

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Spartanburg, South Carolina

July 31, 2016

**WELCOME!**

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

† *Please rise in  
body or spirit.*

# SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

JULY 31, 2016

8:30AM - Chapel

10:30AM - Sanctuary

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

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

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

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart*

James Kimball

### † CALL TO WORSHIP

(8:30) Dr. Thomas E. Evans

(10:30) Rev. Joanne R. Hull

One: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever.

All: **Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,  
those he redeemed from trouble  
and gathered in from the lands,  
from the east and from the west,  
from the north and from the south.**

One: Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,  
for his wonderful works to humankind.

All: **For he satisfies the thirsty,  
and the hungry he fills with good things.**

One: Let us worship God!

(Psalm 107:1-3, 8-9)

### Hymn 442

In 1828, at the  
age of 32, hymn  
author, Charlotte  
Elliott suffered  
a serious illness  
that left her a  
semi-invalid.

This caused  
depression, and  
within the year  
she experienced  
a severe spiritual  
crisis. Swiss  
evangelist Henry  
A. Cesar Malan  
was visiting her  
family, and she  
confessed to  
him that she  
didn't know  
how to come to  
Christ. His famous  
response was,  
"Come to him  
just as you are."

### † HYMN 442

*Just as I Am, without One Plea*

WOODWORTH

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Faithful God,

we confess our faithlessness.

Our hearts are fickle, and our eyes wander,  
and we trick ourselves into serving false gods.

We speak lies, and accept lies, and live lies,  
destroying ourselves along the way.

Have mercy on us.

Forgive our waywardness and lead us back to you.

May your faithfulness embolden our trust in you,  
and may your truth settle in our souls.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ...

SILENT CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Once we were dead in sin; now we are alive in Christ.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: **Thanks be to God!**

## † RESPONSE

HYMN 447

WE ARE FORGIVEN

*We are forgiven. We are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.  
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.  
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.*

## † PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: As we are forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ Jesus,  
let us be reconciled to each other.  
The peace of the Lord be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us greet one another in the name of Christ.

## LIFE OF THE CHURCH

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### SCRIPTURE READING

Hosea 11:1-9

Pew Bible Page 782

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

(10:30) SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Miller Caroline Mayfield*

*Daughter of Courtney and Andy Mayfield*

### SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 3:1-11

Pew Bible Page 1027

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

### SERMON

*Those Whom God Has Gathered*

Rev. L. Craig Foster

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

## † AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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All children are invited to the front of the sanctuary during The Word for Children.

### The Apostles' Creed

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.

During *This Way Forward*, we seek to share what God is doing through us – that together we might give thanks to God through service and praise.

We welcome Justin Boazman to our 8:30 service as soloist, and to our 10:30 service as soloist and newest member of the Chancel Choir. Justin has a strong choral background, a fine solo voice, and is an experienced choral director. We are delighted he has found his way to FPC.

Hymn 401  
Hymn author and composer, Marty Haugen, is an American composer of liturgical music. His music has found favor in the both Roman Catholic and Protestant congregations. Haugen is a performing musician, and has recorded a number of CDs. He holds a position as composer in residence at Mayflower Community Congregational Church in Minneapolis.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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.

## PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

(10:30) THIS WAY FORWARD: C.A.S.T.

Randy Barre

## OFFERTORY

(8:30)

*I Walk a Stranger on This Land*  
Justin Boazman

Dale Wood

(10:30)

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*  
Summer Choir

Dodd Lamberton

## † DOXOLOGY

HYMN 606

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 THANKSGIVING

## BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

† HYMN 401

*Here in This Place*  
Verse One: Solo; Verses 2-4: All

GATHER US IN

## † CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Toccata Fantasy on "Ellacombe"*

Derek Branscombe

**One:** The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ go with you all.

**All:** And also with you.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Florence and Henry Bell and Henry Bell, Jr. by Sherron Bell Langley.

