

Weekly Worship

Sunday,

The Lord's Day

9:00am Worship Service
 10:05am Assembly &
 Sunday School
 11:00am Worship Service

Upcoming Events

Monday, March 5

1:00 Prayers & Squares
 5:30 Men's Wild Game Dinner

Sunday, March 11

Combined Sunday School
 to hear about France Trip

Monday, March 12

10:00 Circle 1 at the Church
 6:00 Circle 2
 Home of Ann Williams

Wednesday, March 14

5:30 Stewardship, Personnel
 and Finance Ministry

Sunday, March 18

10:15 Special Session Meeting
 Fellowship Sunday

Monday, March 19

1:00 Prayers & Squares
 3:00 Visitation Ministry
 6:00 Session Meeting

Sunday, March 25

Palm Sunday

Thursday, March 29

Maundy Thursday
 5:45 Soup Supper
 6:15 Service

Friday, March 30

Good Friday
 Office Closed

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France Mission Trip 2018

Hello Friends and Family of First Presbyterian Church,

By now you may have received a letter asking for support, or you may have heard in worship about a mission trip we are leading with the youth this summer, or maybe this is your first time hearing about the trip!

I wanted to write here to clarify and address any questions you may have, as well as share the vision of this ministry.

1) Why France?

The Mission Ministry Team sent our mission partner, Joe Yu, to Europe last year to scout out the land and see if there may be any opportunities for our church to reach out to Europe. As our Missions Ministry Team prayed, they felt a tug toward Europe on their hearts. After Joe Yu went there, the Lord opened a door for a unique opportunity with our youth! A mutual friend of Joe Yu and myself has done 14 mission trips with a group of teens to France over the past few years to a camp called, "TED" (Total English Day) at camp Champfleuri, a camp located at the foothills of the French Alps in Champ-pres-Froges, France. This camp runs for 14 days and draws French students from all over France that want to spend time with Americans practicing their English. French high schoolers love American culture. They come to this camp as non-Christians, knowing they are hanging out with American Christians, but that doesn't matter to them, they are just excited to be there because of the English-speaking American student presence. This provides a unique opportunity for our students to spend time with these French students and really show them the face of Jesus through our actions and words. Many in America do not realize this, but the church has dwindled in France. While the Catholic church is still present, many Catholic people who attend church are largely nominal. The Protestant church of evangelical origin has by and large died. **French evangelicals are such a minority (.5% – .8%) on a national scale that they are often viewed as being part of a cult.** Evangelical Christians in France are usually very committed believers, because they are living in a secular society. When they go to church, they know why they are going – it is not a routine. They also need fellowship as they often don't meet another Christian at work during the week.

2) What will the students be doing in France?

To think that this is a trip for a bunch of students going overseas to have a cultural experience, tasting food, and sightseeing is a false impression. The students will be in France for a

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total of 18 days. Yes, two of the days we will sightsee local towns to give them a taste of the culture. But the other 16 days will be located at Champfleuri Camp. They will be spending time building relationships with these French students for two whole weeks, having many opportunities to share the love of Christ with them through words and actions. They will be given opportunities as well to share their testimonies. What an opportunity! These French students come from all over the country and these seeds that will be planted will be cast wide all over France!

3) How did we choose these students and how will they be equipped?

We have a total of 11 students going on this trip with 4 adults. When we choose these students they have to fill out a questionnaire that really asked some tough questions about the faith and assessed the seriousness of their call to the mission field for this trip. After we choose the students, Joe Yu and myself went through and designed a course that they will have to go through in order to be equipped for the trip. These students will have met 9 times for a total of almost 20 hours of course work on 1) Fundraising and the Heart of the Church, 2) Evangelism 101, and 3) Mission and the Call to the Global Church. We have already met a few times and the fire the Holy Spirit is lighting in these students is contagious and exciting. We believe this is not only an opportunity to share Jesus with French students who are non-Christian, but this is also a unique opportunity to equip our students on how to share Jesus!

4) What does this mean for First Presbyterian Church?

