

Morning Worship
November 11, 2018
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We Gather in God's Name

Greeting Marion Anderson

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude *My Faith Looks Up to Thee* Jones

Choral Introit *How Very Good and Pleasant*

*Call to Worship

Leader: Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

People: The Lord is our keeper; the Lord is our shade on our right hand. The sun shall not smite us by day, nor the moon by night.

Leader: The Lord will keep us from all evil; He will keep our life.

People: The Lord will keep our going out and our coming in, from this time forth and for evermore.

*Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, from whose love neither death nor life can separate us: Grant that in this life we may serve you faithfully, letting the mind and spirit of Christ control us. Cause our words and deeds to proclaim your praise, as we look forward to the time when we will rejoice before your throne of grace forever and ever; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn 620 *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

Call to Confession

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. The Lord is good to all, and His compassion is over all that He has made. With complete confidence in God's mercy, let us confess our sins:

Prayer of Confession (unison)

Gracious God, each week we pray you to forgive us as we forgive others. We confess that our own words bring judgment upon us, for while we ask for mercy, we are slow to show mercy. We harbor grudges, we nurse old wounds, and we allow bitterness to fester within us. It is a heavy burden, O Lord, and it weighs us down in our walk of faith and discipleship. So by the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, help us to turn to you in the spirit of true repentance. Purify our hearts and minds, and grant us to live, as we pray, in the spirit of mercy which we know and receive in Christ our Lord. Amen. (Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Pardon

As the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Holy Interruption *We greet our neighbors in Christ's love*

We Receive God's Word

Children's Sermon

Mary Jane Evans

Preschool-Kindergarten age children are dismissed to the Pray n' Play program held in the room beside the church nursery in the main Church building. Children who are in the 1st grade and higher should return to their seats in the congregation.

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson *Leviticus 19:15 – 18*

New Testament Lesson *Matthew 18:21 – 35*

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Forgive Us . . . As We Forgive" Rev. Dr. Charles Elliott

We Respond to God's Word

* Hymn 445 *God, How Can We Forgive*

* Declaration of Faith (from *A Brief Statement of Faith*)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen

**Gloria Patri* (hymn 581)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.**

Prayers of the People (concluding with the Lord's Prayer)

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering Invitation

Offertory *Our Father Who Art in Heaven* J. S. Bach

* Praise of God *We Give Thee But Thine Own*

**We give thee but thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee**

Prayer of Dedication

We Depart in God's Name

* Hymn 738 *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

* Benediction and Sending

* Choral Response *Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise*

* Postlude Voluntary on "There Is a Wideness in God's Mercy"

We **welcome** Rev. Dr. Charles Elliott this morning. He grew up in Charlotte, NC, graduated from Davidson College with an A. B. in Social Science; attended Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA, and received Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry degrees. He served installed pastorates in Pollocksville, NC, Carolina Beach, NC, and Chester, SC; and served as General Presbyter and Stated Clerk in Wilmington Presbytery in NC, and in Trinity Presbytery in SC. He served on the staff at Thornwell Home for Children for 11 years. Since retiring in 2011, he has served in six interim or supply relationships, most recently in Mt. Pleasant, SC, and at Georgetown Presbyterian Church. He and his wife Caryl live in Myrtle Beach. They have been married 50 years, have 3 daughters who are married, and 5 grandchildren. He currently serves on the Board of Trustees at Thornwell.

Usher/Greeter Team for November

Sue Funderburk and Tracie Phillips

Prayer List as of November 11, 2018

Benny Moore	Dee Pierce	Anne Bryan
Gerry Rogers	Jack Baker	

Residents at Presbyterian Communities of SC
Artha Sompayrac – Summerville
B. J. Moore - Summerville

Copies of the **extended prayer list** (which includes non-members) can be obtained by calling the church office.

The **flowers** are placed in the sanctuary today by Mr. & Mrs. Avery Dickson.

To be a good steward of God's blessings, please help "fill the wagon" for the McArn Community Ministry. The red wagon will be in the narthex every Sunday. Thanks for your generosity!

The Church This Week (11/11/2018)

Today	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Youth
Mon.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
	6:00 p.m.	Worship Team
Tues.	10:00 p.m.	Circle No. 1
	4:30 p.m.	Circle No. 2
	5:30 p.m.	Curriculum
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
	3:00 p.m.	Fun program
	6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir
Thurs.	5:30 p.m.	Session
Sat.		Habitat Work Day
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

Nursery/Pray N' Play

Nov. 11	Eva Goddard
Nov. 18	Laura Folger
Nov. 25	Jean Page Watson

We will be collecting our annual **Thanksgiving Offering for Thornwell Home** on Sunday, November 18, 2018. Please prayerfully consider what gifts you can offer.

First Friday Concert Series - 12:00 – 12:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of First Presbyterian Church, 213 W. Home Ave., Hartsville, S.C. Friday, December 7, Penny Rogers, flute – concerts are free and open to public.

