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FROM THE PASTOR

"Go into all the world..."

These are some of the last words of Jesus before He ascended back to heaven. He also promised that He would one day return and that during the interim, He would be with us always – even to the end.

As followers of Jesus, it seems we live in a paradox. We wait, on the one hand for Jesus to return bringing God's Kingdom upon the earth. However, we are also instructed to "Go" while we wait. Maybe this is one reason being disciples of Jesus is difficult. Are we waiting or going? Yes!



October is Mission Month here at FPC Orangeburg. All throughout the month of October, we are going to highlight mission activity we are involved in both locally and globally. As we direct our attention towards the future mission of our church, we also begin to consider the best ways to allocate our resources. We can utilize our time, moments given to us by God, offered back to Him that our Lord may use us for a purpose. We can utilize our ability, our gifts of intellect, our hands and feet offered back to Him that our Lord may live and move and have His being in us. We can utilize our money as the tool it is meant to be, a portion offered back to Him that our Lord may know He is first in our lives. We do all of this, amid the paradox of waiting and going. We do all of this, in faithful response to what God has done for us. We offer our gifts and share in mission as a faithful reply to The Gift given to us.

As we think globally, and as we consider our mission to serve throughout the world,

- We will celebrate World Communion on **October 7th**.
- The following week, **October 14th**, the Manilas will be with us, as we hear about their work in Central Asia.
- *If you are in town **October 21st**, you will want to be in worship as we are doing something related with mission that has never been done at this church. I think you will be very surprised.*
- **October 28th** we will gather for worship, praise, and our annual Kirkin' o' the Tartans.

As the season shifts towards Fall I pray God will continue to guide and direct our steps. I pray for God's mission activity in the world, but also within each us, as daily we are made more in His likeness and image. I pray God will be with you amid waiting and going.

Until The Whole World Hears...
Pastor Darren

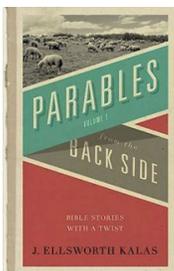


Growing Through Fellowship
First Presbyterian Church, Orangeburg, SC

- 5:30 p.m. Meal
- 6:00 p.m. Program for Adults
- 6:00 p.m. Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 p.m. Youth Bible Study

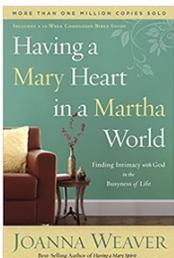
WEDNESDAY OFFERINGS

beginning October 3rd through December 5th



Parables From the Backside by J. Ellsworth Kalas offers a new understanding of twelve of Jesus' parables by viewing them through the eyes of a minor or unsympathetic character. A few of the chapter titles: When the Good Samaritan Is Bad News; God Called a Party, but Nobody Came; The Timid Soul; The

Seasons of the Soil.



Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World
An invitation for every woman who feels she isn't godly enough... isn't loving enough... isn't doing enough. The life of a woman today isn't really all that different from that of Mary and Martha in the New Testament. Like Mary, you long to sit at the Lord's feet... but the

daily demands of a busy world just won't leave you alone. Like Martha, you love Jesus and really want to serve him... yet you struggle with weariness, resentment, and feelings of inadequacy.



Scripture - Smoke - Scope is an invitation for the men of our church to gather out behind the office around a fire and dive deeply into the

Gospel of John.

Fellowship

Or simply come and enjoy the meal and fellowship around the table.

REFORMATION SUNDAY KIRKIN' O' THE TARTANS

Reformation Sunday is October 28. This special service, designed to emphasize and remind us of our Scottish roots within the Presbyterian Church, will again include the "Kirkin' o' the Tartans."

As in past years, family members or someone of their choosing will carry the tartans. Those families which have their tartans at home should return them to the church by Wednesday, October 10th, so that they can be attached to the poles and placed in the line-up.



Please make plans now to celebrate this special service with your church family - "Scot or Not" - you may even be asked to carry a tartan! Thank you for your help and support on this special Sunday.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

will be observed on
World Communion Sunday,
October 7, 2018.



CIRCLE SCHEDULE

- Circle 1:** Tuesday, October 9 11:30 a.m.
Centre
- Circles 2 & 4:** Tuesday, October 9 10:30 a.m.
Conference Room
- Circle 3:** Monday, October 8 6:00 p.m.
Elsie Fogle: 1073 Zion Church Road

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

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

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

The Sanctuary is open on Tuesdays from 11:45-1:15 for silent prayer. The focus is to pray for revival for each member of our congregation, for FPC, and the church universal. Prayers do not have to be limited to this focus and prayer guides will be available. Our sanctuary is a worshipful place for prayer and meditation.

The Prayer Room upstairs in the Centre is available before GTF and for Elders and Deacons prior to their meetings.



Circle One gladly accepts donations of new or gently used coats for *Our Father's Closet*. We appreciate your continued support of this outreach. Place your donated coats in the large, red tub marked *Our Father's Closet* located in the bathroom hallway of the Presbyterian Centre. Your generosity is a special blessing to those receiving a warm coat this winter.

LUNCH WITH THE PASTOR

At *THE OAKS*

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 11:30 A.M.,
THE OAKS DINING ROOM



To minimize the disruption of residents and guests and insure adequate seating arrangements, reservations must be confirmed by Tuesday, October 2, 12:00 noon. Call Norma Shaffer (516-6135) if you wish to come. Tickets may be purchased at the Reception Desk in Woodard Commons.

HEAR YE! HEAR YE! COME ONE, COME ALL!

