

The Window

The Newsletter of Fort Hill Presbyterian Church

April 2023

Message From the Pastor

Pastor Laura on Sabbatical this Summer

I am so grateful to serve a faith family that expects her pastors to rest, renew, and re-create for life in ministry. This summer (May 17-August 17) I will be away from you in order to grow in my relationship with Christ and those I love. I love being your pastor. I could not do this work without God, of course, but much credit goes to my amazing, supportive spouse, Chuck. The spiritual tank needs refilling from time to time, and I commit to prayer, journaling, working with a spiritual director, exploring God's world, exercising, and reading some of those stacks of books in my office. I will be a pilgrim on the road most of the summer.

I learned in my second call to a church, that I was experiencing the classic signs of burn out. I had my first panic attack although I thought it was a heart attack! I wrote a letter of resignation from the church that I never sent. I realize, this could be prevented by regular time off, nurture of my own spirit, and placing God first in my life rather than all the demands on me. I try to practice Sabbath weekly, by doing things like not checking email on days off, for instance. I realized I was a servant, not a savior. Jesus already saves us! I encourage you to practice Sabbath, too. God says for us to keep Sabbath because that is the way God keeps us. Keeping us whole, loving, compassionate, and trusting as we worship God and rest in God's presence.

We have no Lilly Grant this time around, so I am grateful for the Session and Personnel and Program Support Ministry who have worked to make this possible. Our ministry moderators truly live their faith as they serve you and Christ. I am thankful for a capable and committed group of staff and pastors with whom to serve. Pastoral staff: Colin, Jacob, Mary, along with Preston, our parish associate, will handle the preaching and pastoral care this summer in my absence.

I must admit that I will miss you very much. I love you and will carry you in my heart. I am truly privileged to serve Fort Hill Church, and am so grateful for the honor of serving as your pastor.

See You Soon,

Pastor Laura

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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.

Weekly Lectionary Scriptures

- 4/2 Palm/Passion Sunday**
Matt. 21:1-11, Ps. 118:1-2, 19-29;
Isa. 50:4-9a, Ps. 31:9-16
Phil. 2:5-11; Matt. 26:14-27:66,
Matt. 27:11-54
- 4/9 Resurrection of the Lord/
Easter Day**
Acts 10:34-43, Jer. 31:1-6,
Ps. 118:1-2, 14-24;
Col. 3:1-4, Acts 10:34-43,
Matt. 28:1-10
- 4/16 2nd Sunday of Easter**
Acts 2:14a, 22-32, Ps. 16;
Ex. 15:1-11, Ps. 111
1 Pet. 1:3-9, John 20:19-31
- 4/23 3rd Sunday of Easter**
Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Ps. 116:1-4, 12-19
Isa. 51:1-6, Ps. 34:1-10;
1 Pet. 1:17-23; Luke 24:13-35
- 4/30 4th Sunday of Easter**
Acts 2:42-47, Ps. 23;
Ezek. 34:7-15, Ps. 100
1 Pet. 2:19-25, John 10:1-10

May 2023

The Window Deadline

The deadline for articles, announcements, and features for the **May** issue of *The Window* is **Saturday, April 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.



Easter Sunday at 9:30 am

Holy Week Worship Schedule at Fort Hill Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 2 - Palm Sunday

8:30 am Worship in the Tartan Hall
10:45 am Worship in the Sanctuary (livestreamed)

Thursday, April 6 - Maundy Thursday

7:30 pm Worship in Sanctuary (livestreamed)

Sunday, April 9 - Easter Sunday

7:00 am Easter Sunrise Service at Old Stone Church Cemetery
101 Stone Circle, Clemson
Dress for outdoors and please bring a chair.

8:30 & 10:45 am Worship in the Sanctuary

9:30 am Children's Easter-themed activities for all ages in the Nest



One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

For over 70 years, **One Great Hour of Sharing** has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need. In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. One Great Hour of Sharing serves individuals and communities in need from initial disaster response to ongoing community development providing people with safety, sustenance, and hope. The OGHS offering will be taken on Easter Sunday.

