Our Weekly Calendar

Today, August 18
8:30 & 11 a.m. Morning Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Joint Sunday School: Prayer Kickoff for Ministries, St. Andrew’s Hall
9:45 a.m. Children’s Sunday School, various locations
5 p.m. Youth Ministry Parents Meeting, The Depot
5:30 p.m. 1823 College Sunday School, Baker House
6:30 p.m. Evening Service

Monday, August 19
3:30 p.m. Hope Ballet, Harmony Hall

Tuesday, August 20
6 p.m. HFA Urban Leadership Project Volunteer Training, The Depot

Thursday, August 22
11:15 a.m. Midweek Bible Hour, Eve Room
6 p.m. HFA New Town, Heritage Academy

Sunday, August 25
8:30 & 11 a.m. Morning Worship Service
9:45 a.m. Joint Sunday School: Bible Study Kickoff with Jay Sklar, St. Andrew’s Hall
9:45 a.m. Children’s Sunday School, various locations
5 p.m. Children’s Ministry Quarterly Volunteer Training, St. Andrew’s Hall
5 p.m. Officer Training, Murphy Hall
5:15 p.m. Missionary Prayer Hour, Eve Room
5:30 p.m. 1823 College Sunday School, Baker House
6:30 p.m. Evening Service

Church Office
The church office is located across the street from the sanctuary in the McKnight Building, 615 Telfair Street.
Office Hours
Monday – Friday
9 a.m. – 12 p.m.
1 – 4 p.m.

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For more information on the mission, ministries and events at First Presbyterian Church, please visit firstpresaugusta.org.

Generous Giving
19. Financial Update
Ministry gifts for the week of August 11.................... $88,381
Year-to-Date budget goal.................................................. $2,750,535
Total ministry gifts......................................................... $2,582,411
Budget/giving position................................................($168,124)

Today at First Presbyterian

1. Missionaries of the Week
Julie and Luke Brouwer—Hope Community Project; Haiti
The Brouwers and their four children have been ministering in Gonaives, Haiti, since 2014. Julie and Luke serve as the field directors for Hope Community Project, focusing on orphan prevention through strengthening families and communities. Please pray for peace in the country so the Brouwers can continue ministry and not have to pay higher costs of living due to instability. Pray for their building project that is underway; pray for safety on the job site and for availability of supplies. Pray for the conference they are planning, and for God to prepare the attendees’ hearts to hear gospel preaching about families and God’s plan for family relationships.

2. Joint Sunday School: Prayer Kickoff for Ministries
9:45 a.m. | St. Andrew’s Hall
Adult classes are asked to meet together today in St. Andrew’s Hall as we continue our year-long effort to become a more effective house of prayer. We will hear brief reports from different ministry areas and then pray for them.

3. A Sweet Surprise!
Tonight, following the evening service, we are pleased to offer free Kona Ice on the plaza to all in attendance to celebrate the beginning of a new year of ministry together.

Our Church Family

4. New Arrivals
We congratulate Abby and Nathan McClure on the birth of their third child, Caroline Jade McClure, on August 7; Paige and William Brooks on the birth of their first child, Miles William Brooks, on August 8; and Jess and Zac Hodges, on the birth of their second child, William Alexander Hodges on August 8.

5. Sympathy
Christian sympathy is extended to Irene and Clyde Meadows and family on the death of Irene’s sister, Georgina Keller, on August 12 in Buffalo, New York.

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Adult Discipleship

10. Fall Bible Study Kickoff During Joint Sunday School, August 25 9:45 a.m. | St. Andrew’s Hall | Guest Speaker: Dr. Jay Sklar Visit firstpresaugusta.org to Register for a Bible Study For More Information, Contact: Jess Romer, jromer@firstpresaugusta.org

11. Daytime Bible Study for Medical/Dental Wives Begins August 20 9:30 a.m. | Warren Baptist Church, 3203 Washington Road Contacts: Rene Sanders, 706.267.1426 or ileneroses@gmail.com or Anna Bolduc, 678.687.9487 or abolduc@gmail.com Side by Side is a ministry that seeks to encourage women married to medical and dental students, residents, and fellows. The ministry seeks to help them handle the unique demands of this time in their lives. The next study begins August 20, and meets weekly on Tuesdays from 9:30–11:30 a.m., at Warren Baptist Church. Child care is free for preschool children by reservation only. For more information, contact Ilene Sanders or Anna Bolduc. Reservations for free child care: https://form.jotform.com/wbcweb/side-by-side-childcare-form

Music Ministry

15. There’s Never Been a Better Time to Join a Choir! Rehearsals Resume in September Music Contact: Jonathan Harper, jharper@firstpresaugusta.org Come experience the joy of singing and meet our new music director, Dr. Leigh Fleury! Now is a great time to join one of the choirs at First Presbyterian. Details are listed below:

- Chancel Choir (Adult and Youth): Rehearsals each Tuesday at 7 p.m. beginning September 5, room 504. A kickoff dinner will precede the first rehearsal at 6:30 p.m. in St. Andrew’s Hall. Please RSVP by August 30.
- Youth Choir (Grades 6–12): Rehearsals each Sunday at 5 p.m., beginning September 8, room 114.
- Canterbury Choir (Age 7–Grade 6): Rehearsals each Sunday at 5 p.m. beginning September 8, room 112. Contact: Melissa Schultz mschultz@firstpresaugusta.org

