

TKA Luncheon After Church: The Kings Academy will be hosting a luncheon, Sunday, January 24th, at 12:15 PM at First Presbyterian in the CLC, to help support TKA students who are going on Mission Trips to Seattle, Washington (urban ministry) and to Tanzania, Africa. Eating homemade lasagna prepared by our own Steve Tedder and supporting missions is a great combination! Adults \$7, Children \$3. Call Martha Chastain for reservations: 669-8004.

Bake Sale for Haiti: Attention Sunday School Classes: The 4th graders will once again be selling baked goods to raise money for the Haiti Mission Team. The baked goods will be sold in the Fellowship Hall and also brought to each Sunday School class on January 31st and February 7th. Thanks for your support! Janet Brand and Laura Marechal.

Amazon Mission 2010: June 5th-13th, 2010. Join us for an experience of a lifetime as we visit remote jungle villages along the Amazon River. Ask anyone who has ever been on one of these trips and they will tell you it was one of the most powerful spiritual experiences of their lives. Our teams are usually around 12-15 people and we still have some slots available. Give prayerful consideration as to whether God might be calling you to the Amazon.

The Lazarus Life In Town Retreat: February 19th-21st we will welcome Stephen Smith, author of *The Lazarus Life*, a book about the story of Lazarus from John 11 filled with deep meaning for people today who are wanting to change but cannot; wanting to transform but feel stuck; longing for "more" in life but can't find it. Our retreat will begin Friday with a dinner, continue Saturday morning from 8:30-11:30 AM and end that Sunday with a combined worship service and lunch. More details TBA!

Christian Life Conference 2010: Make your summer plans now for Christian Life Conference 2010! First Presbyterian Church, along with Darlington and Bishopville churches, will host the Christian Life Conference 2010 in Montreat, NC. A hosting team that consists of at least 20 adults will be needed from First Presbyterian to help plan and organize various aspects of the conference. It's a big job! Please consider joining our team, led by Martha Chastain and Joe Koenig. Please contact the church office if you want to get involved!

Basketball Games: Come support our First Pres. Teams in the youth basketball league! You can find a complete game schedule online at www.florencefirst.org.

Children's Ministry: Kids in A.C.T.I.O.N.

- ◆ **Chapter Challenge** for January 17th: "God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning-the sixth day." *Gen. 1:31*
- ◆ **Confirmation Party:** January 31st, 4:00-5:30 PM. Our 6th graders will meet their mentors and kick off their Confirmation Year!

Fuel Youth Events: www.fuelfortherevolution.com

- ◆ **Sunday Shift:** Join us on Sunday mornings from 9:45 -10:50 AM in the Garage for a fun & worshipful time that includes games, music, and an interactive time where we study God's Word together and look for ways that we can apply it to our lives.
- ◆ **Small Groups at the Fuel Cafe:** Hang out with us in the Lounge this Wednesday night at 5:40 PM and head over to the Garage at 6:05 PM for our exciting mid-week gathering where we sing and have fun together. We are continuing our study and small group discussions of "The Prodigal God".
- ◆ **Bowling on MLK Jr. Day:** 1:30-3:30 PM on Monday, January 18th at Southgate Bowling Lanes on Irby St. Meet at Southgate and bring \$5 to cover shoes and 2 hours of bowling.
- ◆ **Open Mic and Karaoke:** Saturday, January 30th in the Garage, 6:30-9:00pm.
- ◆ **Super Bowl Party:** Sunday, February 7th at Emmy and Anna Watt's house. Meet at church at 6:00 PM or be at the Watt home by 6:28 PM for kickoff.

