

**Graduates:** We would like to recognize both high school and college graduates this year on May 16<sup>th</sup>. If you have a student graduating, please send their name, school and degree to [sjones@florencefirst.org](mailto:sjones@florencefirst.org).

**Sermons Online:** Did you know that you can access previous sermons on our website? Sermons are on a Windows Streaming Media server in .WMF format. You can watch at home on your PC with Windows media player or download directly to your computer, ipod or other device so that you can listen on the go. This is a great resource for reviewing a sermon that touched you, catching up on a Sunday you missed or sharing with a friend. Go to our website and under the Education and Growth Menu, choose Sermons or go directly to [www.florencefirst.org/article134500.htm](http://www.florencefirst.org/article134500.htm).

**Christian Life Conference: "Great is God's Faithfulness!" Have you registered?**

- ◆ **July 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> at the Montreat Conference Center.** This popular renewal conference is a ministry of inspirational speakers and seminar teachers; strong youth and children's programs; and a variety of recreational opportunities for the entire family. It nurtures all - young or old, married or single - in their walk of faith. For more information, please visit [www.pfrenewal.org](http://www.pfrenewal.org).
- ◆ **First Presbyterian has reserved housing** at Montreat for approximately \$95 per person (this is in addition to the conference fee) For questions or to reserve your spot, please contact Chris Handley as soon as possible.
- ◆ **We are hosting the Conference** this year and our planning team, led by Martha Chastain and Joe Koenig, has been working hard to make this year a success! If you are interested in helping, please sign up in the Fellowship Hall.

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

- ◆ **Chapter Challenge** for May 2<sup>nd</sup>: "The Lord saw how great man's wickedness on the earth had become, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time." *Genesis 6:5*
- ◆ **Sleeping with the Sharks Service Trip:** Myrtle Beach May 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>.
- ◆ **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Formal Dinner:** May 12<sup>th</sup>, 4:00-5:30 PM.
- ◆ **TOT's Lock In:** May 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM.
- ◆ **Confirmation Banquet:** May 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. Look for your invitation in the mail!
- ◆ **Strawberry Picking:** May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 12:15-4:30 PM.
- ◆ **Confirmation Sunday:** May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 AM Service.
- ◆ **Double Digit Retreat:** June 4<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 PM-5<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 AM: Current 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Graders.
- ◆ **VBS:** June 14<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup>. Sign up in the Fellowship Hall or online at [www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/firstpres](http://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/ez/firstpres).

**Fuel Youth Events:** [www.fuelfortherevolution.com](http://www.fuelfortherevolution.com)

- ◆ **Sunday Shift:** Join us on Sunday mornings from 9:45 AM-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: Wednesday Night:** 6:15-7:30 PM upstairs in the Garage/Lounge. Come join us!
- ◆ **Lock In:** It's time! Arrive @ the church by 10 PM on Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Doors close @ 11 PM & open again @ 7 AM. Cost is \$10.
- ◆ **Graduate Recognition:** Sunday morning, May 16<sup>th</sup> at both services.
- ◆ **"Spaghetti and Music" Fundraiser for Sr. High Mission Trip to Nicaragua:** Sunday evening, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30 PM in the CLC

**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.



**Welcome Our Newest Members**  
who joined our church family April 25, 2010

**Ryon & Lendi Watkins, Landon  
Jennifer Thomas**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, May 2, 2010 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Communion Sunday**

**Manna House Sunday**

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

**Monday, May 3, 2010**

- 9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
- 10:00 AM Circle #4: Price CR
- 12:00 PM Men's Bible Study: Pilgrim Classroom
- 6:00 PM Celebrate Recovery: Price
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts: Scout Room
- 7:30 PM Korean Bible Study: Shin's Home

**Tuesday, May 4, 2010**

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

**Wednesday, May 5, 2010**

- 9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out
- 4:30 PM Youth Handbells
- 5:00 PM Adult Handbells
- 5:30 PM Family Supper
- 6:30 PM Handbell Concert
- 6:30 PM Praise Team Rehearsal
- 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Practice

**Thursday, May 6, 2010 National Day of Prayer**

- 7:15 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Presbyterian Home
- 12:00 PM Florence West Rotary Club: LR Chapel
- 4:00 PM BUS Keenagers to Lake City
- 6:00 PM Cub Scouts: Scout Room

**Friday, May 7, 2010**

- 9:00 AM Mother's Morning Out

**Saturday, May 8, 2010**

- 8:30 PM BUS: Girl Scouts to Myrtle Beach
- 12:00 PM Spring Fling Golf Tournament at Traces

