

Weekly Sunday Worship

9:00 Sunday School
10:00 Worship Service
11:00 Coffee & Fellowship

Upcoming Events

Saturday, October 4
10:00 GriefShare

Sunday, October 5
11:30 Discover FPC Class

Monday, October 6
1:00 Prayers & Squares
1:00 Prayers & Granny Squares
1:00 Wildcat Bible Study
3:00 Visitation Ministry

Tuesday, October 7
9:00 Healing Farms
11:00 Prayer Ministry
12:00 Staff Meeting
5:30 Hospitality Meeting

Wednesday, October 8
9:00 Healing Farms
3:00 LOGOS
6:00 Holy Habits
6:00 Youth

Thursday, October 9
12:00 Mission Meeting
6:30 Believe Bible Study

Friday, October 10
7:30 BHS Football Breakfast

Saturday, October 11
10:00 GriefShare

Sunday, October 12
11:30 Discover FPC Class

Monday, October 13
10:00 Ladies Bible Study at church
4:00 Circle 2 Home of
Neva Peagler

Tuesday, October 14
8:00 Home School
9:00 Healing Farms
11:00 Prayer Ministry
12:00 Staff Meeting
5:30 Soup Kitchen

Wednesday, October 15
9:00 Healing Farms
3:00 LOGOS
6:00 Choir
6:00 Youth

Thursday, October 16
11:30 Ladies Luncheon
5:30 SPF Meeting
6:30 Believe Bible Study

Friday, October 17
7:30 BHS Football Breakfast
4:30 BHS Cross Country

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“You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house... offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.” 1 Peter 2:5

As we move into stewardship season, I'd like to place the question from Sunday's sermon, September 28, before us again:

What costly step of following Jesus is the Holy Spirit inviting you to take?

I encourage you to go back and listen again on YouTube for the context of this question. First, Peter describes followers of Jesus as living stones-our identity. We are alive in Christ. Then, Peter explains that God is building us into a spiritual house-our belonging. We are the place where God has decided to live. We believe this. Really. The Holy Spirit dwells with us! This “building” is biological, not architectural. Thus, **our purpose** is to offer spiritual sacrifices. This is where we get our stewardship question... what's my spiritual sacrifice?



Sacrifices in the Old Testament took the form of animals, grain, produce, and even incense. They cost something to the worshiper. These were a foreshadowing of Jesus. In the New Testament, we see that Jesus is the sacrifice for us—the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. So, on this side of Jesus' death and resurrection the concept of sacrifice takes on new meaning. For example, we offer our “faith” (Philippians 2:17), our “bodies as living sacrifices” (Romans 12:1), a “sacrifice of praise” (Hebrews 13:15), or even our efforts to share the gospel (Romans 15:16). Sacrifice takes many forms for a follower of Jesus. By calling it a “spiritual” sacrifice Peter is inviting us to include the Holy Spirit the discernment process. Our sacrifice is not forced or reluctant, rather, the Spirit stirs the heart in joy and gratitude to give cheerfully, generously, and willingly (2 Corinthians 9:6-7). But it's still costly. In fact, that's the very essence of a sacrifice—it's something of value that I give up.

Maybe I give up something emotionally...

- My need to have people agree with me
- My desire to be right
- My demand to have the last word

Maybe I give up my time...

- By listening to a friend, or more difficult-an enemy
- By pouring into my neighbor
- By volunteering at the church: teaching, cooking, praying, quilting, crocheting, mowing, singing, playing, serving on a ministry team (contact us if so)

Maybe I give up my resources...

- By sharing my talent and gifts for the benefit of others
- By tithing to the church (pledge cards are attached inside this newsletter – your pledge helps us fulfill kingdom work as a “spiritual house”)

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Saturday, October 18

10:00 GriefShare

Monday, October 20

1:00 Prayers & Squares

1:00 Prayers & Granny Squares

1:00 Wildcat Bible Study

6:00 Session Meeting

Tuesday, October 21

8:00 Home School

9:00 Healing Farms

11:00 Prayer Ministry

12:00 Staff Meeting

6:00 Hospitality Meeting

Wednesday, October 22

9:00 Healing Farms

3:00 LOGOS

6:00 Choir

6:00 Youth

Thursday, October 23

6:30 Believe Bible Study

Friday, October 24

7:30 BHS Football Breakfast

Saturday, October 25

10:00 GriefShare

Tuesday, October 28

8:00 Home School

9:00 Healing Farms

11:00 Prayer Ministry

12:00 Staff Meeting

5:30 Soup Kitchen

6:00 Healing Farms Banquet

Wednesday, October 29

9:00 Healing Farms

3:00 LOGOS

6:00 Choir

6:00 Youth

Thursday, October 30

6:30 Believe Bible Study

Friday, October 31

7:30 BHS Football Breakfast

This brings us back to our question: What costly step of following Jesus is the Holy Spirit inviting you to take? I can't tell you what that is. I'm not the Holy Spirit. I can tell you that if you take that question seriously, it will transform your life. It will put you places of sacrifice. And there, you will rely on the grace of the Spirit's presence all the more. It will move the needle in you becoming like Jesus, our living stone.