GRACE IN ACTION

Every Member a Minister

Membership Ministry helps engage disciples in ministry and service. As part of year-round stewardship this year, we are inviting you to consider some critical needs in our congregation and consider if you are called to any of these high need roles. As we continue to recover from pandemic realities, we are focused on top priorities in our ministries. God calls us first to worship and love God, then to love our neighbors. So, we ask all members of Fort Hill Presbyterian to commit to "Worship Plus One" – worship God and get involved in one way. Fort Hill disciples live grace in action.

Every Member a Minister brochures have been mailed to member homes. The brochures are also available in the Narthex, outside the FHO Office, and available electronically in the Weekly Updates or by contacting the church office. Please use the [brochure](#) to learn about the current critical needs in the congregation and consider your time and talents. Pray about how God is calling you to fulfill our mission to glorify God, grow disciples, and meet human need. Just as we make an annual financial pledge, we will commit this Easter to share our time and talents. Enclosed on the brochure is a tear-off Grace in Action pledge card for you to respond. You may also respond online at <https://form.jotform.com/230753619366058>. You may know of need or have recently made a commitment to serve. Note that on your card as well. We want to know!

Bring your card on Easter Sunday, April 9, as we dedicate ourselves to Christ Jesus again and are part of his resurrection life here. Healed people heal. Saved people serve. Free people liberate others. May all our efforts build the Kingdom of God on earth as in heaven.

Choir Corner

Spring finally arrived on March 20!! I have been more than ready for this glorious season of the year! The fun part is I think God teases us a little bit with days of warm weather and then a cool, sometimes cold, spell returns. So I have learned to wait in the process of changing my closet out from winter to spring! And if I go shopping and see a sleeveless, colorful dress, I may go ahead and purchase it, but wear it the first time with a lightweight sweater...just in case!! I wonder if we allow ourselves to be patient with God and wait for the things we have been requesting in our prayers. There is an anthem we sang in March that reminds me about waiting. It is a familiar one with much repetition of the title, "Keep Your Lamps". Here is the text:

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Children, don't get weary 'til your work is done.
Christian journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.
So, keep your lamps trimmed and burning. The time is drawing nigh.

May we be ready for this new season of the year as we celebrate Holy Week, remember Christ's sacrifice for us on Good Friday, and high glorious resurrection into new life on Easter.

Happy Easter to you all. Thanks and praise be to God, the Father and Son of us all.

Smiling-n-Singing,

Margaret



Sunday Servants

Pastor on Call—864.654.2065

4/2	Mary Morrison
4/9	Mary Morrison
4/16	Laura Conrad
4/23	Jacob Kennedy
4/30	Mary Morrison

Elder of the Day

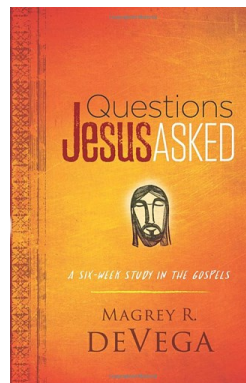
4/2	Lucy Martin (8:30) Bill Cato (10:45)
4/9	Mark Stokes
4/16	Rick Hegenberger (8:30) Layne Smith (10:45)
4/23	Hugh Spittle (8:30) Jim Thomas (10:45)
4:30	Ben Trammell (8:30) Kevin Bronson (10:45)



Questions Jesus Asked—A Six-Week Study in the Gospels begins April 19

Jesus was fond of asking questions, many of which cut right to the heart of what it means to be human. Why are you terrified? What do you live for? Who do you say that I am? In *Questions Jesus Asked*, Magrey deVega explores six of the most provocative questions Jesus posed to others and guides us in answering them for ourselves.

Asking these questions takes courage. Not only do they reveal what Jesus really cares about, they open a window into our hearts. We all have questions for God, but growth happens when we turn things around and ask what Jesus wants to know about us. When we dare to raise them, these questions bring us a fuller appreciation for the wisdom, power, and presence of God in our lives. Are you willing to step out in faith? Are you ready to answer the questions Jesus asked?



