

Church Directory Photos: Please make it a point to gather your family and drop by the Fellowship Hall on a Sunday morning to have your family photo taken by Butch Carroll for our online pictorial directory. This directory is secured in the member's login area of our website. Butch has kindly offered to be available for photos every Sunday morning between services, so please take advantage of his willingness to serve!

Relay for Life Team: Chair, Jayne Boswell and Co-Chair, Jessica Wood invite you to join the First Presbyterian Relay for Life Team. The event will take place on April 16-17, 2010, 7:00 PM-7:00 AM at Freedom Florence. For more information or to sign up, please contact Jayne at jboswell@fsd1.org or Jessica at jwood@florencefirst.org.

Christian Women's Retreat: Save the date of May 14th-16th. Join us in Charleston for Women of Joy. For more info visit www.womenofjoy.org. Questions email tabathasd@yahoo.com or afwilliams@sc.rr.com. Pre-register in the church office. Estimated cost for conference and lodging \$125.

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 February 21st: "Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned." *Romans 5:12*
- ◆ **Adopt a Grandparent:** Form relationships with the member of the Presbyterian Community. Our first visit will be Feb. 28th, 2:00-4:00 PM.
- ◆ **Fundaygo:** March 6th, 1:00-4:00 PM.
- ◆ **Animal Shelter Service Day:** March 20th, 1:00-4:00 PM. Space is limited.
- ◆ **Palm Sunday Re-enactment:** March 28th at 10:00 AM. Children will greet Jesus with palm branches and cheers of welcome then enjoy a short lesson to bring the meaning to life!
- ◆ **Easter Egg Hunt:** March 28th after church.

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 and 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 5:45 PM and head over to the Garage at 6:15 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".
- ◆ **Spring Getaway to Poinsett State Park:** Total cost is \$75, due **TODAY**. Trip dates are March 19-21. Not many spots left.
- ◆ **Guys' and Girls' Overnights:** Friday night, March 5th. Guys are going to the Harwell's hunting cabin outside of Florence; girls are going to the Tyson's house at Lake Wateree.
- ◆ **Sr. High Mission Trip to Nicaragua:** \$250 deposit due by March 7th. Only 13 spots total.
- ◆ **Jr. High Trip to "The Great Escape":** \$100 deposit is due by March 14th. This is a unique, week-long summer conference for middle school students only. It's gonna be great!

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.

Hearing Assisted Devices are available in the sanctuary. Please see an usher to receive one. The devices are wireless so you may sit anywhere you wish and adjust the volume.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 21, 2010 Lazarus Life Retreat

- 9:30 AM Sunday School Plenary
- 10:30 AM Combined Worship Service
- 11:45 AM Lazarus Life Retreat Luncheon
- 4:30 PM Volleyball in CLC

Monday, February 22, 2010

- 9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
- 10:00 AM Circle #4: Price CR
- 6:00 PM Celebrate Recovery: Price
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts: Scout Room
- 7:30 PM Korean Bible Study: Shin's Home

Tuesday, February 23, 2010

- 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 Young Men's Lunch: Lui's
- 12:00 PM JFW Ministries
- 12:00 PM Circle 5 GS Room
- 3:00 PM Girl Scouts: Above Scout Room
- 4:30 PM Girl's Ensemble
- 6:00 PM JFW Ministries
- 7:00 PM Session

Wednesday, February 24, 2010

- Newsletter Crew
- 9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
- 4:30 PM Youth Handbells
- 5:00 PM Adult Handbells
- 5:30 PM Family Supper
- 5:45 PM Hide & Seek 1st-5th
- 5:45 PM Presbyterian Playhouse 2k-5k
- 6:00 PM Youth Small Groups in Fuel Café
- 6:00 PM Catechism Gr. 6
- 6:15 PM Presbyterian Playhouse Gr 1-5
- 6:15 PM Adult Electives
- 6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice
- 7:30 PM Basketball Practice 14 & U, 17 & U

Thursday, February 25, 2010

- 7:15 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Presbyterian Home
- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study GS Room
- 6:00 PM Concert for House of Hope:CLC
- 6:00 PM Cub Scouts: Scout Room

Friday, February 26, 2010

- 9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
- 5:00 PM Basketball Practice 8 & Under

First Presbyterian

FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA

10:30 am

February 21, 2010



Growing UPWARD
worshipping and praising

Growing INWARD
becoming more like Christ

Growing OUTWARD
sharing the good news



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Trumpet Tune in C Major

David Lasky

GREETINGS

INTROIT

Praise the Lord

Traditional Cameroon melody

Ralph M. Johnson

Chancel Choir

Praise the Lord! Praise God's holy name. Alleluia!

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

No. 740

The Lord's Prayer

*HYMN OF PRAISE

No. 59

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

located in pew rack

*THE GLORIA PATRI

No. 734

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.

