

WORSHIP AT FIRST  
LORD'S DAY  
APRIL 15, 2018

MORNING WORSHIP  
8:30 & 11:15 a.m.  
INSIDE OUT

"Pilgrim's Progress"  
Ecclesiastes 7:15-29  
Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper



EVENING WORSHIP  
6:00 p.m.

The Installation of Rev. Bryan Bult  
as Associate Minister  
"Graying with Glory"  
Psalm 71  
Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas

WEDNESDAYS@FIRST  
Wednesday, April 18

Great Escapes  
"From the Edge of a Sword"  
Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas

*Lunch begins at 11:30 a.m.*  
*Program begins at 12:15 p.m.*  
*Jackson Hall*



CENTERPOINT  
Wednesday, April 18

ALWAYS PREPARED: Answering  
Objections to Christianity  
"Christianity and Homosexuality"  
Dr. Gabriel N.E. Fluhrer

Jackson Hall  
*Supper begins at 5:00 p.m.*  
*Teaching begins at 6:00 p.m.*



# FIRST THINGS

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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audio streaming at [www.firstprescolumbia.org](http://www.firstprescolumbia.org)  
[info@firstprescolumbia.org](mailto:info@firstprescolumbia.org)  
Worship Service - Broadcast WISW 1320 AM at 11:00 a.m.

## Youth Summer Mission Opportunities

Each summer, the youth ministry participates in various Bible studies, local activities, conferences, and mission trips. We would like to highlight just a fraction of our summer by showing you the mission opportunities for our middle and high school students.

### Middle School Mission Opportunities:

**Widows' Watchman Ministries ([widowswatchman.virb.com](http://widowswatchman.virb.com)), July 16-20:** Established in 2000, this ministry is dedicated to meeting the needs of the widowed community. Based in Honea Path, South Carolina, we serve counties of the South Carolina Upstate including Abbeville, Anderson, Greenwood, Greenville, and Laurens. The focus and mission of this ministry is to meet the needs of widows in the repair and maintenance from their hearts to their homes, to encourage the development of a healthy recovery, to maintain wholesome attitudes, and meaningful self-worth through a relationship with Jesus Christ and participation in the continual learning and healing process of life. Students participating in this trip will travel to Honea Path and spend the entire week helping in whatever capacity they are needed.

**In-City Mission:** Students, student leaders, and staff work at various ministries in our city to assist in their ongoing mission in serving the needs of our city. Participants will gain a perspective on serving in our own community. This mission changes a little this year as we look to do multiple one-day service days throughout the summer.

### High School Mission Opportunities:

**Appalachia Mission Trip ([arpcem.org/appalachia-mountain-mission](http://arpcem.org/appalachia-mountain-mission)), June 30-July 6:** 2018 will mark the 38th year of The Appalachia Mission. In 1981, a [FPC] youth director named Johnny Price from Columbia joined forces with Bill Hazelwood, a Southern Baptist pastor in Cumberland Gap. The vision was to form a team of high school students who would come from Columbia to do a Bible school for some of the children in the Kentucky area. That summer, Price took eleven students and five adults to conduct a week of Vacation Bible School in two churches in Bell County, Kentucky, a county with one of the highest illiteracy rates in the country. During the years that followed, the Gospel was shared with children living in a region where it was often neglected or perverted. Young people gave of themselves creatively and enthusiastically, often sacrificing sleep and comfort for the privilege of having children love Jesus through them. A love for and commitment to missions began to grow in the hearts of many of these young people; children came to know Christ as their Savior and, most importantly, the Lord was honored.

**Uganda Mission Trip, June 28-July 10:** This year, four students (Nathan Andes, Emily Catherine Chiles, Anna Helen Marshall, and George Baumgartner) will serve on the Uganda Mission Team. They will assist with the medical clinics as assigned and will have the opportunity to use sports to reach out to those in the communities they visit.

