

# The PRESSbyterian

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October 2021



## THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

will be observed on  
World Communion Sunday,  
**October 3, 2021**  
(utilizing pre-packaged elements).

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY!

The Worship Committee wishes to offer its sincere gratitude to Katherine Patterson for many years of service to our Lord and to the beautification of our Sunday worship as chair of the flower committee. Katherine has indicated that she would like us to find a replacement for this position. However, before we let her go, we would like to recognize her service by placing flowers in church in her honor on Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>.

If you are looking for a wonderful way to serve the church, please contact me or other members of the Worship Unit to discuss this opportunity.

Jim Harvey, Chair  
Melissa Plummer, Retta Guthrie, David Bull

## FROM THE MINISTER OF MUSIC

### DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER,

I thought it would be good to use as the postlude some of the great hymns from the past. I will be taking hymns from the old Methodist Cokesbury Hymnal, the Baptist Broadman Hymnal, the 1955 (red) Presbyterian Hymnal and from other sources. I hope you enjoy them as much as I have in rediscovering some of these old beloved hymns. Perhaps I will play one of your favorites from the past; if so, feel free to burst into song.



**THIS CHRISTMAS** the chancel choirs of Orangeburg Lutheran Church and First Presbyterian Church Orangeburg and other musicians will come together to present the Christmas Cantata "Season of Wonders" by Joseph Martin. This will take place in our sanctuary at 4:00 p.m. on **Sunday afternoon, December 12, 2021.**



If you would like to join the choirs we will begin joint rehearsal on Monday nights at 7:00 p.m. here at First Presbyterian beginning on November 1. We will have five Monday night rehearsals and an 11:00 a.m. rehearsal on Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>.

I am looking forward to making some beautiful music together with our choir and to join others in our faith community as we celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ. If you cannot sing with us then please keep us in your prayers as we prepare this cantata and plan to attend on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

Raymond Tucker  
Minister of Music

# SUNDAY SCHOOL

## OCTOBER 2021

# CLASSES

for All Ages

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

**Preschool teachers:** Leslie Lovelace and Maggie Robertson

**Elementary teachers:**

October 3	Kathryn and Josh Nexsen
October 10	Jane Holladay
October 17	Kathryn and Josh Nexsen
October 24	Catherine and Ava Cuttino
October 31	Jane Holladay

**Middle school (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades)** is continuing with *Connect*, which studies the Bible from Genesis to Revelation with life applications. Teacher: Sarah Coggins

**Youth** are 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. Teacher: John Shuler

**Saltshaker Class** will meet in the Howard Dickson room (across from John Knox classroom). Curriculum is "Reflections on the Lord's Prayer" by Dr. Ellsworth J. Kallas.

Lessons are emailed to participants each week. If interested, contact Kaye Borgstedt: [kwborg@aol.com](mailto:kwborg@aol.com)

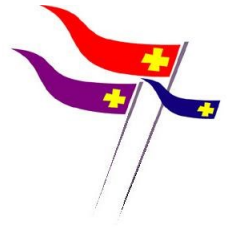
Kaye Borgstedt

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### Reformation Sunday

#### Kirkin' o' the Tartans

We are looking forward to celebrating the Kirkin' o' the Tartans this year, with the tartans on display in the sanctuary.



October 31

### All Saints' Sunday

We will remember those who have died in the last year.

November 7

## PRAYER

**OUR SANCTUARY IS OPEN** on Tuesdays from 11:00 a.m. until 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.

### INTERCESSORS

Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary  
Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. Conference Room of Centre

**TO REQUEST PRAYER:** There are prayer request forms in the pew racks to be completed and put in offering plate.

### OUR CHURCH HAS AN ACTIVE PRAYER CHAIN.

If you have a prayer request, please call the church office at 803-534-0088, ext. 6 to leave a voicemail or you may email your request to [prayer.request@1stpresbyterian.org](mailto:prayer.request@1stpresbyterian.org). Your request will be sent to the caring members of our prayer chain. If your request is confidential, call 803-534-0088, ext. 5 and Kaye Borgstedt will forward the request to those on the confidential prayer chain.

