Our Weekly Calendar

Today, October 13
8:30 & 11 a.m.  Morning Worship Service
9:45 a.m.  Adult Sunday School, various locations
9:45 a.m.  Children’s Sunday School, various locations
12:30 p.m.  Palmetto Parish Luncheon, St. Andrew’s Hall
5 p.m.  Officer Training, Murphy Hall
5 p.m.  Women’s Bible Study, Room 201
5 p.m.  1823 Sunday School, Baker House
5 p.m.  Canterbury Choir Rehearsal, Room 112
5 p.m.  Student Choir Rehearsal, Room 114
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.

Today at First Presbyterian

1. Missionaries of the Week
The International Link—Augusta, GA
The International Link exists to serve the needs of internationals in the CSRA by offering Bible studies, dinners, English classes, and hospitality to demonstrate Christ’s love. Pray that God would unite the churches in our area to reach the international community. Pray that God would call volunteers to teach English and love internationals. Pray for people from countries where the gospel is not allowed to be receptive to the good news of Jesus Christ and to believe in him.

2. Palmetto Parish Luncheon, Today
Today at 11 a.m. in St. Andrew’s Hall
All members and regular attenders who live in the Palmetto Parish are invited to a potluck luncheon after the 11 a.m. service today in St. Andrew’s Hall. Bring a dish to share and enjoy getting to know your Palmetto neighbors!

Our Church Family

3. Sympathy
Christian sympathy is extended to Sherryl and St. Paul Gaffney and family on the death of Sherryl’s mother, Ivy Armstrong, on September 21 in Richmond, New Zealand.

4. Please Keep us Informed
Contact: churchoffice@firstpresaugusta.org or 706.262.8900
Please remember to let the church staff know of the important events in your lives. Many times people assume that the staff and other members know about the birth of a new baby, a wedding in the family, a serious illness, an upcoming hospitalization or the loss of a loved one, when that is not the case. We would rather hear about these events several times from several people than miss an important event.

5. Important Reminder About Registration for Events, Child Care
We thank God for the growth in membership we have experienced over the past several years. In a church our size, it has become increasingly clear that in order to be good stewards of our resources, spaces, and staff, we need to follow requests to register for events and child care. We want to be sure that we have the right number of chairs set up, food and/or materials prepared, and staff available to care for your children, but we cannot do that without your attention to registration requests. If you need assistance in registering for an event, please reach out to the contact listed.
Upcoming Events

6. The Lord’s Supper and Healing Prayer, October 20
The sacrament of the Lord’s Supper will be administered in the 6:30 p.m. service on October 20. Following the service, elders will be available to pray with you and anoint you with oil. As you experience the mercy of God through his sacraments, we invite you to help provide for deeds of mercy for church members and others by giving to the Diaconate Mercy Fund. You may use the pew envelope or write a check, clearly indicating that your gift is for the Diaconate Mercy Fund.

Youth Ministry

7. Register Now: Middle School Campout, November 8-9
Cost: $35 | Register online at firstpresaugusta.org/youth
Contact: Beth Renfrow, 706.262.8849 or brenfrown@firstpresaugusta.org
All middle school students are invited to attend the Fall Campout at the Presbyterian Peninsula, November 8-9. The cost will include all meals, activities, and a t-shirt.

Discipleship

8. Elective Offered by Sojourners Class, October 13, 20 and 27
Effects of Divorce on Children: Toward Understanding, Hope, and Help
9:45 a.m. | Room 201
The impact of divorce upon children is often overlooked or misunderstood. For example, about half of people in their 20s come from homes touched by divorce—and this shapes their view of love and marriage. Even people who have not experienced divorce personally know friends and family who have. All are welcome to attend this three-week series offered through the Sojourners class. Speakers include Rev. Andy Lee and Rev. Berry Hudson (Insight Counseling).

Missions

9. Togo Nights with Elizabeth Fernandez
October 11 and 26 | 732 Aumond Road
RSVP to: Amy Elder, amyeturn@gmail.com or 706.654.7562
Elizabeth Fernandez, eefernandez121@gmail.com
Join First Pres Missionary Elizabeth Fernandez as she shares stories and photos about what God is doing in Togo. There are two dates to choose from and both events are identical. Please RSVP to either Amy Elder or Elizabeth Fernandez if you plan to attend.

Children’s Ministry

10. Boys Disc Golf Event, October 19
10 a.m. | Pendleton King Park, 1600 Troupe St., Augusta | Free of charge
Contacts: Stephen Pittman, stephen@hopeforaugusta.org or Leslee Bogdanow, lbogdanow@firstpresaugusta.org
Hope for Augusta and the Children’s Ministry of First Pres are teaming up for a fun event for boys in grades 1-5. Participants’ dads and other male volunteers are needed to help. This is a great opportunity to get to know our downtown neighbors. Invite one of your neighbors or your child’s friends to join you!

11. Costume Carnival, October 26
10 a.m.-12 p.m. | Church Grounds
Volunteer by contacting: Leslee Bogdanow, lbogdanow@firstpresaugusta.org
Please make plans to attend our annual Costume Carnival. There will be carnival games, candy, inflatables, a petting zoo, and a magician for the children to enjoy. Costumes are encouraged and there will be awards! A delicious hot dog lunch will be served. Make plans now to participate and invite neighbors and friends. Many volunteers are needed; please contact Leslee Bogdanow to help.

12. Candy Needed for Costume Carnivals
Drop Off by October 20: Children’s Check-In, Welcome Center, The Commons
Please drop off your candy at Children’s Check-in, The Commons, or the Welcome Center.

Music Ministry

13. Handbell Ensemble
Contact: Leigh Fleury, lfluey@firstpresaugusta.org
If you can read music and are interested in participating in the Handbell Ensemble for Evensong, Leigh Fleury would love to hear from you after services or by email.

14. Evensong Choir Rehearsals
7 p.m. | Room 114
Contact: Leigh Fleury, lfluey@firstpresaugusta.org
Chancel Choir (high school students and adults) rehearsals are now underway for the Evensong services. New members are welcome! The services will be at 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. on December 15. Contact Leigh Fleury for more information.

Outreach

15. Native English Speakers Needed
October 18-19 | Cost: $60 per/person, $100 per/couple
Register: bgore@internationallink.org | Register by October 13
If you speak fluent English and love Jesus, you have all the skills you need to teach conversational English to internationals living in our local area. Our English as a Second Language (ESL) Teacher Certification will prepare you to teach in a local ESL program. The International Link will host teacher certification October 18 and 19. The course is Friday night and all day Saturday at National Hills Baptist Church. Cost is $60 per person or $100 for a married couple. Registration includes meals and materials. For more information and to register, contact Beth Gore at bgore@internationallink.org. Deadline for registration is October 13.

16. Volunteers Needed for HFA Trunk or Treat, October 31
6–8 p.m. | Christ Community Health Services, 127 Telfair Street
Contact: Candyn Turman, candyn@hopeforaugusta.org
Hope for Augusta and Christ Community Health Services are hosting the Eighth Annual Trunk or Treat event for children in our downtown neighborhood from 6–8 p.m. on October 31 at Christ Community Health Services. This event provides a safe and fun environment for the residents of Olde Town and East Boundary. Volunteers are needed to provide decorated trunks and to help run activities and food. Please contact Candyn Turman if you would like to participate in this great event!

Generous Giving

17. Financial Update
Ministry gifts for the week of October 6............................................$88,735
Year-to-date budget goal .........................................................$3,438,169
Total ministry gifts ..............................................................$88,735
Total giving position ............................................................$3,050,212
Budget/giving position ..........................................................($287,957)