I truly believe that when our students taste what it is like to see the Holy Spirit move in another person through the work he has equipped them to do, that fire will carry over into our church. When these students come back and begin to share stories about what has happened in France, that will “fire us up” as a church to share our faith with others as well. I believe this will motivate these students to share their faith here locally when they return with other students, and that this will bleed over into our youth program! God is doing some big things!

5) How can you help?

As stated at the beginning you may have received a letter about the France trip from a particular student asking for support. Whether you have received a letter or not I ask you to prayerfully consider giving to this ministry opportunity. The camp costs about \$520.00, but the real cost is the airfare which can range from \$1200.00 to \$1800.00 a student making the trip cost on the high end being around \$2500.00 per student. When you look at other programs that are out there for students to go to Europe for 18 days to do non-mission work \$2500.00 is not that expensive relatively speaking, but it is a large cost. Undoubtedly this trip will require much needed prayer, so you can support in that way. But if you feel led to give financially you can mail your contributions to **First Presbyterian Church, 419 W. Main St., Moncks Corner, SC 29461 and make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church.** Please avoid putting these in the offering plate, but rather mail them or hand them directly to David Baruch. **Please put in the memo line the student’s name you are wishing to support.**

We are so excited to see the big things God is going to do through these youth and this trip! Here are the names of the leaders and students that will be going on the trip:

Leaders: David Baruch, Jo Livingston, Andrea Williams, Joe Yu

Students: Maddie Buitenhuis, Brandon Carlisle, Rachel Ghaleger, Emilee Haddock, Luke Hill, Morgan Hood, Taylor Hood, Emma Livingston, Kaylin Sweatman, Jase Williams, and Taurez Williams.

Yours in Christ, David Baruch
Director of Spiritual Formation

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

Moment for Missions

Hello Friends and Family of First Presbyterian Church, we will be leading a group of 11 students and 4 adults to France from July 2-22nd. This is a unique opportunity for our youth to share Jesus with non-Christian French students at a camp called Champfleuri. The draw for the French students is to practice their English with American youth. The draw for our students is to share Jesus with the French. Please be in prayer for the trip! Each student will receive 30 hours of training on how to evangelize. My vision is that this trip will light a fire in our students that will then in turn light a fire in our church to share Jesus. You can find out more about the trip by visiting our website and clicking on the button France Trip, or go to www.firstpcmonckscorner.org/francetrip.

Here are some ways you can particularly be praying for our youth mission team over the next four weeks:

March 4th: We will be doing the bulk of our fundraising before April 1st. Please be in prayer for the youth and those who are thinking about partnering with this mission and vision for what the Lord is going to do.

March 11th: Please be praying this week for the travel that will be taking place to and from France. Pray for safety and the enemy will not use this to distract us from our mission.

March 18th: This week please be praying for the hearts of the French students we will encounter. Pray that the Lord softens the soil so that the seed of his gospel can be planted.

March 25th: Please be praying this week for the spiritual development of our youth and leaders going, that the Lord will equip us and prepare us to do his work.

Blessings in Christ, David Baruch
Director of Spiritual Formation

COMBINED
SUNDAY SCHOOL



Sunday, March 11, we will have a combined Sunday School to hear about the France Trip.



Community Lenten Services

12:30 — 1:00 p.m. each Wednesday during Lent, February 14 thru March 28
at Moncks Corner United Methodist Church

Lunch is served at Noon and 1:00 p.m. in the MC UMC Fellowship Hall.

Cost is \$3.50.

Dates	Clergy	Liturgist	Music	Meal
<u>March 7</u>	Lillian Washington	Jeff Roper	Trinity Pinopolis	<u>First Presbyterian</u>
<u>March 14</u>	Valentine Williams	Mike Rouse	<u>First Presbyterian</u>	Pinopolis UMC
March 21	Jeff Roper	Thomas Habersham	Lutheran	Trinity Pinopolis
<u>March 28</u>	<u>Timothy Scoonover</u>	Valentine Williams	Moncks Corner AME	Moncks Corner UMC

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! The inclusive nature of Christian fellowship, based on the love of God, is vitally important. Our gatherings are great times to experience and express the wholesome, creative love of God for all people.

Fellowship Sunday, March 18

Come join us for this special Sunday.
There will only be one worship service at 11:00
(no 9:00 service).

This is our time to come together and
worship as one body.