Special Prayer Needs: We encourage you to note your prayer requests on the *Request for Prayer* cards in the pew racks and then place them in the offering plate. Your requests are referred to the Pastors.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 17, 2010

- 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship Service
- 9:45 AM Sunday School
- 11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
- 4:30 PM Volleyball in CLC

Monday, January 18, 2010 MLK Holiday & Prayer Week

Mother's Morning Out CLOSED

Church Office CLOSED

- 6:00 AM Morning Prayer
- 10:00 AM Circle #4: Price CR
- 6:00 PM Celebrate Recovery: Price CR
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts: Scout Room
- 7:30 PM Korean Bible Study: Shin's Home

Tuesday, January 19, 2010

- 6:00 AM Morning Prayer
- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast: GS Rm
- 9:30 AM Women's Prayer Group in Parlor
- 10:15 AM Manna House Lunch Crew
- 11:00 AM Young Mothers' Ensemble
- 12:00 PM Circle 5 GS Room
- 12:00 PM JFW Ministries
- 4:30 PM Girl's Ensemble
- 6:00 PM JFW Ministries
- 6:30 PM Board of Deacons

Wednesday, January 20, 2010

- 6:00 AM Morning Prayer
- 9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
- 4:30 PM Youth Handbells
- 5:00 PM Adult Handbells
- 5:30 PM Family Supper
- 6:00 PM Youth Small Groups in Fuel Café
- 6:10 PM Presbyterian Playhouse Gr 3-5
- 6:15 PM Adult Electives
- 6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal
- 6:30 PM Circle #7 ZA Parlor
- 6:50 PM Presbyterian Playhouse Gr. 1-2
- 6:55 PM Presbyterian Playhouse 4k-5k
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice
- 7:30 PM Basketball Practice 14 & U, 17 & U

Thursday, January 21, 2010

- 6:00 AM Morning Prayer
- 7:15 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Presbyterian Home
- 9:30 AM PW Women's Mid Winter Gathering: GS & FH
- 5:30 PM Basketball Practice 10 & Under
- 6:00 PM Cub Scouts: Scout Room
- 6:30 PM Basketball Practice 12 & Under

Friday, January 22, 2010 Newsletter Deadline

- 6:00 AM Morning Prayer
- 9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
- 5:00 PM Basketball Practice 8 & Under
- 7:30 PM Bay Street Brassworks Concert in Sanctuary

Saturday, January 23, 2010

Lake City Concert Series

First Presbyterian

FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA

11:00 am

January 17, 2010



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Voluntary in A Major William Selby

GREETINGS

Rev. Handley

INTROIT

Fanfare of Praise Joseph Martin

Chancel Choir

Sing to the Lord! Sing to the Lord of hosts a new song. Come and sing to God a new song. Come and sing a song to the Lord, come sing unto the Lord!

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

No. 740

The Lord's Prayer

*HYMN OF PRAISE

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name No. 106
CORONATION

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed located in pew rack

*THE GLORIA PATRI

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. No. 734

ANTHEM

The Music of Thy Name Craig Courtney

Chancel Choir

Jesus, my Shepherd, Husband, Friend, My Prophet, Priest and King; My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, accept the praise I bring. Alleluia. Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; But when I see Thee as Thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought. Alleluia. 'Till then I would Thy love proclaim with ev'ry fleeting breath; And may the music of Thy name refresh my soul in death. Alleluia. Amen.

John Newton

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator God, as we gather for worship, we come as a people who have tried to live faithfully. We try to honor our commitments and to love You with all of our hearts, souls and minds. But then a cutting word slips out, a thought of anger lingers in our minds, hesitation occurs when compassion is needed. Save us, Lord, from self-deception. We acknowledge the weakness of our faith and ask for Your forgiveness. Lift us from the preoccupation of our own concerns so that we might focus on You. We pray in the name of Christ Jesus. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

✎ Following the Message for Young Disciples, children in 3K through 1st Grade are invited to go with a worship caregiver to attend *Children in Worship*. If this is your child's first visit to Children's Church, we encourage you to walk with them. A nursery is provided for 2K children and below.