Habitat for Humanity: FPC members are volunteering at a Habitat House in McBee on **Saturday, November 17, 2018**. We will leave the Church around 8:00 am and return to the Church around 12:30. We are scheduled to install cabinets and do trim work. This home is for Harper's Family and is located at 59 Murry Lane, McBee, SC. No tools needed. If you are interested in participating, please fill out the sign-up sheet in front of the Church's office.

FPC members are also volunteering at a Habitat's Brush-in-Kindness Project on **Saturday, December 1st**, and **Saturday, December 8th**. We will be replacing a metal roof, fixing siding and painting for Jackie Ellerbe Shannon at 106 Agerton St. in Cheraw. Please meet at the job site at 8:30 am. No tools are needed. Also, if you plan to participate, please fill out the sign-up sheet in front of the Church's office.

We will place **poinsettias** in the sanctuary again this Christmas Season.

- 6 1/2 inch pots are \$9.72
- 8 inch pots are \$16.20
- Flowers will be white
- **CHECKS ONLY** made payable to First Presbyterian Church **and MUST BE TURNED IN TO JEAN PAGE WATSON ALONG WITH THE FORM**
- Deadline to order: Sunday, November 11th
- Flowers may be given in honor or in memory of a loved one

If you have any questions, please call Jean Page Watson at 287-0882. Please pick up your poinsettias from the church sanctuary **after the Christmas Eve Service**.

In Memory _____

In Honor _____

Given By _____

A Musical Tribute to Veterans this afternoon at 4:00 p.m.- St. David's Church, 420 Market Street. Free Admission.

Realm Member Directory

Please see Kim Cauthen and Andy Beck after Church and at various Church functions throughout the month of November to have your picture taken for our online member directory. If you would like to upload your own picture, get login information from Tracie Phillips (phillipscte@aol.com). The directories will be able to be printed or viewed online. They will be a valuable resource for us and our new pastor.

MEALS IN A BOX---The Mission Outreach Committee will sponsor the Thanksgiving Meals in a Box program through the McArn Food Bank this year. Your gift of \$15 will feed a family. All donations will need to be in by Sunday, November 25. Last year we were able to help many families with Thanksgiving meals. **Please make your checks payable to First Presbyterian Church with the words Meal in a Box on the memo line.**

85 Samaritan's Purse Shoe Boxes were delivered to Westside Baptist on Monday, November 5, 2018. Thank you for your participation.

The Church Staff

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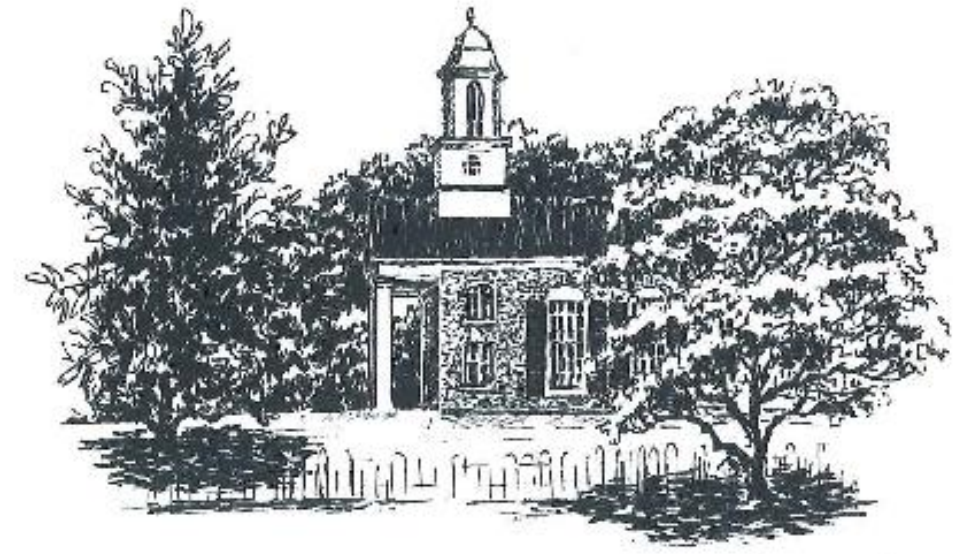
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First Presbyterian Church

Cheraw, South Carolina

Our Vision

**Rooted by God's Grace,
Growing in the Spirit,
Reaching Out with Christ's Love**



Our Mission

**By the Grace of God, we are rooted in Christ through love.
We grow in the Spirit by worshipping, by studying,
and by cultivating relationships with Christ and others.
As stewards of God's gifts and affirming our faith
in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior,
we share God's Mission of reaching out
with Christ's Love.**

Missionaries

Mr. Mark Hare/ Mrs. Jenny Bent Hare *Haiti* Mr. and Mrs. Alan Smith *Germany/Russia*