**Camp Joy ([campjoycem.com](http://campjoycem.com)):** Established in 1980, Camp Joy is a Christian co-ed camp serving those with special needs. It is coordinated by Christian Education Ministries. Camp Joy now has four individual sessions held each summer across the south. These sessions serve hundreds of special needs campers, counselors, and staff members each year. What a joy it is to see FPC students serve in "special friend" capacities as they share and grow in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We covet your prayers for our students as they have these opportunities to serve Christ throughout the summer!

In Him,  
**Brad Anderson**



## World Missions Sunday School Class

Please join us to hear reports from missionaries from around the world during our 10:00 a.m. Sunday School Class in Palmer 102.

- **April 15** – World Witness missionary Erik Meberg about Muslim ministry in Europe
- **April 22** – Mike James on theological education (Vaux Seminary) in France
- **April 29** – Dr. Robert Belding on the Christian Hospital-Sahiwal, Pakistan

## Monthly World Mission Prayer

A monthly world mission prayer time will be held the fourth Tuesday of the month at 4:00 p.m. in the Frank C. Hill World Mission Center. The next one will be **Tuesday, April 24**.

## World Witness (Columbia) Fellowship Dinner



Do you have an interest in the latest news regarding our denomination's world missions efforts? If so, the World Witness 2018 spring banquet on **Friday, April 27**, at 7:15 p.m., will be the perfect setting for you. This time of fellowship, dinner, and updates will take place in Jackson Hall. To make a reservation,

contact the World Witness office at (864) 233-5226.

## World Focus 2018

Every few years, World Witness holds a conference following Synod, our denomination's annual meeting. This opportunity to meet many World Witness missionaries will begin at 12:30 p.m., **Thursday, June 7**, and run through **Friday, June 8**. In addition to quality face-to-face time with missionaries, World Focus will feature Scott Thomas as speaker and Laura Story as the conference's musician. For more information and to register, go to the conference website: [www.worldfocus2018.com](http://www.worldfocus2018.com).



### In Memoriam

PHYLLIS TOOLE HASTINGS  
DECEMBER 14, 1918 - APRIL 6, 2018

## People for Prayer

<i>Mrs. Susi Bagrow</i>	<i>Ms. Francee Levin</i>
<i>Mrs. Vera Bajenski</i>	<i>Mrs. Debbie Maner</i>
<i>Mrs. Emma Boyd</i>	<i>Mrs. Molly Matthews</i>
<i>Mrs. Arthur Brown</i>	<i>Rev. Gentry McColm</i>
<i>Master Andrew Taylor Bryan</i>	<i>Mr. Micah McCoy</i>
<i>Miss Reese Burdette</i>	<i>Mrs. Ann McDowell</i>
<i>Mr. Andy Byars</i>	<i>Mr. Jack McDowell</i>
<i>Mr. Michael Cassells</i>	<i>Mr. Britt McDowell</i>
<i>Mrs. Lauren Choate</i>	<i>Mr. William McLaughlin</i>
<i>Mrs. Lucy Claiborne</i>	<i>Miss Laura Michelle Merwin</i>
<i>Mr. John Collins</i>	<i>Miss Debbie Mielke</i>
<i>Mr. Michael Connelly</i>	<i>Mr. Bryan Miller</i>
<i>Mrs. Michale Connelly</i>	<i>Master A.J. Monte</i>
<i>Mr. John Milton Cooper III</i>	<i>Dr. Michael Montgomery</i>
<i>Mr. Frank Cureton</i>	<i>*Ms. Linette Mullin</i>
<i>Mrs. Dale Earnhardt</i>	<i>Mrs. Lydia Newell</i>
<i>Mr. Jon Evans</i>	<i>Mrs. Dot Perry</i>
<i>Master Gabriel Fleming</i>	<i>Mr. Allen Pettigrew</i>
<i>Mr. Elmer &amp; Mrs. Mary Frick</i>	<i>Mrs. Betty Petty</i>
<i>Ms. Natalie Gibson</i>	<i>Miss Anna Holden Price</i>
<i>Mrs. Carol Glass</i>	<i>Mrs. Ruthie Fowles Rush</i>
<i>Mr. Frank Godfrey</i>	<i>Mrs. Mary Russell</i>
<i>Mrs. Carla Graf</i>	<i>Mr. Cleve Smith</i>
<i>Ms. Mary Green</i>	<i>Mr. John Thompson</i>
<i>Mr. Jack Haynes</i>	<i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. David Tidwell</i>
<i>Mrs. Holly Herro</i>	<i>Mrs. Nell West</i>
<i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Craig Hewitt</i>	<i>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Richard West</i>
<i>Mrs. Shannon Hopper</i>	<i>Mrs. Sharon Wickstrom</i>
<i>Ms. Louisa Huebel</i>	<i>Mrs. Rachel P. Wiggins</i>
<i>*Dr. Rick Jackson</i>	<i>Mr. Burns Windley</i>
<i>Mrs. Zina Kaplan</i>	<i>Ms. Kathryn Wulfling</i>
<i>Mr. Phil Kozlik</i>	<i>Italics = Non-member</i>
<i>Mr. Robert "Bob" Liming</i>	<i>* New addition</i>

