cecil**, Parish Nurse; **J. Robert Bannan**, Director of Recreation; **Patricia L. Webster**, Church Hostess

**Missionaries:** *Salvador and Irma de la Torre, Kenya; John S. McCall, Taiwan; Frank and Nancy Dimmock, Lesotho; Mission Co-Workers Serving with Kurds; Mission Co-Workers Serving in the Middle East.*

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## Welcome!

We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us.

First Presbyterian Church  
is a community of believers committed to  
“Glorifying God and Sharing Christ Together  
through Word and Deed.”

## *Sing in the Christmas Eve Choir!*

Anyone high-school age or older is welcome to be a part of the Christmas Eve Choir, which offers musical leadership at the 7:30 and 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Services. The one remaining rehearsal is on December 23 at 7:00 p.m. This is a unique way to be of service to the church, and you have the best seat in the house for candle lighting!

*If you are interested or have questions, please contact Holt Andrews (rh Andrews@fpcspartanburg.org).*

## CONGREGATIONAL MEETING JANUARY 3, 2009

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called for January 3 to be held after the 11:00 a.m. worship to receive and act upon a recommendation from the 2009-2010 Congregational Nominating Committee for the Officers of the Class of 2013.

Elder Nominations: Vic Bailey, Billy Blackford, Carl Carlson, Paul Coté, Ann Crenshaw, Ken Darr, Mary Dixon, Kay Green, Janet Kuntz, Lynda Moore, Elford Morgan, Darwin Simpson, Pat Tatham, Betty Walpole, Margaret Young, Jerry Howe (2-year term).

Deacon Nominations: Martha Bean, Marty Cowan, Susie Dekle, Libba Glenn, Chris Groke, Pamela Heath, Steve Huntley, Tom Mahaffey, Valerie MacPhail, Kam Neely, Randy Orders, Richard Strasburger, Mary Stokes, Rob Usry, Phil Wilson.

## Mark Your Calendar!

### *New Welcome Class Begins January 10*

Are you interested in

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

You are warmly invited to a series of Welcome Classes beginning on Sunday, January 10, 2010 through February 28, 2010.

*If you would like more information, please contact Cheryl Regets at 208-2129  
[cregets@fpcspartanburg.org](mailto:cregets@fpcspartanburg.org).*

## *Sunday School December 20, 2009 9:45 a.m.*

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

**ELEMENTARY (1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Grades)** “Good News”  
**Pathway2Truth** – Second Floor Clark Building  
(See bulletin boards on the Pathway2Truth hall for specific room locations for each grade.)

**YOUTH** – Second Floor Family Life Center  
**6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>** – Jr. High Room (F207)  
*Who Does Jesus Serve?*  
**8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>** – 9th Grade Room, (F205)  
*Mark: Is Jesus Really Divine?*  
**10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>** – Sr. High Room (F202)  
*Mark: Is Jesus Really Divine?*

### **ADULTS**

**Agnus Dei** – Room 2210  
*The Present Word Uniform Lesson Series*

**Bible Alive!** – Room C-213  
*The Gospel of Mark*

**Christian Perspectives** – Room C212  
*It's Advent! What are we waiting for?*

**Come One Come All** – Social Hall  
*Advent and Christmas Hymn Study*

**Faith Builders** – Room C210  
*Stories of Our Faith*

**Fellowship Class** – Room 2212  
*The Gift of Years: Growing Older, Getting Better*

**Horizons** – Room 2207  
*Study of Acts*

**Ladies Chapel Class** – Social Hall  
*Advent and Christmas Hymn Study*

**Men's Bible Class** – Purnell Room  
*The Present Word Uniform Lesson Series*

**OPEN Class** – Room 2216  
*Ghost Stories – Haunting Christian Lessons from Dickens*

**Spiritual Life** – Room 2201  
*Hand Me Another Brick*

**Truth Seekers** – Room 2208  
*Colossians: The Cosmic Christ*