Many thanks to Bruce Campbell, organist, and Janet Kuntz, conductor for their musical leadership today while Holt and Marcia Andrews are away.

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. For the Chapel service, please ask an usher for a hearing aid device and return when you exit. Thank you.

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

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER SCHEDULE

### 9:30-10:30AM

#### CHILDREN and YOUTH

Nursery (Birth-2K)

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Clark Bldg

Preschool (3K-5K)

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Clark Bldg

Elementary (1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Clark Bldg

Youth (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade)

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor FLC

To see your child's lesson for this week (Preschool and Elementary), visit [www.Deepbluekids.com](http://www.Deepbluekids.com).

Download the parent's lesson guide by selecting:

Curriculum> This Sunday> Choose your child's age group> Choose "All Hands on Deck" with today's date.

You can also download a free App to follow weekly lessons, games, music, and videos.

#### ADULTS

**FAITH DRIVEN CLASS AND SPARK (Room C210)** This combined class is made up of young adults, both single and married, with and without children, and seeks to learn more about the Bible and how to apply its truths within the workplace and the home.

**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.

**SUMMER ADULT CLASS (Room 2201)** will meet through Aug 28. "The Story of the Bible, Part I: From its Origins to the Middle Ages" is a Lecture Series by Luke Timothy Johnson, Professor at Emory University and mentor of our own Dr. Kyle Keefer. Dr. Johnson is an engaging speaker who explains in this series how the Bible came to be written and assembled, as well as how various versions were developed, circulated, and preserved over hundreds of years. Each lecture is 30 minutes. Kyle Keefer, Tom & Nan McDaniel, and other First Presbyterian teachers will lead discussion before and after the lectures. There will be special Mission presentation on August 14.

# LIFE @ FIRST

JULY 31, 2016

Complete details at [www.fpcspartanburg.org](http://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, check the church website or see one of the Worship Greeters, holding the baskets.*

## JOINING FIRST PRES...

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please come to the Church Library on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month at 10:00am. The Church Library is located on the first floor of the main building, on the hallway near the Chestnut Street Door. Ministers and members of the Session will be there to greet you. Additionally, a Welcome Class is held twice a year, which is open to all visitors interested in joining our church or to anyone wanting to learn more about the Presbyterian Church (USA).

*For more information, please contact Rev. Joanne Hull; 208-2125/jhull@fpcspartanburg.org or Joanie Shackleton; 208-2132/jshackleton@fpcspartanburg.org.*

## PASTORS ON-CALL

If you have a **Pastoral Emergency** after 5:00pm during the week or on holidays, please call **208-2142**. The message will be sent to the pastoral care team member who is on-call and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

For pastoral needs for our youth, contact Jason Moore (804-9244).

## HELP RELIEVE HUNGER IN SPARTANBURG

**On Sunday, August 7**, please bring canned goods and loose change to Worship to benefit Total Ministries of Spartanburg. As we celebrate Communion together, let us serve others through our gifts for hunger relief. Containers are located at the entrances to the Sanctuary and Fogartie Hall (MorningSong). **All nonperishable food items are welcomed!** Some suggestions: Peanut Butter, Canned Meat, Canned Tomatoes, Beef Stew, Soup, and Family-Size Beans and Rice (not 20\*lb bags).

## GLENNON MELTON AT FPC – AUGUST 13

First Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg is delighted to host bestselling author Glennon Doyle Melton of Momastery.com on Saturday, August 13 at 10:00am (doors open at 9:30am). Admission is \$40 and includes a hardcover edition of her new book, *Love Warrior*. Special Sponsor tickets are \$80, include a Meet and Greet, and will allow FPC to donate a scholarship ticket to a local woman.

*Tickets may be purchased at [www.momastery.com/events](http://www.momastery.com/events).*

*Questions? Please contact Dawn Bingham; [binghamdawn@hotmail.com](mailto:binghamdawn@hotmail.com).*

## FINAL SUMMER SIZZLES

**Next Sunday, August 7** - We will have a Covered Dish Lunch in the Social Hall after the 10:30am Worship Services. Bring a dish or dessert to share!

