

Weekly Worship

Sunday,

The Lord's Day

9:00am Worship Service

10:05am Assembly &

Sunday School

11:00am Worship Service

Upcoming Events

Monday, April 9

10:00 Circle 1 at the Church

6:00 Circle 2

Home of Georgia Spencer

Wednesday, April 11

5:00 Christian Education

Ministry

Thursday, April 12

5:30-7:30 Youth

Spaghetti Fundraiser

Sunday, April 15

12:30 VBS Meeting

Monday, April 16

1:00 Prayers & Squares

3:00 Visitation Ministry

6:00 Session Meeting

Saturday, April 21

Youth Yard Sale

Sunday, April 29

6:00 Confirmation Class

Pastor

Timothy Scoonover

Director of Spiritual

Formation

David Baruch

Editor

Sally Harvey

Meet Our New Members

We are a family and our family is growing. These are our new members that joined March 18, 2018. Take a moment to recognize them and learn about them. They were each asked the same questions and their responses are unique.

What most excites you about what God is doing at FPC?

What's your favorite ice cream?

What do you like to do for fun?

Who's your hero?

What's your favorite scripture and why?

Haven Baty—Haven is excited about the outreach and the growth of not only the church but her faith as well. Her favorite ice cream is butter pecan (HANDS DOWN). She enjoys



spending time with her only dog child, Nellie, and of course Cody Gooch, too! Haven likes working out, random road trips, and fun! Her hero is her grandmother, aka Big Audrey. "Not many people know, but my first name is Audrey, after my grandmother and I look exactly like her. She was the first one to instill a faith in God in me and I pray that I can possess. She had an unwavering love for people, especially the ones she cared about. She's gone to heaven now, but I still feel her smile as I keep trudging through life. I will always be Little Audrey and she would have loved to see what I have become." Haven's favorite scripture is James 2:18. "This verse has been the anchor of my faith since I was saved August 16, 2015.

It speaks volumes in two sentences on how the Christian life should be lived out."

Bill and Connie Brinson—What excites Bill about FPC is that God has blessed our church with strong biblical leadership from both of the pastors and from within the congregation.



This is evident in the welcoming and nurturing spirit that is present. Bill's favorite ice cream is rocky road or anything chocolate. For fun he likes to spend time with family. Bill says his more adventurous days are over. His earthly hero is his wife Connie. She has done a wonderful job of raising our five children and being my partner over the last nearly 65 years. All of this she has done with great love and patience. Bill's favorite scripture is John 3:16! It speaks to God's love for me and the sacrifices Jesus made that promises, through my faith, my sins will be forgiven and I will enjoy eternal life.

What excites Connie about FPC is how the church is growing with new members. When she was a child they went to the lake and stopped in Mt. Pleasant, Michigan for a "Black Cherry" ice cream cone. Connie says since she has gotten older her days of water skiing, mountain climbing, traveling, snow skiing are done. Now she likes a good book or watching children play. Her hero is her two daughters. Peggy was on a journey (continued on page 2)

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with Jesus during her two and a half year cancer fight—no complaint and no pain. Cheryl had heart problems from birth. Several surgeons have helped her be able to work at a factory eight to ten hours a day on her feet. They are both her hero. Connie's favorite scripture is Romans 15:13 because "it tells me what I need to know in believing."

Don, Angelia and Ryan Cribb—What excites Don most about FPC is to see God's work and the enthusiasm that has grown in the 9:00am service. His favorite ice cream butter pecan (pick-AHN). For fun he likes playing music and his hero is Dabo Swinney. Don's favorite scripture is 2 Corinthians 5:17 "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old is gone, the new is here!" Because God made even a wretch like me into a new creation through Christ.



Angelia is grateful for the discipleship that she sees throughout FPC. "Our family was invited to attend here and participate in various activities by several members." Her favorite ice cream is vanilla-chocolate chip. For fun she loves a beach trip with the family. Her hero is her mom. Angelia's favorite scripture is Proverbs 3:5-6 "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will make your paths straight." Because, when faced with fear or anxiety she is reminded by this verse to trust in God.

Troy, Rebecca and Sarah Cribb—What excites Troy at FPC is the genuine outpouring of friendliness and love that is shown when people shake hands, hug, and greet each other. His favorite ice cream is vanilla. He loves spending time at the beach or around a fire with family. His daddy is his hero. He was truly one of the kindest, most loving people I have ever known and he is missed daily. Troy's favorite scripture is Zephaniah 3:17. "The Lord your God is with you, the mighty warrior who saves. He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing." "My extraordinary and wonderful wife introduced me to this verse about six and a half years ago. It was painted on a canvas by a friend of ours and hangs over our daughter's bed and Pastor Timothy used it for my father's funeral service. I just love the thought of God rejoicing and singing over us and calming us with his love. It's hard for me to picture anything other than a loving grandparent rocking their grandchild, singing a sweet song as the child drifts off to sleep."



