

**Children**  
**Sundays**

S@10 in the basement from 10:00 – 10:45  
Nursery (ages 0-K2) is open during worship and SS! (Room 119)  
Extended Session (K3 – K5) as marked in the bulletin. (Room 120)  
Children’s Chapel (1st – 5th grade) as marked in bulletin (Chapel)

**Wednesdays**

SHinE – 5:15 – 7:00 for K3 – 5th (nursery for parent participants)

**Youth**  
**Sundays**

Sundays@10 on the 3rd floor from 10:00 – 10:45  
Confirmation Class in room 206 from 10:00 – 10:45  
SNY – 6-8 at the **church. Use the AH door. Scotts providing dinner.**

**Wednesdays**

WEY (Wednesday Evening Youth) from 5:30 – 7:00 – **GOTE (Go Out To Eat)** this week at Mig’s! Meet us at church by 5:45 or meet us Mig’s.

**Mark Your Calendar: Winterjam February 23 (\$15), Ski Trip March 2-3 (\$200)**

**Summer Mission Trip**

Group Missions to Elizabeth City, NC -- July 14 – 20  
10 slots available for youth rising 9th through new grads.  
We will have a waiting list for overflow and will try to get more slots if they come available.  
Registration opens January 15th – pay \$50 (on Realm or to Nan) to reserve your spot.



**Adults**  
**Sundays**

**Kaleidoscope:** Joint January Sundays@10 in Alexander Hall:  
Looking at the Apocrypha with Dr. Brad Christie.

**Wednesdays**

Disciple Bible Study with Pastor Kyle (room 110)  
Women’s Small Group (room 206), Men’s Small Group (room 205)

**Valentine Retreat for Couples**

at Steifle Farm, February 9-10  
Lodging for 4 more couples in the house  
(tent campers and commuters welcome)!  
Register by paying \$25 per person on Realm or to Nan in the office.  
Registration opens January 15.



**First Pres Ski Trip**  
**March 2-3**

Sugar Mountain Twilight Ski on Saturday  
Overnight at Holsten Camp and Retreat Center  
Price\* for our youth: \$200; Price for non-youth \$300  
Pay \$50 online or to Nan to reserve your spot.  
\*4 meals, lodging, ski rentals, and ski tix included in cost.

**Sunday, January 28**

9:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Chapel)  
9:45 a.m. - Shine Chimes  
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:00 a.m.- Kaleidoscope (AH)  
10:00 a.m. - Confirmation Class (Room 206)  
11:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanc)  
4:30 p.m. - Chancel Bells  
5:30 p.m. - Session (HR)  
6:00 p.m. - Youth (AH)

**Monday, January 29**

4:30 p.m. - Committed Prayers (Chapel)  
4:30 p.m. - PGS (Sanc)  
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (HR)  
6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts (Base)  
6:30 p.m. - Girl Scouts (YR)

**Tuesday, January 30**

9:15 a.m. - Staff Mtg  
5:15 p.m. - Stephen Ministry Class (Conf Rm)  
6:00 p.m. - Perspectives (AH)  
7:00 p.m. - Chorale (Sanc)

**Wednesday, January 31**

7:00 a.m. - Men’s Bible Study (AH)  
11:00 a.m. - Disciple (HR)  
5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Dinner (AH)

6:00 p.m. - SHinE (Base)  
5:45 p.m. - Youth (GOTE)  
6:00 p.m. - Small Groups (FISH/ Conf. Rm)

6:00 p.m. - Disciple (HR)  
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir

**Thursday, February 1**

10:00 a.m. - Emerald Bells

**Friday, February 2**

**Saturday, February 3**

3:00 p.m. - Museum Sponsored Concert (Sanc)

**Lenten Devotional**  
Devotions and artwork being accepted for the Lenten devotional until February 1st.

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in gratitude of Dr. Kyle Hite and his 10 years of ministry at First Presbyterian Church.

**Congratulations to** Billy & Louise Sligh on the birth of their grandson, Everett James Sligh, born January 25, 2024. Parents are William & Lauren Sligh of Burns, TN.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP**  
**JANUARY 31ST**

**Adult Menu:** Chicken stew, corn pudding, seasonal fruit

5:30 Dinner in AH

6:00 Programming

(\$5/children, \$10/youth & adults)

Come join your church family for fellowship!  
**You must make a reservation** before each Monday at noon for that

Wednesday.