**Sunday, August 28** - Food Truck Festival on the FLC Lawn. Bring your lawnchairs and blankets as we enjoy fun, food, and fellowship. Food will be available for purchase from food trucks in the parking lot of the FLC. There will be a bouncy house and games for kids and adults.

## YOUTH EVENTS

**August 4, Carowinds** - Purchase your ticket online ahead of time at [carowinds.com](http://carowinds.com) to get your ticket for \$42.99 vs. \$62.99 at the gate! Be sure to bring money for lunch and drinks!

**August 7, Middler Mayhem Olympic Extravaganza** - Olympic challenge and spoof games in the gym and dinner in the Middler room. (Synchronized swimming in the gym? Could be.) Sure to be fun and funny!

**August 8, Pizza and a Parable** - All youth meet in the FLC lobby to walk to a local restaurant for lunch (bring money) while we dig deeper into God's word.

**August 21, Fall Real Life Kickoff** - Mark your calendars! We will be kicking off our Fall program with a Special Real Life that you won't want to miss!

*For More Info, contact Shannon Stewart; 208-2133 / [sstewart@fpcspartanburg.org](mailto:ssewart@fpcspartanburg.org).*

## BIBLE STUDY: THE THINGS THAT MAKE FOR PEACE

This class, led by Nan and Tom McDaniel will meet Tuesdays at noon in the Arthur Center (beginning August 16) and Thursdays at noon in the Church Library (beginning August 18) ~ Choose which day suits you!

In this timely 5-week PCUSA Bible study, we will look at what the Bible has to say to us about peace - what it is, how to find it, how to practice it and extend it, and ultimately, how to live it. Readings for each week will be provided to all who sign up. Come even if you haven't signed up ahead. All are welcome to discussion.

*To sign up, contact Katie Resumovic; 208-2129 / kresumovic@fpcspartanburg.org.*

## HELP NEEDED AT SPIHN!

Our next SPIHN week is Sunday, August 21 - Sunday, August 28. These families need assistance by providing meals, supplies, and positive interaction. If you have an interest, please contact:

*Meals: Katherine Burns (marchk2b@yahoo.com)*

*Evening Host: Hannah Lane (hannahlanedc@gmail.com)*

*Overnight Host/Supplies: Crystal Workman (workman06@charter.net)*

*Overall Questions: Alan Workman (aworkman@gracemg.com)*

## WAF - SEPTEMBER 14

Wednesdays at First will begin again on September 14. Help is needed in many different areas: preparing the meals; working the check-in tables; helping at the Children's Table and dessert table; the dish room; and re-setting Fogartie Hall after the meal. If you are interested in volunteering in any of these areas, extra hands are always needed.

*To volunteer, please contact Rob Hammett; rob@cwinsurance.com  
or Andy Lancaster; alancaster@advanceamerica.net.*

## ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS AVAILABLE

Online giving provides the flexibility to give how you want, regardless of day or time. You can give ① through the church website, ② through text message to 864/309-0816, or ③ using the ShelbyNEXT / Giving app. Copies of "Your Guide to eGiving" are available in the church office.

*Questions? Contact Lynise Clarke; lclarke@fpcspartanburg.org / 208-2130.*

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN PASTORAL COUNSELING

Pastoral Counseling, with Dr. Kirk Neely, is offered by the congregation for First Presbyterian Church members. There is no fee; a contribution may be made to underwrite the ministry. Counseling is on Tuesdays, by appointment only.

*To make an appointment, contact Didi Terry; 583-4531/dterry@fpcspartanburg.org.*

## FOR PARENTS

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.

