

**Morning Worship**  
**May 19, 2019**  
**Graduation Sunday**

**We Gather in God's Name**

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude *Trumpet Tune*

Corelli

*The congregation is asked to make use of the prelude as a time of preparation, meditation and prayer.*

Greeting

Dr. Dan Sansbury

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Welcome & Announcements

Choral Introit *Be Not Afraid*

Berthier

\*Call to Worship

Let us worship the One who calls us.

**Here we are, ready or not, called by the One who lived and died and rose to live again among us.**

Here we are, ready or not, bringing our everyday selves to praise and to pray, to know the Holy One in the midst of our lives.

**Let us worship the One who calls us.**

\*Hymn 314 *Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness*

Call to Confession

“Life is messy. We make mistakes, we mess up, and our sin spills out everywhere. In confession, we let God into the mess, being honest about our brokenness. Please join me as we seek God’s forgiveness and healing for our lives. Let us pray.

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**God of mercy, you created us, you know us, and you call us by name.**

**Yet, so often we feel ashamed of our differences and try to hide who we are. We worry about our lives, our families, and even our future, leaves us dry and parched, longing for an oasis of acceptance and the reassurance of love. In the midst of our mess, we forget that we are not alone. You are with us, offering Living Water like a stream that will never run dry. Forgive us, we pray. Drown out the doubts that overwhelm us and give us hope for new life again. We open our hearts to you in silent prayer...**

(Time for silent confession)

Assurance of Forgiveness

The fact is, we are imperfect people and yet, God does not abandon us. Despite our sin and the many mistakes we make, God loves us and offers forgiveness. In Jesus Christ, God’s grace is poured out for us like water! Believe the Gospel that promises good news:

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

The peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

\*RESPONSE 701 *Lord, Prepare Me*

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

Giving of our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory *Go, My Children, with My Blessing*

Wyton

\* 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 Receive God's Word**

Children's Sermon

Dr. Dan Sansbury

*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 1<sup>st</sup> grade and higher should return to their seats in the congregation.*

Anthem

*God Will Always Be With You*

Besig/Price

God will always be with you everywhere that you go,  
Guiding you on your journey, filling your heart with new hope.  
Practice love and forgiveness; show the world that you care.  
Let your spirit rejoice each day knowing that God will be there.

When you're afraid or feeling lost and lonely,  
When there are things you just can't understand,  
When it is hard to face the world around you,  
Those are the times God will take you by the hand.

God will always be with you everywhere that you go,  
Guiding you on your journey, filling your heart with new hope.  
Practice love and forgiveness; show the world that you care.  
Let your spirit rejoice each day knowing that God will be there.

When you go out and serve the Lord with gladness,  
When you decide to live in faith each day,  
When you can share the gift of love with others,  
Trust and believe God will guide you on your way.

God will always be with you everywhere that you go,  
Guiding you on your journey, filling your heart with new hope.  
Practice love and forgiveness; show the world that you care.  
Let your spirit rejoice each day knowing that God will be there.  
Know that your God will be there.

Prayer for Illumination

Mac McCall

Scripture Reading Mark 10:13-16

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Message “Moving Forward by Remembering” Mr. Mac McCall

\* Hymn 543 *God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me* Colligan

RECOGNITION OF OUR GRADUATES

\* **GRADUATION LITANY**

As God's family, we are gathered together to celebrate the accomplishments of these young adults.

**We give blessings to you for all that you have achieved and many more achievements yet to come.**

One part of your life's journey is complete.

You will prepare to begin another phase that will take you to unimaginable places.

As you prepare for your next journey, we hope that you remember the ones you leave behind, who have loved and supported you throughout the years.

**We give you blessings of good will and love as you journey forth into the world.**

**We thank you for the laughter and fellowship that you have shared with us and pray that as you begin your next journey, remember the times that we all have shared with you.**

Use those memories as a beacon to guide you on your path. Don't look back; continue only forward, while using those memories to create a new path.

**We pray that God will give you strength and determination to develop new relationships that will help to strengthen and sustain your faith.**

Because we are made in the image of God we have been blessed with free will to make choices and decisions.

**We pray that you make wise and rational decisions, always turning to God for help.**

**God hears, God listens, God is always with you.**

**Do not forget that.**

**Always keep in mind that God is around and if you turn to him, he will guide you.**

We make this prayer in the One who taught us to pray saying:

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.**

## We Depart in God's Name

\* Hymn 172 *Blest Are They* Haas  
\* Benediction and Sending Mac McCall  
\* Choral Response *Here on Jesus Christ I Will Stand* Scheer  
\* Postlude *These Treasured Children* Wyton

The **flowers** are placed in the sanctuary today in loving memory of Chris Hydrick by the Rogers Family.

If you are visiting with us today, **please accept our gift of a coffee mug and a Newcomers' Packet.** They are located in the Narthex.

If you are interested in knowing more about this congregation, or in officially joining as a church member, please speak to Dr. Sansbury after the worship service. All persons **are invited** to participate in all the ministry activities of our congregation.

