

## 8:30 & 11:00am Traditional Worship

**Prelude and Choral Introit**..... Mrs. Sarah Wannamaker, *organ*, and Sanctuary Choir  
“Be Strong in the Lord” ..... *Johnson/Fettke*

### Chiming of the Hour

**Words of Welcome**..... Rev. Dr. Richard Gibbons

### Call to Worship — *Lamentations 3:24-26*

*Leader:* I say to myself, “The Lord is my portion; therefore I will wait for him.”  
The Lord is good to those whose hope is in him,

*All:* to the one who seeks him;  
it is good to wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord.

### Hymn of Praise

“Shine, Jesus, Shine” ..... *Kendrick*

### Prayer of Adoration

### Announcements

### Anthem

“Jesus Is Lord” ..... *Getty/Townend/McDonald, arr.*

### Pastoral Prayer and Prayer Response — *Psalms 119:1-3, 7*

Blessed are they whose ways are blameless,  
who walk according to the law of the Lord.

Blessed are they who keep his statutes and seek him with all their heart.  
They do nothing wrong; they walk in his ways.

I will praise you with an upright heart as I learn your righteous laws. Amen.

### Hymn of Preparation

“My Jesus, I Love Thee” ..... *Featherston/Gordon*

### Reading of the Word — 1 Peter 2:11-25

**Sermon** ..... Rev. Charlie Buchanan

“COUNTERCULTURE”

### Hymn of Response

“And Can It Be” ..... *Wesley/Campbell*

### Benediction

**Postlude**..... Mr. Stephen Griner, *piano*

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her grandparents, Robert and Carmela Pilinton and William and Margaret Stueben, by Bobby and Debbie Martin.

## 10:45am Ignite Worship

**Words of Welcome**..... Rev. Charlie Buchanan

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**Hymn of Praise**

“How Great Thou Art” ..... *Hine/Baloche*

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**Prayer**

**Hymns of Response**

“Cornerstone (My Hope is Built)” ..... *Bradbury/Liljero/Morgan/Mote/Myrin/Hillsong*  
“He Will Hold Me Fast” ..... *Habershon/Merker/Shane and Shane*

**Announcements** ..... Rev. Brian Stewart

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**Hymns**

“No Longer Slaves” ..... *J. Helser/M. Helser/Bethel*  
“Hallelujah for the Cross” ..... *Glover/McClarnney/Pardo*

**Benediction**




# Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

Vision: Growing faithful Christians to engage and impact the culture with the transforming power of Jesus Christ

## Ministry News and Announcements

**WELCOME, VISITORS!**—We are so glad you are worshiping with us. If you would like to learn more about FPC ministries, get connected to a Bible Study or Life Group, or request prayer, please visit [FirstPresGreenville.org/connectcard](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/connectcard) or text “Connect” to 864.920.5323, and complete the online card. *Questions?* Contact Charlotte (565.0956, [cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org)).

**VIRTUAL ECO NATIONAL GATHERING NEXT WEEKEND!**—Register now for a weekend of leadership development, encouragement, and a deep dive into God’s flourishing next step for your life and ministry. This year’s annual ECO National Gathering will be offered over the internet as a virtual event **Friday-Saturday, January 29-30**. View the presentation schedule and register for the Gathering at [ECONationalGathering.org](http://ECONationalGathering.org). For more details, email Autumn Clark, [aclark@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:aclark@firstpresgreenville.org).

**COME AND SEE!**  **#FPCfollowme**—The Life Connections Committee welcomes you to a new series of messages on discipleship and the discipling culture. The New Year brings the promise of Isaiah 43:10: *Behold, I am doing a new thing: now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.*

The great joy and privilege we have as children of the light is not one we can keep to ourselves. In His last words on earth, Christ commissioned us to go places where the light does not shine. That place may be across the world or across the street. We’ve been given Christ’s Commission (Matthew 28:18-20). Christ is praying for us (John 17:20). Now what? What do we do and how do we do it? These are the questions we will explore in the coming weeks.

