

**CHILDREN's Opportunities**

**Sundays**

**Infants-K2**  
Nursery room 119 (8:45-12:15)  
**with Dawsey, Bess, Payton, & Ella**

**10:00**  
K3 – 5TH  
Sundays@10 from 10 – 10:45  
(Root Cellar)  
**3/16 with Mrs. Amanda**  
**3/23 with Ms. Michelle**  
**3/30 with Mrs. Elise**

**11:00**  
K3-K5 are welcome in worship or may participate in extended session in room 120 if they like.  
  
1st – 5th grade in worship until the sermon during which they may choose to adjourn to Children's Chapel and return following the sermon.  
**3/16 with Mr. Luke**  
**3/23 with Mrs. Merrie & Olivia**  
**3/30 with Mrs. Sarah**

**This week**

No SHinE due to intersession.

Enjoy the break and we can't wait to see you back in April!

**Summer Intern Applicants**

Do you know a college student who would like to intern with our children over the summer? We're taking applications. Contact Elise.

**YOUTH**

Sunday, March 16th – **Sunday School and Confirmation Class** from 10:00-10:45 in the youth room.

**Middle School Summer Experience at Presbyterian College**

July 21st - July 23rd

Youth will engage in morning worship, impactful service, and meaningful faith formation opportunities. We will stay in dorms and have meals in the campus dining hall. RSVP by Monday, March 31st.

**2025 Lenten Services and Lunch Schedule**

During Lent, area churches invite the community to worship and have lunch together every Wednesday. Lunch is served twice with a worship service in between seatings. Meals will be served at 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. Lenten Pilgrimage worship will be from 12:35 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The schedule for the 2025 Lenten Pilgrimage series is shown below.

Date	Host
March 19	Greenwood First ARP Church
March 26	South Main Baptist Church
April 2	Main Street United Methodist Church
April 9	First Presbyterian Church
April 16	Morris Chapel Baptist Church

\$2 donation to cover the cost of the meal. A love offering will be accepted at each service to benefit Greater Greenwood United Ministries.

**Sunday, March 16**

9:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanc)  
10:00 a.m. - Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. - Confirmation Class (YR)  
11:00 a.m. - Worship Service (Sanc)  
12:00 noon - Women's Intreat (AH)  
4:00 p.m. - Festiva (Sanc)  
4:15 p.m. - Chancel Bells  
5:30 p.m. - Diaconate (HR)

**Monday, March 17**

4:30 p.m. - PGS (Sanc)  
5:00 p.m. - Admin Comm. (BR)  
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (HR)  
6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts (AH)  
6:30 p.m. - Girl Scouts (YR)

**Tuesday, March 18**

9:15 a.m. - Staff Mtg  
4:00 p.m. - Family Bible Study (BR)  
5:30 p.m. - Nominating Comm. (BR)  
7:00 p.m. - Chorale (Sanc)

**Wednesday, March 19**

7:00 a.m. - Mens Bible Study (Conf Rm)  
10:30 a.m. - BEMA Bible Study (HR)  
12:00 noon - Lenten Service & Lunch (Greenwood ARP)

5:30 p.m. - Wednesday Night Fellowship (AH)  
6:00 p.m. - Adult Small Groups (HR/FISH/Conf Rm)  
7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir

**Thursday, March 20**

10:00 a.m. - Emerald Bells  
10:30 a.m. - Listening for God (BR)  
11:00 a.m. - K-Group (WC)  
6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (HR)

**Friday, March 21**

**Saturday, March 22**



**THIS AFTERNOON**  
at 4:00 pm  
**Greenwood Festival**  
**Chorale**  
*"Not All Who Wander  
Are Lost"*

**THE CHANCEL FLOWERS** in the sanctuary are given by Mr. & Mrs. David Hyde to the glory of God and in loving memory of their son, Bryan Jeffery Hyde.