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

In Christ There Is No East or West No. 603
ST. PETER

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Organ Offertory
Pastorale J.K. Kuchař

*The Doxology No. 34
OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

Tim and Annette Gulick

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE, WORK AND WORLD

SERMON

The Prodigal God Part 2
“The Two Lost Sons”
Luke 15:11-32

Dr. Jenkins

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Great is Thy Faithfulness No. 72
FAITHFULNESS

*CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

The Peace of the Earth Guatemalan traditional
arr. Bell

The peace of the earth be with you, the peace of the heavens too;
the peace of the rivers be with you, the peace of the oceans too.
Deep peace falling over you; God's peace growing in you.

*POSTLUDE

Festival Postlude Mark Williams

*Congregation is invited to stand.

✎ Pastor will dismiss children to leave with their worship care-giver.

This morning's worship is led by
Dr. Barry Jenkins, Senior Pastor,
Rev. Chris Handley, Associate Pastor, and
Mrs. Ann Rodgers Chandler, Organist and Director of Music

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given as a loving memorial to Dr. James Beatty (Jim) Smith by his wife, Suzanne and their daughters, Lillian, Susie and Frances.

Elder Greeters for this morning's service are Wendell Jones and Zip Vassy.

Usher Volunteers: If you would like to help usher during the worship service in the month of January, please contact Hunter Morgan at 393-5565.

Moment for Missions: Tim and Annette Gulick are serving with OC International in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Together they mentor and train youth leaders and serve as spiritual directors at the Youth Specialties Institute in Buenos Aires, whose goal is to equip a new generation of Latin American youth workers through transformational training. They have also created a textbook and online classes for youth ministry through Miami International Theological Seminary.

Prodigal God Study and Sermon Series: First Presbyterian recently began a 6 week study of Tim Keller's book, *The Prodigal God*. Small groups are meeting weekly to discuss the DVD lessons and scheduled readings. This study is designed to challenge those who relate to the Prodigal Son, to turn to the loving Father and come home where we are welcomed with loving arms. For believers, it is a means of examining our hearts to see if we have become like the older brother, so secure in our position that we take the Father's love for granted and even resent it when the love is extended to those whom we feel are less deserving of it.

The sermon series designed to compliment the small group sessions is as follows:

- * Jan. 10 - "The People Around Jesus" Luke 15:1-10
- * Jan. 17 - "The Two Lost Sons" Luke 15:11-32
- * Jan. 24 - "The Elder Brother" Luke 15:25-32
- * Jan. 31 - "The True Elder Brother" Luke 15:1-6, 25-32
- * Feb. 7 - "The Feast of the Father" Luke 15:11-32

On Wednesday, Feb. 17th, our study will conclude with a church-wide "Celebration Feast."

The Church Office is Closed Monday, Jan. 18th for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

A Week In Prayer: This week the sanctuary will be open from 6:00-8:00 AM, Jan. 18th - 22nd. Everyone is invited to this time of quiet meditation.

The First Pres Women's Morning Bible Study will begin on Wednesday, January 20th at 9:30 AM in the Good Samaritan classroom. We will be studying *Discerning the Voice of God*, by Priscilla Shirer. This is a 6 week study about how to recognize when God speaks. Priscilla Shirer is a Bible teacher whose ministry is focused on the expository teaching of the word of God to women. There is some homework involved as well as a small group discussion. The workbooks will be available on January 20th for \$11.00. For questions, call Dottie Handley at 661-5521.

PW Women's Mid Winter Gathering: Thursday, January 21st at 9:30 AM. We will begin with our White Cross Mission project in the Good Samaritan room followed by a short business meeting at noon. Lunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall. If anyone in your circle would like to volunteer to help, please let Virginia Spencer know.

Bay Street Brassworks Concert: Friday, January 22nd at 7:30 PM. Bay Street Brassworks, a renowned brass quintet from Baltimore, Maryland will join us again this year so mark your calendars for this delightful group. Tickets are \$10. Call the church office or see Ann Rodgers Chandler.

A Congregational Meeting

has been called for Sunday, January 31st, at 10:35 AM to:

- ◆ Elect four Congregational representatives to the Officer's Nominating Committee.
- ◆ 2009 Year End Report
- ◆ Review the terms of call for the Pastors (G-7.0302)