Rebecca is most excited about children and youth ministries and outreach opportunities. "We have been blessed to have been welcomed into the music ministry and church!" Her favorite ice cream is cookie dough. For fun she loves to listen to music, read poetry, paint stuff (not artistically, but like walls, cabinets, and furniture). She does Harry Potter yoga with Sarah (yes, it's a real thing), and looks to the sky for God's paintings. Rebecca's hero is her Memaw. "Memaw was my grandmother, my mom's mom. She loved Troy. I loved all my grandparents, but Memaw's no-nonsense, practical, sharp as a tack wisdom, was able to penetrate my thick skull and soften the hardest of heads. She was the epitome of tough love. Her favorite poem was *The House by the Side of the Road* by Sam Walter Foss. She truly was a friend to all. She took care of people in ways they didn't know they needed. She was a woman of few words but with such power in the words she did choose." My favorite scripture is the story of the Samaritan woman at the well in John 4. Jesus shocked this woman by asking her for a drink of water, and as a result, she engaged in respectful conversation with a stranger and enemy, a Jewish man, and she asked insightful questions during a time when no value was placed on women's education or testimony. This woman was a victim of horribly unjust marriage practices of the day, where a woman's economic survival was dependent on her status as a wife and producer of male heirs. Perhaps she suffered multiple deaths of her husbands or divorce due to barrenness. Jesus recognized her homelessness, her loneliness, her displacement, her poverty, her traumatic circumstances, yet still her longing for restoration. He came to the well that day to make her His bride, not unlike the church. This woman

believed in her inheritance and when she declared her faith in the Messiah, she became the first person Jesus revealed His identity to. She left her water jar and went and told all the towns people right away. I believe the reason the towns people immediately believed her about Jesus is because people know those who have suffered greatly won't falsely proclaim the Messiah. Prior to her meeting with Jesus, this woman had no value to society, not as a wife, not as a mother, but Jesus showed her what He saw in her. Jesus showed her He valued her simply by asking her to meet His need with a drink of water. And as a result, she gave her life for Him and many came to believe.

Sarah likes that FPC teaches about God and she loves Sunday School. Her favorite ice cream is chocolate and vanilla. For fun, she likes to paint and play. Her hero is God and Jesus because when you are sad they help you be happy. Sarah's favorite Bible story is when Jesus died for our sins because if he hadn't we would never be happy.



Mother / Daughter / Friend Banquet
Wednesday, May 9 at 6:30pm

Our speaker this year is JoAnne Ellison, founder of international nonprofit, Drawing Near to God, based in Mt. Pleasant. JoAnne teaches women to make space for God so that God's presence keeps them from being overwhelmed with life. Driven by a vision to motivate women to pursue a deeper relationship with God, she is the author of over 20 Bible study guides, the popular 365-day Bible devotional, *Drawing Near to God*, *Sitting at His Feet* devotional and *Tell your Heart to Beat Again*. She is an engaging speaker, writer and Bible teacher. Her speaking style includes both vulnerability and humor and is rooted in her passion for the Bible. She often incorporates stories about her children, grandchildren and travels into her teachings. Making her home in the Charleston area for most of her life, Ellison is a graduate of the College of Charleston and an active member of Saint Andrew's Church, Mount Pleasant, SC.

Tickets are \$10 for adults - children 5 and under are free - Nursery Provided



**Volunteer
Appreciation
Dinner**

Food, Friends, Fun
Live Music
Guest Speaker
Door Prizes

Monday, April 16th at 6:00pm
174 Londonderry Rd., Goose Creek
RSVP by April 11th
(843) 203-3749
volunteer@berkeleyhabitat.org



VBS Meeting
Sunday, April 15th at 12:30pm
Pizza Provided

If you have not participated in VBS before, but would like to join the team, please come have lunch with us.

VBS this year is June 18-20,
5:30-8:00pm every night.
We have classes for all age groups,
including adults.

Minutes in a Minute

On Sunday, March 18th at a Special Meeting, for the purpose of receiving new members, your session:

- Opened with prayer at 10:15am
- Heard faith stories and unanimously approved to accept the following new members:
 - Troy Cribb – Reaffirmation of Faith
 - Rebecca Cribb – Reaffirmation of Faith
 - Angelia Cribb – Letter of Transfer from All Saints Church, Pawleys Island, SC
 - Don Cribb – Letter of Transfer from All Saints Church, Pawleys Island, SC
 - Ryan Cribb – Letter of Transfer from All Saints Church, Pawleys Island, SC
 - Bill Brinson – Letter of Transfer from Oconee Presbyterian Church, Seneca, SC
 - Connie Brinson – Letter of Transfer from Oconee Presbyterian Church, Seneca, SC
 - Haven Baty – Letter of Transfer from Union #3 Baptist Church, Ballplay, AL
- Closed with prayer at 10:50am

On Monday, March 19th your session:

- Opened with prayer at 6pm
- Vision-casted around the theme (from John 11 – Raising of Lazarus) of “what are our grave cloths” as Christ calls our church “out of the tomb”
- Unanimously approved the Stewardship, Personnel, and Finance Ministry Team’s recommendation to hire Lisa Kelly as part-time website development and accounting support. Starting April 10th, she is contracted to update our website (including our social media presence) and update and maintain our accounting and database software.
- Closed with prayer

The next session meeting will be Monday, April 16th at 6pm



What is Confirmation?

