

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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The First Word

WORSHIP
WITH US

"Strive first for the kingdom of God." Matthew 6:33

First Presbyterian Church, Anderson, SC

May 1 - 31, 2019 Volume LVIII, Issue 09



Congregational Meeting
Sunday, May 5
After the 10:30 worship
in the sanctuary.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS SUNDAY, MAY 5th thru SEPTEMBER 1st

Sunday School at 9:30am

Adult Classes remain in their regular classes in May

One Worship Service at 10:30am in the Sanctuary

Memorial Day Worship and Cookout Sunday, May 26 @ 10:30am

We will have worship in the Family Life Center. Salem Presbyterian will be joining us. After worship we will enjoy lunch together. Main dish (burgers & hot dogs), drinks & desserts will be provided. Please bring a side to share (please bring serving utensil.)

All are welcome to join us!

We will also have a Blood Drive on May 26—
8:30am—12:30pm. The Blood Connection will be here
in our parking lot. Please give if you are able.
Contact Sandra Altman for more information.



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S BIRTHDAY BRUNCH

Sunday, May 5 at 9:30am in the Kirk

All women of the church are encouraged to join us for our annual birthday brunch! We will recognize and honor FPC women for their contributions to our church and community.

Our guest speaker is Mrs. Kipra Anderson, Founder and Executive Director of Let There Be Mom, a non profit that serves families with a terminal diagnosis here in the upstate.



Annual Swing for Mission GOLF TOURNAMENT on Sunday, May 19th

We are still accepting players, teams & sponsors for the big event. All funds raised go to support our youth mission trips. More details inside newsletter.



May 5
10:30am in the Sanctuary
Communion

Scripture: Acts 10:1-17, 34-48

Dennis Tedder preaching:
"Table Leaves"

Announcer: David Burriss

Extended Session:

2's & 3's - Room 102

Tim & Ellen Martin

4's & 5's - Room 101

Bee & Carlisle Baker

May 12

10:30am in the Sanctuary

Scripture: Acts 14:8-18

Dennis Tedder preaching:
"Worthless Worship"

Announcer: Steve Hanvey

Extended Session:

2's & 3's - Room 102

Jordan & Katie Laney

4's & 5's - Room 101

Wes & Caroline Edwards

May 19

10:30am in the Sanctuary

Scripture: Romans 1:1-17

Dennis Tedder preaching:
"Unashamed of the Unlimited Power"

Announcer: Gary Akens

Extended Session:

2's & 3's - Room 102

Philip & Nancy Keller

4's & 5's - Room 101

Linden & Catherine Ryan

May 26

10:30am in the Family Life Center

Scripture: Romans 5:8

Dennis Tedder preaching:
"The Proof"

Announcer: Sandi Tolly

Extended Session:

2's & 3's - Room 102

John & Jaci Hillers

4's & 5's - Room 101

Jennifer Stewart

ALL DATES/EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Wednesday, May 1
9:15 a.m. Supported Yoga - Rm 124
12:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - FLC
3:30 p.m. Middle School pick-up
6:15 p.m. Zumba - FLC
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 2
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC

Friday, May 3
Men's Huddle @ Mama Penn's

Saturday, May 4
No scheduled events

Sunday, May 5
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. PW Brunch - Kirk
10:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
11:35 a.m. Congregational Meeting
11:45 a.m. Cemetery Tour
5:00 p.m. First @ First - Kirk

Monday, May 6
8:15 a.m. Young Mom's Bible Study @
The Bagel Shop
1:00 p.m. Seekers Bible Study - Rm 212
5:55 p.m. Yoga - FLC

Tuesday, May 7
9:00 a.m. Dayschool Chapel
9:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. VBS Prep - Kirk
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC
2:00 p.m. Staff meeting - Library
3:00 p.m. WOW Bible Study - Rm 212

Wednesday, May 8
9:15 a.m. Supported Yoga - Rm 124
12:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - FLC
3:30 p.m. Middle School pick-up
6:15 p.m. Zumba - FLC
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 9
9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Rm 110
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC

Friday, May 10
3:00 p.m. Book Club - Parlor

Saturday, May 11
Girl Scouts - McDougald Rm

Sunday, May 12
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary

Monday, May 13
8:15 a.m. Young Mom's Bible Study @
Bagel Shop
1:00 p.m. Seekers Bible Study - Rm 212
5:55 p.m. Yoga - FLC
6:00 p.m. Joint Officers Meeting - Kirk