**Wednesday Night Fellowship**

March 19th:

5:30 dinner (Country Fried Steak, mashed potatoes & gravy, black-eyed peas)  
6:00 programming for all ages (nursery available)  
(\$5/children, \$10/youth & adults)  
Please RSVP by Monday at noon.  
Check your Spire for details.

On Sunday, April 13, 2025, the Youth will hold its bi-annual **AUCTION AND DINNER FUNDRAISER** in Alexander Hall from 6 - 8 pm. The purpose of this event is to raise funds for our mission trip to West Virginia in July, as well as for many other youth trips and activities.

Your financial donations are tax deductible and you can support our Youth in many ways:  
1.) **Become a Table Sponsor of the dinner!** For just \$125, get your Name or Company Logo placed on a Table of 10 guests and the opportunity to set out your business cards, pamphlets, and merchandise on the table!  
2.) **Donate to the Live Auction!** This would include our larger valued items, such as vacation homes. 3.) **Donate to the Silent Auction!** This would include gift baskets, gift cards, themed dinners, miscellaneous services, new or like new items, collectibles, etc. for purchase at silent auction through bids.  
4.) Not tax deductible but equally important is to **attend the Dinner and buy something at the auction.** Please email Jade Green at youth@firstgreenwood.com to support our youth!

Mark your calendars early!

**Camp Fellowship Worship & Picnic** will be May 18th!

Festivities already being planned – got ideas? Contact Elise or anyone on CE.

**Second Sunday of Lent**

**March 16, 2025**

**11:00 am**



*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*

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**GATHERING MUSIC**

**GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Hite

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

*Ps. 118:24*

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*(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**

“My Song is Love Unknown”

LOVE UNKNOWN

**LENTEN WREATH** *(Psalm 38:1, 15, 21-22)*

T, Catherine, & Hannah Carter

Leader: Lord, do not rebuke me in your anger or discipline me in your wrath.

People: <sup>15</sup> Lord, I wait for you; you will answer, Lord my God.

Leader: <sup>21</sup> Lord, do not forsake me; do not be far from me, my God.

People: <sup>22</sup> Come quickly to help me, my Lord and my Savior.

Leader: Today, we extinguish 3 purple candles.

**\*OPENING HYMN\*\* #265**

“Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun”

DUKE STREET

**CONFESSION**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

<sup>9</sup> All my longings lie open before you, Lord; my sighing is not hidden from you.

<sup>10</sup> My heart pounds, my strength fails me; even the light has gone from my eyes.

<sup>15</sup> Lord, I wait for you; you will answer, Lord my God. <sup>16</sup> For I said, “Do not let them gloat or exalt themselves over me when my feet slip.” <sup>17</sup> For I am about to fall, and my pain is ever with me.

<sup>18</sup> I confess my iniquity; I am troubled by my sin. <sup>21</sup> Lord, do not forsake me; do not be far from me, my God. <sup>22</sup> Come quickly to help me, my Lord and my Savior.

**SILENT CONFESSION**

**DECLARATION OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends in Christ, we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

**RESPONSE #469** “Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying”

CHILDREN PRAYING

**GIVING of TITHES and OFFERINGS**

**Call to Offering**

**Offertory**

“Take it to the Lord in Prayer”

Joel Raney

*David Homes, Bass*

**\*Doxology** (On Screens)

TALLIS’ CANON

**\*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!

**TIME WITH CHILDREN**

Rebecca Wise

*Children may choose to exit at this time:*

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

**PROCLAMATION**

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Colossians 4:2-6

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

**Musical Meditation**

**SERMON**

“Pray for Open Doors”

Rev. Hite

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(The Apostles’ Creed)*

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried:  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost;  
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

**\*CLOSING HYMN #735**

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

NEED

**\*BENEDICTION** *(please remain for the Sung Benediction)*

Rev. Hite

Minister: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

**\*SUNG BENEDICTION** (On Screens)

“We Are Yours”

GLICK

*(At the conclusion of the service, please share the peace with one 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