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March 2025

Weekly Sunday Worship

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

Upcoming Events

Monday, March 10

10:00 Ladies Bible Study at the church 11:00 Prayer Time 4:00 Circle 2 home of Ann Williams

Tuesday, March II

8:00 Home School 9:00 Healing Farms I I:00 Prayer Ministry I:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Soup Kitchen

Wednesday, March 12

9:00 Healing Farms
11:00 Prayer Time
12:30 Community Lenten Services
3:00 LOGOS
6:00 Youth

Thursday, March 13 11:00 Prayer Time

5:30 SPF Meeting

Friday, March 14 11:00 Prayer Time

Saturday, March 15 11:00 Prayer Time

Monday, March 17

11:00 Prayer Time
1:00 Wildcat Bible Study
1:00 Prayers & Squares
1:00 Prayers & Granny Squares
6:00 Session Meeting

Tuesday, March 18

8:00 Home School 9:00 Healing Farma I I:00 Prayer Ministry I:00 Staff Meeting 6:00 GriefShare

Wednesday, March 19

9:00 Healing Farms
11:00 Prayer Time
12:30 Community Lenten Services
3:00 LOGOS
6:00 Youth

Thursday, March 20 11:00 Prayer Time

11:00 Prayer Time
11:30 Ladies Fellowship Luncheon

Friday, March 21 11:00 Prayer Time

Saturday, March 22 11:00 Prayer Time

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A Note From Our Pastor

July 2025 Pulpit Swap: Pilgrimage and Partnership

I'm excited to share about a special opportunity we have this summer: First Presbyterian Church is engaging in a pulpit swap with the Church of Scotland.

Rev. Keith Mack of St. John's and Newton Church in Dalkeith, Scotland and I will swap pulpits for the month of July! It's a wonderful opportunity to celebrate what God is doing in the global church and explore what following Jesus looks like in different contexts.



Here's how it works:

We swap everything except for families. Keith and his family will come stay in our house, drive our car, cook in our kitchen (you get the idea) and the Scoonovers will live in the Mack home, all while we preach in each other's pulpits for the four Sundays in July. I'm grateful that, with Pastor Bo and Angeline here, the pastoral concerns of the church won't skip a beat. You'll have plenty of opportunities to show them our core value of hospitality. They are excited to meet you!

Meet the Macks:

Keith and his wife Donna have three children, Peter (13), Christopher (16), and Sophie (who will not be joining them because of travel with a gap-year program). They live in Dalkeith which is a suburb of Edinburgh. They have participated in several pulpit swaps in the San Diego area, so they are pros. But this will be their first time on the east coast. They are an active family, who loves to explore, play sports, and are excited for you to show them the area. Keith is passionate about making disciples, so we



had an instant connection in our first zoom call last summer to explore the possibility. Keith also plays guitar... so we might be swapping guitars too.

Where the Scoonovers will be:

St. John's and Newton is in the town of Dalkeith. It's situated in a perfect spot for us to explore Edinburgh and the surrounding area. My ancestry can be traced to George Wishart, a colleague of John Knox's in the Scottish Reformation. We plan to visit many of the historic sites of this movement and dive into the origin story of the Presbyterian church. We will take trips to Iona and to Holy Island and learn about the revivals that took place in the (continued on page 2)

Monday, March 24 I I:00 Prayer Time

Tuesday, March 25 8:00 Home School 9:00 Healing Farms I I:00 Prayer Ministry I:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Soup Kitchen

6:00 GriefShare Wednesday, March 26

9:00 Healing Farms
11:00 Prayer Time
12:30 Community Lenten
Services
3:00 LOGOS
6:00 Youth

Thursday, March 27 I I:00 Prayer Time

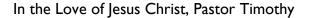
Friday, March 28 I I:00 Prayer Time

Saturday, March 29 11:00 Prayer Time

Monday, March 31 11:00 Prayer Time (continued from page 1)

Hebrides. Of course, we hope to see highland cows and puffins along the way... plus, all the castles! The Macks basically have a castle in their backyard. I look forward to being able to share with you the stories of the church there and St. John's and Newton's commitment to Christ's work in the world.

I know you'll give the Macks a warm FPC welcome, and I know, pastorally, you'll be in good hands with Bo and Angeline at the helm.