We are a church on mission in 2021 and beyond. Come, let’s discover what it means to BE a disciple and to disciple others!

**WINTER-SPRING WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES**—Get connected this year in a weekly opportunity to grow in your faith. In our new Winter-Spring Schedule you’ll find details on opportunities for all ages throughout the week. Visit [FirstPresGreenville.org](http://FirstPresGreenville.org) (click on the *Weekly Schedule* icon) or pick up a brochure from the literature racks.

**MEN’S GATHERING**—Men’s Bible Fellowship Zooms on **Thursday mornings**, 9:00–10:15am. Join 25+ men as we study and discuss the Word of God, one book at a time, one chapter at a time (currently in Philippians)—plus deep prayers and strong fellowship! Contact Ron Kennett ([kennetts4usc@gmail.com](mailto:kennetts4usc@gmail.com)) for Zoom connection. If you’re new to Zooming, one of our men will be happy to help you get started.

**CHERUB AND CAROL CHOIRS RESUME**—Our Cherub Choir (age 4-5, Room 317) and Carol Choir (grades 1-2, Room 316) have resumed their rehearsals on **Wednesday evenings**, 6:15–7:15pm. *Questions?* Contact Director Allyson Southerland, [asoutherland@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:asoutherland@firstpresgreenville.org). Preregister at [FirstPresGreenville.org/ministries/children](http://FirstPresGreenville.org/ministries/children).

**HEALING PRAYER TEAM AVAILABLE**—Although the Tuesday evening *Healing & Prayer Service* has been suspended until further notice, the Healing Prayer Team will continue to offer prayer and prayer appointments by phone and Zoom. To leave a prayer request, call 864.565.0970. For a prayer appointment, call 864.565.0960.

**A PLACE FOR YOU IN CHILDREN’S MINISTRY!**—Are you looking for a way to have a lasting impact? Be a consistent, familiar face in Children’s Ministry! You don’t need to be a gifted speaker or a superb artist—just have a humble and willing heart that wants to share Jesus with children. To find your place, email Heather Tomlinson, [htomlinson@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:htomlinson@firstpresgreenville.org).

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**—If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary in honor or memory of loved ones on **Sunday, February 7, 14, or 21**, please contact Trish Alford at 235.0496.

**NEW YEAR’S CLOSET CLEANSE FOR MIRACLE HILL**—Save the date—and items to donate! Our annual First Pres *Miracle Hill Yellow Bag Donation event* will be **February 20-21**. Suggested donation items include gently used clothing, shoes, handbags, and accessories. Watch for further details.

**BLOOD DONATIONS SAVE LIVES**—Local blood supplies are low. If you are healthy and able, donate at the local Blood Connection donation center on Woodruff Road or find a drive near you at [TheBloodConnection.org](http://TheBloodConnection.org). Every whole blood donation has the power to save up to three lives, and donations of convalescent plasma help those currently battling COVID-19.

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE! INVEST IN A CHILD**—Many children have fallen behind in schoolwork during the pandemic. But imagine if you had no support or if there were no consistent adults in your life who cared. We are partnering with the local bridge agency, *Fostering Great Ideas*, to provide tutors for children in foster care. If you could assist a child with homework at the church, and be a consistent adult for a season, contact Tina Jones at 565.0921 or [tjones@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:tjones@firstpresgreenville.org).

**CONCERT TICKET REFUNDS**—Refunds for Christmas@First concert tickets are available until **January 31**. Please bring or mail your tickets to the Finance Office and we will send you a check. Be sure to include your name and address.

PLEASE WEAR A FACE COVERING THROUGHOUT THE WORSHIP SERVICE.

IF YOU ARE DIAGNOSED WITH COVID-19 AFTER ATTENDING A SERVICE, PLEASE LET THE CHURCH KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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