

Weekly Worship

Every Sunday

9:00 Worship Service
 9:00 Facebook Video
 10:00 Sunday School
 11:00 Worship Service

Upcoming Events

Sunday, April 2

Palm Sunday

Fellowship Sunday

10:00 Service Only

Monday, April 3

1:00 Prayers & Squares

Tuesday, April 4

1:00 Staff Meeting

6:00 GriefShare

Wednesday, April 5

11:00 Prayer Ministry

3:00 LOGOS

6:00 Youth

Thursday, April 6

Maundy Thursday

6:00 Soup Supper

6:30 Worship

Friday, April 7

Good Friday

9:30 Retreat of Silence

Mepkin Abbey

Office Closed

Sunday, April 9

Easter/Resurrection

of the Lord

Monday, April 10

10:00 Circle 1 at the church

6:00 Circle 2 Home of

Margaret High

Tuesday, April 11

1:00 Staff Meeting

1:00 Blood Drive

5:30 Soup Kitchen

6:00 GriefShare

Wednesday, April 12

11:00 Prayer Ministry

6:00 Youth

Thursday, April 13

5:30 SPF Meeting

Friday, April 14

11:00 Bible Study

Monday, April 17

1:00 Prayers & Squares

3:00 Visitation Ministry

6:00 Session Meeting

Tuesday, April 18

1:00 Staff Meeting

6:00 GriefShare

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A Note from Our Pastor

There was a recent Barna Study which surveyed over 600 teenagers, asking them who influenced them the most. Like me, you might find the results surprising:

1. Parents
2. Grandparents

At a distant third was Coaches, Pastors, and Youth Pastors

Wow. I'll admit, some days this is hard to believe. Frequently, I ask myself, *are they even listening?* Well the answer is an overwhelming, "YES!" Parents and grandparents are still the greatest influence on young people. What do we do with that influence? I suggest... make disciples.

This month, I'm highlighting the significance of grandparents. You might not realize this, but even though the word "grandparent" doesn't appear in the Bible, the phrase "children's children" and "next generation" show up several times. Here are just a few examples:

Only be careful, and watch yourselves closely
 so that you do not forget the things your eyes have seen
 or let them fade from your heart as long as you live.

Teach them to your children and to your **children's children**. (Dt. 4:9)

We will not hide them from their descendants;
 we will tell the **next generation**
 the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,
 his power, and the wonders he has done. (Psalm 78:4)

Since my youth, God, you have taught me,
 and to this day I declare your marvelous deeds.
 Even when I am old and gray,
 do not forsake me, my God,
 till I declare your power **to the next generation**,
 your mighty acts to all who are to come. (Psalm 71:17-18)



The Bible *does* talk about grandparents. When they are mentioned it is in the context of sharing a legacy of faith. **Grandparents play a crucial role in disciple-making.** As our friend Sherry Schumann puts it, "Grandparents are not supposed to only be fun-factories," but there's a biblical call to bear witness to God and shepherd the hearts of the next generation. This is one of FPC's core values: Raising the Next Generation for God.

You're invited to the second annual **Southeastern Intentional Grandparenting Conference on April 28-29 in Summerville.** The details to register are inside. This is a wonderful opportunity in our own back yard. There will be nationally-known speakers with practical tools and resources to inspire and equip us to make disciples of the next generation. Don't miss it!

In Christ, Timothy

Upcoming Events

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Wednesday, April 19

11:00 Prayer Ministry
6:00 Youth

Friday, April 21

11:00 Bible Study

Tuesday, April 25

1:00 Staff Meeting
5:30 Soup Kitchen
6:00 GriefShare

Wednesday, April 26

11:00 Prayer Ministry
6:00 Youth

Friday, April 28

11:00 Bible Study

Minutes in a Minute

On Monday, March 20 the Session of First Presbyterian Church:

- Opened with prayer and devotion by Jesse Cannon
- Approved minutes from February Session Meeting
- Approved the wedding of Justin Morris and Ashley Millwood for October 7, 2023
- Continued discussion of the Ligonier Ministry study called "The State of Theology in 2022"
- Jesse Cannon and Pastor Scoonover offered a report from Charleston Atlantic Winter 2023 Presbytery meeting
- Discussed the benefits of name tags given our increase in visitors
- Received reports from the Director of Spiritual Formation, the Pastor, and Ministry teams

The next Session meeting will be Monday, April 17 at 6 p.m.



