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May 2023

### Weekly Worship

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

### **Upcoming Events**

**Monday, May 1** 1:00 Prayers & Squares

**Tuesday, May 2** 1:00 Staff Meeting 6:00 GriefShare

Wednesday, May 3 11:00 Prayer Ministry 6:00 Youth

Friday, May 5 11:00 Bible Study

Saturday, May 6 11:00 Healing Farms Walk & Roll

Sunday, May 7 10:10 New Members Class

Monday, May 8 10:00 Circle 1 at the church 6:00 Circle 2 "Out to Eat"

> Tuesday, May 9 1:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Soup Kitchen 5:30 SPF Meeting

Wednesday, May 10 11:00 Prayer Ministry 6:00 Mother/Daughter Banquet

Friday, May 12 11:00 Bible Study

Sunday, May 14 10:10 New Members Class

Monday, May 15 1:00 Prayers & Squares 3:00 Visitation Ministry 6:00 Session Meeting

**Tuesday, May 16** 1:00 Staff Meeting

Wednesday, May 17 11:00 Prayer Ministry 6:00 Youth

Friday, May 19 11:00 Bible Study 3:30 Fuller Formation Retreat

Saturday, May 20 8:30 Fuller Formation Retreat

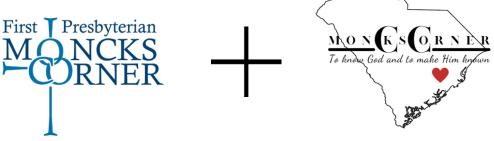
**Sunday, May 21** 10:10 New Members Class

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### A Note from Our Pastor

# Did you know...a thriving homeschool community meets on our campus?

That's right. Throughout the school year, a local chapter of *Classical Conversations* (CC)—an international network of licensed homeschool communities—meets at First Presbyterian Church every Tuesday. This month, we're highlighting our partnership. I call it a partnership because the core values, mission, and purpose of FPC align so well with CC. It's one way we work together with the broader community to "raise the next generation for God" (one of our four core values). I hope you're inspired by this update from Lynn McHoney, the director of Moncks Corner CC and a vocalist on our praise team.



# Classical Conversations of Moncks Corner

In every subject, God has hidden His truth and beauty. At Classical Conversations of Moncks (CCMC), it is our pleasure as students and teachers to discover Him as we learn. CCMC is a licensed Classical Conversations community that serves as a part of an international network of more than 2,000 licensed communities worldwide. Our mission is to know God and to make Him known. We are intentional with our community approach because we believe that in learning together with families united in the same mission, we are equipped with the tools and support to teach a Christ-centered worldview that is rooted in the classical

model. A classical education recognizes that we learn anything by using three distinct arts: grammar, dialectic, and rhetoric, which include the skills people can use to learn anything. Grammar helps us learn words and basic facts, while dialectic trains us to sort, understand, and practice using those facts. Rhetoric prepares us to solve problems, write original essays, and teach a subject to someone else.

Classical Conversations (CC) believe that parents



are their child's primary teacher. As such, we believe it is the job of parents to model what it means to bear God's image, and all other institutions should support parents in that effort, not supplant them. Our community functions as a homeschool co-op that requires parents to attend community day once a week with his or her child as tutors model the classical approach. This fall, we look forward to celebrating our fifth year of learning here (continued on pg. 2)

### **Upcoming Events**

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**Tuesday, May 23** 1:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Soup Kitchen

Wednesday, May 24 11:00 Prayer Ministry 6:00 Youth

> Friday, May 26 11:00 Bible Study

Sunday, May 28 10:10 New Members Class

Tuesday, May 30 1:00 Staff Meeting

Wednesday, May 31 11:00 Prayer Ministry

at First Presbyterian Church. Our gracious host has afforded us the opportunity to impact the lives of 12 homeschooling families and 18 students over the course of 4 years.

