

# The PRESSbyterian

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July 2021



## KNIGHTS OF NORTH CASTLE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**JULY 19-23, 2021**

Join First Presbyterian July 19-23 for Knights of North Castle VBS for a fun filled time of learning about Jesus! Children 3K (completed) through 5th grade (completed) are invited. We only have space for 50 children, and you must register in advance.

The cost is \$15 per child with a \$30 maximum per family. This includes a T-shirt and one CD per family! Money can be turned in to the church office or mailed (536 Stanley Street, Orangeburg, 29115). Please make checks payable to First Presbyterian Church and include VBS in the memo line. Once you've paid, you can pick up your VBS CD, so your child can begin learning all of the fun, new songs!

Sarah Coggins  
Youth and Children's Director

## BETHELWOODS DAY CAMP JULY 5-9, 2021

Bethelwoods Day Camp (Camp-In-A-Van) will be at First Presbyterian Church from July 5-9 (9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. on Monday - Thursday and 9:00 a.m. - noon on Friday).

All children 5K (completed) – 5th grade (completed) are invited to join us for an exciting day camp at The Centre. The camp will be led by counselors from Bethelwoods Camp & Conference Center and will include games, Bible stories, songs, crafts, and fun!

There are only 24 spaces available, so register soon! The registration form is available on the church website (link on homepage), and you can drop off completed forms at the church office or email them to Sarah at [scoggins@1stpresbyterian.org](mailto:scoggins@1stpresbyterian.org). The cost is \$20 per child, and this includes a snack each day. Campers will need to bring a bagged lunch.

Make checks payable to First Presbyterian and put "Bethelwoods" and your child's name on the memo line.

Sarah Coggins  
Youth and Children's Director

## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

**July 4, 2021**  
11:00 a.m. Service of Worship

Pre-packaged elements  
will be utilized.



# SUNDAY SCHOOL - JULY 2021



**Preschool and elementary** classes are continuing the *Holy Moly* series from Spark House. They are studying the teachings and stories of Jesus.

Teacher for preschool: Leslie Lovelace

Elementary teachers:

July 4	Tracy and Robbie Myers
July 11 and 18	Jane Holladay
July 25	Melissa and Tripp Plummer

**Middle school (5-8)** is continuing with Connect which studies the Bible from Genesis to Revelation with life applications. Teacher: Sarah Coggins

**Youth** will be doing an in-depth study of some of the major stories in the Bible and are being taught by Katherine Smith.

**Explorers** are meeting in the Centre Conference Room studying, "Mark, the Humanity of Christ" by John MacArthur; taught by Craig Smith.

**John Knox Class** is meeting in the John Knox classroom using David C. Cook, "Prophets Faithful to God's Covenant." Teacher: John Shuler

**Saltshaker Class** will not meet as a class in July but are invited and encouraged to attend the John Knox or Explorers class.

# THANK YOU, OUTGOING OFFICERS

Thank you to those elders, Michael Borgstedt, Cal Bruner, Michael Delaney and Howard Shirer and deacons, Delle Bolen, Geni Gillespie, Josh Ridley, Taylor Riley and Joni Thackston who have served so faithfully for the past three years. And to Jack Johnson for his two years of dedicated service. You are appreciated and we are grateful for your dedication and commitment to God's service.

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## FLOWERS BEAUTIFY OUR SANCTUARY

The Sanctuary Flower Calendar has openings on **July 18** and **November 7**. If you wish to place flowers in the church on one of these Sundays please contact Denise Seymore in the church office.



dseymore@1stpresbyterian.org  
534-0088

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## NOTE OF THANKS

Dear First Presbyterian Church Family,

Thank you very much for all of your prayers and cards for our family. Steve is now on the national list for liver donors. It has been a long trip to this point, but we are waiting patiently with God's help. Please continue to pray for all of us.

Ellen Shuler Hinrichs

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## TO REQUEST PRAYER ...

**Prayer request by phone:**

803-534-0088 ext. 108

**Confidential request by phone** (Kaye Borgstedt)

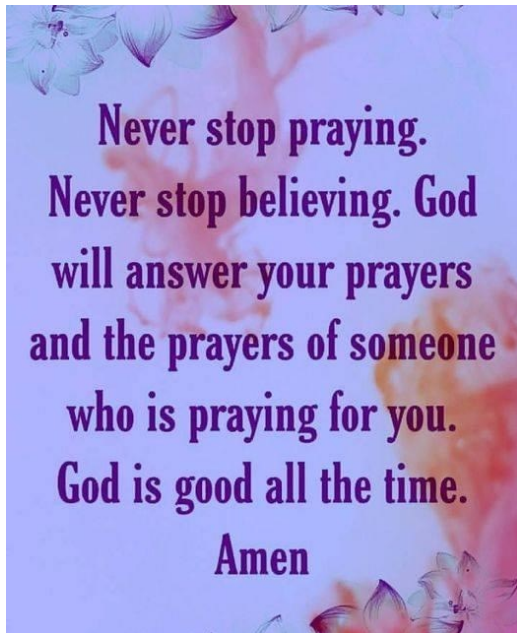
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**Via email**

prayer.request@1stpresbyterian.org

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## Are We A Praying Church? Part 3



Even though this is the last article on prayer for a while, does that mean the end? Obviously not. Prayer is the Alpha and Omega of our Christian walk with Christ. The beginning and the end and every step along the way.

