

# The Window

The Newsletter of Fort Hill Presbyterian Church

# **Message From the Pastor**

### Welcome to Preston Shealy, Interim Associate Pastor for University Ministry

University Ministry has been through many transitions lately this year notwithstanding. With the departure of Michael Sanchez, we are blessed to have someone right here who has a passion for student ministry. Preston and Debbie



Shealy retired to Clemson in 2020. Preston is a retired pastor and Debbie, a retired physical therapist, is already involved in the bell choir and Fellowship Ministry. With the challenges of the pandemic, our goal was to provide stable, caring pastoral support to our active Presbyterian Student Association (PSA) students and the council of students that lead it. Preston is working part-time and can be reached by email psa.pastor@forthillchurch.org.

Before joining us in this role, Preston was serving on the University Ministry team of Session, connecting PSA alumni and area churches with this ministry on his own initiative. PSA was Westminster Fellowship when Preston attended Clemson. He brings decades of pastoral service in Presbyterian (USA) congregations from Marianna, FL, Pawleys Island, SC, and most recently Columbus, OH. Preston has always loved supporting young people in their faith journey. I met Preston over the years through out connections to Montreat Youth Conference. He writes,

As Debbie and I "retired" to Clemson last fall, I was looking forward to hiking and relaxing and traveling while occasionally filling an area pulpit...but God had other plans in mind. With Michael's call to First Presbyterian Church in Marietta, the Spirit seemed to speak to Laura Conrad and the leaders at Fort Hill as the Spirit spoke to me. I am excited about the opportunity to grow with the students and others in the Presbyterian Student Association and the University Ministry Team during the 2021-2022 school year. I look forward to our time together as we all seek God's guidance on our journeys of life and faith!

So please join me in welcoming Preston to our staff and mission to reach out to students growing in faith.

On our Way Together...

Pastor Laura

Joining together on a journey of Christian faith, we seek to be Disciples of Christ and to share God's love in our community and around the world.

We do this as we Glorify God, Grow Disciples, Meet Human Needs.

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# Weekly Lectionary Scriptures

**10/3 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** Job 1:1; 2:1-10, Ps. 26 Heb. 1:1-4, 2:5-12; Mark 10:2-16

**10/10 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** Prov. 1:20-33; Ps. 19; James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38

**10/17 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** Job 38:1-7 (34-41, 16-17; Ps. 104:1-9, 24, 35c; Heb. 4:12-16, 2:5-12; Mark 10:17-31

**10/24 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost** Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Ps. 34:1-8; Heb. 7:23-28; Mark 10:46-52

**10/31 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**Ruth 1:1-18; Ps. 146;
Heb. 9:11-14; Mark 12:28-34



# November 2021 The Window Deadline

The deadline for articles, announcements, and features for the **November** issue of *The Window* is **October 15**.

Please email your item as a Microsoft Word document to the church office at

window@forthillchurch.org

or type the item directly into your email and send. If possible, please keep your articles to 500 words or less.

# Kirkin' o' the Tartans

October 31, 2021 10:45 Worship Service

Join us as we celebrate the saints in worship. Everyone can be a Scot for a day! The Presbyterian church is descended from the Kirk (church) of Scotland. We will process the Tartan banners and enjoy bagpipes. Happy Scotoberfest!



### **Choir Corner**

The month of October is one of my favorites. Fall provides a beautiful world of color all around us. There is a crispness in the air. The church year is really cranking up as we prepare for World Communion and Kirkin' of the Tartans. Choirs are getting a taste of Advent and Christmas music. Children are learning rhythms, words, and maybe some tunes. Hopefully we will see more familiar faces in worship and can catch up on what has been happening in peoples' lives.



In this wonderful time of year, may we be changed like the seasons. Feel restored and renewed as the colors around us remind us of God's presence in creation. As leaves crunch beneath our feet, may we have a lilt in our step. May the blue sky and clouds give us refreshment as the weather cools and calls for a sweater around our shoulders. And as we see, feel, taste, and touch this beauty, may we be reminded of this hymn with the words by Folliott Sandford Pierpoint in 1864 and the tune by Conrad Kocher in 1838.

For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies, for the love which from our birth over and around us lies. Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night, hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light. Lord of all, to thee we raise this Your hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's delight, for the mystic harmony linking sense to sound and sight. Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild. Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.

Smiling-n-singing,



# Do We Want to Keep Livestreaming Our Worship Services? HELP!

Fort Hill has been livestreaming its services of worship since last October but as we approach one year of this ministry there is a need for help if we are to continue. Currently a very small group of volunteers takes care of the preparations and operation of the equipment required to share our services with others through Fort Hill's YouTube Channel. However, without additional people to help, this ministry of our church may have to be suspended.