South Carolina Presbyterian Pilgrimage

Would you like to get away for the weekend, ponder your life of faith, and reconnect or renew your relationship with God? How about a chance to experience an abundance of God's grace and unconditional love while enjoying a beautiful Lowcountry beach setting? If any of these ideas interest you — You are invited! Our next South Carolina Presbyterian Pilgrimage weekend is May I - 4, 2025 Watch the video at: scpresbyterianpilgrimage.org. Scholarships are available. See Pastor Bo for details.

Christian Oman With His Prayer Quilt

Johnnie and Janet Wilkerson, former members of FPC, took in foster children of all ages and disabilities. Christian was one of their foster children. They brought him to church when he was a young child, some of you may remember him. He recently received a prayer quilt. Christian is blind. He is feeling the knots in the quilt as Pastor Bo explains that each knot represents prayers for him. His mother, Susan Jager, was a nurse at MUSC and fell in love with him as a young boy and adopted him. Below is their thank you message to us.

Dear Pastor Bo and Church Family, Christian and I would like to say thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all the prayers, love and time that went into that beautiful prayer quilt,



and to Vale and Nancy Baker and Pastor Bo for driving all the way to MUSC to deliver it and spend some very special time with me and Christian. It was such a blessing to both of us! The prayer time with Pastor Bo was even more special and <u>ALL</u> of your prayers have been felt by us and heard by GOD! I know that is why he was able to come home. Christian has a long road ahead with lots of unknown's, but we know God is carrying him every step of the way! Thank you so much and may God bless all of you for your heartfelt kindness and love!

Community Lenten Services

12:30 p.m. each Wednesday

during Lent, March 5 through April 16 at Moncks Corner United Methodist Church



Lunch is served at 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. in the Moncks Corner United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

Donations are accepted to defray the cost of the meal.

	Clergy	Liturgist
March 5	Father Joe (Mepkin)	Randall Haas (Moncks Corner UMC)
March 12	Rev. Tory Liferidge (Grace Reformed Epis)	Josh Knutson (St. Michael Lutheran)
March 19	Josh Knutson (St. Michael Lutheran)	Timothy Scoonover (FPC)
March 26	Mary Ellen Doran (Trinity Pinopolis)	Eleanor Cooper Brown
April 2	Timothy Scoonover (First Presbyterian)	Bruce L. Francis, Mdiv.
April 9	Rev. Eleanor Cooper Brown (Centenary UMC)	Mary Ellen Doran (Trinity Pinopolis)
April 16	Bruce L. Francis, Mdiv.	Rev. Tory Liferidge (Grace Ref. Epis)
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Meals are provided by the church of the pastor delivering the sermon.

Moncks Corner is blessed with many great churches that are true to the gospel of Jesus Christ. Our society is fractured by a culture with a tendency to build walls rather than bridges. These gatherings are a great time to worship and fellowship with other brothers and sisters in Christ.

Holy Week at FPC

Palm Sunday, April 13 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Worship Services

Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Shout Hosanna as we celebrate Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday, April 17

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

Resurrection of Our Lord Sunday, April 20 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.

Don't forget our 40 Days of Prayer
Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday at 11 a.m.
Details on last page

Things You Need to Know

2025 Habitat Sweat Break College Challenge We are partnering with the Habitat Collegiate Challenge program again this year. These college students have chosen to travel to Moncks Corner to spend their spring break serving in *our* community. We will host students in "The Well" for the entire month of March. If you would like to bake cookies, provide lunch, snacks or show welcome and hospitality in any way, please text or call Rin Page at 843-830-3612. A table is set up in the fellowship hall for your donations. There's a poster in the atrium with more information and a place for you to sign-up.

Women's Ministries
Meet on Monday,
March 10

Ladies Bible Study at 10 a.m. at the church. All ladies of the church are invited. Give Mickey Smith a call for more information at 843-899-6420.

Circle 2 will meet at 4 p.m. at the home of Ann Williams at 208 Bay Lane, Pinopolis. Give Ann a call for directions or more information at 843-729-8883.

GriefShare Begins Saturday, March 15

A new session of GriefShare will begin on Saturday, March 15 with a workshop "Loss of a Spouse" at 10 a.m. in the gymnasium. We will meet weekly beginning on Tuesday, March 18 at 6 p.m. through June 10. For more information contact Charlene Atkins at (201)919-3249 or charatkins17@yahoo.com. If you know someone that is grieving and could use the support this group offers, please tell them about GriefShare.