As stated in our catalogue, "we are committed to supporting parents along their entire homeschooling journey." Students can begin with the Foundations program for K4-6<sup>th</sup> grade, then supplement with English and Math in our Essentials program in grades 4-6. Both programs prepare students for success in the Challenge programs: grades 7-12. CC also offers a wide range of supplemental services, including standardized testing, help with transcripts, college and scholarship searches, and dualenrollment opportunities.



If you desire to learn more about CC, you may grab a catalogue from the information table near the Secretary's office or speak with me, Lynn McHoney, CCMC Community Director.



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

# Minutes in a Minute

On Monday, April 17 the Session of First Presbyterian Church:

- Opened with prayer and devotion by Sarah Brown
- Approved minutes from March Session Meeting
- Discussed continued feedback about combined 10am worship
- Approved 10am combined Sunday morning worship for June and July
- Approved Angeline Brock, Director of Spiritual Formation, to teach 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bible Class at St. John's Christian Academy for the 2023-2024 school year
- Received reports from the Director of Spiritual Formation, the Pastor, and Ministry teams The next Session meeting will be Monday, May 15 at 6pm.



# "Come and See..." Inquirers and New Member Class

Pastor Timothy will be leading a class in the Fellowship Hall for those who are interested in learning more about our church and who may be interested in joining FPC. We will meet in the Library on Sundays at 10:10 a.m. on May 7, 14, 21, and 28 with an opportunity to join the church if you are interested.



# Angels Among 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 Cosmel Right Lifestyle. An abundant and favitful life is the promise of the community and our Nation through the promise of the community and our Nation through the promise of the community and the co



portunity 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 are on sale now.

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.



# Saturday, May 6 at 11 a.m.

# **Wannamaker County Park in North Charleston**

Every year thousands of students with disabilities are aging out of school with few options for employment or contribution. The general consensus is that individuals with disabilities are unable to contribute. At Healing Farms, we don't believe that! Join us at the 9th Annual Walk & Roll as we unite to #SeeAbility. Together we can help change the future for young adults with disabilities.

How you participate is up to you—walk, push a stroller, ride a wheelchair. At the Walk & Roll you will have a chance to walk alongside local supporters and the families we serve. There will be food, music, and a fun zone with games and activities for all ages. The whole idea is to have fun for a great cause!

Go online to
www.healingfarms.com
and learn more about the event.
Online you can donate, register for
the walk and even become an
ambassador.

# **Updated Church Directory for 2023**

During the summer months, Lisa and I will be working on a new church directory. We will need your help. First look in the current directory for your family and make sure the address and phone numbers are correct. If you no longer have a land line, we need to omit that number. You can send me an email with any changes you have or give me a call. Also, check other members of your family and let us know if they have any changes. "It takes a village" applies here.

You can also go online into our "Breeze" database program and see how we have you and your family listed and you can make the changes. Here's how it's done:

On your computer in an internet browser, go to **firstpresbymc.breezechms.com.** The sign-in web page will appear. On your mobile device download and install the Breeze app. The icon is a deep blue box with a lower-case "b" symbol.



In either case, log in with your username and email used for online or text giving or for Breeze. If you have not established a Breeze login yet, click "Create Account" and enter your name (first and last) and the email address we have on file for you. If you have any problems creating an account contact the church office.

Once you've logged into Breeze, click My Portal at the top. At each of the section headings (Main, Family, Work & Education, Contact) on computers hover over the right side on your mobile device, tap the screen in the area of the data below the heading and "click to edit section" will appear. Click that and the fields you can edit will appear. Make all necessary changes and remember to click Save at each section heading. In the Family section you can upload a beautiful family photo. Profile photos (at the top of you Profile page) can only be added by church staff. If you like, email us a headshot and we will be glad to enter it in your Profile.

Together, with your help, we can get it done. Thank you, Sally, Church Secretary



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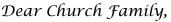
Our youth have built boxes and planted a garden. They will cultivate and care for something they will then give away. We are learning of the many ways our church is on mission in our community, and we wanted to join in. Our vegetables and herbs can be used by our soup kitchen ministry. We will gather the harvest, and we plan to donate it where there is a need.



The night we planted, we thought about seeds and how different they look because they've been "buried."