Specifically, there is a need for a minimum of 2 people willing to learn the application ProPresenter, that is used to build the slides for the worship services. The slides provide the text images, and videos seen during a service, and many of the worship elements have already been created. Also, at least 1 more person is needed to select the camera views used for the livestream.

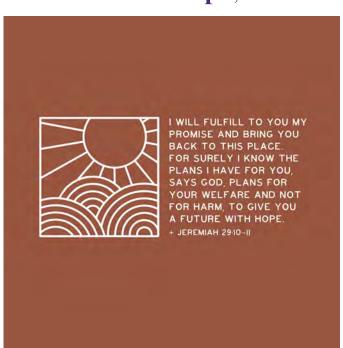


Without a commitment to fill at least these minimal volunteer needs by no later than the end of October, Fort Hill will be left with 2 options: (a) having the support tasks done by paid workers or (b) discontinue livestreaming of the worship services. Please consider your gifts, willingness to support this ministry of our church, and if God might be calling you to serve in this way. If you would like to volunteer, have an interest in media, or would like additional information, please contact the Media Team Lead Chuck Moede at chuck.moede@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support and encouragement of this ministry initiative, and for prayerfully considering how you might ensure it continues.



# A Future With Hope; Annual Stewardship Sunday, November 14



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Stewardship is about love. It's a spiritual practice that moves us to consider how we shepherd our whole lives — through word and habit, and with God and each other — to be expressions of gospel love in the world. At Fort Hill, our mission is to Glorify God, Grow Disciples and Meet Human Needs. Love is a big part of all three components of our mission.

Accomplishing our mission requires resources and this congregation has done an outstanding job providing the resources required to minister to our children, youth, college students, adults as well as the Clemson community and beyond. Thank you for your generous support! As we approach Stewardship Sunday on November 14, we ask that you consider continuing your support and even increasing it if possible. The love you demonstrate through your gifts provides a future with hope to many in need.

So please be on the lookout for more information about Stewardship Sunday on November 14. Stewardship Sunday will allow us to join together in providing all the resources — spiritual, theological, physical, and financial — that support the indispensable work of Fort Hill.

#### **Church Mouse**



Church is back in full swing even those cute little ones that I love so much — love their crumbs, too.

The choir is providing inspiring music under the direction of Margaret MacKay, plus Mark & Robbi Stokes, Chip & Diane Egan, Charles & Mary Barron, Ronda Ricks, Judy Blackwell, Garland Gravely, Karen Ware, John Sherman, Jim Dusenberry, Jacquie Worley, Gensie Waldrop, and Cindy Sloan.

Caroline Thomas and Robin Denny assisted with communion on the first Sunday of the month. Ushers have been Larry & Wanda Glenn, Marcia Sherman, Jim & Caroline Thomas and Wes Worley. I was so sorry to hear that Pastor Michael was leaving. Donna McCubbin, Robin Weeks, and Jay Jones participated in his dissolution service in August. A reception for him was held out in the courtyard with cake, fruit, and lemonade under the direction of Mark Morrison, Jan & Susan Beckwith and Ann Howard.

Back in May the Presbyterian Women had a drive thru Birthday Luncheon with cupcakes instead of cake supervised by Mary Barron, Debbie Collins, Susan Beckwith, Pam Waddle, Cindy Sloan, Barbara Madison, and Cathy McInnis. Presbyterian Women leaders are: Moderator, Linda Parsons; Treasurer, Gail Williams; PW Directory, Lois Sill; Circle 1 Leaders, Maranda Arnold & Carolyn Stroup; Tuesday EVEning Circle Leaders, Janet Bean & Nan Jones; Trinity Circle Leaders, Aleta Robinson; Circle of Hope Leaders, Judy Blackwell & Ann Gilreath; Resource (recruitment), Helen Wooten, Carolyn Stroup, & Linda Gahan.

Give thanks to God for those who serve so faithfully and thank them personally.

# Congregational Meeting, October 17 at Conclusion of Worship Service

The congregation of members for Fort Hill Church call their pastors, approve terms of call, and elect nominating committees to search for those pastors. We will hear a recommendation from the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee, led by Helen Mohr, to call Jacob Kennedy as Associate Pastor for Youth and Mission pending his approval by Foothills Presbytery on November 9.

Jacob has been working with us in a non-ordained role and completed his examination at his home presbytery. He is now "certified to receive a call" as part of the ordination process. He was examined by the Examinations Commission of Foothills Presbytery. Once fully approved by the calling Presbytery, he will be ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament and installed as our Associate Pastor with Youth and Mission. The date of that special worship service is November 21, 2021, at 10:45. We look forward to celebrating this big step together with Jacob.