In Christ, Timothy

Minutes in a Minute

On Monday, September 15, the Session of First Presbyterian Church:

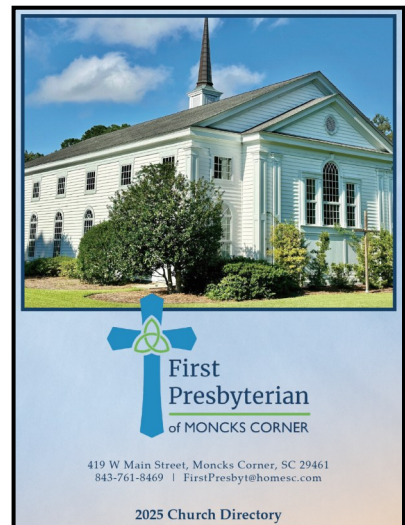
- Opened with prayer and a devotion on the importance of prayer by Elder John Williams
- Approved the Minutes from the August Session meeting
- Received and discussed feedback about the Sunday morning worship schedule, and committed to continuing to follow the Spirit's lead with compassion and love, especially for those who experience it as loss
- Received Reports from the pastors
- Received Ministry Team Reports: Christian Education – LOGOS has started back with 30+ students and a strong team of volunteer; Building and Grounds – prioritized a list of important facilities update (roof, plumbing, and HVAC); Stewardship, Personnel, and Finance – welcomed new accompanist Dr. Cormac O'Duffy; Hospitality – preparing to welcome new members and host Charleston Atlantic Presbytery in November
- Adjourned the meeting with prayer

Our next Session meeting will be at 6 p.m. on Monday, October 20

Pictorial Directory in November

Each family that was photographed or who provided a selfie will receive one free copy of the completed pictorial directory. It will be a full size 8.5x11 book with 16 families per page and names below each color photo. There are also staff and church activity pages and a roster of names and contact information.

Also, if you did not order extra pictures from Re:member at the photo shoot, you can pick up your free 8x10 from the church office.





Stewardship Pledge Card

Attached is a pledge card for 2026 and an envelope to insert your pledge. Please fill out the card, make sure to include your name and your pledge.

Place your card in the offering plate or mail to the church.

You can also call Sally at 843-761-8469 and she will fill out a card for you.

**Cards need to be at the church by
Sunday, November 2, for dedication.**

You can also leave them on Sally's desk.

Pledge cards are available at the church.

Sunday, November 2

All Saints' Day Service

Stewardship Pledge Sunday

Fellowship Sunday (lunch after Worship)

**Our Mission: Making disciples who reach UP to God,
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All Saints' Day Service Sunday, Nov. 2

As part of our worship service the church will hold an All Saints' Day Service on Sunday, November 2 with lunch to follow.

An All Saints' Day Service is a time when we remember and honor loved ones who have gone before us and have joined the Church triumphant through faith in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

The service will honor church members and/or those in their immediate family who've passed away between November 1, 2024 and Oct. 27, 2025. The names of the loved ones will be read during a special moment in the service. After the reading of each name, the church bell will chime.

To include the name of the church member or their immediate family member in the All Saints' Day Service, please complete the form in the church atrium. Forms can be placed in the offering plate or left in the church office no later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 2025. You can also call Sally at the church office and she will fill one out for you.

Things You Need to Know

Women's Ministries Meet on Monday, Oct. 13

Ladies Bible Study at 10 a.m. at the church. We will be studying Max Lucado's book, "What Comes Next." 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 Neva Peagler in Cross. Give Neva a call for directions or more information at 843-729-8877

Ladies Fellowship Luncheon Thursday, Oct. 16

All ladies of the church are invited. The luncheon is in the fellowship hall on Thursday, Oct. 16 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.

Sunday, November 2 All Saints' Day Service Stewardship Pledge Dedication Fellowship Sunday (lunch after worship)

For lunch, the church will provide fried chicken. Members are asked to bring a side dish and dessert. Everyone is welcome! We always have plenty.

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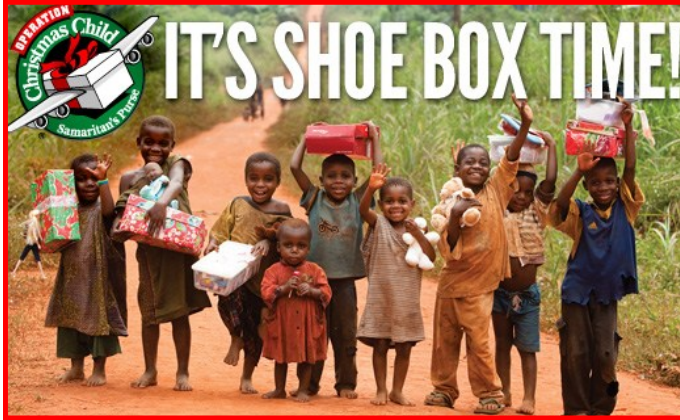
Medical Missionaries John & Teresa Holeman are leaving this month for Honduras

We are on the countdown towards leaving for Honduras this month. **The last day to donate items is Friday, October 10.** John and I so appreciate everyone's generosity. If you do not want to shop, but still want to help, you can make a check to the church (Roatan Mission Trip in the memo line) and we will pick up the much needed items. Tourism and donations are way down this year, so the needs are greater than normal. Below is the new list of needs for Roatan. Place items in the white cabinet in the hallway outside the church office.