Ladies Fellowship Luncheon Thursday, March 20 All ladies of the church are invited. The luncheon is in the fellowship hall on Thursday, March 20 at 11:30 a.m. This is a good time of fellowship and an opportunity to make new friends and catch up with old ones. Bring your lunch and we will provide the dessert. For more information, contact Doris Partlow at 843-934-2149.

Liturgical Training Sunday, March 23 12:15 p.m. If you would like to help lead worship, and want some training before volunteering, please join us at 12:15 p.m. Sunday, March 23. Jennifer Worten will be leading the training. A light lunch will be served. Please call Linda Heubach (952) 931-9008 to save a spot. You are not committing to being a volunteer by attending the training.

Church Workday Saturday, April 12



This is a time to come together and work on our church. Everybody is invited to help, especially young people. We will have more information to follow. Maybe Don Brown will be cooking lunch for us.

Save The Date

Mother/Daughter/Friend Banquet Wednesday, May 7

Mark your calendars and save the date. The Mother/Daughter/Friend Banquet will be Wednesday, May 7 at 6 p.m.

FPC Goes to the River Dogs Friday, June 13



Plan to join your FPC church family at Joseph P Riley Jr. Park on Friday, June 13 as we cheer on our own Charleston RiverDogs.



Our Mission:

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





Highlights from Healing Farms



Our students attended "Night to Shine" at Sea Coast in Mt. Pleasant. Night to Shine is an unforgettable world-wide celebration event, centered on God's love, honoring and valuing people with special needs. Night to shine is more than just experiencing a prom night; it's about communicating God's love in a way that transcends language and culture. They had a blast...just ask Maya to tell you about it. We also had a celebration for Maya's birthday.

We extend Christian sympathy to Richard Kizer and his family, Richard's mother, Mildred Wimberly Kizer, passed away on Friday, February 21.

Minutes in a Minute

On Monday, February 17, the Session of First Presbyterian Church met and

- Opened with prayer and devotion led by Linda Heubach
- Welcomed the team from Charleston Atlantic Presbytery as they conducted our Triennial Visit
- Approved the minutes from the January meeting
- Approved the 2024 Statistical Report
- Adopted a "Resolution of Thanks" for Sally Harvey, thanking her for all her work to complete our 2024 Statistical Report
- Elected Suzie Wilson to serve as commissioner to the May Presbytery meeting
- Received reports from the ministry teams and pastors
- Closed with prayer with praises and petitions for our community and world.

The next session meeting will be Monday, March 17 at 6 p.m.

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 each and checks should be made payable to First Presbyterian Church and designated Lilies.

Deadline is Sunday, April 13.

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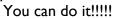
HAPPY* BIRTHDAY!*

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- 5 David Harris
- 6 Haley Ann Harrelson
- 7 Rebecca Riley
- 7 Josh Simmons
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- 9 Lynn Karlson
- II Addie Rucker
- 12 Nathan Orvin
- 13 Jay Duke
- 13 Michael McHoney
- 13 Dorothy Miller
- 15 Bobby Mitchell
- 15 Jill Thornton
- 16 Miller Still
- 17 Lonnie Carter
- 19 Will Rucker
- 20 Bob Partlow
- 21 Shawn Shuler
- 21 Sam Stehmeyer
- 22 Jim Coleman
- 23 Jimmy Livingston
- 24 Saralyn Crowell
- 27 John Spencer
- 28 Julia Johnson
- 28 Penelope Still
- 30 Greg Tedder

Grass Cutting Season

Please sign up to cut grass at the church. There's a sign-up sheet in the atrium. We have a riding lawn mower at the church so you don't have to bring one.





 Commitment Report
 Budget for 2025
 \$576,231.00

 March 2, 2025
 Year to Date

 Budget Offering
 \$ 14,723.02
 \$ 105,315.72

 Weekly Budget Requirements
 \$ 11,556.00
 \$ 104,004.00

Henry Bonner Offering: \$2,227.76



Food Pantry Ministry

Please bring dried beans and mac & cheese for the month of March.

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"In prayer it is better to have a heart without words than words without a heart." -John Bunyan

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