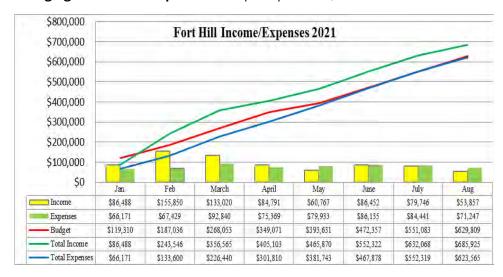
A second item of business is to hear an update from our Officer Nominating Committee. Potentially, they will bring forward a slate of names to serve as Associate Pastor Nominating Committee to search for a University Pastor, a position vacated at the end of August.

God works through the voice of called persons who seek God's will for our congregation. We are so grateful for those serving in these roles. If you hear God calling you to serve, please reach out to Robin Weeks, Moderator of Personnel and Program Support and Coordinator of the Officer Nominating Committee. Contact Robin at <a href="mailto:newoaks@att.net">newoaks@att.net</a>.

# From the Finance Ministry

Through August, total income was \$685,925 while expenses for the first 8 months were \$623,565 giving a surplus of \$62,360. Overall expenses were at 60% of budget, while income was at 73%. As you can see, expenses are approximately 6% below budget and income is roughly 7% above budget. General Fund sustained a loss of \$14,634 for the month, reducing the year to date surplus of \$123,867. Some expenses are lower than budgeted during this pandemic, and thanks to your financial support, Fort Hill is able to continue its ministries to members, community, and around the world. **Thank you!** If you are not present at church, your contributions can be made by mail or online through the Fort Hill website.

**Bridging Generations Update:** Loan principal: \$260,440





# **Discovering Faith**Sunday, October 17

Interested in Learning More About Joining Fort Hill Church?

Our next Discovering Faith Lunch for those interested in exploring membership will be held after the 10:45 am worship service in the Club Room. Please contact Morgan in the church office at communications@forthillchurch.org if you would like to attend and if you need childcare.



## **Youth Ministry Update**

Friends of Fort Hill! During this time there is so much uncertainty and difficulty. It is with great joy that we share great news. Our Youth Ministry program, after having a successful Summer, has kicked off into full swing — each week at Youth from 5-7 on Sunday nights! We are seeing new faces, and are working hard to create a welcoming environment for all people. This year our theme is "Called to Care" and we are looking at various ways to care for those who play important roles in our lives. Coming up soon we are looking forward to having our Clemson PSA students join us for a night spent together, and other events for our Youth to do! We kicked off our awesome new Sunday School class, called the Breakfast Club from 9:30-10:30 in the Den in September. There is so much happening in the life of our Youth Ministry, and if you are interested in being involved in any way, please let us know by contacting Jacob at <a href="mailto:ioxno.com">ioxno.com</a> in the life of our Youth Ministry, and if you are interested in being involved in any way, please let us know by contacting Jacob at <a href="mailto:ioxno.com">ioxno.com</a> in the Jacob.kennedv@forthillchurch.org.

Fall 2021 Theme: PLAY

Faith & Fellowship at the Fort:
Where Relationships Matter

**Every Sunday** 

9:30 - 10:30 am

Kid's Club in the Nest

Youth Breakfast Club in the Den

Adult Sunday Morning Tailgate in the Gathering Space

- · Coffee Grounds
- · Work, Play & Worship
- · Sojourner's The Book of Acts



# Christian Sympathy is extended to:

The family of **Evangeline "Tina" Sitton** upon her death on August 14 in Kihei. HI.

**Tom & Connie Lawrence** on the death of Tom's brother, Mark Lawrence, on August 22 in Carmel, IN.

**Dusty & Nancy Oates** on the death of Dusty's mother, Zelda Oates, on August 28 in Due West.

Amy Elrod and Megan & Eddie Chavis on the death of Amy and Megan's uncle on September 1 in Tennessee.