We confessed habits, practices, things we need to let die, and we talked about the growth that can come from this.





Thank you so much for all your prayers, visits, calls and meals. I feel truly blessed to have the love and support you all have shown.

Love all of you, Doris Partlow



# Ladies Circles—Monday, May 8

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. and "go out to dinner". Contact Janet Lucas at 843-729-3128 or Mary Nettles at 843-830-0423 for more information.



## **May Birthdays**

- 2 Ken Fansher
- 6 Addison Guerry
- 7 Buddy Harvey
- 11 Charles Belhassen
- 11 Clay Brock
- 13 Barbara White
- 14 Kelly Brown
- 14 Johnna Livingston
- 17 Jane Harris
- 17 Eve Hinman
- 19 Benjamin Miller, II
- 22 Madeline Hartman
- 23 Jacob Buitenhuis
- 25 Camden Blaine Guerry
- 26 Kristin DeLong
- 27 William Tanner
- 27 Miller White
- 27 Suzie Wilson
- 29 Jim Brogdon
- 31 Kyndra Buitenhuis



# Prayer is the engine room of the church and we believe in prayer.

If you feel the holy spirit giving you a nudge to be an active part of this ministry to pray for the immediate needs of his children, this is for you. No need to attend meetings or leave your home, all you need is a cell phone and a heart for prayer. We

have 40 people in this ministry. If Sally, the church secretary, gets a phone call or an email from a member requesting prayer for a loved one or friend, she sends a text message with the prayer need to the ministry and they begin to pray.

Quoting from Pastor Timothy, "One thing I've learned in ministry, is that prayer is the engine room of the church. It may not be glamorous, but it's where stuff gets done. It's the beginning of all ministry."

Send Sally an e-mail at firstpresbyt@homesc.com or give her a call at 843-761-8469 and she will add you to our Prayer Chain Ministry.

| Commitment Report                    | Budget for 2023                                  | \$495,184.00                                   |
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| Budget Offering<br>Weekly Budget Req | April 23<br>\$ 9,579.85<br>uirements \$ 9,522.76 | Year to Date<br>\$ 145,135.22<br>\$ 162,906.92 |

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| Sat | Walk Roll 20 We see Abriting 23                             | 4:30 Kizer Wedding                            | 13  | 20<br>8:30—5:00<br>Fuller Formation<br>Retreat—Menkin |   | 27                                      |  |
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| Fri | 5<br>11:00 Bible Study                                      | rence<br>5:00 Wedding Rehearsal               | 12<br>11:00 Bible Study   | 19<br>11:00 Bible Study                               | 3:30—8:30<br>Fuller Formation<br>Retreat—Mepkin | 26<br>11:00 Bible Study                 | Kind words are like whovey to the soul         |
| Thu | A National Day  | Fellowship Community National Conference<br>h | 11  | 18<br>  |   | 25                                      | Kind wo  |
| Wed | 3<br>11:00 Prayer Ministry                                  | Pastor Timothy—Fellowship Co                  | 10 11:00 Prayer Ministry 6:00 Mother/Daughter Banquet                   | 17.00 Prayer Ministry Sally—V                         | 6:00 Youth                                      | 24<br>11:00 Prayer Ministry             | 6:00 Youth 31 11:00 Prayer Ministry 6:00 Youth |
| Tue | 2<br>1:00 Staff Meeting                                     | Pastor 6:00 GriefShare                        | 9<br>1:00 Staff Meeting<br>5:30 Soup Kitchen<br>5:30 SPF Meeting        | 16<br>1:00 Staff Meeting                              | Presbytery Meeting                              | 23 1:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Soup Kitchen | 30 ine—Mexico Mission Trip 1:00 Staff Meeting  |
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| Sun | Every Sunday<br>9:00 Worship Service<br>10:10 Sunday School | 11:00 Traditional<br>Worship Service          | 7 communion<br>10:10 New Members<br>Class                               | 14 10:10 New Members Class  Class                     |   | 21<br>10:10 New Members<br>Class        | 28<br>10:10 New Members<br>Class               |



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