## CALENDAR THIS WEEK

### SUNDAY, JULY 31

8:30am Chapel Worship

9:30am Sunday School

9:45am Summer Choir

10:30am MorningSong Worship

10:30am Sanctuary Worship

### MONDAY, AUGUST 1

12:00pm Officer Prayer Lunch

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

12:00pm Men's Bible Study

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

9:00am Youth to Carowinds

12:30pm Spark Men's Small Group

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

6:30am Men's Study Group

7:00am Men's Study Group

*AA meets 3 times per week - Tues, Thurs,  
and Fri at 7am in the Scout Hut.*

*For the complete schedule of FLC Classes:  
www.fpcspartanburg.org/grow/recreation.*

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## LOOKING FORWARD . . .

### AUGUST 7

*Communion*

8:30am Chapel Worship Service

10:30am Sanctuary Worship

Dr. Thomas E. Evans

10:30am MorningSong Worship

Rev. Christi O. Brown

*Summer Sizzle Covered Dish Lunch*

### AUGUST 28

*Summer Sizzle Food Truck Festival*

### SEPTEMBER 4

*One Worship Service (10:30am)*

### SEPTEMBER 14

*WAF Begins*

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## FINANCIAL NEWS

### Budget

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Needed weekly: | \$52,786 |
| Received 7/24: | \$32,626 |

## **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; **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; **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 4 missionaries - **Jo Ella Holman**, *Cuba and Dominican Republic*; **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; **Philippines:** Precious Heritage Ministries orphanage and feeding program for street children; **Witness Season; Bread for the World**

***This week, please pray for The Evangelical Reformed Church in Poland.***

## CHURCH OFFICERS

### SESSION

**Class of 2017:** Cathy Bagwell, Colleen Ballance, De Calvert, Kyle Clelland, Celia Cogdell, Cliff Gaubert, Brandt Goodwin, Kim Keith, Whit Kennedy, Tom King, Sanders Lee, Sylvia Spears, Monica Threatt, Linda West, Elizabeth Young

**Class of 2018:** Fran Bagwell, David Beacham, Roy Berry, Leslie Calicutt, Mark Coleman, Mary Dixon, Ken Frick, Mark Hicklin, David Ike, Kay McClure, Nan McDaniel, Kam Neely, Susan Oldham, Carter Smith, Pat Tatham

**Class of 2019:** Bert Barre, David Berry, Jennifer Biber, Mark Cann, Dick Carr, David Cecil, Fred Cumbo, Sally Dover, Emma Harrill, Ann Jones, Stan Lummus, Eric Nease, Richard Strasburger, Winnie Walsh, Lewis White

### DIACONATE

**Class of 2017:** Will Adair, Vic Bailey, Gail Ballard, Dawn Bingham, Jason Blanton, Steven Blanton, Bill Cummings, Carroll Easterling, John Faris, Rob Hammett, Harriet Ike, Robby Kocisko, Laura Ringo, Mary Tygett, Mac White

**Class of 2018:** Marjorie Appiah, Randy Barre, Budge Bean, Margie Beckett, Randall Chambers, Erin Chastain, Max Hyde, Brenda James, Donna Kennedy, Andy Lancaster, Lisa Lefebvre, Melissa Morehead, Juli Robertson, Joy Shackelford, Brand Stille

**Class of 2019:** 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

## STAFF

**Dr. Thomas E. Evans**, *Senior Pastor*; **Rev. L. Craig Foster**, *Associate Pastor, Education/Discipleship*; **Rev. Joanne R. Hull**, *Associate Pastor, Congregational Care*; **Rev. Christi O. Brown**, *Pastoral Associate*; **Holt Andrews**, *Director of Music*; **Marcia Andrews**, *Assistant Director of Music and Organist*; **Jason Moore**, *Director of Youth Ministry*; **Penny Wright**, *Assistant Director of Youth*; **Beth Burris**, *Director of Children's Ministries*; **Beth Cecil**, *Parish Nurse*; **Colleen McCullough**, *Director of Recreation*; **Jane Mullins**, *Director of Hospitality*



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