**Nancy Brown** and family on the death of her husband **John Brown** on September 10 in Vestavia, AL.

**Peggy & Hugh Garner** on the death of Peggy's brother, Samuel "Sam" M. Ford, on September 17 in Easley.

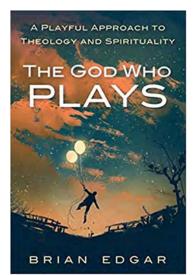
## **Christian Action Ministry Update**

The Christian Action Ministry team (CAM) has been working hard the past few months to set up "Handwritten Hellos." Serving as a youth elder on CAM has been a great experience for me because of all the fun ideas like Handwritten Hellos that we have been able to provide for the church and community. There has been a great response to the Handwritten Hellos since they have been set up, but more and more are welcome each and every week. CAM has also been exploring ways to raise money for the Presbyterian Disaster Assistance or PDA. PDA has done a great job at raising funds for the Afghanistan crisis, the earthquake in Haiti, and even events as recent as Hurricane Ida. Although these may be touchy subjects for some, PDA needs help fundraising from everyone. Just a few dollars can go a long way in their fight for Afghanistan, Haiti, and Hurricane Ida.

~ Dulcie Mohr, Elder

# Discipleship Ministry — Adult Ministry Opportunities

# Sunday Mornings 9:30-10:30 am in-person — Fall 2021



# The God Who Plays: A Playful Approach to Theology and Spirituality

By Brian Edgar

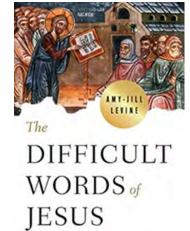
Many people would be surprised to hear that a playful attitude towards God and the world lies at the heart of Christian faith. Traditionally Christians have focused on the serious responsibilities of service, sacrifice, and commitment. But the prophets say that the future kingdom is full of people laughing and playing, which has implications for Christians who are called to live out the future kingdom in the present. Play is not trivial or secondary to work and service — only a playful way of living does justice to the seriousness of life! Play is the essential and ultimate form of relationship with God, which is why Jesus told people to learn from children. Indeed, a playful attitude is an important part of all significant relationships. This book explores grace, faith, love, worship, redemption, and the kingdom from the perspective of a playful attitude. It describes how to create a "play ethic" to match the "work ethic" and discusses play as a virtue. Aquinas's warning against the sin of not playing enough, and Bonhoeffer's claim that in a world of

pain it is only the Christian who can truly play. (9 weeks beginning October 17)

October 17	Christ: The God Who Plays	
October 24	Faith: It's Child's Play	
October 31	Worship: Fun and Games	
November 7	Spirituality: Playing with Friends	
November 14	Theology: Ludic(rous) Thinking	
November 21	Grace: Creating a Play Ethic	
November 28	Open—Thanksgiving	
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December 5 Love: Play and True Beauty
December 12 Redemption: Play and Pain
December 17 Kingdom: Playing with God





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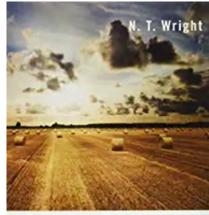
#### The Difficult Words of Jesus

By Amy-Jill Levine

Jesus provided his disciples teachings for how to follow Torah, God's word; he told them parables to help them discern questions of ethics and of human nature; he offered them beatitudes for comfort and encouragement. But sometimes Jesus spoke words that followers then and now have found difficult. He instructs disciples to hate members of their own families (Luke 14:26), to act as if they were slaves (Matthew 20:27), and to sell their belongings and give to the poor (Luke 18:22). He restricts his mission (Matthew 10:6); he speaks of damnation (Matthew 8:12); he calls Jews the devil's children (John 8:44).

In *The Difficult Words of Jesus*, Amy-Jill Levine shows how these difficult teachings would have sounded to the people who first heard them, how they have been understood over time, and how we might interpret them to the context of the Gospel of love and reconciliation. (6 weeks)

October 10	Sell What You Own	Luke 18:22
October 17	Hate Father and Mother	Luke 14:26
October 24	Slave of All	Matthew 20:27
October 31	Nowhere among the Gentiles	Matthew 10:6
November 7	Outer Darkness	Matthew 8:12
November 14	Your Father the Devil	John 8:44





#### **Sojourners Class**

(currently on Zoom starting at 9:00 am)
Email Bob & Carol Stout at <u>b39c40@bellsouth.net</u> for the Zoom link

**The Acts of the Apostles** by William Barclay **Acts for Everyone, Part 1** by N.T. Wright

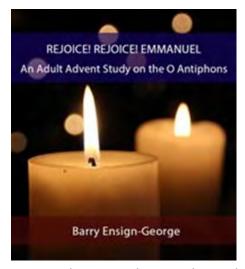
- October 3 Acts 11 Carol Stout
- October 10 Acts 12 Karen Ware
- October 17 "Decompression" Lesson Bob & Carol Stout
- October 24 "Transition" Lesson Bob & Carol Stout

The Armor of God by Priscilla Shirer

• October 31—December 12 (except November 28) — led by Cindy Trammell

#### Advent/Christmas

December 19 & 22 — Led by Bob & Carol Stout



# Wednesday Mornings at 10:00 on Zoom Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel — An Adult Advent Study on the O Antiphons

Explore the gift of Advent this year with this five-week study, which explores the O Antiphons, a set of words of worship for the seven days leading up to Christmas Eve. Each week we will explore verses from the advent hymn O Come, O Come Emmanuel which provides imagery for the O Antiphons which will guide our reflections and discussions on several important topics, including God's past and present promises and how to respond to the gap between what is and what God intends.