THE SOUTHEASTERN Intentional Grandparenting CONFERENCE

April 28 and 29, 2023



There's a new movement, in the church world, calling Grandparents to a purposeful, meaningful, family ministry that can leave a legacy...a heritage...with consequential eternal results! Get on board! The intentional Grandparenting Conference is a regional conference for today's Christian grandparents who want to be inspired and equipped to pass on their faith and disciple their grandchildren. Elmer Towns says, "Use the 'rest of your life' to give the 'best of your life!'"

On behalf of Family Builders, we are thrilled to announce the **Second Annual Southeastern Intentional Grandparenting Conference** on the campus of St. Paul's Anglican Church in Summerville. Together, we'll explore what the Bible says about the role of grandparents and discover ways to pass our faith in Christ to our children, grandchildren and future generations.

Register at www.grandparenting.co

Main Speakers



Dr. Larry McCall, the author of *Grandparenting with Grace: Living the Gospel with Next Generation* as well as *Loving Your Wife as Christ Loves the Church* and *Walking Like Jesus* serves as the director of Walking Like Jesus Ministries.



Josh Mulvihill is the Executive Director of Church and Family Ministry at Renewanation, which helps children develop a biblical worldview. He served as a pastor for nearly 20 years, has a PhD in Family Ministry, serves as the Vice-Chairman on the board of Awana, and is the author or editor of ten books on parenting and grandparenting.



Sharon Gamble is the founder and director of Sweet Selah Ministries, a nonprofit ministry that encourages women to stop and spend time in God's Word and prayer. She is the former USA national director for Moms in Prayer International. A frequent speaker at ladies' groups and conferences, Sharon posts fun, inspiring blogs on her website, SweetSelah.org.

Our Holy Week Services

Palm Sunday, April 2

10 a.m. Worship Service & Fellowship Sunday

Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Shout Hosanna as we celebrate Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem. Fellowship Dinner after Worship Service. The church will supply fried chicken, green beans and red rice. The congregation is asked to bring side dishes and desserts.

Maundy Thursday, April 6

There will be a simple soup supper at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with a 6:30 p.m. Communion Worship Experience in the Fellowship Hall.

Retreat of Silence, Good Friday, April 7

We will have a "Retreat of Silence" at Mepkin Abbey from 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.. A time to carve out time during Holy Week to meditate on scripture and spend time in silence and solitude walking the grounds listening for God's voice. We will conclude with a time of discussion during lunch at 12 p.m. (bring a bag lunch). Contact Angeline Brock if you plan to attend.

Resurrection of Our Lord Sunday, April 9

9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Worship Services

Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!
Join us as we gather joyfully in God's house to celebrate the power and the promise of the resurrection.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to remember or honor a loved one by placing a lily in our Worship Services this Easter, please fill out this form and place in the offering plate or leave on the secretary's desk. Lilies are \$15.00 each and checks should be made *payable to First Presbyterian Church* and designated *Lilies*. **Deadline is Monday, April 3.**



Memory of: _____

Honor of: _____

From: _____

No. of Lilies _____ Amt. Paid: _____



"Angels Amongst Us"

Mother/Daughter/Friend Banquet

Wednesday, May 10 at 6 p.m.

Our speaker will be Kathy Lewis, founder of "Why Not Charleston." Why Not Charleston (WNC) is a non-profit organization based in Charleston that was founded in 2010. The vision is to inspire a movement that renews each community and our Nation through the opportunity that is the Gospel Rich Lifestyle. An abundant and fruitful life is the promise of the Gospel Rich Lifestyle, as God intended. It begins with seeing the world through the lens of Christ and is pursued through our dedicated imitation of Jesus who embodied the Scripture. WNC aims to provide opportunities to practice and apply Gospel Rich living through its programs, initiatives and activities.



