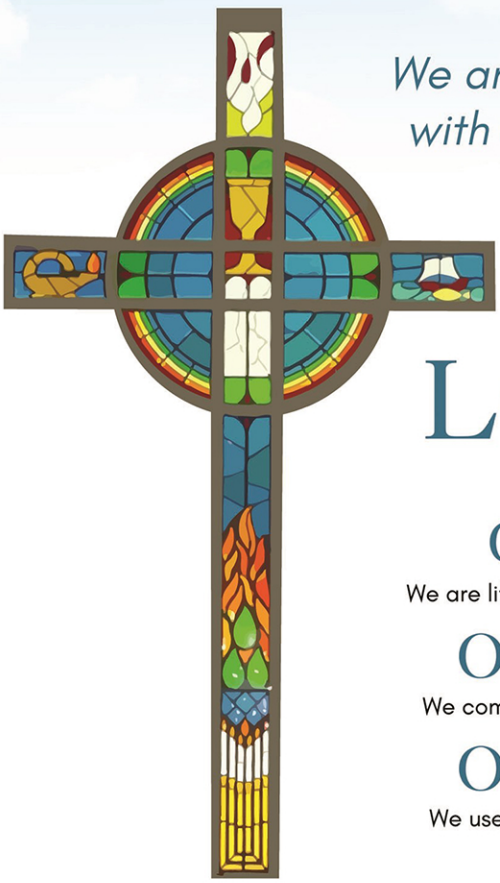
First Presbyterian

FLORENCE SOUTH CAROLINA

9 a.m. November 22, 2026



We are called to love God with our head, our heart, and our hands

LOVING *with*

OUR HEAD

We are lifelong learners shaped by God's Word

OUR HEART

We commit to loving God and loving people

OUR HANDS

We use our God-given gifts to serve others

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WELCOME

MOMENT FOR MINISTRY

CALL TO WORSHIP

SONGS OF WORSHIP & PRAISE

I Thank God Aaron Moses | Chuck Butler | Dante Bowe
Enrique Holmes | Jesse Cline | Maryanne J. George

****Holy and Annointed One*** John Barnett

MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES/ MOMENT OF DEDICATION Dr. Stuart Bond

Children in 3K-first grade are invited to go with a worship caregiver to attend *Children in Worship*. Children who attend Children in Worship must check in prior to dismissal from worship by using the QR code. Parents, please pick up your children at *Children in Worship* at the end of the service.

PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE Elder Richie Wilhoit

GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS

Jireh Chandler Moore | Chris Brown | Naomi Raine | Steven Furtick

SERMON Dr. Stuart Bond

Deal or no Deal?
Exodus 33:1-17
(Pew Bible pages 87-88)

SONG OF RESPONSE

Always Jessie Harris | Josiah Funderburk | Matthew Ryan

BENEDICTION

This morning's worship is led by
Dr. Stuart Bond, Senior Pastor
Richie Wilhoit, Elder
Praise Team
Vic Rockhill, leader
Curt Boswell, bass guitar
Keith Hamrick, drums
Max Keefe, piano
Jude Emert, guitar
David Sanderson, electric guitar
Courtney Emert, vocals
Megan Garrison, vocals

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The harvest arrangement is given by the McLean and Marechal families to the glory of God and with Thanksgiving for our church family.

Welcome guests! If you're visiting us for the first time this morning, we would like to give you a small gift. As you leave the sanctuary, deacons (with name tags on) will have a Jesus Calling book ready for you. We are glad you're with us.

Lord, Hear Our Prayer. Those in need of prayer include Berta Allen; Aubrey Crawford; Evans Holland; Mary Kirkpatrick; Dave and Linda Lawson; Mary Ann Nash; Ginger Owen; Lyllian Scott; Linda Smiley; Ginger Sullivan; Mary Watts; and Ronnie Welch.

Today is Commitment Sunday! As part of worship services today, all Covenant Partners will have the opportunity to come forward and place a stewardship commitment card on the Communion table as a sign of our commitment to Christ and what He is doing through First Presbyterian Church. This act is about far more than collecting pledge cards. It is our opportunity to recommit our lives to Christ and be a part of what He is doing in our community and the world. Commitment cards and envelopes are at the end of each pew. Please prayerfully consider how God is leading you to financially support the ministry and mission of First Presbyterian.

Stay Connected in Prayer! Sign up to receive occasional Associate Pastor Nominating Committee updates and weekly prayer reminders by text message. Text **START** to 864-514-8431 and stay connected with our church community.

College and Career Ministry: Sunday School at 10 a.m. in The Lounge. Fellowship events for Thanksgiving and Christmas to be announced.

Youth Holiday Market will be held after both worship services on December 6, 13, and 20 in the courtyard. Proceeds go toward Youth Ministry summer trips.

Calling all Men of the Church, please join us at noon Wednesday in the fellowship hall for the monthly "Hey Buddy," a Men's Fellowship Group luncheon. Lunch (fried turkey for sandwiches) will be provided at a cost of $5 to be paid at the door, and our guest speakers will be Jon Weiss Jr. and a few gentlemen from House of Hope. RSVP is not required but requested. Men are welcome to bring family members in town for the holiday. If you have any questions, contact: Travis Blayton, 803-360-3796; Jason Coker, 843-260-4786; or Chris Scott, 803-606-2500.

Hanging of the Greens: Women in Ministry members will decorate the church from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Monday, November 30, and 9 to 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 1. Volunteers are needed and welcomed!

Christmas Centerpieces: Join the Women in Ministry for a seasonal workshop from 6 to 7:30 p.m. December 1 in the fellowship hall. Materials will be provided. Bring your own container or pick one. Light refreshments will be served, and there will be a Christmas lesson. Cost is $5. Register using QR code or call the church office, 843-662-2583.