The study begins November 3 with an introduction and four other weeks exploring the imagery and other music of the season that teaches us about who Jesus is coming into the world to save. Depending on the severity of COVID-19

cases in the area at the time, this study may be in person or offered through Zoom. A decision will be made closer to the start date. Please register by **October 27**, so that Mary will email you the reading materials. There is no book to purchase for this course.

November 3 Introduction

November 10 The Gift: Focus on the Deep Matters in "O Wisdom"

December 1 Standing on the Ground of History: "O Adonai," "O Root of Jesse"

December 8 Framing Mary's Song: "O Key of David," "O Radiant Dawn"

December 15 From the Cosmos to the Cradle: "O Ruler of the Nations," "O Emmanuel"

To register by October 27, please <u>click here</u> if online or scan the QR code to the right.







#### **Welcome Fort Hill New Members**



#### Tiffany Deal

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Phone: 704.678.3070 (cell) tiffanycdeal@gmail.com

**Email:** 

Tiffany Deal was raised in Clover, SC. She attended the Wesleyan Church as a child. She currently resides in Clemson and works for Housing at Clemson University as a Community Director. She graduated from Presbyterian College and Clemson University. Tiffany participates with PSA and is looking forward to spending time with the youth at Fort Hill Church.



John & Cindy Prather

308 Pointe East Dr. Address:

Seneca, SC 29672

John: 281.536.6800; Cindy: 713.806.9180 Phone:

**Email:** John: jwpratheriii@gmail.com Cindy: pratherck1@gmail.com

Cindy and John are both ruling Elders and Deacons having been active in the PCUSA in Wilmington, NC, and Houston. They live on Lake Keowee. They met in Charlotte where Cindy grew up. John is from Spartanburg, SC. He attended Clemson, class of 1975. He is an engineer, and she worked in accounting. They are both retired. They love serving with the youth. Cindy has taught Sunday School, first grade through graduation. They especially love working with the mid-highs. Cindy and John have gone on mission trips and worked with youth groups.



Richard (Rick) Hegenberger

112 Stansbury Dr. Address: Clemson, SC 29631

**Phone:** 843.992.8885

FlyRickHeg@gmail.com **Email:** 

Rick is a graduate of the University of Arkansas. He is a pilot and was in the Navy and continues to fly for fun. Rick's wife is Catholic and will attend Fort Hill with him from time to time. Rick is a lifelong Presbyterian. He has been a member of First (Scots) Presbyterian Church in Charleston for the past 26 years. He has served as a Greeter, Usher, Lay Reader, Deacon, and Elder. He worked with the Personnel Committee for three years and currently is participating in the Fort Hill Men's Bible study.



**Eleanor McCallum** 

**Everlan Assisted Living** Address:

> 150 Pershing Ave. Clemson, SC 29631

Phone: 864.710.2450

**Email:** eleanor1940@yahoo.com

Eleanor McCallum is transferring her membership from Forest Hill Presbyterian Church in Florida. She moved to Everlan, Patrick Square with her husband. Her husband passed away in November. She and her late husband were very involved with their church serving as a Sunday School teacher and a Deacon. They have one son, Sean McCallum. He and his family live in Seneca where he works as an Orthopedic surgeon for Blue Ridge Orthopedics. Mrs. McCallum is looking forward to learning more about the opportunities at Fort Hill Church.

# **News from Presbyterian Women**

#### Fall & Winter Clothing Collection for Safe Harbor

Hooray, hooray! Fall is on its way! The cooler temperatures and the crisp days send us to our closets for warmer clothing. It is the *perfect time* to check your wardrobe for the clothing that you no longer use, and collect and bring your selections to Fort Hill Presbyterian to give to **Safe Harbor**. Please bring *new or gently-used* fall and winter clothing in good condition, for men, women, and children.

Our clothes drive will be held in a different way this year:

Please bring your Safe Harbor donation with you to Fort Hill's October Drive Thru to be held Sunday, *October 31 from 3:00-4:00 pm*.

Instead of taking donations to the closet in the dungeon,

volunteers will accept the donated clothes as members "drive thru".

The clothes you donate are for wearing for job interviews, for the workplace, and for attending school.

