



First Pres Kids

May 2008

Matthew 19:14 - but Jesus said, "Let the children come to me, and do not hinder them; for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven."

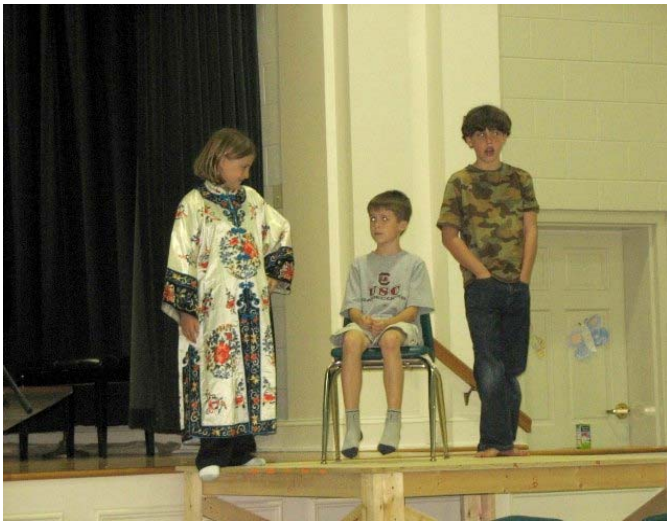
Vacation Bible School: Bubble with Excitement and Fizz with Fun!

Calling all rising 1st thru completed 5th graders: We hope you will join us at Power Lab VBS where we will be discovering Jesus' miraculous power! This year's VBS will bubble with excitement & fizz with fun! Registration & volunteer forms will be available in the fellowship hall and online at www.florencefirst.org beginning May 1st. Adults & youth, we need your help! There are many opportunities for you to serve God and help children at VBS this year. Please prayerfully consider volunteering! Volunteers should plan to attend one of the training meetings below. A nursery and preschool VBS will be available for volunteer's children during VBS (complete a registration form for these children, also). Please contact Jennifer Gard with any questions at jgard@sc.rr.com or 407-7484. Here are some important dates for your calendar:



- May 1st – June 1st: Registration & volunteer forms available
- Wed, May 7th (6:30 – 7:30 pm): Volunteer Training, Lawson-Rain CH
- Sun, June 1st (9:45 – 10:45 am): Volunteer Training, location TBD
- June 16th – June 19th: VBS week!

Rescue in the Night



Margaret Lee, David Porter, and McFaddin Weishuhn practice for the Presbyterian Playhouse production of "Rescue in the Night". The musical is under the direction of Angie Tedder, Ann Rodgers Chandler, and Lynn Porter, is based on the 6th chapter of Daniel, and will be presented on May 14th at 6:30 pm. This production is being dedicated to the memory of Sylvia Price.

Tabernacle Experience

From May 3rd through May 11th, our Church will host the Tabernacle Experience. This program will bring a life-size replicate of the Tabernacle of Moses to FPC. On Sunday, May 14th, our 3K through 5th grade classes will tour the Tabernacle during the Sunday school hour and receive an age appropriate tour of the seven stations of the Tabernacle. Our 6th graders will tour the Tabernacle on May 3rd along with the rest of our youth.



Our preschoolers enjoy an end-of-year party!

Summertime's a 'coming

Our Terrific Tuesdays, Wonderful Wednesdays and Thundering Thursdays Summer programs are in place and ready to go. Thank you to Ruth Watts (Tuesdays), Libby Fuller (Wednesdays), and Kathie Carter (Thursdays) for leading these great programs. A fun time of fellowship, Bible study, and crafts are planned along with several field trips.

On Wednesdays and Thursdays this summer, The Children's Ministry program is going to utilize the *Walk Through the Bible* experience. In order to make this a wonderful journey, we need someone with computer experience that would like to develop timelines and flip charts, someone with artistic skills that would like to paint a map or develop costumes and props, and many someones to help assist the children on their journey. Please contact Kathie Carter 629-8356 if you are interested in helping.

If your child/children will be attending all or part of our summer programs, please call Alice Bankson at the Church office to register your children.

Preschool Classrooms Go Nut Free

Parents, please remember that our Preschool Sunday School Classrooms, as well as our Mother's Morning Out program, are now Nut Free Environments. This means that no food or candy that contains nuts or that has been processed on the same equipment as nuts can be allowed. Thank you for your help in this matter as we strive to make our classrooms safer for all children.

Farewell to Ms. Kelly



On April 2nd, First Presbyterian bid a fond farewell to Kelly Boone after two and a half years of service as our Director of Children Ministries. Kelly was honored with an official resolution from the Session, many hugs and a few tears. We wish Kelly the best of luck with her new job as Director of Christian Education at Bethesda Presbyterian in Camden.

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Our preschool Cherub choir, under the direction of Adele Kassab, practice prior to singing at the 11:00 am service April 20th.

Upcoming May Events

VBS registration begins:

May 1st through June 1st.

Tabernacle Experience:

May 3rd through May 11th.

VBS volunteer training:

Wednesday, May 7th, 6:30 -7:30 pm

Confirmation Banquet:

Thursday, May 8th 5:45 pm

Confirmants join the Church:

Sunday, May 11th 8:30 and 11:00 am

Children's Sub-committee meeting:

Monday, May 12th 5:45 pm

Children's Musical:

Wednesday, May 14th 6:30 pm

Tween's Farewell Retreat:

May 16th – 18th in Montreat, NC.