Kaye Borgstedt

## COVID PROTOCOL UPDATE

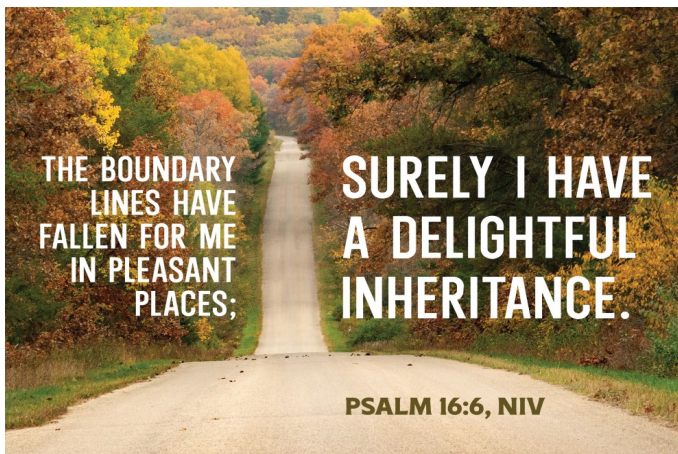
The Session has approved the following Covid-19 protocols, which were recommended by our Task Force on 9/7/2021.

1. Hand sanitizer will be available and should be used upon entering all church buildings.
2. Following the guidance of CDC and our concern for our most vulnerable, masks are required for everyone three years old and older, vaccinated and unvaccinated, as they enter all buildings for all church activities.
3. Please allow ushers to seat you and your family. Physically distanced seating is available for all in attendance.
4. During the time for children, the children will remain in the pew with their parents. Following the time for children adult leaders will lead the children to their programs.
5. Singing will continue with masks on.
6. Offering plates will be at the entrance to receive your offering. Friendship Pads will not be passed.
7. Ushers will bring the offering down front during The Doxology.
8. The minister may preach without a mask.

We ask that you help keep our congregation safe by following this protocol. The Task Force will make adjustments as the Covid situation improves.

### The Task Force

Jimmy Smoak	Kaye Borgstedt
Jim Harvey	Sarah Coggins
David Gillespie	Raymond Tucker
Gregg Frierson	



## NOTES OF THANKS

Dear First Presbyterian Family,

Thank you for the love and support you have shown our family throughout our journey. The cards and texts and constant prayers sustained us through the long months of Steve's hospitalization.

I want to thank Cal Bruner and Michael Borgstedt for recording Steve's funeral and making it possible for our nephew who was deployed in Saudi Arabia to participate. Thank you, Anna House, for keeping our grandsons in the nursery. And thank you to the Bereavement Team for a lovely reception and the perfect setting for our family to be comforted by our friends.

Love,  
Katherine Patterson

Dear First Presbyterian Church family,

Thank you for my Bible. It is very nice. I am excited to use it in the future.

Sincerely,  
Ginny Fitzhugh

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## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/01 Salley Hewett	10/15 Colin Weaver
Freddy Felder	Anna House
Melinda Shepherd	Bourne Burroughs
Leah Jones	10/17 Alan Johnstone
10/02 Bonnie Jordan	Elizabeth Allen
10/03 Bess Hill	Brailsford
Emily Cook	10/18 Connie Belcher
10/04 Neal Branan	10/20 Mike Clayton
Frank Sterling	10/22 Dot Dudley
10/05 Jim Shepherd	Bert Shuler, III
Huntley Wolfe	10/23 Margie Cantley
10/08 Charlotte Nexsen	10/24 Allyn Price
10/10 Marlene Welch	10/26 Sandra Borgstedt
10/13 Ted Evans	10/28 Gari von Besser
Lewis Fogle	10/29 Chalmers Mikell
Gaye Irick	10/30 Lyon Smith
	10/31 Sandy Bryant



# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Is the Holy Spirit in the Old Testament different from the Holy Spirit of the New Testament?

We all are familiar with Pentecost, which is celebrated on the 50<sup>th</sup> day from Easter commemorating the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and other followers of Jesus. There are at least 35 references to the Holy Spirit in the Old and New Testaments. One in Joel 2:27-28 says, “then you will know...that I am the Lord your God and there is no other...and I will pour out my Spirit on all people.” We know Jesus promised us help (Luke 24:49; John 15:26; John 16:7-15 and John 7:35) when He would no longer be physically present. That help is on what the apostles and others were waiting as they celebrated Feasts of Weeks (Acts 2 4-33).