Join Pastor Mary and friends as we listen and learn from Jesus about who we are created to be. Books will be purchased for a group rate, so please sign up by emailing mary.morrison@forthillchurch.org by April 10. Pick up your book by April 12 and read chapter 1 for the first week. The Bible study is on Wednesdays from 10:00—11:30 am, open to all adults.

April 19	Who do you say that I am? (Luke 9:18-20)
April 26	Why are you terrified? (Matthew 8:23-27)
May 5	Why are you anxious? (Luke 12:25-31)
May 12	What do you live for? (Mark 8:34-38)
May 19	Whom will you love? (Luke 6:27-36)
May 26	What are you looking for? (John 1:35-38)

Christian Sympathy is extended to:



- **Carolyn Stroup** on the death of her brother, Henry Wofford, on March 2 in Greenwood, SC.
- **Mike, Caila, Emma, Savannah, Wes & Jacquie Worley** on the death of Mike's wife **Amy** on March 8 in Greenville, SC.



Congratulations on the birth of:

- **Oliver Gene Pursley** born to Spencer & Mary Pursley on Feb 22. Proud great-grandparents are **Bill & Myra Cato**.
- **Thomas Rand Shinkle** born to Amanda Koch on March 13. Proud great-grandparents are **Wes & Judy Koch**.

UPCOMING

Special Events

Sunday, April 2		Palm Sunday
Thursday, April 6	7:30 pm	Maundy Thursday Worship Service — Sanctuary
Sunday, April 9	7:00 am	Easter Sunrise Worship Service — Old Stone Church
	8:30 am	Early Easter Worship Service — Sanctuary
	9:30 am	Children's Easter Egg Hunt — All Campus
	10:45 am	Easter Worship Service — Sanctuary & Livestream
Sunday, April 16		Clemson University Presbyterian Student Association (PSA) Sunday
Friday, April 21	7:00 pm	Fort Hill Coffee House — Tartan Hall
Sunday, April 23	4:00 pm	New Member Social — Patrick Square Clubhouse
Saturday, April 29	9:00 am	IF: Clemson Gathering — Tartan Hall
Sunday, April 30	10:45 am	Confirmation Sunday in Worship — Sanctuary & Livestream
Sunday, May 7	12:00 pm	Congregational Picnic — Clemson Outdoor Lab (following 10:45 worship)
Wednesday, May 10	5:30 pm	Last Wednesdays @ the Fort of this school year
May 17 — August 17		Laura's Sabbatical
Sunday, May 21	10:45 am	Senior Sunday during Worship — Sanctuary & Livestream
Sunday, May 28	10:45 am	Intern Virginia Kackney's 1st day 5th Grade Promotion during Worship — Sanctuary & Livestream
Sunday, June 4	9:00 am	First Sunday Summer Breakfast — Tartan Hall
	10:00 am	Summer Worship Service — new hour begins — Sanctuary
June 11 — June 17		Camp Tekoa Middle School Mission Trip (Jacob away)
June 19 — June 22		Vacation Bible School
June 25 — June 30		Raleigh High School Mission Trip (Jacob away)
Sunday, July 2	9:00 am	First Sunday Summer Breakfast — Tartan Hall
July 9 — July 15		Montreat Summer Youth Conference (Colin & Jacob away)
July 19 — July 22		Montreat Middle School Youth Conference (Jacob away)
Sunday, August 6	9:00 am	First Sunday Summer Breakfast — Tartan Hall
	10:00 am	Blessing of the Backpacks during Worship — Sanctuary
August 10 — August 13		Women's Connection — Montreat
Sunday, August 13	10:00 am	Last Summer Worship Service — Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	Youth Group Kick-Off — Den & Tartan Hall
Wednesday, August 16	5:30 pm	Wednesdays @ the Fort Kick-off — Nest/E208/Courtyard
Sunday, August 20	9:30 am	Sunday Faith Formation Classes resume
Sunday, August 27		Welcome Back Mixer following Worship

Children's Ministry Corner

In February, the children and youth enjoyed a wonderful time of fellowship together! They ate dinner and played many games to get to know each other better. We look forward to more gatherings with our new youth group buddies!