Monday, October 15

6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
NURSERY PROVIDED

ALL Sunday school teachers including all substitutes and all youth advisors are asked to participate in a Workshop facilitated by the Rev. Lissa Long, Associate Minister at Westminster Presbyterian in Charleston. She will be focusing on "Equipping Our Teachers and Advisors." She will be talking about: making the experience more fulfilling; reducing any stress leading up to a lesson; and how does hospitality fit in to equipping. We who teach/equip have a marvelous opportunity to share the Word while modeling relational ministry as we serve God and our church. For those of us who have been teaching for a while and for those who are newer to teaching, Rev. Long will work together with us to learn different ways to approach our teaching and ways to support and celebrate each other as we use our gifts to glorify God.

We invite you to take advantage of this opportunity and make it a part of your Godcation.

Kaye Borgstedt

APOSTLE BUILD



HABITAT Project

Apostle Build is an initiative of Edisto Habitat for Humanity through local churches to support building a home for a resident in need of housing. First Presbyterian Church and other local churches have come together and each church has pledged to raise \$5,000 for this mission by the end of October, 2018. Dwight Frierson and Jim Harvey are chairing this effort. Please consider making a contribution to this local mission. Checks made out to the church can be given to Dwight or Jim or brought to the church office. Please put "For Habitat House" in the memo line on the check. We hope to be as successful as we were a few years ago when we met our goal to help build an Apostle Build house.

Yours in Christ
Evangelism & Benevolence Committee

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

It is the mission of the Card Ministry Team to make sure that every member of our church family who is on the Congregational Care Update knows that they are in our thoughts and are being lifted up to the Lord in prayer.

We need some volunteers to assist us in this ministry. It would involve sending out cards weekly, and is a simple way to give back to our church without ever having to leave the comfort of your home!

We are all called to represent Christ and to act in His behalf, and in His character and spirit under all circumstances and toward all men. "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him." Colossians 3:17

If you feel led by the Holy Spirit to assist us in this effort, please contact
Erin Axson (860-0807; eaxson@orangeburgprep.com)
or Delle Bolen (536-1944; dellebolen@hotmail.com).

MEMORIALS

Given in Memory of

Mrs. Kathy Johnson	Mrs. Sherry Johnson	Mrs. Pat Simpson	Mrs. Vera Dempsey
Mrs. Marjorie Nickel	Mr. Frank Tourville, Jr.	Mrs. Sara Owens	

Given By

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lorick	Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Frierson	Mr. and Mrs. Al Jones
Mr. and Mrs. Brice Summers	Mr. and Mrs. George Sullivan	Lisa Piercy and Gene Upchurch
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Berry	Dr. and Mrs. Dawes Edwards	Nexsen Pruett, LLC
Mrs. Frances Lytch	John Knox Sunday School Class	Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Kapp
Felder and Sara Evans	Hugh and Cheryl Smith	

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS - OCTOBER

PRESCHOOL: Leslie Lovelace and Maggie Robertson

4 and 5 YEAR-OLD KINDERGARTEN

Oct. 7	Kaye Borgstedt
Oct. 14	Kim Reed
Oct. 21 and 28	Lessie Gayle and Ed Dickson

ELEMENTARY

Oct. 7	Jane Holladay
Oct. 14	Melissa and Tripp Plummer
Oct. 21	Joni and Lawrence Thackston
Oct. 28	Susan and Jimmy Smoak

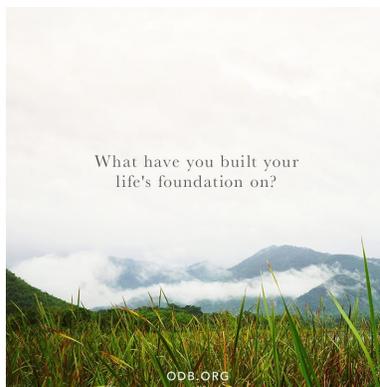
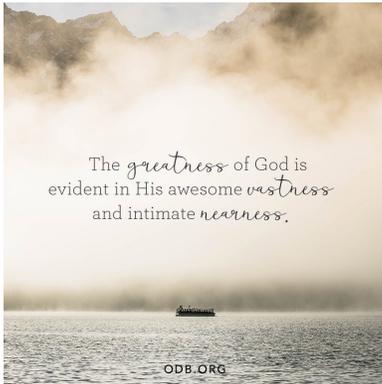
YOUTH:

Katherine and Craig Smith

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION—LIVING FAITHFULLY

Have you ever heard, “A picture is worth a thousand words”?

Well, look at the “pictures” below and see what they “say” to you. Does one have more meaning for you than any other? Is your choice based on what is happening in your life right now? Would your choice change when your circumstances change? What do the pictures, as a group, say to you? What Bible verses would you add to each? I would love to have comments that I can share next month.



Prayer: Lord, surround us with your love and mercy so we can share that love with others. Amen.

Challenge: Be open to God reaching out to you in surprising and unexpected ways. Be prepared for “God interruptions” in your daily plan and see the interruption as an opportunity.

Serving together,
Kaye
Christian Education Coordinator

First Presbyterian Church
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Orangeburg, SC 29115
Return Service Requested



PRESCHOOL NURSERY

October 7 Smith
October 14 Caroline Smith
October 21 Turner
October 28 Myers

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

October 7 Gue
October 14
October 21 Burroughs
October 28 Riley

HELP NEEDED

If you would be willing to help build bookshelves for the library, please contact Kaye Borgstedt, 707-2225.

GENERAL FUND 2018

For month ending August 31, 2018	<u>Month</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
General Fund Income	\$29,099.30	\$320,546.46
General Fund Budgeted Expenses	<u>\$41,400.80</u>	<u>\$348,454.54</u> **
	(\$ 12,301.50)	(\$ 27,908.08)

** Includes year to date transfer to Missions of \$15,125.00.