If you have put someone on this list and their need has passed, or for any additions, please contact Lisa Eargle at 799-9062, Ext. 244, or [leargle@firstprescolumbia.org](mailto:leargle@firstprescolumbia.org).

## A Spring Fellowship Brunch for Widows

You are invited to this event planned just for you. There will be good food, a brief devotional from our own Dr. John R. de Witt, and time to get acquainted with new friends around the tables.

If needed, transportation can be arranged. Let Lisa Eargle know when you RSVP.

The brunch is 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., **Saturday, April 28** in Jackson Hall.

RSVP by **Monday, April 23**, at 799-9062, Ext. 455, or by email to [leargle@firstprescolumbia.org](mailto:leargle@firstprescolumbia.org).



## Spring Golf Tournament

Save the date for the upcoming Spring Golf Tournament, **Friday, May 4**, at Ft. Jackson for men and women. Start gathering your team of four, and look out for registration on our website and on the app!

## The Lord's Supper

**Sunday, April 15**, during our morning services, we will observe the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The week ahead of us, therefore, is one in which we prepare for a joyful gathering at the table of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Churchyard Tour

Tom Gottshall will conduct the annual (rescheduled) Men's Bible Class Churchyard tour on **Sunday, April 15**, at 10:00 a.m., beginning in front of the Sanctuary. All are welcome. Better weather is expected.



## Trip to Historic Camden

**Saturday, April 21**

The Encouragers want to extend an invitation to anyone over 50 (married or single) to join us on a trip to visit Historic Camden.

Please meet at 9:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center parking lot.

Cost is \$8.00 per person to be paid in advance, with checks made payable to First Presbyterian Church. A picnic lunch will be provided. **Your spot is reserved once payment is received.** Checks can be mailed to or dropped off at First Presbyterian Church, ATTN: Lisa Eargle.

RSVP by **Monday, April 16**, to Lisa Eargle at 799-9062, Ext. 455, or [leargle@firstprescolumbia.org](mailto:leargle@firstprescolumbia.org).



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## Youth Summer Basketball Camp

**July 30 - August 2**

For students in rising 1st - 6th grades:

- Girls camp: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- Boys camp: 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- Cost: \$45.00 for FPC members

Online registration open now!



To register or for more information, visit [firstprescolumbia.org/basketball](http://firstprescolumbia.org/basketball).

## Baccalaureate Sunday

**May 13, 2018**, is Baccalaureate Sunday when we recognize our graduates for the year. If you are graduating from high school, college, or university in May or June, or if you know of a student who will graduate, please contact Rebecca Milford (799-9062, Ext. 232, or [rmilford@firstprescolumbia.org](mailto:rmilford@firstprescolumbia.org)) by **Monday, April 30**.