Tuesday, May 14
9:00 a.m. Dayschool Chapel
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC
2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting - Library
3:00 p.m. WOW Bible Study - Rm 212

Wednesday, May 15
9:15 a.m. Supported Yoga - Rm 124
12:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - FLC
1:00 p.m. SC Respite Coalition - Parlor
3:30 p.m. Middle School pick-up
6:15 p.m. Zumba - FLC
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 16
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC
10:00 a.m. Alzheimer's Support Group
in Parlor
10:00 a.m. Private Event - Kirk

Friday, May 17
6:00 p.m. Men's Huddle @ Mama Penn's
Cleveland/Thompson Rehearsal

Saturday, May 18
9:00 a.m. Private Event - Kirk
6:00 p.m. Cleveland/Thompson Wedding

Sunday, May 19
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship - Sanctuary
1:30 p.m. Golf Tournament - Boscobel

Monday, May 20
8:15 a.m. Young Mom's Bible Study @
The Bagel Shop
1:00 p.m. Seekers Bible Study - Rm 212
5:55 p.m. Yoga - FLC
6:00 p.m. Scouts Pack 41 - Kirk

Tuesday, May 21
9:00 a.m. Dayschool Chapel
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC
2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting - Library
3:00 p.m. WOW Bible Study - Rm 212
4:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - Kirk
6:00 p.m. Mission Ministry - Parlor
6:30 p.m. High School Boys—dinner @
Sakura w/ Dr. Tedder

Wednesday, May 22
9:15 a.m. Supported Yoga - Rm 124
9:30 a.m. VBS Prep - Kirk
12:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - FLC
3:30 p.m. Middle School pick-up
6:15 p.m. Zumba - FLC
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 23
9:30 a.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry - Rm 110
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC

Friday, May 24
No scheduled events

Saturday, May 25
No scheduled events

Sunday, May 26
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship - Family Life Center
11:30 a.m. Church-wide Picnic - FLC

Monday, May 27
Church Office and Daycare/School Closed

Tuesday, May 28
9:00 a.m. Dayschool Chapel
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC
2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting - Library
3:00 p.m. WOW Bible Study - Rm 212

Wednesday, May 29
9:15 a.m. Supported Yoga - Rm 124
12:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study - FLC
3:30 p.m. Middle School pick-up
6:15 p.m. Zumba - FLC

Thursday, May 30
10:00 a.m. Rhodes Respite Care - FLC
5:45 p.m. Dayschool Graduation - Sanctuary

Friday, May 31
No scheduled events



Pre-School Sunday School

2yrs—Room 102

3yrs & 4yrs—Room 101

Sunday school traditions begin at an early age. Expose your preschooler to God's story of love in Sunday school! During May we will learn about friendships found in the Bible.



252 BASICS - MAY

5K-5th Grade

Sundays at 9:30 in Room 124

(room under the sanctuary)

Throughout history, God has offered strength to help people persevere through difficult situations. During May we will dig through the New Testament to find inspiration for getting us through the tough times we all must face. Essential tools for Christian life! Join us!

Sunday school is important! Get your kids here... we're busy building disciples!

SUMMER SAVE THE DATES

The full Summer Sizzle brochure will be in the mail to all of our families soon but here are a few of the big dates we wanted you to save. Registration forms will be in your Summer Sizzle.

Martial Arts Camp

June 10-14 from 1:00pm - 4:30pm

For: Completed 4K - Completed 5th graders

If also attending VBS, pack a lunch to eat between programs. \$60 per participant

Basketball Camp

June 24th - 28th 9:00 - 11:30am

For: Complete Kindergarten - Completed 5th grade
\$60 per participant

Day Camp

For: completed Kindergarten - completed 2nd grade

August. 5th - 9th, 9:00am - 4:00pm

Lunch included, \$70.00 per participant



SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP SCHEDULE:

Sunday, May 5th

1st Sundays at First

Youth Arrive at 4:15pm

Parent Pick up at 6:30pm

****3:15pm: Puerto Rico team meeting for all participants in the Kirk**

Sunday, May 12th

No Youth Group - Happy Mother's Day

Sunday, May 19th

Golf Tournament

Stay tuned for how your families can help serve.

