

WORSHIP AT FIRST  
LORD'S DAY  
MAY 20, 2018

MORNING WORSHIP

8:30 & 11:15 a.m.

INSIDE OUT

"The Reaper"

Ecclesiastes 11:1-12:8

Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas

The Sacrament of the Lord's  
Supper



EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 p.m.

"A Tale of Two Daughters"

Luke 8:40-56

Dr. D. Ralph Davis

Children's Sermon

Children's Catechism #17  
Q. How did God create man?  
A. God created man, male and  
female, after his own image.

WEDNESDAYS@FIRST

Wednesday, May 23

Hanging Out in Five Points

"Called"

Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas

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



CENTERPOINT

Wednesday, May 23

OUR NEEDS:

How Jesus Meets Us Where We Are

"Christ Our King"

Rev. Bryan Bult

Jackson Hall

Supper begins at 5:00 p.m.  
Teaching begins at 6:00 p.m.



# FIRST THINGS

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Worship Service - Broadcast WISW 1320 AM at 11:00 a.m.

## World Mission Update

"For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised; he is to be feared above all gods." (Psalm 96:4) That is the cry of those whose hearts have been changed by the power of the Gospel. Worship of God is the fruit of our Gospel-sharing and mission-driven endeavors. As John Piper states at the beginning of his book *Let the Nations be Glad*, "Missions is not the ultimate goal of the church. Worship is. Missions exists because worship doesn't."

A valuable part of our Gospel-sharing, particularly to the greater world, are our missionaries. We value them and the times we get to see them. An upcoming event sponsored by World Witness, our denominational mission board, is providing such as opportunity. Every four years, they bring home many of their missionaries for a conference called **World Focus**. It is being held this year on June 7 and 8 at Bonclarken, the denominational assembly grounds in Flat Rock, North Carolina. Several hundred people will gather including some of our members. It will be a time of great encouragement for all who will be present.

As a result of being home for the conference, we expect to see some of our missionaries worshiping with us on the Sundays closest to the conference. Keep an eye out for them and be sure to say hello. In addition, we are taking advantage of their being in town by having two of them give updates Wednesday evenings at Centerpoint. On May 30, Dariusz Bryćko will be giving an update on efforts in Poland and, on June 20, Justin Brickey will speak on ministry in Spain. I hope you are able to take advantage of these special visits by our friends who are usually many miles away.

Even as some missionaries are coming home for brief visits, we are poised to send out a number of our members on **summer short-term mission trips**. Four teams have been preparing:

- Madrid, Spain Mission (May 25-June 2): A team of five will be traveling to Madrid to lead an end-of-the-school-year retreat for elementary age children, students of missionary Jeff King at Evangelical Christian Academy. The team's efforts will undergird the school's efforts to share the Gospel and teach the Scriptures to their students.
- Toledo, Spain Mission (June 22-30): A team of six will be traveling to Toledo (45 minutes south of Madrid) to join Mark and Natalie Witte. This team will be leading an English camp for residents of Toledo desiring to learn English. The camp facilitates relationships for the Wittes and their church as they work to see the Gospel spread.
- Uganda Medical Outreach Mission (June 28-July 11): A team of sixteen will be joining forces with several Presbyterian churches in Uganda to provide basic medical care and evangelistic outreach. Included in this year's team are four youth who will lead outreach efforts with children.
- College Wales Mission (July 19-30): A team of nine students plus four leaders return to Cardiff/Barry, Wales, for outreach in conjunction with three local churches. They will be leading a Bible Club for children as well as a recreational outreach.

Let's pray for gospel fruit for these efforts that some may be won by the Gospel message and join those who can declare, "For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised."

*Neal Mathias*  
Director of World Missions

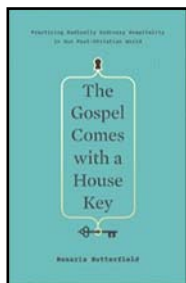
## Pursuit of Godliness Series



Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend our summer testimony series entitled Pursuit of Godliness. Three of our dear First Presbyterian Church sisters will share about the faithfulness of God in their lives, and we will share a meal together. The dates are:

- June 12 - noon luncheon with Julie Russell**
- July 10 - 6:00 p.m. dinner with Lauren Hudgens**
- August 7 - noon luncheon with Beth McMaster**

Reservations can be made through the church website at [firstprescolumbia.org/women](http://firstprescolumbia.org/women) or app. Childcare reservations for birth through 5th grade can be made when signing up for the event.



## Women's Summer Study

Summer Study on Biblical Hospitality with help from Rosaria Butterfield's *The Gospel Comes with a House Key* (April 2018): Wednesday evenings during Centerpoint beginning **June 6 in Thornwell 301.**

Preorder a book for \$10.00 through the app or on the website. Contact Meredith Myers

with questions at [mmyers@firstprescolumbia.org](mailto:mmyers@firstprescolumbia.org) or 799-9062, Ext. 545.



## 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 100.

- **May 20** – Curtis McGown – Director of Godspeed Resources Connection
- **May 27** – Uganda Mission Trip Story with Paula Hill

## 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).

## People for Prayer

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



**Sunday, May 20, 4:00 p.m.**

Activities for kids of all ages!

There will be children's activities in the Family Life Center.

Bring your family and join us.

Barbeque, hotdogs, and hamburgers will be served from 4:00 to 5:45 p.m. in the Atrium.



