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

Upcoming Events

Saturday, Nov. 5 12:00-2:00 Soup Kitchen Cookout St. Francis Community

Sunday, Nov. 6 10:00 Service Only All Saints Day Pledge Dedication Fellowship Dinner

Monday, Nov. 7 1:00 Prayers & Squares

Tuesday, Nov. 8 1:00 Staff Ministry 5:30 Soup Kitchen 6:00 GriefShare

Wednesday, Nov. 9 1:00 Prayer Ministry 3:00 LOGOS 6:00 Youth 6:00 Advent Festival

Monday, Nov. 14 10:00 Ladies Circle 1 6:00 Ladies Circle 2

Tuesday, Nov. 15 1:00 Staff Meeting 6:00 GriefShare

Wednesday, Nov. 16 1:00 Prayer Ministry 3:00 LOGOS 6:00 Youth

Sunday, Nov. 20 Shoe Box Dedication

Monday, Nov. 21 1:00 Prayers & Squares 3:00 Visitation Ministry 6:00 Session Meeting

> Tuesday, Nov. 22 1:00 Staff Meeting 5:30 Soup Kitchen 6:00 GriefShare

Wednesday, Nov. 23
1:00 Prayer Ministry

Tuesday, Nov. 29 1:00 Staff Meeting 6:00 GriefShare

Wednesday, Nov. 30 1:00 Prayer Ministry 3:00 LOGOS 6:00 Youth

Meet Our New Members

We are a family, and our family is growing. These are some of our new members that recently joined. 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?



Colleen Anderson—I am most excited about how we are growing!! I was so excited at the number of members in the New Member Class!! My favorite ice cream is Almond Joy. For fun, I love projects. Whether it be craft or home improvement. Also, I love camping with my family. My hero is my mother. She raised three children by herself (my father passed at age 35), got her masters in education, and traveled the world before she retired. But most importantly, she was a woman of faith. My favorite scripture is John 14:1-3. Jesus spoke his assurance of where my final home will be.



Jim Hastings—What most excites me about FPC is the friendly people we have met at the church. They have made Patsy and I feel very welcomed. Our previous membership was at John Calvin Presbyterian Church in Salisbury, N.C., where we were both Elders. My favorite ice cream is Rocky Road or anything with chocolate in it. For fun I have hobbies! I like to play golf once or twice a week. I grow plants (palm trees, cactus, agaves, and camellias). I watch football (NC State and the Panthers). Patsy and I also like to travel. I had a hard time deciding who my hero would be. I guess it would be my son! He is the best husband and father I know. I guess he got it from Patsy! My favorite scripture is the 23rd Psalm. It makes me feel calm when I need guidance and support.



Patsy Hastings—I was born to parents who were life-long Presbyterians. The church where I grew up in NC was a small church. After marriage to Jim and until we joined FPC, Jim and I were always involved with small churches. I thought I might be lost in a larger church, but that is not the case. What excites me most about FPC is the very welcoming and caring atmosphere of the church congregation and as well as all the many opportunities for learning, serving, and fellowship. My favorite ice cream is chocolate. For fun, I like to be with our family, watch TV, read, go to events in our neighborhood Dell Webb at Cane Bay, and travel. In particular, Jim and I like to visit our national parks. I am still working on the list, but to date, I have been to 45 out of the 63 national parks. Realistically, I know that be-

cause of my age and the remoteness of some, I will not be able to visit them all, but it has been lots of fun trying. My heroine was my Grand Aunt Ella Seabrook. She lived to be 103 years old. She was an inspiration, not only to me, but to everyone who knew her. She loved God and loved all of her family and friends. If anything was wrong with anyone, long notes of encouragement would arrive in the mail. My favorite scripture is John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." I love this Bible verse because of God's promise that if we accept Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior, we will enter into eternal life after we pass on from this life. (continued on page 2)

Margaret and Homer "Jimbo" High



What most excites us about FPC is God's presence and Timothy's preaching and his knowledge of the Bible. He and the congregation give us inspiration and hope every week. The members of FPC represent Christ's teachings of love and inclusion. We love any and all ice cream. For fun, we enjoy working in the yard and visiting with our three boys. Our heroes are both of our fathers. They were wonderful mentors. They believed in hard work, helping people and the church for direction and faith. Our favorite scripture is John 3:16. It shows God's grace.