Our Wednesdays @ the Fort program is still going strong! The children are busy learning about the Ten Commandments and applying God's word to their daily lives.

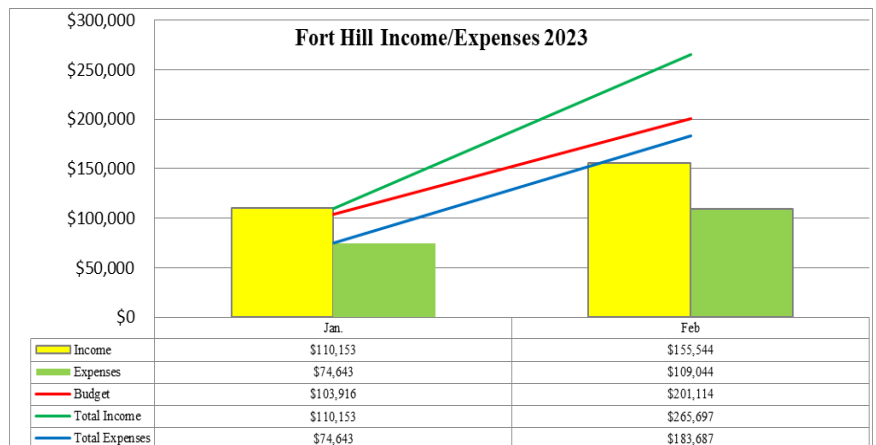


Finance Ministry Update

Through the first two months of 2023, total income was \$265,897 while expenses were \$183,687 providing a surplus of \$82,010. Overall expenses are at 15.3% of budget while income is at 22.6% of budget. Expenses are slightly below budget while income is above budget. Multiple giving units made their yearly contribution in January and February leading to the surplus. Thank you for your tithes and offerings in support of Fort Hill.

Bridging Generations Update:

Loan Principle Balance: \$214,837



Church Mouse

628 is the number of people whose names appeared in the **Church Mouse Column** last year — that is an average of 52 people per month. Was your name one of them?

Let's start with Youth Sunday in February. Here are the names of the various youth that participated: **James Kwist, Lucy Martin, Hayden Anderson, Jacob Lawson, Harrison Steele, Shuler Wilson, Dulcie Mohr (great sermon), Walton Bost, Ben Bronson, Sarah Ulrich, and Paige Durham.**

Then there was the Presbyterian Women Birthday luncheon — with 50 many salads. The best part for me was the cake and all those crumbs. But I was so excited to see **Ethel Pettigrew** and **Carol Stout** be honored with an **Honorary Life Membership.** **Carolyn Stroup** and **Maranda Arnold** did a great job moderating the meeting. The committee of **Joan Dixon, Judy Blackwell, Stephanie Scott, Jan Beckwith, and Cynthia Gravely** did an excellent job with the presentation.

Mary J Barron did an excellent job introducing the speaker from **Thornwell Children's Home.** She told how it impacted her father and the lives of his 4 siblings when circumstances forced their mother to seek help raising 6 children after their father was killed. **Rachael Crescibene, the Thornwell representative,** went into much detail about the various programs they have at Thornwell to help the students develop into young adults. The organizing committee consisted of: **Maranda Arnold, Carolyn Stroup, Robin Denny, Dianne Smith, Mary E. Barron, Helen Wooten, and Judy Blackwell.**

Marv & Joan Dixon, Chip & Diane Egan, Debbie Shealy, Mary Dusenberry, Jay Jones and Pam Waddle helped with communion in March. Along with **Beth Chapman,** who is the able coordinator.