In the love of Jesus Christ, John and Teresa

**Baby aspirin 81 mg, Children's Vitamins
Stool Softener, Flonase Nasal Spray
Pepcid, Benadryl, Lidocaine Patches, Vaseline, Claritin
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Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes



We will again participate in Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes in November. There's a table outside the church office with more information and boxes. This is also a very meaningful way for our children to learn how to express God's love for all the world. Listed below are some of the items they recommend. It's never too early to start thinking about this ministry and start shopping for your shoebox.

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

Healing Farms Fundraising Banquet



The 2025 Believe In Possibility Fundraising Banquet will be held on October 28, 2025 at The College Center at Trident Technical College's North Charleston campus. Join us for an inspiring evening as we come together to celebrate ABILITY and believe in what's possible for young adults with disABILITIES. The evening will be filled with participant performances, incredible stories of ABILITY, AND SO MUCH MORE! This amazing night is one you definitely don't want to miss. The BIP banquet is more than just a celebration—it's a call to action. Proceeds from the event are vital to expanding Healing Farms' Day program and summer camp opportunities. There are so many more families waiting for support—and with our help, we can reach them.

Don't miss your chance to make a difference!

Join us by **hosting a table, becoming a sponsor, or making a contribution** in honor of our organization's most important fundraiser of the year. For more information visit www.healingfarms.com or contact Tron Severe at 843-971-9300.



**Sunday, November 16
3 p.m.—5 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's 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, tell them about this seminar.**



George Andewig

Dear Prayers and Squares Quilting Group,
 Thank you for the beautiful quilt with so many prayers for George. His move to memory care has been a trying time for both of us. Your comforting quilt brings us joy and smiles. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

Most Sincerely, Jeanne & George Andewig



Tammy Carr

Dear Pastor, Mr. Bo, and all who prayed for me. Thank you so much for the wonderful gift of a quilt. It warms my heart to use it. Please continue to pray.

Tammy Carr

Dear First Presbyterian Church,

We cannot begin to express how thankful we are for the love, prayers, and generosity that have been poured out for us during this difficult time. Your faithful prayers have given us strength and comfort, and your financial gifts have helped lift a heavy burden as we navigate Thomas' medical needs. Every message, every act of kindness has reminded us that we are not on this journey alone. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you.

God Bless, The Crawford Family

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the gorgeous plant you sent after my dad passed away. It will be a special reminder of him.

Love, Carole Edwards



- 2 Jean Hodges
- 2 Philip Mims
- 2 Eva Mouw
- 2 Renee Tedder
- 3 Delilah Faas
- 4 Sandy Fairman
- 4 Kayla Soderberg
- 5 Nancy Holcombe
- 6 Shari Hamilton
- 7 Pam Pound
- 7 LaNelle Riley
- 7 Emma Shuler
- 7 Ethan Shuler
- 7 Emma Williams
- 8 Deneene Guerry
- 8 Connor Thornton
- 10 Riley Orvin
- 11 Caroline Raven
- 13 Timothy Scoonover
- 14 Frannie Woods
- 15 Becky Devereux
- 15 Diane Kizer
- 15 Kim Mims
- 16 Diane Baughn
- 17 Kim Brewer
- 19 Mark Russell
- 19 Steve Roberts
- 20 Peggy Bennett
- 20 Sullivan Giavelli
- 23 Arturo Torrez
- 23 Grant Lusk
- 23 Pamela Williams
Hulst
- 24 Laurie Carter
- 24 Eva Mouw
- 24 William Murray
- 25 David Patrick
- 26 Marie Dunlap
- 26 Jim Hastings
- 26 Richard Keene
- 26 Mark Tucker
- 26 Richard Keene
- 27 Denise Howman
- 31 Ryan Bowles
- 31 Sandy Duke

Scam Alert

There are scammers who continue to impersonate Pastor Timothy asking for gift cards. DO NOT fall for this.

Since we can't really stop them, we need to keep educating everyone to:


- 1) Double check the sender against Timothy's contact information
- 2) Know that Pastor Timothy will **NOT** ever ask for gift cards like that
- 3) Spread the word to others in the congregation - this is a **SCAM**
- 4) You can always contact the church office if you have a question

Please bring **canned vegetables** and **apple juice** for October.

Commitment Report	Budget for 2025	\$576,231.00
	<u>September 28, 2025</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>
Budget Offering	\$ 41,747.16	\$434,208.37
Weekly Budget Requirements	\$ 11,556.00	\$450,684.00

October 2025

First Presbyterian

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Sunday Gathering



9 AM Sunday School



10 AM Worship



Following Service Coffee, Conversation
& Community



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