**The LOGOS children will be singing.
New members will be joining.
We will have lunch and fellowship
after the service.**

The church will supply fried chicken, tea, and
rolls. The congregation is asked to bring a side
dish or a dessert.



SAVE THE DATE! Church-Wide Vacation Bible School

**June 18-20 – Mark your Calendars
Open to all ages! Something for everyone.
You won't want to miss this!**

We Love Vacation Bible School!



Come Join Us!



Minutes in a Minute

On Monday, February 19, 2018 the Session of First Presbyterian Church:

- Approved the minutes from January 22, 2018
- Approved the infant baptism of Delilah, daughter of Jason and Gina Faas for March 11
- Approved the believer's baptism of Loreli Faas for March 11
- Approved the infant baptism of Mary Witt, daughter of Jesse and Elizabeth Cannon for April 15
- Approved the wedding ceremony for Sarah Carter and Jairus Schumann for April 21
- Received report from all Ministry Teams
- Closed with prayer for the needs of our faith community.

The next session meeting will be a Special Meeting (for the purpose of receiving new members) on Sunday, March 18 at 10:15. The next stated meeting will be on Monday, March 19 at 6pm.

"Come and See..."

Inquirers and New Member Class

During March, Pastor Timothy will be leading a class in his office for those who are interested in learning more about our church and who may be interested in joining FPC.

We will meet at 10:10am in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays, **March 4 and 11**. Those who wish to join will have the opportunity to be received as members on **Sunday, March 18**.

Already a member? – Please share this opportunity with a friend who might be interested.



Special Services to Remember

Palm Sunday, March 25— 9:00 and 11:00 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, March 29

There will be a simple soup supper at 5:45 in the Fellowship Hall and at 6:15 Communion Worship Experience in the Fellowship Hall. After a simple meal together, we will remain in the Fellowship Hall at tables circling The Table which Christ shared with his disciples on the eve of his crucifixion. We will sing, pray, reflect, discuss, and celebrate the Lord's Supper together. Childcare will be provided. The service will conclude by 7pm.

Resurrection of Our Lord

Sunday, April 1—9:00 and 11:00 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.



Welcome, Pre-Schoolers

Beginning this Sunday, March 4, all Pre-Schoolers will meet together in the large nursery room for the next few months. We will be studying "Love One Another," then into April, "Easter", and "Teach Us to Pray" in May.

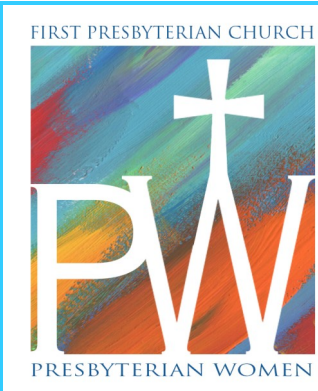
We will teach about Jacob, Joseph, Samuel, David, the Good Samaritan, the Lost Sheep, the Forgiving Father, praying (talking to God) and Easter. In pre-school we learn about the Bible, our church, God making us and the world, we can talk to God, Jesus coming into the world and what happened at Easter. We hear stories from the Bible and how God wants us to live. We learn how to show love to others and how to be a church family.

We hope you will bring your pre-schoolers to our Sunday School!

In the love of Christ, JoAnn Bryant, Teacher

P.S. If your child is not comfortable being away from the parents, you are welcome to come in and stay with your child.

We extend Christian sympathy to Nancy Stuckey and her family. Nancy's beloved sister, Elsie Mae (Bill) Bentz from Due West, passed away on Sunday, February 11.