Debbie Shealy and **Cyndi Davis** helped take reservations for the Loyalty Church Dinner. The same Sunday we were able to hear beautiful music from **Gensie Waldrop** with her flute who accompanied the handbells and the choir. **Marcia Sherman** again helped the organist **Judy Bonham** as she turned the pages for Judy for a complex piece.



Feed the 5,000

We are all familiar with the miracle of Jesus feeding the 5,000 with loaves and fishes from the Bible and many of you have contributed to the local ministries through the collection boxes located around the sanctuary on Sundays. If you wondered how these funds are used, here is the story. Back in 1992, a group of volunteers began furnishing a Thanksgiving meal to those identified in need of assistance. This practice continues to this day, but has come to include not only this once-a-year event, but ongoing ministries such as Our Daily Bread and Clemson Community Care who provide food assistance year-round to those who need help with adequate food.

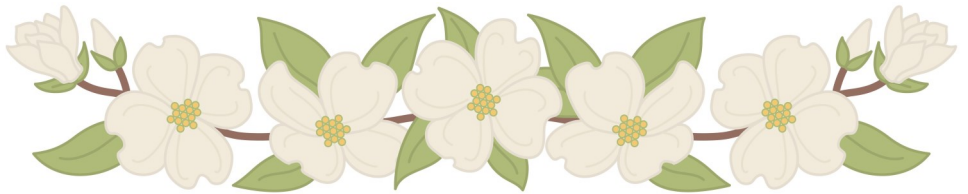
In addition to supporting these ministries through our benevolent budget, our own church has now joined in this effort thanks to our youth who have constructed a "Little Food Pantry" located near our College Student Center where those in need can come by and pick up food items. They are stocking it with nonperishable food that we can donate through boxes set up in the narthex or by using donated funds.

We want to encourage you to support our youth in this ministry through your contributions into the "Feed the 5,000 boxes" or through placing food items in the collection boxes.



Confirmation Sunday Sunday, April 30

*Join us on Sunday, April 30, as we welcome this year's
Confirmands into Fort Hill Church as new members.*



Let's Have a House-Warming for Lori Houck!

We celebrate Lori's fourteenth anniversary of serving Fort Hill Church as our Office Administrator on April 7, 2023. With thanksgiving for her excellent oversight of finances, daily administration, and dedicated service, you are invited to make a financial gift, a love-offering, to help Lori get established in her new home.

Lori and her family are buying a home this May in Seneca.

Please help us thank Lori. Notes of gratitude are appreciated, too. You may give online or by check designated as "Gift for Lori Houck" made payable to Fort Hill Church by April 15.



Fellowship Ministry Events

Future Dates:

Fort Hill Coffee House

Friday, April 21 — 7-9 pm — Tartan Hall

Conversation, Coffee, Chocolate, other Desserts, and Entertainment

Join in a fun evening together. Bring a friend. You are also invited to bring a dessert to share.

Entertainers are needed! Musical groups or individual musicians, group skits, and other entertainers are invited to perform.

Please contact Lisa Britt (lisabritt79@gmail.com) or text 843-509-9605 to schedule your act.

Church Picnic

Sunday, May 7 — noon-3:30 pm — Clemson Outdoor Lab

Bring a side dish to the amphitheater at Clemson Outdoor Lab after the last morning worship service.

Entrée and beverages will be provided. Games, hikes, and activities available.

Contact Cyndi Davis (davisdcr@bellsouth.net). Please RSVP to Morgan at communications@forthillchurch.org by **May 1**.

Recurring Activities:

Open Studio Drawing Group

Thursday, April 20 — 10 am-Noon — Club Room

Contacts: Donna London (dlondon654@gmail.com) and Dianne Smith (dk SNC@aol.com).

Craft Connections

Sunday, April 23 — Noon-1:30 pm — Club Room

Contact Debbie Shealy (panddsmom1@aol.com) for more information.

Meet and Eat Supper Club

Hostesses will contact group participants with chosen date, location and type of meal.

You may add your name to be a part of this quarterly rotation by contacting Holly Ridgell (hridgell@gmail.com).

Wednesday Women's Potluck Supper

Look for next date in Wednesday announcements.