Richard and Diane Kizer



Diane Kizer—What excites me most about what God is doing at FPC is the enthusiasm in the ministry opportunities. Every Christian is unique in the talents they have been given and in the path they are walking with God, and FPC offers so many different ways for a Christian to serve others as FPC extends open arms to everyone. I am passionate about all ice cream! However, a Heath bar blizzard from Dairy Queen cannot be topped! For fun, I would say that spending time with my family and friends would be top of my list. I also enjoy various outdoor activities including hiking/walking and boating. I am not sure I can say I have a true hero; however, I have certain people in my life that have definitely inspired me and my faith. I would like to share with you a family member who continues to amaze/inspire me today. Our niece, Erin Henderson and her husband had their precious 2 year old son, Cole,

diagnosed with pediatric cancer in April 2020. They embodied true faith with such an inspiring positive attitude throughout Cole's difficult cancer treatments which continued even when they were faced with ultimately having to say goodbye to him on February 20, 2021. Through this heartache and wreckage they have chosen to create a foundation, Cole's Victory Lap, to honor Cole and their prayer is for it to make life more bearable for other families affected by pediatric cancer. The grace and faith that they have shown through a tragedy no parent should ever have to endure continues to amaze and inspire me. My favorite scripture is Philippians 4:13—"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." I know this scripture is very popular, but it is obvious to me that the reason for its popularity is because it is a source of comfort and encouragement. This is my needed scripture as I walk through this thing we call "Life."

Richard Kizer—I am most excited to see the enthusiasm and focus on the youth ministry at FPC. I have always believed that the energy level in a church is directly tied to the emphasis that is placed on their youth ministries. Diane picks and eats all the ice cream that is in our house. I am not allowed to eat any so therefore I do not have a favorite. For fun, I enjoy spending time outdoors, both on the water and in the woods. I love sunrises and sunsets and especially enjoy seeing them in new locations. For my hero I was planning to take about my inspiration and then I saw that Diane and I had the same two amazing people in mind. I don't think I can add anything to Diane's response—only to emphasize that the faith and strength that Erin and Clint have shown throughout the unexplainable loss of their son has been truly inspirational. Since my wonderful wife went with Philippians 4:13, I will go with Matthew 11:28-30. I think many of us carry way too many burdens in our daily lives (thinking we can fix them ourselves) and this scripture reminds me that we have a loving God who is always there to help with whatever struggles our everyday life is putting in our way.



Kathy Stehmeyer—I am excited to be a part of this First Presbyterian church because of its teachings, outreach in the community, support of the youth and the active church family. My favorite ice cream is butter pecan. My favorite fun activities are hard work, sewing, reading and spending time with family and friends. My heroes were my parents. They provided a solid Christian background and support that allowed me to face the challenges in my life with God as my anchor. My favorite Bible verses are from Philippians 4:6-7. "Be careful for nothing; but in everything, prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made unto God. And the peace of God which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." I find these verses very comforting and reassuring during times of stress and adversity.



Nancy L. Williams—It is impressive to see how clearly and closely FPC adheres to its targeted Mission, that of reaching UP to God, IN to one another, and OUT to the world. Pastor Timothy's lessons open our eyes to endless opportunities. The good will among the congregation is A-Mazing. My favorite ice cream is Ben and Jerry's Phish Food. It is my supreme favorite, but frankly, I've never met an ice cream I did not like. For fun I enjoy spending time with family and friends, as well as nature photography, writing and traveling. My hero? I have many who have influenced me, but my #1 Super Hero was my Daddy, Charles T. Williams. He was Godly, loving, kind, committed, charitable, honest, soft-spoken, humble, patriotic, patient, thankful, and I could go on... My favorite scripture is the 23rd Psalm, "The Lord is my Shepherd..." This book describes our relationship with God. Like a Shepherd, He guides, protects and loves us.

Other members who joined will be featured in our next issue of the newsletter: Jim and LeAnn Coleman, John Keller, Chris Hawley and Ellie Stuckey.



Saturday, November 19, from 10 a.m.—12 p.m.

The holiday season can be especially painful. This might be the first holiday after your loved one's death, or maybe it's the second, third, or beyond. This is a seminar that will help you navigate the holidays and discover reasons to enjoy them again. It is not just for those who have been attending our GriefShare workshops. It's open to anyone that would like to attend. You will receive tools that will enable you not only to survive the coming holidays, but also to face them with a measure of peace and assurance. For more information, contact Charlene Atkins at (201) 919-3249 or chatkins17@yahoo.com. If you know someone who is grieving, please tell them about this seminar.