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, March 12 at the church. Call Mickey Smith for more information at 843-899-6420

Circle 2 will meet at 6:00pm on Monday, March 12 at the home of Ann Williams, 208 Bay Lane, Pinopolis. For



- March**
- 4 Jeff Weathers
 - 5 David Harris
 - 7 Rebecca Harris
 - Nich Simmons
 - Josh Simmons (Wadford Family)
 - 11 Addie Rucker
 - 13 Dorothy Miller
 - Buddy Bonds
 - Scott Bell
 - James Brogdon
 - 15 Bobby Mitchell
 - Jill Thornton
 - 16 Geoff Atkins
 - 17 Lonnie Carter
 - 19 Will Rucker
 - 20 Bob Partlow
 - 21 Shawn Shuler
 - 23 Jimmy Livingston
 - Martha Miller
 - 24 Saralyn Crowell
 - Jared Jordan
 - 25 Daniel Lee
 - 27 John Spencer

2018 Financial Report	Year to date	
	through 2/28/2018	Annual Budget
Revenue	\$ 61,670	\$ 436,612
Expenditures		
Personnel	\$ 39,421	\$ 263,304
Operations	\$ 13,236	\$ 106,350
Missions	\$ 2,603	\$ 32,300
Education, Nurture & Pastoral Care	\$ 2,735	\$ 21,710
Worship, Evangelism & Fellowship	\$ 761	\$ 10,260
Total Expenditures	\$ 58,757	\$ 433,924

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 \$10.00 each and checks should be made payable to *First Presbyterian Church* and designated *Lilies*. *Deadline is Palm Sunday, March 25.*



Memory of: _____

Honor of : _____

From: _____

No. of Lilies _____ Amt. Paid: _____

- March Ushers**
- 9:00— Brantley & Kim Brewer
 - 11:00— Doug Bowles, Ken Coffey, Dan Lee & Jerry Stuckey

March Food Pantry




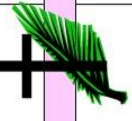

Please help us with our food pantry by bringing

Jiffy Cornbread Mix
Pork & Beans

March 2018

First Presbyterian Church

Lenten Services are at Moncks Corner United Methodist Church
Lunch is served at 12 Noon and 1 PM—Service is at 12:30 PM

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Every Sunday 9:00 Worship 10:05 Assembly & Sunday School 11:00 Worship				1 10:00 Women's Bible Study 6:00 Early Service Worship Team	2 World Day of Prayer	3
4 Communion 10:10 New Members Class David Study Leave 5:00 Mission Small Group	5 1:00 Prayers & Squares 5:00 Men's Wild Game Dinner 	6 10:00 Staff Mtg 6:00 Mission Small Group 6:00 GriefShare	7 11:00 Prayer 12:30 Lenten Services 3:30 LOGOS 5:30 Middle/High Youth Choir 6:00 Choir	8 10:00 Women's Bible Study 6:00 Youth Banquet	9	10
11 Daylight Savings Time Begins 10:10 New Members Class	12 10:00 Circle 1 at church 6:00 Circle 2 at the home of Ann Williams	13 10:00 Staff Mtg 2:00-6:00 Pinopolis Book Club/ Fellowship Hall 6:00 Mission Grp 6:00 GriefShare	14 11:00 Prayer 12:30 Lenten Services 3:30 LOGOS 5:30 Middle/High Youth SPF Meeting 5:30 Choir	15 10:00 Women's Bible Study 6:00 Early Service Worship Team	16	17 
18	19 1:00 Prayers & Squares	20 10:00 Staff Mtg	21 11:00 Prayer 12:30 Lenten Services	22 10:00 Women's Study Youth Chick-fil-A	23	24
Fellowship Sunday	3:00 Visitation Ministry 6:00 Session Meeting	6:00 Mission Small Group 6:00 GriefShare	David Baruch Vacation 3:30 LOGOS 5:30 Middle/High Youth Choir 6:00 Choir	Fundraiser 6:00 Early Service Worship Team		
25 Palm Sunday 	26 David Baruch Vacation	27 10:00 Staff Mtg	28 11:00 Prayer 12:30 Lenten Services	29 Maundy Thursday 5:45 Soup Supper 6:15 Communion Service	30 Good Friday 	31
5:00 Mission Small Group		6:00 Mission Small Group 6:00 GriefShare	3:30 LOGOS Banquet 5:30 Middle/High Youth Choir 6:00 Choir			



**Presbyterian Men's Wild Game Dinner
at Washington Hunt Club**

Monday, March 4 with Social Time to Begin at 5:00pm.

Dinner beginning at 6:00pm.

All Men of the church are invited.

\$10 for men and children are free.

Come and enjoy fellowship and great food.

WILD GAME DINNER

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IN to one another, and OUT to the world.**