Scotland: Highlands & Heritage with Fort Hill Church July 20-30, 2024



**Informational Meeting
Sunday, April 2 at noon
Club Room**

Included Highlights

Glasgow Cathedral
Kelvingrove Art Gallery/Museum
Inveraray Castle
Scottish Games
Isle of Iona & Abbey
Urquhart Castle
Loch Ness Cruise
Blair Castle
Scotch whisky distillery
Edinburgh Castle
Worship at St. Giles Church
St. Andrews & bagpipe lessons

Optional Excursions:

Isle of Skye, Golf
Stirling Castle

Questions?

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News from Presbyterian Women

Fort Hill Presbyterian Women's Spring Birthday Luncheon

The 2023 PW Birthday Luncheon held on Saturday, March 11, was a wonderful event! All who attended enjoyed this festive time together. We had a great time reconnecting with each other and sampling over thirty delicious salads prepared by our attendees. We would especially like to commend Carolyn Stroup and Maranda Arnold for their leadership in the planning and organization of the 2023 Birthday Luncheon Committee, and their team: Robin Denny, Dianne Smith, Mary E. Barron, Helen Wooten, and Judy Blackwell. Many commented on the message our speaker, Rachel Cresibene, shared with us about the breadth and scope of the programs and opportunities at Thornwell! We learned many new and exciting facts about this valuable resource for our state. We also send a special thanks to Mary J Barron for her introduction to our speaker, and for sharing Thornwell's life-changing and nurturing experiences from the viewpoint of her father and his siblings. Donations exceeded \$1,200 which will be divided between *Clemson Community Care* and the grantees of Presbyterian Women International: *Making Miracles Group Home* in Tallahassee, Florida, and *Berhane Jesus Elementary School*, Dembi Dollo, Ethiopia. We donated \$600 to Thornwell and gave the check to Rachel on Saturday. Those funds came from the PW account.

A very special highlight of our luncheon was the revealing of the honorees for the 2023 Honorary Life Membership Award, examples of Christians who exemplify truly noteworthy service to our church and community. The recipients are selected by a committee composed of former HLM recipients from nominations sent in during the year from the members of our congregation.

Congratulations to our 2023 Honorary Life Membership awardees!!

Ethel Pettigrew and Carol Stout

Many thanks to the HLM Committee for their outstanding work! The member of the committee are Judy Blackwell, Joan Dixon, Jan Beckwith, Stephanie Scott, and Cynthia Gravely.

Mission Haven/Safe Harbor Donations

The Mission Haven/Safe Harbor Committee is no longer accepting donations to Mission Haven. Spring and summer clothing donations for Safe Harbor will be collected between April 2 and April 23. Donations need to be placed in the Dungeon class room across the hall and downstairs from the Club Room in the Administration Building.

Family Promise Items Needed

Linda Gahan has put out a request for Family Promise items needed. These donations may be left in the FHOG Office for pickup. Gift cards are at the top of the list because they allow for each guest's personal needs and to buy supplies, food items, and gas for their automobiles. Gift cards for Walmart, Ingles, Subway, Chick-fil-A, Golden Corral, Burger King, Little Caesars, and McDonald's among others are greatly appreciated! Cultural sensitivity is greatly appreciated when donating personal care and hair products, etc. There is a long list of items needed that is from Linda Gahan including baby needs, tissues, pillows, shaving products, garbage bags, laundry products, and personal hygiene products. Please contact Linda Gahan by email at glinda1942@gmail.com or call 864.654.2953 for more information.

Happy Easter!

Submitted by Mary E Barron, PW Publicity Chairman



2023 PW Honorary Life Membership Awardees

Ethel Pettigrew

“We love because he first loved us.” 1 John 4:19

Fort Hill Presbyterian Women is pleased to honor a fellow disciple who exemplifies this scripture through her service to her church family, her community, and her profession.

