

Sundays@9:30

Join one of the following:

Sojourners - Room 110, led by Lelion Elledge, Jukie Leary, Philip Bell, Bob Roddey, and others in the Henry Reynolds room across from the library. Coffee available.

FISH (Fellowship In Service to Him) – Room 205, led by David Gardner, Christopher Collins, Hood Souter, and others. Coffee available.

Youth – 3rd floor LOFT – 6th – 12th graders with adult volunteers facilitating. Goodies available.

Children (Basement Root Cellar) – K4 – 5th graders welcome in the basement area for a digital study and play. Adult volunteers welcome! Goodies available.

Nursery (Room 120) – infant – K3 in near the playground door.

YOUTH

Sunday Mornings @ 9:30 in the LOFT

with some of our favorite people – Dale Culbertson, the Sanders, the Penneys, and Mrs. Elise! We’re doing Hyfi digital curriculum. Goodies and coffee available!

Sunday Evening Youth at 5:30 in the LOFT

Bible Study with Mrs. Elise and Dawsey
Snacks/dinner and small groups. Fun activities as well!

Wednesday Evening Youth at 5:30 in AH/LOFT

5:30 dinner with Mallory GOTE at Migs. Bring \$\$.

How do you communicate with friends who think differently?

We’ll talk less about what divides us and reach instead for common ground.

This will be a 6-session opportunity.

Time to be decided by those who can participate.

Contact Elise Collins

Women’s Retreat Coming Up! Register today!

Our annual women’s retreat is coming up in January.

Registrations are open in Realm.

Use this QR code or contact Elise to register.

January 22-24 The Kanuga Conference Center, Hendersonville NC.

We can’t wait to learn more about the Holy Spirit
and to enjoy old and new friends!



Save the Dates:

Veterans Recognition - November 8, 2026

Stewardship Sunday & Congregational Meeting - November 15, 2026

Hanging of the Greens - November 29, 2026

Text to make your contribution!

Your can text FIRSTPRESGWD to 73256 and follow the prompts
to make your contributions or other payments.

Sunday, November 1

9:30 a.m. - New Members Class (BR)

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. - Worship Service

11:40 a.m. - Chancel Bells

5:30 p.m. - Youth

Monday, November 2

10:15 a.m. - Emerald Bells

11:00 a.m. - Circle #4

4:30 p.m. - PGS (Lobby/Sanc)

6:00 p.m. - Girl Scouts (YR)

6:30 p.m. - Boy Scouts (HR)

6:30 p.m. - Cub Scouts (Base.)

7:00 p.m. - Circle #6 (BR)

Tuesday, November 3

Elections (AH)

10:00 a.m. - Staff mtg.

10:30 a.m. - Circle #1 (WC)

10:30 a.m. - Circle #7 (Anna Welborn)

4:00 p.m. - Family Bible Study (BR)

6:00 p.m. - CLCC (BR)

7:00 p.m. - Chorale (Sanc)

Wednesday, November 4

7:00 a.m. - Men’s Bible Study (Conf Rm)

10:30 a.m. - BEMA Bible Study (Conf Rm)

5:30 p.m. - WNF (AH)

6:00 p.m. - SHinE (Base)

6:00 p.m. - Youth GOTE (Migs)

6:00 p.m. - Adults (AH)

7:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, November 5

Friday, November 6

Saturday, November 7

9:30 a.m. - 7th Day Adventist (HR/ Base/YR)

1:00 p.m. - Celebration of Life Service for George & Pat Wilson with Reception (Sanc/AH)

5:00 p.m. - 7th Day Adventist (HR/ Base/YR)

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS in the sanctuary are given by Thurmond and Lucia Bishop to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for His many blessings.

**Celebration of Life Service
for George and Pat Wilson**

We will hold a Celebration of Life service for George and Pat Wilson on Saturday, November 7th at 1:00 in our sanctuary. A reception will be held in Alexander Hall at the conclusion of the service.

Wednesday Night Fellowship & Dinner

November 4th:

5:30 Menu: Pork loin, roasted potatoes,
lima beans

SHinE menu: Taco night

6:00 Adult programming: David Sullivan with
Set Free Alliance

Thank you to everyone who helped make

Fall Fest such a fun time!