The short answer to that question is that it is simply a period of intentional reflection that usually takes place at some point during the teenage years. A life of faith is one in which we wrestle with big questions, including questions of who we are, who God is, and how the two intersect and exist in, and with, each other. Reflection is necessary throughout our life as we deal with this foundational search for meaning.

When is Confirmation?

Three Sunday nights: April 29th, May 6th, and May 20th, from 6:00pm –8:00pm.

Students are only allowed to miss one of the three classes to qualify for confirmation.

We will have a service on Sunday morning, June 3rd to present the confirmands at 11am.

What if I am not Baptized?

In the Presbyterian Church, like other denominations, we believe that infant baptism is a declaration that we will raise a child in the church and points to the day that you will declare your faith as your own.

Confirmation looks back at your infant baptism and reflects on how that has now become your own.

If you have not been baptized as an infant, no need to worry. After confirmation service on June 3rd, we will have a picnic at Sommerset and some baptisms at the lake.

To register your youth for confirmation email: ddbaruchjr@gmail.com.



**Middle and High School Youth
Whitewater Rafting Trip
June 8th-13th**

**Registration due by Wednesday, April 18th
\$100 deposit to hold spot due Wednesday, April 18th**

Final Payment due May 23rd. Trip total is \$350.00 per youth
(if you have two youth going its \$300 each)

This covers everything for 6 days, including the charter bus to TN. We will be staying in camping cabins with our own campsite at the retreat center.

Camp website is www.ocoeretreatcenter.com

Activities include: Whitewater Raft Trip on Ocoee, Eno Village, paintball, blob, ropes course, zip line, lazy river raft trip, mud run, water park, and much more...

We understand with multiple children this is a big cost. If money is an issue, please talk to David, as scholarships are available.

**NOTE YOUTH DO NOT HAVE TO WHITEWATER RAFT TO GO,
there are plenty of other things for youth to do and still come!**

Payments can be dropped in the mailbox outside the carport, just put your child's name on the envelope and note rafting trip in the memo line with your child's name, or you can send the check with your youth to youth group anytime between now and then.

Parents, please email [ddbaruchjr@gmail.com](mailto:dधारuchjr@gmail.com) with questions or call/text 954-494-3557

**Our Mission: Making disciples of the next generation who reach UP to God,
IN to one another, and OUT to the world!**

Dear First Presbyterian:

I want to say thank you for sending the care packages. I usually take out a few things that I need and leave it in the office for everyone to get some treats.

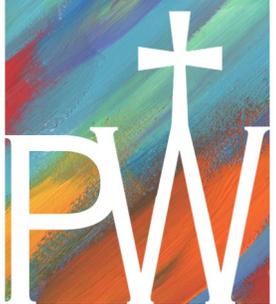
Thanks for everything, Seth Tipton



April

- 1 Carole Edwards
- 5 Ben Shuler
- 7 Brant Bayless
- 8 Laura Bates
Jane Hood
Jary Hulst
Corinne Page
- 9 Oliver Harrelson
Claudette Lusk
- 10 Pompey Harvey
Madeline Williams
- 11 Abby Bell
- 13 Kevin Lusk
Nancy Svagerko
- 14 Margaret Huggins
- 15 David Baumann
George Svagerko
- 16 Ellen Berry
Barbara McRee
Lynne Shepherd
- 17 Tom Williams
- 21 Samantha Belken
- 23 Elizabeth Cannon
- 25 Jesse Cannon
Kevin Murray
- 26 Melissa Matthews
Lynnette Oliver
Devlin Worten
- 28 Pearl Miller
- 29 Katy Bates
Will Davis
Ari Lynn Murray

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

If you would like to know more about our Women's Circles, please give the ladies below a call. All women of the church are welcome.

Circle 1 will meet at 10:00am on Monday, April 9 at the church. Call Mickey Smith for more information at 843-899-6420.

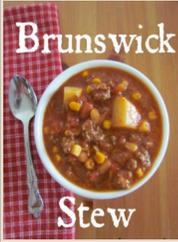
Circle 2 will meet at 6:00pm on Monday, April 9 at the home of Georgia Spencer, 202 Broughton Rd., Moncks Corner. For more information call Georgia at 843-899-6500.