Safe Harbor greatly appreciates your donations!

**Contact persons: Susan Beckwith** at (864) 654-3337, **Joan Dixon** at (864) 654-1065, and **Gensie Waldrop** at (864) 882-5782.

#### **Operation Christmas Child Boxes for Samaritan's Purse**

Here is a way to brighten the Christmas holidays for children around the world!

- Use a standard-sized shoebox (no oversized shoe boxes for efficient packing, please) or a similarly sized plastic box.
- Indicate whether the gift is for a girl or boy and include the appropriate age for which the gift is appropriate (2-4, 5-9, 10-14).
- Fill the box with gifts that may include small toys, school supplies, hygiene items mild soap, toothpaste, toothbrush, comb, etc.), and personal items (sunglasses, t-shirts, socks, watch, ball cap, and solar flashlights). Soccer balls are a longed-for item for boys. A deflated ball and small pump, or a small ball to fit the box is ideal.
- Due to some cultural concerns and beliefs, please avoid stuffed animals.
- If you wish, add a personal greeting in a separate envelope.
- Deadline is November 7. Please include a \$9 donation to cover mailing. Thank you!

Eva Henry will place pamphlets listing the requested items in the Collection Room. Please deliver the unsealed boxes, or bring gift items to the FHOG Office at the Administration entrance on Edgewood Avenue beginning October 17. **Contact person: Eva Henry** at (864) 654-3737

#### **Honorary Life Membership Nominating Forms**

Each year we honor a member of our church with the **Honorary Life Membership Award** at our annual PW Birthday Luncheon. This award is given to a dedicated Christian whose witness, long and dedicated service, and spiritual influence in our community reflect the love of God and His church. Prayerfully consider the Presbyterian woman (or man) you would like to nominate for her (his) outstanding lifetime contributions to Fort Hill Presbyterian Church. Nomination forms are due by **January 23, 2022.** 

For more information, contact Committee Members:

Myra Cato at (864) 508-0182 (cell) or <a href="mailto:myracato@bellsouth.net">myracato@bellsouth.net</a> Judy Blackwell at (864) 868-4153 or <a href="mailto:mandjblackwell@att.net">mandjblackwell@att.net</a> Joan Dixon at (864) 654-1065 or <a href="mailto:joankdixon@bellsouth.net">joankdixon@bellsouth.net</a> Jan Beckwith at (864) 650-8022 or beckwithjj@charter.net

#### **Dates to Remember:**

October 31 Deliver clothing donations to Safe Harbor at the "FHPC Drive Thru" from 3-4 pm November 7 Deadline for Samaritan's Purse Shoeboxes

All PW News must be sent to Lori Houck by the 15th of the month prior to the next printing of *The Window*. Please submit your news to Mary Barron, PW Publicity Chairman, prior to that deadline.

Contact at <a href="mailto:mb1cb1@bellsouth.net">mb1cb1@bellsouth.net</a> or (864) 247-1322.



## **October Church Activities**

#### Sunday, October 3

See Weekly Recurring Event Schedule for regular events NAMI — 2:30 pm — Club Room and Kitchen

#### **Tuesday, October 5**

Men of the Church Breakfast — 9:00 am — Dyar's Café Staff Meeting — 10:00 am — Courtyard Christian Action Ministry Meeting — 6:00 pm — Library Adult Ministry Meeting — 7:00 pm — Zoom P&PS Ministry Meeting — 7:00 pm — Club Room Youth Ministry Team Meeting — 7:00 pm — The Den

#### **Thursday, October 7**

University Ministry Team Meeting — 11:00 am — Zoom

#### Friday, October 8— Sunday, October 10

College PSA Retreat — Montreat

#### Sunday, October 10

Cub Scouts — 2:30-4:00 — Backyard, Tartan Hall, & Ed Bldg. NAMI — 2:30-5:00 pm — Club Room & CR Kitchen

#### **Monday, October 11**

PW Trinity Circle Meeting — 9:30 am — Club Room Return to Church Task Force Meeting — 5:30 pm — Zoom Discipleship Ministry Meeting — 6:30 pm — Zoom

#### **Tuesday, October 12**

PW Coordinating Team Meeting — 9:30 am — Club Room Men's Group Meeting (B Sill) — 10:00 am — Porte-cochere Finance Ministry Meeting — 6:30 pm — Club Room or Zoom Worship Ministry Meeting — 6:30 pm — Courtyard Tent Fellowship Ministry Meeting — 7:00 pm — Zoom

