

**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)
Children’s Chimes (3rd-5th) 10:00-10:30 (Bells Room)

**No SHinE during Intersession.
See you Wednesday, Oct 16th**

Youth

Sunday, September 29th – **Sunday School** in the youth room from 10:00 – 10:45

Friday, October 4th – **Humane Society** of Greenwood from 12:00 – 2:00.
Drop off and pick up at the humane society. A waiver is required to volunteer.
Waivers can be picked up at the front desk or printed from the Realm event.

**Adults
Sundays@10**

Sojourners in room 110 – Kyle Idleman’s *When Your Way Isn’t Working*
FISH – room 205 – Brant Hanson’s *Unoffendable*
Young Adults Class (up to age 40) in Room 206. Discussing scripture
that can help us navigate our daily lives.

Young Adults Dinner on Thursday, October 3rd from 6:00 - 7:00 in Alexander Hall.
RSVP on Realm by noon on Monday, September 30th. Come join us for subs and
snacks!

Mantreat 2024

October 25-27
In beautiful Montreat
Fliers available in the lobby.
Mark your calendars!
Register today!



VBS Volunteer Question!

June 8-12, 2025
If you are willing to volunteer for VBS, do you have a preference
between morning and evening?
Please contact Elise, Michelle Barksdale or Janice May

Sunday, September 29

9:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanc)
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:40 a.m. - Info. Mtg -Family Life
Ctr. (Sanc)
11:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanc)
4:00 p.m. - Fifth Sunday Program
(Hodges PC)
4:15 p.m. - Chancel Bells

Monday, September 30

4:30 p.m. - PGS (Sanc)
4:30 p.m. - Committed Prayers
(Chapel)
6:00 p.m. - Chorale Board (BR)
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (AH)

Tuesday, October 1

9:15 a.m. - Staff
10:30 a.m. - Circle #1 (WC)
10:30 a.m. - Circle #7 (Janice May)
11:30 a.m. - Circle #8 (BR)
4:00 p.m. - Family Bible Study (BR)
5:30 p.m. - MOC Board (HR)
7:00 p.m. - Chorale (Sanc)

Wednesday, October 2

7:00 a.m. - Men’s Bible Study (Conf.
Rm)
10:30 a.m. - BEMA Bible Study (HR)
5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Dinner
(AH)
6:00 p.m. - Pastor’s Bible Study (HR)
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 3

10:00 a.m. - Emerald Bells
6:00 p.m. - Young Adults Dinner
(AH)

Friday, October 4

9:30 a.m. - Prayer Shawl Ministry
(Lib)
12:00 noon - Youth (Humane Society)

Saturday, October 5

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS in the sanctuary are
given by John & Ferol Stroud to the glory of God
and in loving memory of Mrs. & Mrs. Richard K.
Teed, Carl Holloway Stroud, and J. S. Stroud.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

OCTOBER 2ND

5:30 Dinner in AH; 6:00 Programming
(\$5/children, \$10/youth & adults)
Menu: Country fried steak, sweet potatoes,
corn casserole, cornbread
Adult Programming: Women (206), Men (205),
Pastor’s Bible Study (110)
Please RSVP by noon Monday. You can do this
by signing up on the sheet in the front lobby, con-
tacting the office, or using the yellow pew cards.

If you wish to be on the permanent list this year,
please contact the office, write your name on the
list in the front lobby, or fill out one of the yellow
cards in the pew racks.

CONGRATULATIONS SPELLERS!

Our FPC spelling team (Brad Christie,
Betsy Collins, Tamara McLeod,
and Hood Souter) won 1st Place.
Thank you, PW circles, Sunday School classes
and individuals who contributed so generously
to this important cause! All proceeds from the
Adult Spelling Bee support Healthy Learners
programs and services locally.

**September 29, 2024
11:00 am**

Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

Visitors, we consider you to be our honored
guest. Our staff members are happy to as-
sist 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, Edu-
cate, Evangelize, and Fellowship. -We offer
a wide range of programs and ministries for
all ages. Several times a year a New Mem-
bers 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
Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries -- Jade Green
Parish Associate -- The Rev. Dr. Brad Christie
Theologian in Residence -- The Rev. Dr. Cliff Cain
Music Associate/Organist -- Tim Walters
Music Associate/Guitarist -- Stephan Botchie
Noah’s Ark Director -- Lauren Trantham

First Presbyterian Church

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Office hours: M-Th: 8:00 - 4:00 and Fri: 8:00 - 12:00

Fall Fest

Mark your calendars for our annual Fall Fest
October 30 from 5:30 – 7:00

We need volunteers & trunks and donations of candy and baked goods.

Also, we want to offer a hamburger/hot dog meal free to attendees.
If you would like to help support this endeavor, we would appreciate it.
Contact Michelle Barksdale or Janice May.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND GREETING

Leader: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it;
People: the world, and those who live in it.

Rev. Hite
Ps. 24:1

(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

“To God be the Glory” arr. Gene Roberson
Tim Walters, Steve Skinner; pianos
Silas Schiera, cello

ADORATION

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Jade Green

Leader: “In the beginning...the earth was without form and void...
and God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light.”

People: **And God saw everything that had been made,
and “behold, it was good.”**

Leader: “In the beginning...the Word was with God,
and the Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
full of grace and truth.”

People: **“Behold, the lamb of God,
who takes away the sin of the world!”**

Leader: In Jesus’ departing words,
he instructed the disciples to “make disciples of all nations.”

People: **“And they devoted themselves
to the apostles’ teaching and fellowship.”**

Leader: Like those disciples gathered in the Upper Room,
we have come here today,
O God, to experience your living presence.

People: **Speak your word, O Lord,
as you spoke your word in the beginning,
that we shall be your witnesses to the end of the earth,
in our work and our worship.**

*OPENING HYMN** #702 “Christ Be Beside Me”

BUNESSAN

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

John Reynolds Souter

John is the son of Hood and Caroline Souter.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(The Apostles’ Creed--On Screens)*

CONFESSION

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev Hite

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and Loving God, we come before You in humility, confessing our shortcomings and seeking Your mercy. You have called us to go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey all that You have commanded us. Yet, we confess that we have not always heeded Your call. We have been hesitant to share the Good News, fearful of rejection, and comfortable in our routines. We have neglected the mission to spread Your love and truth, failing to be the witnesses You have empowered us to be. Renew in us a passion for Your Great Commission. Fill us with Your Spirit, that we may boldly proclaim Your name and live out Your teachings in our daily lives.

SILENT CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF PARDON

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

RESPONSE Hymn #526 “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” LINSTeAD
Stanzas 1, 3

GIVING of TITHES and OFFERINGS

Call to Offering

Rev. Hite

Offertory “To God be the Glory”

Vicki Hancock Wright

*Doxology (On Screens)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Dedication of the Offering

As we have received, so now we give.
As Jesus has shown us, so now we do unto others,
as God has so graciously done for us.
Thanks be to God!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray to the Lord: Lord, hear our prayer.

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Cindy Leary

Children may choose to exit at this time:

K3-K5 -- Room 120; 1st-5th grades -- Children’s Chapel

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28:18-20

Rev. Hite

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

Musical Meditation

SERMON

“Breaking News We Have to Share”

*CLOSING HYMN (On Screens) “Jesus Saves!”

JESUS SAVES

*BENEDICTION *(please remain for the Choral Benediction)*

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*(At the conclusion of the service, please share the peace with another.
Be sure to greet those who are unfamiliar to you or those you have not seen in a while.)*

*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