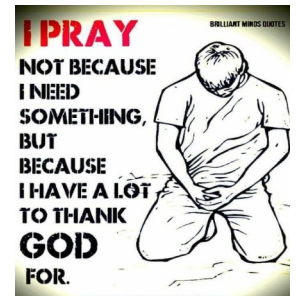
We know the Bible says “rejoice always and pray continually (1 Thessalonians 5:16-17). Jesus said, “When you pray..... pray to your Father who is [always] present....” Mathew 6:5-6. So, we have a mandate to pray.

Have you ever noticed that a sure and quick way to get silence is to ask if anyone would pray? We can say or be told that “praying is simple, it’s just talking to God” However, praying aloud can make us feel self-conscious, vulnerable and judged. And even sometimes praying alone can be a challenge. Sometimes we can’t seem to find the right words, and sometimes we even forget to pray. Don’t fret. Remember the disciples asked Jesus to teach them to pray, which probably means they struggled also. And Jesus did not rebuke them. He taught them what we refer to as “The Lord’s Prayer” (Matt. 6:9-13 and Luke 11:2-4). Scripture tells us that the Holy Spirit is our help and intercedes for us. (Romans 8: 26-2) When we have no words, the spirit intervenes. Kyle Caudle said, “Unknown to us the Spirit could be praying through us, for us, and in us. In God’s grace our lives are constantly surrounded by prayer” (D365, May 21, 2021).

In John 17, we find the “High Priestly Prayer.” In other words, Jesus as the High Priest prays for His disciples and for us as we, too, are also disciples. This happened right before Jesus was arrested. Remember, the disciples still did not understand what was coming. Jesus’ last gift to them was for them to hear Him proclaiming His love for them and His trust in them to carry out the mission He was entrusting to them without His presence. Do you think they were honored, afraid, confused, worried they would not be able to do as asked? Maybe all of these. Sometimes, as disciples we may be called upon to do something hard or something we are not sure we can do. Never forget, when Jesus calls upon us, He will give us what we need to complete this task. He loves us and has confidence we can do it, WITH GOD’S HELP. Keep praying.

### PRAYER:

Holy Spirit, pray thru me when I do not have the words. Stay near to my heart and work thru me. And all God’s children said,



**CHALLENGE:** Rise from a kneeling place and allow God’s love to shine boldly thru you.

Kaye Borgstedt  
Christian Education Coordinator

## SANCTUARY PRAYER

Our sanctuary is open on Tuesdays from 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m. for silent prayer for our church and the church universal. Prayer guides are available. Come anytime and stay for any amount of time.



# JULY BIRTHDAYS

7/01	Stacey Walter	7/19	Caley Shaw
	Jimilyn Kell	7/20	Tracy Myers
7/03	Solomon Selvam		Layne Oswald
7/05	Alayna Shaw	7/21	Elise Myers
7/08	Marji Albergotti		Harry Mims, III
7/09	Ann Edwards	7/22	Davis Dangerfield
7/13	Marcia Wood	7/24	Sloan Moore
	Delle Bolen	7/25	John Shuler
	Julianne Shuler		Wendy Dudley
	Anna Kate Kuck	7/26	Candace Fowler
7/14	Logan Miller		Carol Cassone
7/15	Nancy Nance		Andrew Hunter, Jr.
	Robin Mims	7/28	Evelynn Myers
7/16	Zoe Wingard	7/29	Jim Stevens
7/17	Katherine Patterson	7/30	Sandy Price
			Beth Nexsen

# COVID PROTOCOL

- Pre-packaged communion elements
- Offering plates to be passed in the service
- Water fountains to remain off

We thank God for the health and wellbeing of our congregation and the congregation for your patience.

Covid Task Force

## SUMMER MOVIES AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Each of the movies will begin at 7:00 p.m. in the Centre, and we will have popcorn and drinks. You may want to bring a comfy chair or a beanbag.

Wednesday, July 7



Wednesday, July 21



Wednesday, August 11



## GENERAL FUND

For month ending May 31, 2021

General Fund Income  
General Fund Budgeted Expenses

Month

\$30,381.50  
\$23,330.86  
\$ 7,050.64

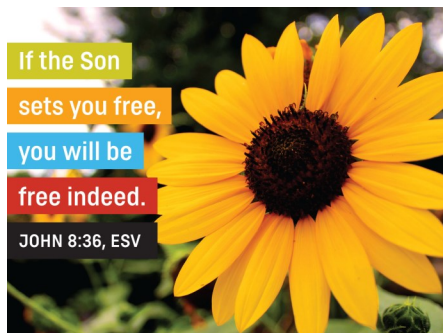
Year-to-Date

\$198,443.67 \*  
\$149,188.03  
\$ 49,255.64

- Includes PPP Loan of \$23,800.00

**First Presbyterian Church**

536 Stanley Street  
Orangeburg, SC 29115



**July 2021**

**MEMORIALS**

**In Memory of:**

Mrs. Jewell Booth

Dr. Michael Strong

Mrs. Helen Culler

**GIVEN BY:**

Dr. and Mrs. Jerry Reitzel  
Mrs. Marcia Wood  
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dowling  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Utsey, Jr.  
Family of Jewell Booth

Harry and Barbara Mims  
Dr. and Mrs. Arden Weathers  
Mr. and Mrs. Kurt von Besser  
Mrs. Cheryl Baugh

Teresa Morris Patterson and Family  
Mr. Keith Byers  
Mr. and Mrs. John Shuler  
Mr. M. Lewis Fogle