Upcoming Events

6. Labor Day Family Picnic, Sunday, September 1 2 p.m. | Presbyterian Peninsula, 6143 Ridge Road, Applying Online Purchase Required by August 29: firstpresaugusta.org | $6/person Volunteers Needed! Please sign up online to help The Labor Day Family Picnic at the Presbyterian Peninsula is always a First Pres favorite event. Online ordering is available now to purchase a meal (pork barbecue sandwich, slaw, chips, watermelon, and a drink for $6/person). Family members are welcome to pack their own picnic supplies. As always, there will be opportunities to enjoy a trip down the water slide, take a cool dip in the lake, meet new people, and spend quality time with family and friends. We will also worship together, with vespers at 6 p.m. led by Rev. Mike Hearon. There will not be an evening worship service at the church that night.

7. Interested in Joining? Inquirers Classes Begin September 8, 9:45 a.m. | Session Room Contact: Jess Romer, jromer@firstpresaugusta.org or 706.262.8855 If you are interested in making First Presbyterian your church home, or are interested simply in knowing more about our church, you are encouraged to attend an Inquirers Class. The next class begins September 8 and will continue for the following three Sundays during the Sunday School hour. The pastors will lead you in understanding our doctrine, vision, and opportunities to serve in the church. Please contact Jess Romer if you would like to attend.

8. Children’s Ministry Focus Groups 9:45 a.m. | Room 210, Reese Hall East The Children’s Ministry would like to hear from you! Parents of children in nursery, preschool, and elementary classes are invited to spend time with the coordinator and director of their children’s Sunday morning classes. It is an open dialog where information is provided and discussion is encouraged. These focus groups will meet on the following dates:

- Nursery (6 weeks old–2 years old): September 8
- Preschool (3 years old–kindergarten): September 15
- Elementary (first–fifth grade): September 22

9. “What’s Your Story?” Women’s Conference; September 13-14 Friday: 6:30–8:45 p.m.; Saturday: 8:30 a.m.–4 p.m. | St. Andrew’s Hall Register Online by September 9: firstpresaugusta.org | Cost: $25 Contact: Vanessa Hawkins, vhawkins@firstpresaugusta.org All women are invited to attend the FPC Women’s Conference: “What’s Your Story?” on Friday, September 13, and Saturday, September 14. The speaker, Christy Gambrell, will challenge participants to engage their own unique stories through the lens of God’s Word with their heads and hearts. Christy is both a trained theologian and counselor, gifted with rich wisdom and depth of truth. Invite a friend to join you, and register today!

12. Youth Ministry Parent Meeting, Today Sunday, 5 p.m. | The Depot All parents with students in the First Pres Youth Ministry are encouraged to attend the Fall Parent Meeting today. Youth leaders will discuss the fun events planned for the year and ways parents can help. Parent partnerships make the times students and staff spend together richer and more rewarding in so many ways!

13. 1823 College Sunday School Class to Meet 5:30–6:15, Sundays Beginning today, the 1823 Sunday School Class, for college students and others between the ages of 18 and 23, will meet from 5:30–6:15 p.m., just prior to evening worship, in the Baker House.

14. Follow Us on Instagram! Whether you are staying in town for college or studying out of town, we want to stay in touch with you. Follow us on Instagram: @fpc1823

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16. Mentors/Volunteers Needed for Urban Leadership Project, Tuesdays New Leaders Meeting, Tuesday, August 20 | 6–8 p.m. | The Depot Express Interest/Learn more: Candyn Turman, candyn@hopeforaugusta.org Volunteers are needed for Hope for Augusta’s mentorship program, Urban Leadership Project, which includes the Tuesday night neighborhood Bible study for students in grades 6–12. Individuals will interact with students, help lead small group Bible studies, mentor students in grades 6–12, and transport students. ULP meets Tuesdays, 6–8 p.m., at The Depot, beginning August 27. If you would like to serve with ULP, please plan to attend the new leaders meeting.

17. English Teachers Needed; Training August 22 For more information and to register, contact: beth.gore4@gmail.com Imagine living in a place where you understand only a few words of what anyone says to you. This is everyday life for thousands of international living in Augusta. You could help them by teaching conversational English in International Link’s English as a Second Language (ESL) program. If you are interested in volunteering, International Link is offering an intro course for those new to ESL. This three-hour mini-course covers the basics to begin teaching conversational English, on August 22 from 6–9 p.m. Please note: this is not a certification course.

18. Heritage Academy Needs Substitute Teachers & Volunteers Information Meeting, August 29 | 10–11 a.m. | 333 Greene Street Contact School Office: 706.821.0034 Interested in volunteering or becoming a substitute teacher at Heritage Academy? Please plan to attend an information meeting on Thursday, August 29, from 10–11 a.m. at Heritage Academy, 333 Greene Street. For questions or more information, please call the school office.

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