Check your *Spire* for details.  
We have a QR code available  
Wednesday evenings if you would like to pay for dinner online.



**Circle #4 Souper Bowl Sale**

Circle 4 is busy planning & cooking all kinds of delectable soups, snacks, dips & frozen casseroles for their Souper Bowl Sale for Sat., Feb.10th, from 10:00-12:00 in Alexander Hall. The February Spire will list offerings & how to pre-order. Make plans to come pick up some delicious food & bring cash or checks for purchases. All proceeds will be used for missions.

Nominations for **Presbyterian Women Honorary Life Member** begin the first of January and will be accepted until Feb. 16, 2024. Nominations are to be submitted in writing, placed in a sealed envelope and noted on the outside “Honorary Life Member Nomination.” The envelope should be placed in the designated envelope on the PW shelf in the church office. Any member you believe deserves recognition for their faithful and distinguished service in any area of the church may be nominated and nominations may be made by any member of the church. The honoree will be announced on Women’s Sunday on April 28, 2024. Nomination forms can be picked up in the church office.

**January 28, 2024**  
**9:00 am and 11:00 am**

**Welcome to First Presbyterian Church**

If you are visiting with us, please know that we consider you to be our honored guest. Any of our staff members will be happy to assist you in any way possible. First Pres. is a church dedicated to making a positive difference in our community and world by fulfilling our call to Worship, Serve, Educate, Evangelize, and Fellowship. We offer a wide range of programs and ministries for all ages. Several times a year a New Members Class is offered for those considering membership at First Pres. You may talk with one of the staff members about this after the service. Please plan to worship with us again - you are always welcome.

*Senior Pastor -- The Rev. Dr. Kyle D. Hite*  
*Director of Christian Education -- Elise Collins*  
*Director of Music Ministries -- Steve Skinner*  
*Interim Youth Leaders -- Meg Stevens & Brian Pinson*  
*Parish Associate -- The Rev. Dr. Brad Christie*  
*Theologian in Residence -- The Rev. Dr. Cliff Cain*  
*Music Associate/Organist -- Tim Walters*  
*Noah’s Ark Director -- Lauren Trantham*

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GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND GREETING

Leader: God is good  
People: all the time.  
Leader: All the time  
People: God is good.

(Please sign and pass the Member/Guest Registry. If you are a guest, your name, address, phone number, and e-mail address will be most helpful.)

PRELUDE (11:00)  
Hymn #137

“He Came Down”  
Chancel Choir

HE CAME DOWN

ADORATION

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: From where will our help come?  
People: Our help comes from the Lord,  
who made heaven and earth.  
Leader: Who is our keeper?  
People: The Lord is our keeper,  
by day and by night.  
Leader: How long will God protect us?  
People: God will keep our going out and our coming in  
from this time on and forevermore.

\*OPENING HYMN #182

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

KINGSFOLD

CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,  
we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace.  
You call us to trust in you completely, but we do not.  
We are timid and fearful as we follow your lead.  
We justify our actions and words,  
though we know they are not what you require.  
We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers,  
preferring old habits to risky change.  
Forgive us, we pray.  
Help us to be born again into the life of Christ,  
trusting that you have included us by grace in the family of faith.  
In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Minister: Friends in Christ, we are forgiven.  
People: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE HYMN #634

“To God be the Glory”  
Stanza 1

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

GIVING of TITHES and OFFERINGS

Call to Offering

Offertory (9:00)

(11:00)

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

TIME WITH CHILDREN (11:00)

Children may choose to exit at this time:  
K3-K5 -- Room 120; 1st-5th grades -- Children’s Chapel

Rev. Christie

SCRIPTURE READING

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.  
People: Thanks be to God!

Musical Meditation

SERMON

“10:26”

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever.  
Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN \*\* #443

“There Is a Redeemer”

GREEN

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

AIDS FOR WORSHIP - Large print hymnals and wireless hearing devices (instructions are in the pew racks) are available in the narthex.

\*Congregation stands

\*\*Late comers may be seated