# First Presbyterian

FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA

11:00 am

May 2, 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

Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

ALLES IST AN GOTTES SEGEN  
Johann Löhner, 1645-1705

GREETINGS

INTROIT

Festive Praise

ST. ANNE  
William Croft  
arr. McKechnie

Chancel Handbell Choir  
O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come.  
Our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.  
Isaac Watts

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

The Lord's Prayer

No. 740

\*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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we confess today that we are so self-centered, we at times cannot even recognize our own sins. We are so preoccupied with things of little consequence that we cannot appreciate important matters of the heart. We consume other people instead of loving them. We so often tear down where You call us to build up. Forgive us, Lord, and set us free from our sins, so that we might serve You more freely with gratitude and with joy. 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

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

No. 113  
MARION

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory  
Simple Praise

Chancel Handbell Choir  
Chrissy Welch, flute

Lee Hicks Nunn

\*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

ANTHEM

God Be In My Head

Chancel Choir  
God be in my head and in my understanding,  
God be in mine eyes and in my looking,  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking,  
God be in my heart and in my thinking,  
God be at mine end and at my departing.  
Book of Hours, Sarum, 1514

Andrew Carter

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE, WORK AND WORLD

SERMON

Resurrection Appearances of Jesus part 3  
"Saul's Encounter With God"

Acts 9:1-19

Dr. Jenkins

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation  
Prayer of Consecration  
Words of Institution  
Distribution  
Prayer of Thanksgiving  
(All who have been baptized and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ are invited to participate in this sacrament.)

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE

The Lord's Prayer

No. 740  
MALOTTE

\*CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE

With Singing and Praying

John Horman  
Now let us go and make our way with singing and praying before our God.

\*POSTLUDE

Rejoice

Noel Goemanne

\*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,  
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 Scarlett Shamblin  
Donna Grubb Kristin Kylie Genia Tyson  
Margaret Hobson Karen Porter Mary Lynn van Witzenburg

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Elder Greeters for this morning's service are Alice Caldwell and Mary Caroline Vaught.

Usher Volunteers: If you would like to help usher during the worship service in the month of May, please contact Joe Koenig at 601-2767.

Wholeness & Healing Service: Tonight 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 pastors and elders. "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." Matthew 18:20.

Keenagers Picnic: The May 4th meeting of Keenagers will be a picnic at the Vaught's farm in Timmonsville. If you have not already signed up, please call the church office. It's very important for us to get an accurate rsvp for planning and seating purposes, so please respond. For transportation, meet at 11:00 AM in the church parking lot near the office.

Spring Handbell Concert: May 5th at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary after our last family dinner. A nursery is available. No children's activities. Come enjoy the musical talents of our Chancel Handbell Choir.

A Week In Prayer: Each month, a week is designated for early morning devotion and the public reading of scripture. In May, the sanctuary will be open from 6:00 - 8:00 AM, Monday, May 10th through Friday, May 14th.

Spring Fling Golf Tournament: Ladies and Gentlemen are invited to sign up! Saturday, May 15th at Noon at The Traces. Cost is \$35 and includes lunch, green fee and cart. Captains' Choice: Team captains will draw for teams. Call Jay Reece (618-1802) or Philip Baugh (669-6936) to ask questions.

"Spaghetti and Music" Fundraiser for Nicaragua Youth Mission Trip: Sunday, May 16th, 5:30-7:30pm in the CLC, we will have a spaghetti dinner and entertainment fundraiser to benefit the Sr. High mission trip to Nicaragua! The menu will be spaghetti, bread, salad and dessert (prepared by Steve and Angie Tedder and Donnie Wheeler). Acoustic folk and bluegrass music will be provided by Stacey Severance (guitar), Rocky Phipps (upright bass), and Jeff Springs (mandolin), along with some opening songs from some of our talented FPC youth. There is no admission charge, but please consider making a donation toward the cost of our trip. Childcare is provided. Join us for this fun time of food, music, and fellowship!

Mother's Day is next Sunday, May 9th

◆ Presbyterian Communities' Mother's Day Offering: The first offering was taken on Mother's Day 1958 and its purpose is to help residents who qualify for financial assistance. We appreciate your support for this offering. It is a vital part of the Presbyterian Community ministry and a life-line to many. On behalf of those who receive the benefit of your generosity, we thank you.



◆ Don't forget! To honor your Mother, please wear a RED flower from your garden if you can still speak with her. If your thoughts go upstairs (heaven), please wear a WHITE flower from your garden. This is the day to stop, remember, and pray for that special person in our lives we call Mother.