Keenagers will meet at noon Tuesday, December 1. Come see what the staff has in store for us as we celebrate the season. It is always fun. All covenant partners 55 and older are welcome to join for food and fellowship. Meal cost is $7.

Handbell Concert: Ring in the Advent season at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, December 2, with our talented Chancel Handbell Choir! This is a First Presbyterian Church tradition rich with Christmas melodies from around the globe.

A Taste of Generosity – Five Weeks. Open Hearts. A Whole New Way to Live! What if generosity is above more than what we give – what if it's about how we live? Join Kelly Hickey from 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Wednesdays, January 6 – February 3, in the Fellowship Hall for a five-week journey to discover the joy of living generously through our time, relationships, and resources. Register by December 14 so we can order your participant book and come ready to discover how generosity can transform your heart and everyday life! Please contact Kelly at 843-799-1263 or khickey@florencefirst.org to register or use the QR code at right.

Stewardship Update: First Presbyterian Church relies on the generosity of our covenant partners to fund our ministry activities. The information below is a snapshot of our giving through the end of October. Giving for October was better; however, our average monthly giving is below our monthly budget need.

Monthly Giving Need	October Giving	YTD Surplus/(Deficit)
$163,667	$155,120	($57,289)

Associate Pastor Nominating Committee Prayer Request

"For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives. ..."
— Colossians 1:9-10



We seek prayer for and with the committee this week as we are shifting our prayer focus to the candidate and their family in hopeful completion to accepting our Associate Pastor position. Pray with the committee for the details and concerns of the candidate and their family in this change of life and position.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 **Commitment Sunday**
9:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service
10:00 AM First Connections: Jenkins Fellowship Hall
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
3:30 PM 8U Basketball practice: CLC
4:30 PM 10U Basketball practice: CLC
5:00 PM Youth: Small Groups

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23
9:30 AM CDC Chapel
2:30 PM Prayer Group: Price Classroom
5:00 PM Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5:30 PM Selah Yoga: CLC
6:00 PM CDC Staff Meeting
7:00 PM Boy Scouts: Scout Room
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
7:00 PM Men's Bible Study: Room 203

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24
7:00 AM Men's Prayer Meeting: Room 100
10:00 AM Staff Meeting
5:30 PM 8U Basketball practice: CLC
6:30 PM Session: JFH

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 25
12:00 PM Men's Ministry luncheon: JFH
2:00 PM CDC early dismissal

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26 **Thanksgiving**
CDC and church office closed

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27
CDC and church office closed
5:30 PM Greek Orthodox church basketball practice

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29 **First Sunday of Advent**
9:00 AM Contemporary Worship Service
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service
3:30 PM 8U Basketball practice: CLC
4:30 PM 10U Basketball practice: CLC
5:00 PM Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal
5:00 PM Youth: Outdoor Movie

I Thank God Aaron Moses | Chuck Butler | Dante Bowe | Enrique Holmes
Jesse Cline | Maryanne J. George

Wandering into the night wanting a place to hide
This weary soul this bag of bones
I try with all of my might
But I just can't win the fight
I'm slowly drifting a vagabond

And just when I ran out of the road
I met a man I didn't know
And He told me that I was not alone

You picked me up You turned me around
And placed my feet on solid ground
I thank the Master I thank the Savior
Because You healed my heart You changed my name
Forever free I'm not the same
I thank the Master I thank the Savior I thank God

I cannot deny what I've seen
Got no choice but to believe
My doubts are burnin' like ashes in the wind
So, so long to my old friends burden and bitterness
You can just keep them moving
Nah you ain't welcome here

From now till I walk streets of gold
I'll sing of how You saved my soul
This wayward son has found his way back home

Hell lost another one I am free I am free I am free
Hell lost another one I am free I am free

Holy and Anointed One John Barnett

Jesus Jesus
Holy and anointed One
Jesus

Jesus Jesus
Risen and exalted One
Jesus

Your name is like honey on my lips
Your Spirit like water to my soul
Your word is a lamp unto my feet
Jesus I love You I love You

Jireh Chandler Moore | Chris Brown | Naomi Raine | Steven Furtick

I'll never be more loved than I am right now
Wasn't holding You up
So there's nothing I can do to let You down
It doesn't take a trophy to make You proud
I'll never be more loved than I am right now

Going through a storm but I won't go down
I hear Your voice carried in the rhythm of the wind to call me out
You would cross an ocean so I wouldn't drown
You've never been closer than You are right now

Jireh You are enough
Jireh You are enough
I will be content in every circumstance
Jireh You are enough

Forever enough
Always enough
More than enough

I don't wanna forget how I feel right now
On the mountaintop
I can see so clear what it's all about
Stay by my side when the sun goes down
Don't wanna forget how I feel right now

I'm already loved I'm already chosen
I know who I am I know what You've spoken
I'm already loved More than I could imagine
And that is enough

If He dresses the lilies with beauty and splendor
How much more will He clothe you
How much more will He clothe you
If He watches over every sparrow
How much more does He love you
How much more does He love you

How much more does He love you

I will be content in every circumstance
Jireh You are enough

Always Jessie Harris | Josiah Funderburk | Matthew Ryan
The Lord is my shepherd
My refuge and my shelter
Though enemies surround
He's my defender

He's faithful and patient
He's loving and He's gracious
From age to age His goodness never changes

I will sing praise I will sing praise
For the Lord is good always
All of my days held by His grace
For the Lord is good the Lord is good always

Always always

I'm standing on the Rock the Rock of Ages
Holding to the hope that's never failing
I've got all I need 'cause I've got You

My prize and my treasure
He's good beyond all measure
I've tasted and I've seen
There's nothing better so forever