Minutes in a Minute

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

- Opened with prayer and devotion led by Pastor Timothy
- Discussed the "charism" (gifts) of our church
- Approved minutes from three meetings: Session on 9/18/22, Session on 9/19/22, and Congregation on 10/16/22 Session meeting
- Welcomed John Keller into membership by reaffirmation of faith
- Welcomed LeAnn and Jim Coleman into membership by letter of transfer from Moncks Corner United Methodist Church
- Received Ministry Team reports
- Closed with prayer

The next Session meeting will be Monday, November 21 at 5:30 p.m.



Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Dedication is Sunday, November 20

Our church has been collecting shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child for many years. We have many ways to express our feeling for missions, now, but we still include these Christmas gifts as one way to reach children

and whole families who have never heard the gospel. This is a very meaningful way for our children to learn how to express God's love for all the world.

Great Gifts: jump ropes, band-aids, hair elastics or head bands for girls, marbles, harmonica, a simple watch for older kids, a solar calculator for older kids, sunglasses for older kids, socks; youngest girls, a baby doll with light brown skin and no hair, toy car, truck or airplane for young boys. (The ones with bigger wheels that are made for toddlers and



are larger than Matchbox size are good. Matchbox wheels are so small, they don't work well in dirt.)

Best Gifts: soccer balls or any ball, small flashlight with batteries, soap AND a plastic soap dish that has a cover, toothbrush in a tooth brush holder, pencils, erasers, colored pencils, and sharpeners for all aged children, good quality pens for ages 10-14 in black, red, green, and blue.

NO CANDY AND NO TOOTHPASTE

Have your filled boxes at the church by Sunday, Nov. 20 Leaflets and more materials are on the table outside the church office. For more information, Samaritan's Purse is on Facebook.



Advent Festival Wednesday, November 9 at 6 p.m.

The Advent season invites us to step away from what can be a frenzied time of parties and shopping to consider how we commemorate the birth of Jesus, one of the holiest times in Christian faith.

Come join us as we prepare our Advent calendars. Everyone is invited to the festival.



Christmas Food Boxes

Hugh Smith and Jerry Stuckey will be accepting donations for those that are less fortunate as they have done in previous years. We need your donations as early as possible due to shortages of certain items that sell out quickly at the stores. Last year each bag contained enough food for several days. Call Jerry (843-899-4477) or Hugh (843-899-6420) for more information.

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

PYG At The West Farm Corn Maze 5





Healing Farms Annual Fundraising Banquet

What an amazing night we had at our Believe In Possibility Banquet!!

Thank you to all of our table hosts, guests, and sponsors for giving generously to raise more than \$83,000!!

That makes this our biggest fundraiser yet! We loved celebrating ABILITY with you!

Tron Severe, Director of Healing Farms





We extend Christian sympathy to David Harris and his family. David's mother, Anne Harris, passed away on Thursday, October 20, 2022.

Dear Church,

Thank you for crying and laughing with our family. It is such a wonderful feeling when you know people care! This time has been better than anyone could have wished. Thank you for your cards and support.

Love, Malinda Murchison and Family

Dear Church and the Ladies Sunday School Class, Thank you for the prayers, cards and offering for food sent to me. It was so much appreciated.

Love, Jackie Keene



Ladies Circles Monday November 7

All women of the church are invited and welcome. Our circles meet once a month on the 2nd Monday.

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 Cyndy Britt, 1693 Old Whitesville Rd., Moncks Corner. Give Cyndy a call for directions or more information at 843-899-7714.



Save the Date

More details to follow



November

- Clair Britt Roberts
- 3 Margie Roberts
- 7 Ann Williams
- 9 Jason Rucker
- 9 Jason Ruckei
- 9 Claudia Keller10 Thomas Gooch
- 11 Ireland Cusick
- 16 Edward Stehmeyer, III
- 17 Steve Nettles
- 20 Marie Bowles
- 20 Craig Watson Mims
- 20 Bette Wood
- 24 William Peagler
- 24 Larry Propst
- 25 Joyce Mitchell
- 27 Mary Witt Cannon
- 27 Nancy Williams
- 30 David Berry
- 30 Blaine Fairman



2023 Pledge Cards — Dedication Sunday for 2023 pledges was Sunday, November 6. If you missed the dedication, we still need your pledges. You can mail them to the church, drop in the offering plate on Sunday or leave on Sally's desk. You can even call Sally at the church and she will fill one out for you. Pledge cards are available at the church. Any questions, give Sally a call at 843-761-8469.

Commitment Report	Budget for 2022	\$463,144.00
Budget Offering Weekly Budget Requirements	Oct. 16, 23 & 30 \$ 20,739.47 \$ 26,721.00	<u>Year to Date</u> \$ 347,849.96 \$ 391,908.00

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