#### Wednesday, October 13

Building & Grounds Meeting — 3:00 pm

#### Sunday, October 17

Congregational Meeting — immediately following worship Discovering Faith Lunch — 11:45 am — Club Room/Courtyard Deacon Meeting — 12:00 pm or 1:00 pm — Zoom NAMI — 2:30-5:00 pm — Club Room & CR Kitchen

#### **Monday, October 18**

Prayer Shawl Ministry — 10:00 am — Hazel Sparks' home

#### **Tuesday, October 19**

Session Meeting — 7:00 pm — Tartan Hall

#### Sunday, October 24

Special Session Meeting — 10:30 am — Tartan Hall Children's Ministry Team Meeting — 12:00 pm — Courtyard (The Nest if inclement weather) Cub Scouts — 2:30-4:00 — Backyard, Tartan Hall, & Ed Bldg. NAMI — 2:30-5:00 pm — Club Room & CR Kitchen

#### **Tuesday, October 26**

Men's Group Meeting (B Sill) — 10:00 am — Porte-cochere Membership Ministry Meeting — 5:30 — Courtyard (The Den if inclement weather)

#### Sunday, October 31

Kirkin' o' the Tartans Worship Service Blood Drive — 4:00-6:00~pm — Fort Hill Church parking lot Trunk or Treat — 4:00-6:00~pm — Fort Hill Church parking lots

### **Weekly Recurring Events**

#### Sunday

Sojourner's Class — 9:00 am — Zoom Adult Classes — 9:30 am — E205 and the Gathering Space Youth Breakfast Club — 9:30 am — The Den In-Person/Livestream Worship — 10:45 am — Sanctuary/Online Childcare/Nursery (Birth–3 years) — 10:45 am — Nursery Room WeeKirk (3 years–1st Grade) — 10:45 am — Nest/Courtyard Youth Group — 5:00 pm — The Den / Backyard PSA College Dinner/Program — 6:00 pm — PSA Student Center

#### **Monday**

Preschool Chapel — 9:30 am — Sanctuary Scouts Troops 235 (Boys)/7235 (Girls) — 6:30 pm — Porte-cochere/Parking Lot PSA College Bible Study — 7:00 pm — PSA Student Center

#### **Tuesday**

Staff Meeting — 10:00 am — Courtyard

#### Wednesday

Wednesday AM Bible Study — 10:00 am — Zoom Children's Choir Rehearsal — 6:15 pm — E209 Chancel Choir Rehearsal — 7:30 pm — Choir Room

#### **Thursday**

Reserved — 9:15 am — Library Organ Lessons with Dr. Dzuris — 10:00 am — Sanctuary

#### **Friday**

Organ Lessons with Dr. Dzuris — 10:00 am — Sanctuary

Weekly AA Meetings: Sunday, Tuesday, & Thursday at 8:00 pm and Friday at 12:30 pm





10/1 Curtis Arnold Mimi Borick Jim Roberts

10/2 Wanda Glenn Char Harvey Bill Lanier Hank McLaurin

10/3 Ransom Broome Laurie Sherrod Ben Wofford

10/4 Bill Beckwith Emma Job

10/5 Hunter Crenshaw Marv Dixon Tom Lawrence

10/7 David Alexander Harper Simpson

10/8 Jan Beckwith Emily Ewoldt

10/9 Clarence Rogers Guy Sabin 10/10 Tommy Bolger Camille Horton Jan Kenney Katherine Mostertz Salley Ouellette

10/11 Karen Lindenmeyer John McGregor Emma Van Daele

Gail Williams

10/12 Nancy Horton Gregg Morton

10/13 Charlotte Neidenbach

10/14 Beth Weber

10/15 Beth Chapman

10/16 Jerry Reel Mike Worley

10/17 Peggy Garner Benjamin Wofford

10/18 Ashley Burriss Barbara Curl Lib Gage 10/18 Corey Greene Deanna Ramey Alan Torrence Ally Wilson

10/19 Andy Blondeau John Prather

10/20 Tatum Rose Bronson Fred Burgett Grace Cook Rick Hegenberger

10/21 Helen Efland Clarice Gustafson Kristen McCall Whitney Money

10/22 Charlotte Phillips

10/23 Judy Bonham

10/24 Don McKale

10/25 Sam Drummond Gary DuBose

10/26 Connie Lawrence Evelyn Rabey Tripp Ross

10/28 Tina Mostertz



10/2 Bill & Diane Carnes Anne & Steve Cash

10/3 Patrick & Helen Adams

10/6 Kyle & Robin Weeks

10/7 Ed & Jillian McLaurin

10/8 Chris & Maggie Bandy

10/10 Mike & Judy Blackwell

10/17 Shirley & Mario Muzii

10/20 Kevin & Bette Bronson

10/22 Ed & Nancy Hutson

10/23 Michael & Hilarie Sehorn

10/24 Tyler & Kristen McCall

10/29 Wade & Melanie Job

10/30 Mary & Joan Dixon









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# Clemson Presbyterian Student Association