## In Memoriam

PAULETTE SPAIN WILLIAMS  
JANUARY 20, 1950 - MAY 13, 2018

## Baccalaureate Additions May 2018

### High School

Sexton, Miles David – *AC Flora*

Liming, Luke Stephen Jr. – *Bishop England*

### College & Graduate School

Baughman, Rachael Leigh – Doctor of Pharmacy – *South Carolina College of Pharmacy, University of South Carolina*

Fauth, Elizabeth Ainsley – Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Economics with a minor in Spanish – *University of South Carolina*

Giles, Mary Caroline – Bachelor of Science in Mathematics with a minor in Business Administration – *Erskine College*

Lusk, AnnaBelle – Bachelor of Music in Vocal Performance – *University of South Carolina*

Roth, David Robert – Master of Divinity – *Candler School of Theology, Emory University*

Stumpf, Emily Maree – Doctorate of Musical Arts in Flute Performance – *University of South Carolina*

Taylor, Ann DeLeon – Bachelor of Arts – *Wofford College*

## Church Family

### Congratulations to:

Caroline and Will Kinney on the birth of their son, Isaac Henry Kinney, on Friday, May 11.

Katherine Paget Joye and Thomas Conley Bryan who were married on Saturday, May 12.

### Christian sympathy to:

Michael Potvin on the death of his mother, Betty Potvin, on May 13.

### Items for Church Family?

Contact Lisa Eargle at 799-9062, Ext. 244, or [leargle@firstprescolumbia.org](mailto:leargle@firstprescolumbia.org).

## The Lord's Supper

**Sunday, May 20**, during our morning services, we will observe the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The time ahead of us, therefore, is one in which we prepare for a joyful gathering at the table of our Lord Jesus Christ.



## Volunteer Opportunity

If you have a strong back and willingness to serve, please consider joining our newest help team! We have occasional need for a few good men (or women!) who would be able to help with moving or transporting furniture and sometimes there is an opportunity to help the elderly with yardwork. Our hope is to create a database of heavy lifters who we could email when the need arises. There is no obligation. You serve when you are able. We would love to have dads and sons, F3 guys and FiA gals, college or high school students, or those willing to help with their trucks. Please contact Barbara Diller, Congregational Nurse, at [bdiller@firstprescolumbia.org](mailto:bdiller@firstprescolumbia.org) or 799-9062, Ext. 530, with questions or to sign up.



## Youth Voice Recital

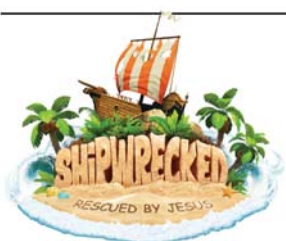
On **Sunday, May 20**, we invite you to join us as some members of our own Youth Chorus perform a voice recital. It will take place in the Smith Chapel right before the Church Picnic at 3:00 p.m. Come and see how God has gifted these talented youth!

## Library - New Additions

Church Library on the second floor of The Bridge

[www.firstprescolumbia.org/library](http://www.firstprescolumbia.org/library)

- 222 DICTIONARY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT: Historical Books by Bill T. Arnold and H.G.M. Williamson, editors
- 222.1 DICTIONARY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT: Pentateuch by T. Desmond Alexander and David W. Baker, editors
- 223 DICTIONARY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT: Wisdom, Poetry, and Writings by Tremper Longman, III and Peter Enns, editors
- 224 DICTIONARY OF THE OLD TESTAMENT: Prophets by Mark J. Boda and J. Gordon McConville, editors
- 240.1 REFORMATION WORSHIP: Liturgies from the Past for the Present by Jonathan Gibson and Mark Earney, published by New Growth Press
- 248.843 WOMEN AND GOD: Hard Questions, Beautiful Truth by Kathleen Nielsen
- 270 GOD'S TIMELINE: The Big Book of Church History by Linda Finlayson



## VBS Snack Donations

Help us stock our VBS Snack Factory! List of snack supplies needed can be found at the VBS table in the Atrium.

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## THIS WEEK AT FIRST

### Sunday, May 20

- 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 Interviews - Small Dining Room  
10:50 a.m. Fellowship - Jackson Hall
- 11:15 a.m. Worship Service\* - Sanctuary**  
**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**
- 3:00 p.m. Youth Voice Recital - Smith Chapel  
3:30 p.m. Church Picnic - Family Life Center  
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**  
7:15 p.m. Uganda Mission Trip Meeting -  
Frank C. Hill Mission Center

### Monday, May 21

- 9:00 a.m. Aerobics@First - Family Life Center  
12:00 p.m. Recorder Ensemble Rehearsal - P107  
5:30 p.m. Session Meeting - P402

### Tuesday, May 22

- 6:45 a.m. Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study - 34 Foot Point Rd.  
7:30 a.m. Men's Prayer - P402A  
8:30 a.m. Staff Prayer - BR201  
9:00 a.m. Ministry Staff Meeting - BR201

- 4:00 p.m. World Missions Prayer - Frank C. Hill Mission Center  
5:00 p.m. World Missions Committee - Frank C. Hill Mission Center  
5:30 p.m. Local Missions Committee - BR327  
5:45 p.m. Men's Basketball (35+) - Family Life Center

### Wednesday, May 23

- 9:00 a.m. Aerobics@First - Family Life Center  
11:30 a.m. Wednesdays@First\* - Jackson Hall  
5:00 p.m. Centerpoint Dinner - Jackson Hall  
6:00 p.m. Centerpoint: Our Needs - Jackson Hall  
6:00 p.m. Centerpoint Nursery - T106/T109/T112  
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal - P110  
6:00 p.m. Brass Ensemble Rehearsal - P200  
6:00 p.m. Centerpoint Kids - T102/T103

### Thursday, May 24

- 7:15 a.m. Men's Discipleship Bible Study - Blue Marlin, Vista Room  
5:30 p.m. American Heritage Girls Board of Review - BR327  
5:30 p.m. Men's Basketball (18+) - Family Life Center

### Friday, May 25

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

### Saturday, May 26

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