Yard Sale Fundraiser on Saturday, April 21st for the France Mission Trip. It will not be on church grounds, but offsite. Location to be announced soon. If you are interested in selling a few things in donation to the trip, email ddbaruchjr@gmail.com.



Grass Cutting Season—Please sign up to cut grass at the church. There's a sign up poster in the hallway. Contact Doris Partlow for more information at (843)753-2664.



SALE — SALE — SALE
Hugh Smith's famous Brunswick Stew is for sale. This is stew left over from the Lenten Lunch. Stew is \$6.00 a quart. Call Doris Partlow (843)753-2664, Hugh Smith (843)899-6420 or Ronnie Hewitt (843)825-3799 and put in your order.

April Ushers

- 9:00— Rick & Cathy Ollic
- 11:00—Bob & Doris Partlow,
Bill and Cindy Britt

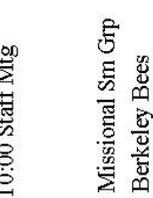
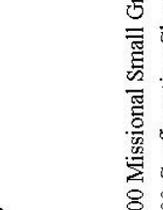
April Food Pantry

Please help us with our food pantry by bringing

Rice & Pasta

2018 Financial Report	Year to date through	
	3/31/2018	Annual Budget
Revenue	\$ 95,418	\$ 436,612
Expenditures		
Personnel	\$ 58,717	\$ 263,304
Operations	\$ 28,430	\$ 106,350
Missions	\$ 4,655	\$ 32,300
Education, Nurture & Pastoral Care	\$ 2,875	\$ 21,710
Worship, Evangelism & Fellowship	\$ 1,716	\$ 10,260
Total Expenditures	\$ 96,393	\$ 433,924

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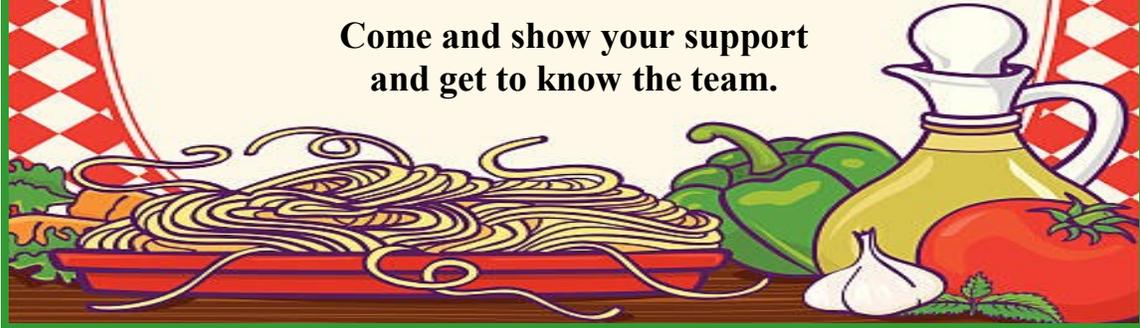
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Every Sunday 9:00 Worship 10:05 Assembly & Sunday School 11:00 Worship	2	3 10:00 Staff Mtg	4 11:00 Prayer	5	6	7
	1:00 Prayers & Squares	1:00—6:00 Blood Drive 6:00 Missional Sm Grp 6:00 GriefShare	Pastor Timothy Vacation			
8	9 10:00 Circle 1 at church	10 10:00 Staff Mtg	11 11:00 Prayer	12  5:30-7:30 Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser for France Mission Trip 	13	14
	Pastor Timothy Vacation		5:00 Christian Ed. Mtg. 6:00 Middle/High Youth 6:00 Choir			
5:00 Missional Small Group	6:00 Circle 2 home of Georgia Spencer	6:00 Missional Sm Grp 6:00 GriefShare	18 11:00 Prayer	19	20	21
15	16 1:00 Prayers & Squares	17 10:00 Staff Mtg	18 11:00 Prayer	19	20	21
12:30 VBS Meeting	3:00 Visitation Ministry	6:00 Missional Sm Grp 6:00 Berkeley Bees 6:00 GriefShare	6:00 Middle/High Youth 6:00 Choir	6:00 Early Service Worship Team	5:00 Wedding Rehearsal	5:00 Schumann/Carter Wedding 
5:00 Missional Small Group	6:00 Session Meeting	24 10:00 Staff Mtg	25 11:00 Prayer	26	27	28
22	23					
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29	30					
5:00 Missional Small Group 6:00 Confirmation Class						

**Spaghetti Fundraiser
Thursday, April 12
5:30-7:30pm**

**Youth France Mission Team will be having a
fundraiser to support their trip.**

\$10 per plate (dine in only)

**Come and show your support
and get to know the team.**



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