Ethel Pettigrew shares the love of Christ in her faithful commitment to Fort Hill Presbyterian Church as an active Elder more than once, a current member of the Finance Ministry, singing joyfully in the Joyful Noise choir which she helped to found, saying “yes” to teaching Sunday School, helping with Gift Day, Bible School, providing meals to PSA, Wednesday night suppers, Christmas baskets, Return to Bethlehem, and a member of the PW Home Circle. In her 30+ years at Fort Hill, Ethel has been active in these and many other activities.

Ethel was a Montreat Mom to our youth for many years as she would accompany the youth for the week-long Montreat Youth Conference to shop, prepare, and cook all their meals while also living with them in the Fort Hill house for the week. Ethel, Pansy Duke, and Rodney Norris provided our Fort Hill youth with an opportunity to serve, share God’s love, build relationships, and grow in their faith on a mission trip to Arizona.

As Fort Hill’s witness to the community, Ethel is active in the Rotary Club of Clemson where she was the first woman president. She serves on the Anderson Oconee Pickens Mental Health Board. Ethel has served on and as president of the board for Clemson Child Development Center, and as treasurer for The Arts Center of Clemson. Ethel has also served as president of and is an active member of the Clemson Chamber of Commerce.

Ethel is a partner in the Lindley, Pettigrew and Company CPA’s, LLC. Ethel is a Columbia College and Clemson University alumna. Through her work as a CPA, Ethel has also shared her abilities unselfishly with many clients who have become life-long friends. The Pettigrew home is welcoming and available in times of need or fellowship.

Perhaps a quote from the nomination letter says it best, “Ethel is a humble, gentle, and faithful servant to all.”

Ethel Pettigrew is indeed a very deserving recipient of the 2023 PW Life Membership Award.

Submitted by Stephanie Scott



Carol Stout

It is my pleasure on behalf of the Honorary Life Membership Committee, to honor one of us who has faithfully served here at Fort Hill Presbyterian Church for the past 16 years. During this time this disciple of Christ has let her light shine in her teaching of the gospel, her service to others, and her compassion for all.

Prior to joining Fort Hill, our recipient was active in the life of numerous Presbyterian Churches in “coastal” South Carolina serving them as a teacher and director of Bible Schools, as a member and Moderator of Christian Action Ministries, and as a gifted pianist and organist. In her professional career during this same time, she was a classroom teacher, guidance counselor, school principal, and administrator. Since moving to the upstate she has participated in local benefit walks for Water Missions International and supported local Rotary Club and Salem Knit Club service projects.

Upon joining Fort Hill, our recipient became very active in the life of the church and remains so to this day. She has served as PW Publicity Chair and PW Moderator, has been a long-time faithful member of Circle 1 (serving as treasurer for 11 years), has provided (along with her husband) faithful leadership of the Sojourners’ Sunday School class for nearly 16 years to the present, has carried Sunday School to new heights conducting Sojourners’ class on Zoom when COVID prevented meeting in person, and being a talented knitter has provided many prayer shawls and offered many prayers as a member of the Prayer Shawl Ministry.

For years before returning to Clemson, our recipient along with her husband and their two daughters remained faithful to all things Clemson sports as they traveled back and forth to Clemson to cheer on their Tigers — which they still do in the company now of their two grandsons! There are no more loyal fans anywhere!

So, on behalf of Presbyterian Women, with gratitude for all she has done for Fort Hill Church and the lives she has touched everywhere by sharing God’s grace, goodness, and love, we proudly present the Presbyterian Women’s Honorary Life Membership Award to Carol Stout. Congratulations, Carol!

