

Messiah: The Chancel Choir will present *Messiah* on Tuesday, March 23rd in the Sanctuary. Please join us for this prelude to Holy Week. "Behold the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sin of the world." John 1:29

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.

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. Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall or 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.

PW Annual Birthday Celebration: Monday, April 26th, 6:30-8:30 PM in the CLC with Guest speaker Rev. Clara Price Geswick. Please bring a salad to share and a friend. More details to come.

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.

Graduates: We would like to recognize both high school and college graduates this year in May. If you have a student graduating, please send their name, school and degree to sjones@florencefirst.org.

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

- ◆ **Chapter Challenge** for February 28th: "Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness." 1 John 3:4
- ◆ **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. Sign up now!
- ◆ **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!
- ◆ **BBQ/Chicken Bog Fundraiser for Nicaragua trip:** Sunday, March 14th after church. More details to come.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 28, 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, March 1, 2010

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

Tuesday, March 2, 2010

- 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast: GS Rm
- 9:30 AM Women's Prayer Group in Parlor
- 9:45 AM Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team
- 10:15 AM Manna House Lunch Crew
- 11:00 AM Presbyterian Women Bible Moderators
- 11:00 AM Young Mothers' Ensemble
- 12:00 PM JFW Ministries
- 12:00 PM Keenager's Luncheon
- 12:00 PM Circle 5 GS Room
- 4:30 PM Girl's Ensemble
- 6:00 PM JFW Ministries

Wednesday, March 3, 2010

- 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, March 4, 2010

- 7:15 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Presbyterian Home
- 9:00 AM Women's Bible Study GS Room
- 6:00 PM Cub Scouts: Scout Room
- 6:30 PM Basketball Practice 12 & Under

Friday, March 5, 2010 World Day of Prayer

- Youth to Lake Wateree
- 9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out

First Presbyterian

FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA

11:00 am

February 28, 2010



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Lamb of God, Pure and Holy Johann Pachelbel

GREETINGS

INTROIT

What Wondrous Love is This Southern Harmony
arr. Wagner
Chancel Handbell Choir
What wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

The Lord's Prayer No. 740

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

I Will Sing of My Redeemer No. 356
HYFRYDOL

***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.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving and forgiving God, we live in a world where the reality of sin at times seems to run rampant and uncontrolled. We find it easy to point to the sins of others, but we hesitate to look deep within at our sin. Forgive us of our hypocrisy when we call You Lord but have no real intentions of following Your will. Forgive us for seeking Your guidance when all we really want is Your blessing on our will. Challenge us to a deeper faith so that we might know the joy of Your presence. We pray today in the name of Christ, our Lord and Savior. 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. We 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**

What Wondrous Love is This No. 257
WONDROUS LOVE

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory
Amazing Grace NEW BRITAIN
MOODY
arr. Dobrinski
Chancel Handbell Choir
Grace, Grace, God's grace.
Grace that is greater than all our sin.

*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

ORGAN INTERLUDE

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE, WORK AND WORLD

SERMON

Dr. Jenkins
"The Choices We Make"
Joshua 24:14-24

***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**

Christ, the Life of All the Living Friedrich Wilhelm Zachow

*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
Mr. Wendell Jones, Elder
Mrs. Ann Rodgers Chandler, Organist and Director of Music

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Chancel Handbell Choir

Curt Boswell	Daniel Hubbs	Lee Nunn
Elizabeth Braswell	Susan Ingram	Lalla Saleeby
Carol Dawson	Margaret Jones	Genia Tyson
Donna Grubb	Kristin Kylie	Mary Lynn van Witzenburg
Margaret Hobson	Karen Porter	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given from the women of the church as a loving memorial for those who died during the year 2009:

Gregg Holt Caldwell	Estelle Bailey Humphries
Diane Clarke	Ida Mae Kelley
James R. Davis	Elizabeth Tyson Norris
Clara Gillespie Everette	James Henry Streett, Jr.
Ruth Gibson Graham	Ola Cook Timmons
Ernest Stewart Gregg	Laura Lowry Trifiletti
Christopher Columbus Hindman, III	William Brooks Tyson, Jr.
Elizabeth Payne Humphries	Betty Rose Wages

A rose has been placed on the chancel this morning in honor of Norah Ashley Lowry, born February 24, 2010, daughter of Kent and Ashley Lowry.

Elder Greeters for this morning's service are Nigel Watt and Charlie Grace.

Usher Volunteers: If you would like to help usher during the worship service in the month of March, please contact Chris Baker at 673-0003.

Wednesday Night Dinner this week is a fund raiser for Lighthouse Ministries with plates of Chicken Bog/BBQ with Cole Slaw and a Roll. If you would like, please donate an additional \$2 to the regular Wednesday night meal price to cover the entire cost of the plate.

Wholeness & Healing Service: March 7th at 5:00 PM in the sanctuary. This special service is an opportunity to gather for healing prayer and Communion. Anyone who would like to come forward for private prayer is invited to receive anointing with oil and the laying on of hands with the pastor and elders. "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Matthew 18:20.

Tabernacle Volunteers: 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, linens and hygiene kits. If you would like to donate items, please pick up a flyer from the Fellowship Hall.

Easter Lilies: Looking forward to the promise and glory of Easter, and wishing to herald the remembrance of our risen Lord with a profusion of lovely lilies and greenery to accompany our worship, we again offer the opportunity to remember and honor loved ones. Your gift of \$10 should be turned into the church office, along with your loved one's name and your name and phone number, no later than **Friday, March 26, 2010.**

In memory/honor of : _____
(circle one)

Given by: _____ Phone: _____