Tickets will be on sale starting Sunday, April 16.

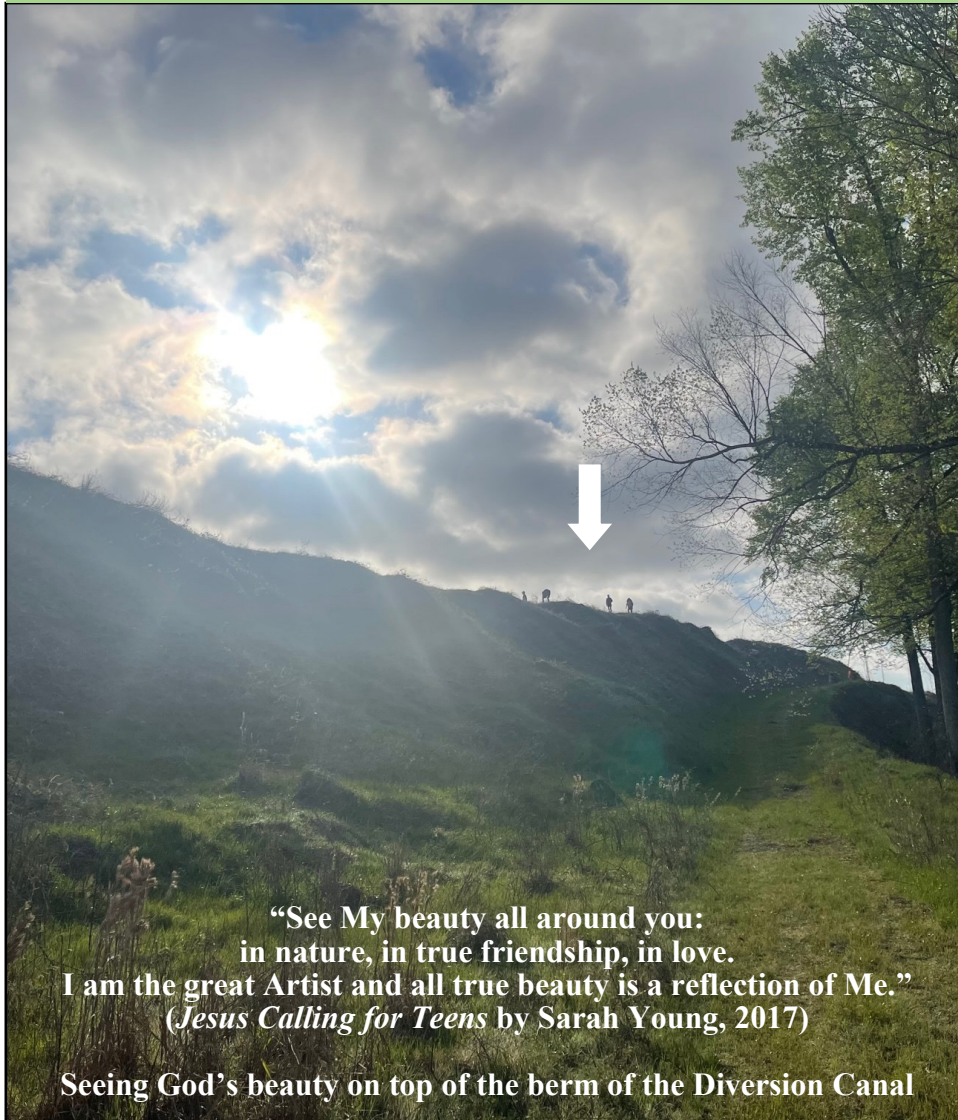
Adult tickets are \$12 each, children 6 and under are \$6 each.

Please get your tickets early so our "Men" cooking can get a head count.

Seating may be limited.

A nursery will be provided during the banquet.