Vacation Bible School Volunteers

June 10-14

If you would like to help with Vacation Bible School please contact Jennifer Stewart or Alisa Gibson to get signed up, #225.2551.

Wednesday with Middle School Youth

We are continuing to pick up from school through May 22nd. Parents pick up at 5:15pm.

**** We will NOT pick up the week of May 8th.**

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:30am

All Middle Schoolers (including confirmands) will gather in heaven together during April and May.

High Schoolers are invited to gather with the Come to the Table Class in the FLC.

High School Boys

Meet Dr. Tedder for dinner at Sakura at 6:30pm on Tuesday, May 21st for dinner & bible study.

MISSIONS EMPHASIS

Our Mission emphasis for May will be our Vacation Bible School. We are asking for donations of:

- Tubs of Kool-Aid powder mix
- Bottles of Water
- Goldfish
- Crayola Markers
- Child Friendly Scissors
- Gifts cards from Target/Wal-Mart
- YOU — volunteer to help us the week of VBS—June 10-14



NEW SUPPORT GROUP

A new Alzheimer's and Related Dementia Caregiver Support Group will be held every third Thursday morning at 10 AM in the Chennault Parlor. This group, sponsored by the Alzheimer's Association, is free and open to family and friends to provide education and coping support. If a no-cost, in-home sitter is needed in order to attend, call the Alzheimer's Association at 224-3045 to arrange. Facilitators will be Caroline Bell (353-7379) and Gail Marion (356-1174). Please share this information in the community.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

ROAR:

LIFE IS WILD—GOD IS GOOD!

JUNE 10-14, 2019 9AM—12NOON



It's time to sign your kids up for a week filled with faith, fun and fellowship! Join us this summer for VBS — where we will explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers us through this wild life! We will learn all about the Israelites and their journey to follow God through singing, Bible stories, crafts, science experiments, snacks, games and more!

Go online and sign up today!

**VBS is for completed 3k—5th graders
Cost: \$15 (scholarships available)

www.vbspro.events/p/fpcanderson2019

For more information or to volunteer— contact Jennifer Stewart or Alisa Gibson at 225-2551

VBS KIRK DECORATING DAYS

May 7 and May 22 – 9:30am – 4pm – Decorating Prep.
All members interested in helping us turn the Kirk into an African preserve are invited to join us on any or all of these days!



Devo's and Drives — LAKE DAY Thursday, May 16

All adults are invited to join us for a fun day on the water! We'll enjoy a pontoon ride and lunch together on Lake Hartwell. Come and share in good food and great fellowship!

Our boat hosts are Neal Glenn and Frank Baughman.

We'll gather at FPC at 10am before loading the bus and heading to the lake. We will return to FPC around 3pm.

Cost: \$3 gas and money for lunch.
Call the church office to reserve your spot today!

BUILDING ON FAITH PLEDGE

Did you know you can have auto-draft for your pledge? Contact Sandy DeFino, Finance Administrator for information on setting this up, 864-225-2551 ext. 102.



CEMETERY TOUR

Henry and Beth Spann will conduct a tour of the church cemetery on May 5 after the 10:30 service for everyone interested. Meet them at

the gate to the cemetery, halfway between the Kirk and the Family Life Center. Rain date would be the next Sunday, May 12, after the 10:30 service.



GRADUATES

Calling all high school and college graduates. We would like to honor you with your name in the bulletin on Sunday, June 2nd. Please send Kari Morgan, karim@fpcandersonsc.com, your full name and where you are graduating from. High School graduates, we will also celebrate you with a breakfast that morning at 9:30am in the Kirk and with a gift in worship. Details sent to parents.

See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come! - Song of Solomon 2:11-12



Swing for Mission GOLF TOURNAMENT

Sunday, May 19th

Registration & lunch: 12:45pm

Shotgun Start: 1:30pm

Players:

Recruit a team of 4 or sign up & we will put teams together.

\$75 per person or \$300 for a team

Sponsors:

Own a business we can help support? Your Sunday School class can sponsor. Want to sponsor in honor or in memory of someone? We have multiple sponsorship levels from \$500 to \$100.

Registration Form & Sponsor Forms are in the church office & FLC.

Contact Duane Loftis for more information, wldoftis@gmail.com