Updated print **directories** are available for you. Take one with you today!

### Nursery/Pray N' Play

**May 19 Sadie Smith**  
**May 26 Jean Page Watson**

#### **Prayer List as of May 19, 2019**

Dee Pierce	Anne Bryan	Carole Kennedy
Gerry Rogers	Jack Baker	Larry Gaddy
Louise Carpenter	Robby Ashworth	Shenell Malloy
Charles Watson		

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.

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 **Pastor Nominating Committee** (PNC) invites your prayers for God's guidance and wisdom. PNC members are Bill Malloy (chair), Christie McLeod (vice-chair), Dan Tillman (secretary), Marion Anderson and Cathy Chapman.

### The Church This Week (5/19/2019)

Today	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	6:00 p.m.	Youth Celebration at the home of the Beck's
Mon.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
Wed.	8:30 a.m.	MMO
	8:30 a.m.	Presbytery Meeting (Hartsville)
	11:30 a.m.	Summer Toolkit Drop-In (Building Families)
	11:30 a.m.	Membership Team
Sun.	9:30 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship
	10:00 a.m.	Church School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship

We will be honoring our **2019 Graduates** during our morning Worship Service today. Immediately following our Worship Service, the Christian Education Ministry Team will be having a reception in the Fellowship Building for the congregation as we honor our Graduates and their families. We hope that everyone will make every effort to attend as we celebrate these Young Adults and their accomplishments.

Are you stressing about how to keep your child busy and negative behaviors at a minimum during the summer??? If your stress level has already increased, with the anticipation of school being out for the summer, we may be able to help!!! Carisa Gerald, Thornwell/First Presbyterian-Cheraw's Family Specialist, will be conducting a Summer Toolkit Drop-In on May 22, 2019 in the Fellowship Building, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm. Please spread the word!!! RSVP by May 13, 2019, by calling Carisa @ 843-501-1599.

The **sympathy** of this congregation is extended to the family of Mrs. Sybil Kendall Little who passed away on Monday, April 29, 2019. Sybil grew up in Cheraw and was a member of this church until her marriage to Mr. A.D. Little of Marietta, Ga. Sybil was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brevard Kendall, Sr.

The **Annual Golf & Picnic Spring Fling**, sponsored by the Presbyterian Men of New Harmony Presbytery, will be held on June 1 at Crystal Lake Golf Course in Sumter. All New Harmony churches are invited to participate by sponsoring a golf team or just come and enjoy the activities of the annual picnic. This will be a "captain's choice" format with a contribution of \$50/player. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m. and play begins at 8:30. Registration deadline is May 24.

#### The Church Staff

Dr. Daniel N. Sansbury, Interim Pastor	Mr. Mac McCall, DCE & Director of Choirs
Mrs. Carolyn S. West, Secretary	Mrs. Barbara C. Dickson, Church Organist
Mr. James W. Kendall, Sexton	Mrs. Kim Brabham, Director MMO
Mrs. Arnetta Kendall, Housekeeper	Mrs. Sally Powell, MMO
Mrs. Mary Gullede, Mrs. Debra Jewart, Nursery	Mrs. Debra Jewart, MMO

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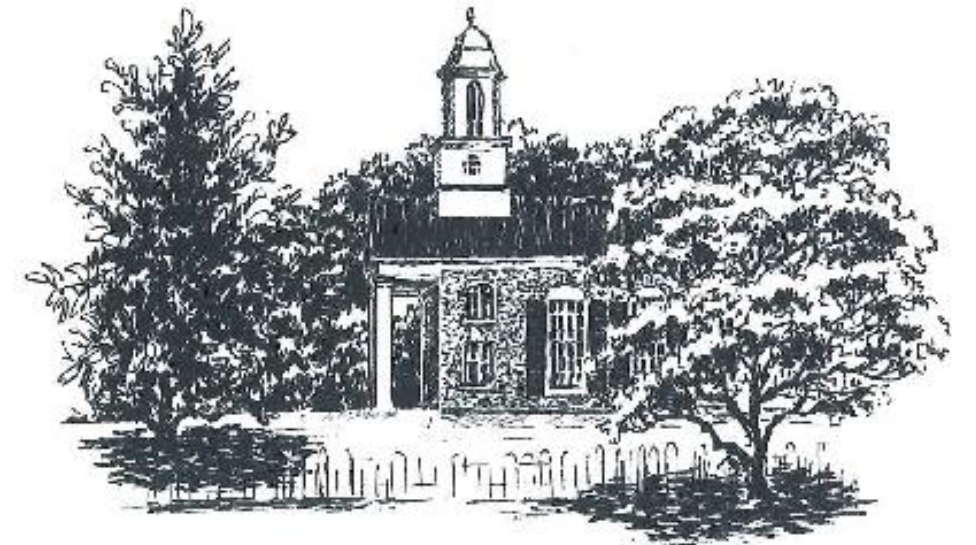
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## **First Presbyterian Church**

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.**

Dr. Dan Sansbury  
*Interim Pastor*

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