I always thought the Holy Spirit was a gift from God as promised in the Old Testament and received from Jesus. But studying a Sunday school lesson on Ezekiel, he urged the Israelites to allow the Holy Spirit to bring about an inner renewal among them (Ezekiel 18: 31; 11:19 and 36:26). According to “bible.org/questions”, the Holy Spirit was given “selectively and temporarily to indwell ...for special ministries”. Examples are Saul in 1 Samuel 10:5-13 where the “Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon Saul enabling him to serve as King of Israel.” Then in 1 Samuel 16:14 and 18:10, The Holy spirit departed from Saul and was replaced with an “evil” spirit. Another example is in 1 Samuel 16:13 when David was anointed by Samuel “from that day on the Spirit of the Lord came upon David in power.” There are some other references in Isaiah 63:11-14 and Exodus 33:14.

In the New Testament in John 14:15-17 Christ told the disciples, “If you love me, you will obey my commands. And I will ask the father and He will give you another counselor to be with you forever....and He lives WITH you and IN you.” Those prepositions “with” and “in” and the present tense tells the difference in the Spirit in OT and in NT. And Jesus tells us in verse 16, the Spirit will be with us forever, not temporarily. Romans 8:9 says all believers are “controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit” by whom we have been baptized (1 Corinthians 12:13). We may try to squelch the Spirit or grieve the Spirit but the Spirit does not depart from us. The Holy Spirit gives us the power AND God also equips others to help us through difficult times and to rejoice with us through happy times.

So, is there a difference? Yes, there is a difference. According to my research, the Holy Spirit given to people in the Old Testament is temporary. In the New Testament, we have the assurance from Jesus that the Spirit He gives is permanent. Thank God we are living after Pentecost and have an indwelling Spirit, permanently.

## Prayer



## Challenge



With Christian Love,  
Kaye Borgstedt  
Christian Education Coordinator

## AROUND THE CHURCH



**Christian Education Bible Presentation**  
Ginny Fitzhugh, Lyon Smith, Carson Gué



**Hands of Christ Distribution**



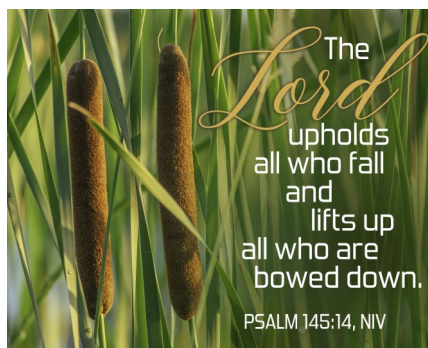
**Montreat Worship and Music Conference**

## GENERAL FUND 2021

For month ending August 31, 2021	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
General Fund Income	\$34,020.50	\$290,639.86 *
General Fund Budgeted Expenses	\$38,635.90	\$260,118.28
	(\$ 4,615.40)	\$ 30,521.58

\* Includes PPP loan of \$23,800.00

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650 Summers Avenue  
Orangeburg, SC 29115  
**Return Service Requested**



**October 2021**

## MEMORIALS

### Given in Memory of

Helen W. Culler  
Charles "Buddy" Barnwell, Jr.

Steven Patterson

Virgil Simpson  
Sara Turner

### Given By

Dr. Vivian Porter-Hutto  
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bryant, Jr.  
Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Frierson  
Jane and John Shuler  
Mr. and Mrs. William Price  
Cheryl Baugh  
Mr. Peter Lea, III  
L. C. and Maud Kissam  
John Knox Class  
Mr. William Morris  
Danny Fogle  
James and Roma Cary

Mr. and Mrs. H. Ben Davis, Jr.  
Jason and Laura Fogle  
Janet and Johnny Brailsford  
Tim and Jamie Wood  
Mrs. Katherine Patterson  
Donna and Bob McCullough  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carson  
Bill and Marlene Welch  
Mary Jo Spiers  
Dr. and Mrs. Lawton Salley  
Mr. and Mrs. Jason Fogle  
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Wayne and Sarah Wilson  
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