**Please give the full name of the student, the name of the school, and the degree to be received.**

## VBS 2018



This summer, we are setting sail for another wild adventure and excitement at Shipwrecked VBS 2018 on **June 18-22**.

**Registration is available Sundays at the VBS table in the Atrium.**

*The Women of The First Presbyterian Church  
invite the congregation  
to a reception honoring  
the Rev. Bryan Bult and Family  
Sunday, April 15, 2018,  
immediately following  
the evening worship service  
in Jackson Hall.*

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## THIS WEEK AT FIRST

### Sunday, April 15

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service\* - Sanctuary**  
**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages\* - Church Campus  
10:00 a.m. Inquirers Class - Small Dining Room  
10:50 a.m. Fellowship - Jackson Hall
- 11:15 a.m. Worship Service\* - Sanctuary**  
**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**
- 3:30 p.m. Next Step Class Interviews - P402  
4:30 p.m. Cate Memorial Handbell Choir Rehearsal - P107  
5:00 p.m. Church-Wide Prayer \* - Laffitte Parlor
- 6:00 p.m. Evening Service\* - Sanctuary**
- 6:00 p.m. Friendship Club - T201/T202  
6:15 p.m. Club (1st - 5th Grades) - T213  
6:15 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal - T103/T107  
7:15 p.m. Reception for Bryan Bult & Family - Jackson Hall

### Monday, April 16

- 9:00 a.m. Aerobics@First - Family Life Center  
12:00 p.m. Recorder Ensemble Rehearsal - P107  
4:00 p.m. Youth Chorus Rehearsal - P110  
5:30 p.m. American Heritage Girls Tea - Jackson Hall  
5:30 p.m. Administration Committee - P402  
6:00 p.m. Trail Life USA Troop Meeting - Thornwell 2nd floor

### Tuesday, April 17

- 6:45 a.m. Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study - 34 Foot Point Rd.  
7:30 a.m. Men's Prayer - P402A  
7:30 a.m. College Prayer - BR125  
8:30 a.m. Staff Prayer - BR201  
9:00 a.m. Ministry Staff Meeting - BR201  
5:30 p.m. Nominating Committee - BR327  
6:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (35+) - Family Life Center

### Wednesday, April 18

- 7:00 a.m. Greet the Dawn Bible Study - BR201  
9:00 a.m. Aerobics@First - Family Life Center  
10:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study\* - T301  
11:30 a.m. Wednesdays@First\* - Jackson Hall
- 4:00 p.m. Junior Children's Choir Rehearsal - T201/T203  
4:00 p.m. Primary Children's Choir Rehearsal - T207/T210  
5:00 p.m. Centerpoint Dinner - Jackson Hall  
6:00 p.m. Centerpoint: Always Prepared - Jackson Hall  
6:00 p.m. Centerpoint Nursery - T106/T109/T112  
6:00 p.m. Centerpoint Youth - BR001 & T206/T209  
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal - P110  
6:00 p.m. Brass Ensemble Rehearsal - Sanctuary  
6:00 p.m. Coffee & Questions - BR125  
6:00 p.m. Centerpoint Kids: Catechism Club - T102/T103/T107  
6:00 p.m. Centerpoint Kids: Missions Club - T203

### Thursday, April 19

- 6:45 a.m. Thursday Morning Men's Bible Fellowship - Happy Café  
7:15 a.m. Men's Discipleship Bible Study - Blue Marlin, Vista Room  
5:30 p.m. Men's Basketball (18+) - Family Life Center  
6:30 p.m. String Ensemble Rehearsal - P110

### Friday, April 20

- 6:45 a.m. Men's Bible Study - 2920 Gervais St  
9:00 a.m. Aerobics@First - Family Life Center

### Saturday, April 21

- 9:00 a.m. Encouragers' Trip to Historic Camden - Off-site

*\*Childcare is available from birth to four years.*  
**If, at any time, you have an emergency, please call 513-7931 to contact a pastor.**