A huge thank you to Michelle Barksdale for coordinating the event, our kitchen crew for providing dinner, and the men of the church for cooking the burgers & dogs.

Thank you to everyone who hosted a trunk
and/or donated goodies!
Way to go, First family!!!

Congregational Meeting

On November 15 at the conclusion of the service, we will hold a Congregational Meeting to receive a progress report from the Community Life Center Committee. Check the November Spire for more information.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

If you have a special picture from Christmas or December to share in our Advent Devo, please send it to dce@firstgreenwood.com
Submission deadline is November 11th.

Poinsettias

Poinsettia order forms are available in the front lobby.
Deadline to order is November 16th and cost is \$23 each.
Please attach payment to order form.

***All Saints Day
November 1, 2026
10:30 am***



*Interim Pastor -- The Rev. Dr. Brad Christie
Theologian in Residence -- The Rev. Dr. Cliff Cain
Director of Christian Education -- Elise Collins
Director of Music Ministries -- Steve Skinner
Director of Children’s Music -- Sarah Bowen
Music Associate/Organist -- Tim Walters
Noah’s Ark Director -- Lauren Trantham*

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GATHERING MUSIC

GREETING and ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Brad Christie
Leader: O magnify the LORD with me, Ps. 34:3
and let us exalt God’s name together!
People: Gathered in the presence of all the saints,
we come to worship the God of our salvation.

(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 “O How Glorious” Stopford
...is the Kingdom where-in all the Saints rejoice with Christ.
The Remembrance Banner which is part of the service today was designed and created by Carolyn Rogers and Ruth Holsberg. On it are bells for and names of loved ones who have gone before us. The purple ribbon denotes our First Presbyterian saints who have passed in the last year. Special thank you to Joanne Clark and Libby Bell for placing the names and bells on the Banner.

ADORATION
*CALL TO WORSHIP [Psalm 34:8] John Eichelberger
Leader: O taste and see that the LORD is good;
happy are those who take refuge in God.
People: With hearts and hands and voices,
let us praise the LORD!

*OPENING HYMN** #463 “How Firm a Foundation” FOUNDATION

CONFESSIO
CALL TO CONFESSION Cindy Leary

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Gracious God, you call us your own children and cover us with your love. We would seek to be merciful as you are, and to show compassion as you do, but we fail to live the life to which we have been called. Too often, where we ought to forgive, we condemn; the evil we should shun, we embrace. Forgive our sinful ways, we pray; tame our wayward wills, and make us more like Christ, until we are raised in perfection on the last day.

SILENT CONFESSION

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

*HYMN #725 “O Jesus, I Have Promised” NYLAND

GIVING of TITHES and OFFERINGS
Call to Offering Lou Noel
Offertory “Jordan” William Billings
There is a land of pure delight Oh! could we make our doubts remove,
Where saints immortal reign; These gloomy doubts that rise,
Infinite day excludes the night, And see the Canaan that we love
And pleasures banish pain. With unclouded eyes:

There everlasting spring abides, Could we but climb where Moses stood,
And never with'ring flowers; And view the landscape o'er,
Death like a narrow sea divides Not Jordan's stream, nor Death's cold flood
This heav'nly land from ours. Should fright us from the shore.

*Doxology (On Screens) OLD HUNDREDTH
*Prayer of Dedication Lou Noel
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!

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

PROCLAMATION
SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 5:1-12 Rev. Brad Christie
Revelation 7:9-17
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

HOMILY “The Communion of Saints”

RECOGNITION OF SAINTS (See insert)
Joyce Brown, bell ringer; Jack Jennings and Connie Carstens, candle lighters

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER
THE INVITATION Rev. Christie

GREAT THANKSGIVING
Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Minister: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Minister: It is truly right to glorify you...
...we sing a hymn to your glory:
All (# 559): Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION
Minister: The gifts of God, for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF ELEMENTS (Gluten free)
You may partake of the elements and dispose of the cups in the basket before returning to your seat. Or, you may take the bread and cup back to your seat and partake of the elements together.

MUSIC AT COMMUNION “Dona Nobis Pacem” (Lord grant us peace)
Chancel Bells arr. Dale Jergenson

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*CLOSING HYMN #321 “The Church’s One Foundation” AURELIA
(verses 1, 2, 5)

*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