CHILDREN'S ANTHEMS

Song of Hope

Argentine folk melody

Give Me Oil in My Lamp

Traditional Chorus

Presbyterian Playhouse Choir

Bruce Hubbs, guitar

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dear Lord, help me come out of the tomb. Revive my heart so that I live the resurrection life. Forgive me for believing the lies about myself that are keeping me from experiencing the resurrected life. Help me to see those ways of living that prevent me from living the life that Jesus wants for me. I am prone to wander from You and live only for me. Forgive me. Have mercy on me. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE AND PARDON

ANTHEM

To Love Our God

Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

Where does the wind come from? Where does it go? Blowing north then south, how does it know? The rain flows gently to the sea, yet the sea is never full. How can these things be? How can they be? Humanity works hard to make a name, toiling in the sun, yet nothing gained. All return to dust from whence we came. All is empty, all is vain. To love our God, the reason we live; to love our God, the highest call. Nothing satisfies our soul, gives life meaning, makes us whole. For this purpose we are made, to love our God. The reason that we live is to love our God. Nothing satisfies our soul, gives life meaning, makes us whole. For this purpose we are made, to love our God!

Ecd. 1 & 12 by John Parker

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

No. 47

I Exalt Thee

Peter Sanchez, Jr.

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE, WORK AND WORLD

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Holy God

Brian Doerksen

Praise Team

Chorus

Holy, holy, holy God, Holy, holy, holy God

Verse 1

Creating, Commanding, Transcendent Adonai

Defending love, destroying sin, the Warrior Divine

Verse 2

Forgiving, redeeming from every tribe and tongue

Arising first, the nail scarred Lamb, Salvation's Champion

Verse 3

Romancing, pursuing, reclaiming to restore

Releasing hearts, transforming lives, the Lion's mighty roar

CCLI# 4841975 2006 Integrity's Hosanna! Music Shining Rose Songs (Admin. by Integrity Music, Inc.)

SERMON

Mr. Smith

“Is There Life Before Death? - - Can We Thrive in This Life?”

John 11

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

No. 261

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

HAMBURG

*CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Amen

John Werner

*POSTLUDE

Voluntary in C Major

Gordon Young

*Congregation is invited to stand.

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

This morning's worship is led by

Mr. Stephen W. Smith,

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 to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mary Lou McLean by her husband, Dr. David C. McLean.

Elder Greeters for this morning's service are Alice Caldwell and Ginger Owen.

Usher Volunteers: If you would like to help usher during the worship service in the month of February, please contact Andy McInville at 292-8403.

Stephen W. Smith: This morning we welcome special guest, Stephen Smith, author of *The Lazarus Life*. Stephen is the co-founder of Potter's Inn, a ministry devoted to leaders in the marketplace and ministry. He has written several books and study guides and is a frequent speaker at churches, retreats and conferences. After our combined service, we will enjoy a special lunch in the CLC. Lunch \$7, \$25 Family Max.

The Officer Nominating Committee is in the process of receiving names for those to be considered for the offices of Elder and Deacon. The committee encourages you to participate in this process by recommending individuals to serve in these capacities. There are Nomination Forms at the doors to the sanctuary, in the Fellowship Hall and in the front office hallway. Please have all forms turned in by today, Sunday, **February 21st**.

Wednesday Night Electives: Beginning February 24th:

- * **1 Corinthians Study** continues: Dr. Ken Bailey DVD study.
- * **Women's Study:** If you are interested in attending the 6-week Priscilla Shirer study on Discerning the Voice of God, please contact Dottie Handley at 661-5521 or Handleydv@gmail.com. We need to know who would like to attend and if you would like a workbook. The workbooks are \$11.
- * **Good Grief:** An educational seminar for those dealing with grief. Led by Georgann O'Quinn.

Concert for House of Hope: Thursday, February 25th at 7:00 PM. This is a benefit concert to raise money for the House of Hope, a shelter for homeless men, women and children. This event will feature Todd Norris, the Florence Men's Choral Society and the Borrowed Time Bluegrass Band. Admission is \$15 or \$25 for two. Tickets can be purchased from Rich Thomas, Laura Marechal or Glenn Bell.

Bus Volunteer: Our Transportation Team needs new drivers to assist in transporting residents from the Presbyterian Community to First Presbyterian on Sunday mornings. Would you be willing to drive once a month? If so, please contact the church office or Philip Baugh for more information, 495-3162.

Tabernacle Volunteers: As most of you know, First Presbyterian Church has been involved in recreating a replica of the Tabernacle to be used to travel the East Coast. Our first set up is upon us! The Tabernacle is scheduled to be assembled the week of March 14th with a dedication ceremony planned for Wed., March 17th. It will be open to the public for tours March 18th-20th. Volunteers are needed for set-up, for the dedication ceremony and for the open tour dates. The dedication ceremony especially needs adult and children volunteers. If you are interested in being involved, please contact Joe Koenig: 601-2767, or Mike Porter: 229-9213.

Haiti Relief Bus: We have collected enough money from Haiti Relief to buy a bus, which will serve as both a container to ship goods in and a vital mode of transportation for the school in Bayonnais, where our Mission Team usually travels. We plan to fill the bus with items such as rice, beans, cooking oil, sheets, towels and hygiene kits. Over 65,000 evacuees from Port au Prince have streamed into the area which includes the Bayonnais valley. By purchasing, packing, and shipping a bus laden with provisions, we will be a key player in the relief efforts.