Fall 2021



A Message from Temporary Associate Pastor for University Ministry Preston Shealy

Brothers and Sisters,
Live Simply,
Love Generously,
Serve Faithfully,
Speak Truthfully,
Pray Daily,
and Leave Everything Else to God

These insightful and challenging words from a blessing by Fred Craddock have guided my life and ministry through the years. Whether they were in the hallway outside my office or posted within view of my desk, the simplicity of the message constantly reminded me of my role as I travelled my journey of life and faith. Throughout this journey, I learned that God was in control and that I could not begin to assume that my plans for my life would match up with what God had in store for me.

Through the nurture I received while growing up at Bethesda Presbyterian Church in Camden and my time at Fort Hill Church and Westminster Fellowship (the predecessor to the Presbyterian Student Association), I came to know God's presence and call in my life. Bob and Bonnie Matthews (the Campus Minister and his wife) along with Jim Richardson, Pansy Duke and my peers in WF/PSA set the example of loving and serving through their actions as well as their words.

As Debbie and I "retired" to Clemson last fall, I was looking forward to hiking and relaxing and travelling while occasionally filling an area pulpit... but God had other plans in mind. With Michael's call to First Presbyterian Church in Marietta, the Spirit seemed to speak to Laura Conrad and the leaders at Fort Hill as the Spirit spoke to me. I am excited about the opportunity to grow with the students and others in the Presbyterian Student Association and the University Ministries Ministry Team during the 2021-2022 school year. I look forward to our time together as we all seek God's guidance on our journeys of life and faith!



The purpose of Clemson PSA is to provide a place for worship and discussion, as well as to encourage community, friendship, and service to the campus of Clemson University in affiliation with the Presbyterian Church USA.

**PSA Moderator Caleb Browder** 

A senior from Charleston, Caleb Browder is a sports communication major with a minor in religious studies. With a passion for sports, Caleb hopes to work as a professional sports photographer and eventually (possibly) a pastor. Caleb's favorites include Baby Driver (movie), Looking for Alaska (book), and enjoying some New York pizza. The current moderator of PSA, Caleb has been active in PSA for four years and was drawn to the group by the reputation it had for being an inclusive, positive place for college students to grow in faith and fellowship. As Caleb shared, PSA has given him a home away from home (quite literally this year in the PSA apartment) and a family to match. His favorite PSA memory is intramural basketball his sophomore year – they weren't good but they tried their best and "Freddy almost made a basket". He is also so thankful to his larger Ft. Hill family and the ministry PSA provides. In acknowledging that PSA could not exist without the support of the larger church, Caleb appreciates the connections and friends he has made as a result and hopes other freshmen find the same.



Caleb Browder



Preston & Debbie Shealy with furry family member Blake

Temporary Associate Pastor for University Ministry Preston Shealy
A native of Camden, South Carolina, and a 1982 graduate of Clemson University,
Preston recently retired to Clemson after 35 years of ministry in the Presbyterian
Church USA. Preston was active in PSA while a student at Clemson and an Affiliate
Member of Fort Hill Church. Preston has served churches in Illinois, Florida,
Georgia, South Carolina, and Ohio. Preston is married to Debbie (an elder and a
physical therapist) who is active at Ft. Hill where she is in the Bell Choir and on
the Fellowship Ministry Team. Preston and Debbie enjoy hiking in the area parks
and traveling (often with a travel trailer) throughout the United States and
Canada with a special emphasis on our beautiful National Parks. For relaxation
(!!), Preston has officiated soccer for 40 years. Preston and Debbie have two
children: Paige recently was transferred from Phoenix to Atlanta and Matthew
lives in Cleveland.

For more information: Preston Shealy, Temporary Associate Pastor for University Ministry, <a href="mailto:PSA.Pastor@FortHillChurch.org">PSA.Pastor@FortHillChurch.org</a> or 853-654-3705

Sundays

PSA Program @ 6-7:30 pm

Mondays

Bible Study for All @ 7 pm

**Thursdays** 

Intramural Flag Football @ 9 pm

Weekly

Lunch Bunch

Fall Retreat @
Montreat
October 8-10

PSA & Youth Night
October 17<sup>th</sup>

Senior Night
November 14<sup>th</sup>

Old Stone Church Worship December 5<sup>th</sup>

Montreat College Conference January 2-5



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