Youth Camp Out, March 24 and 25



"See My beauty all around you:
in nature, in true friendship, in love.

I am the great Artist and all true beauty is a reflection of Me."
(Jesus Calling for Teens by Sarah Young, 2017)

Seeing God's beauty on top of the berm of the Diversion Canal



PYG

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH GROUP

Our Mission:

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

Youth Camp Out, March 24 and 25

Our Youth Camp Out was more than just fun! Students were attached: they were asked to give up some of their favorite stuff (comfort of their own homes/beds, video games, their phones). They had to work as a team (building tents, hiking, climbing, cleaning up). They were confronted with God's beauty (the stars, the morning dew, the swamp and woods). During our devotion on Saturday morning they were asked "Did you really miss your stuff?" Many replied "NO!"

Saturday Morning Devotion—See My beauty all around you: in nature, in true friendship, in love. I am the great Artist and all true beauty is a reflection of Me. I am working to make you more and more beautiful. Bit by bit, I'm clearing out the clutter inside you—the clutter of stuff, of selfishness, of the world. This makes room for My Spirit to take charge of your life. Help Me in this work by letting go of anything I choose to take away. Whether I leave you with a lot or a little, just trust Me. I know what you truly need. And I promise to give you that—abundantly! (Jesus Calling for Teens by Sarah Young, 2017)





Habitat Collegiate Challenge

We partnered with Berkeley Habitat and housed students in the Well from Fisher College and the University of South Florida. These students spent their spring break serving in our community. Thank you to everyone that provided meals, snacks, your smiling face and showed them Christian love and hospitality.



University of South Florida

Ladies Circles Monday, April 10

Circle 1 will meet at 10 a.m. at the church. Any questions, give Mickey Smith a call at 843-899-6420.

Circle 2 will meet at 6 p.m. at the home of Margaret High, 1834 Pinopolis Rd., Pinopolis. Give Margaret a call for more information or directions., 843-609-5400.



April Birthdays

- 1 Carole Edwards
- 5 Ben Shuler
- 7 Brant Bayless
- 8 Jane Campbell
- 8 Jary Hulst
- 8 Rin Tanner Page
- 9 Susan Ford
- 9 Oliver Harrelson
- 10 Pompey Harvey
- 10 Madeline Williams
- 12 Abby Bell
- 13 Nancy Svagerko
- 14 Margaret Huggins
- 15 David Baughn
- 15 George Svagerko
- 16 Ellen Berry
- 16 Barbara McRee
- 16 Lynne Shepherd
- 17 Mary Majestic
- 17 Tom Williams
- 21 Samantha Belken
- 23 Elizabeth Cannon
- 24 Bryn Hoffer
- 24 Zada Morgan
- 25 Jesse Cannon
- 26 Sean Kelly
- 26 Melissa Matthews
- 26 Kevin Murray
- 26 Lynnette Oliver, Jr.
- 26 Hollie Shuler
- 26 Devlin Worten
- 28 Pearl Miller
- 29 Will Davis
- 29 Arilynn Murray

*Dear Friends in Christ,
 "So now faith, hope and love abide—and the greatest of these is love."
 1Corinthians 13:13. The love y'all have shown me through constant prayers,
 many cards and meals is appreciated more than you will ever know! Christ
 strengthens my weary body each week. Yours in Christ, Peggy Bennett*

Commitment Report	Budget for 2023	\$495,184.00
	<u>March 26</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Budget Offering	\$ 11,210.24	\$ 108,016.97
Weekly Budget Requirements	\$ 9,522.76	\$ 124,795.88

April 2023

First Presbyterian Church

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<p>30</p>					<p>Grandparenting Conference Summerville</p>	



Be a friend. Give Blood

SPRING BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, April 11

1 p.m.—6 p.m. in the Well

Schedule your donation time at www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code—FirstPresMC or call Doris Partlow at 843-934-2149.

Those who come to give blood will receive an exclusive Red Cross and PEANUTS t-shirt featuring Snoopy as the coolest beagle in town, Joe Cool, while supplies last!

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