April Fort Hill Church Activities

Saturday, April 1

9:30 am Communion Training Meeting — Tartan Hall

Sunday, April 2

PALM SUNDAY

11:50 am Scotland Trip Informational Meeting — Club Rm
12:00 pm Kindred Spirits Potluck Lunch — Tartan Hall
Homebound Communion — various locations
2:30 pm NAMI Family-to-Family — Club Room

Monday, April 3

10:00 am PW Circle 1 — Club Room

Tuesday, April 4

8:30 am Men of the Church Breakfast — Dyar's Café
(Pendleton)
3:00 pm Personnel & Program Support — Club Room
6:00 pm Christian Action Ministry Meeting — Library
7:00 pm Adult Ministry Team Meeting — Conference Rm.
Youth Ministry Team Meeting — Den

Wednesday, April 5

3:00 am Building & Grounds Meeting — Library
NO Children's Events this evening

Thursday, April 6

7:30 pm Maundy Thursday Worship Service — Sanctuary

Friday, April 15

GOOD FRIDAY — Church Office Closed

Sunday, April 9

EASTER SUNDAY

7:00 am Sunrise Worship Service — Old Stone Church
8:30 am Worship Service — Sanctuary
10:45 am Worship Service — Sanctuary & Livestream

Monday, April 10

9:30 am PW Trinity Circle — Club Room

Tuesday, April 11

10:00 am Men's Study Group (Ben Sill) — Library
2:00 pm Planning Meeting — Pastor's Office
4:00 pm Finance Ministry Meeting — Library
6:00 pm Discipleship Ministry Meeting — the Nest
PW Circle 2 Meeting — Library
6:30 pm Worship Ministry Meeting — Conference Room

Sunday, April 16

CU Presbyterian Student Association (PSA) Sunday
12:00 pm Children's Ministry Team Meeting — the Nest
Craft Connections — Club Room
5:00 pm Youth Group Movie Night — Den

Tuesday, April 18

7:00 pm Session Meeting

Wednesday, April 19

11:45 am Clemson Downs Luncheon — Clemson Downs

Thursday, April 20

10:00 am Drawing Studio — Club Room

Friday, April 21

7:00 pm Fort Hill Coffee House — Tartan Hall

Saturday, April 22

11:00 am Raenota Merrill Interment — Courtyard

Sunday, April 23

10:30 am Special Session to Receive Confirmands — TH
12:00 pm Craft Connections — Club Room
2:30 pm Cub Scouts — Backyard, Tartan Hall & Ed Bldg.
4:00 pm New Member Social — Patrick Square Clubhouse

Tuesday, April 25

10:00 am Men's Study Group (Ben Sill) — Library
5:00 pm Membership Ministry Meeting — Courtyard
7:00 pm Fellowship Ministry Meeting — Club Room

Thursday, April 27

1:00 pm P&PS with DM Reps Meeting — Library
5:00 pm Counseling Renewal Initiative — Tartan Hall /Den/
Club Room/Conference Room

Saturday, April 29

9:00 am IF: Clemson — Tartan Hall

Sunday, April 30

Confirmation Sunday

9:30 am Kid's Club (last for school year) — the Nest
Youth Breakfast Club (last for school year) —
the Den
5:00 pm Youth Lake Party (last youth group for school
year) — Ulrich house



April Birthdays & Anniversaries



4/1 Joe Dickey Mandy Hays Benja Mohr Laura Ware	4/8 Jake McKinney Sally Mitchell Carolyn Stroup	4/14 Chris Bandy	4/22 Janna McKale Joanne Trenholm
4/2 Will Gregory III	4/9 Gene Goodwyn	4/15 Mary J Barron Vernon Burton Leslie Callison Katie Schoonover	4/24 Tim Heist Addie Nihoul Michael Van Daele Gensie Waldrop
4/3 Jason Hudak Natalie Turner Nedra Ulrich	4/10 Walker Christenbury Austin Dickerson Paul Durland Nathan Ewoldt Benton Halbig Margaret Ann Rodgers Pat Street	4/16 Megan Chavis Katherine Sosebee	4/25 Lee Allman Karen Daniels Beth Gregory Wade Job
4/4 Robert Olker	4/11 Dick Shick Ally Young	4/17 Janet Bean Jacquie McFall Hannah Sawyer	4/26 Doug Carlson Jerry Greene
4/5 LeAnne Greene Kathy Moore Sherri Smith	4/12 Pat Rabun	4/18 Charles Barron Michael Steele	4/27 Norman Weber
4/6 Nathan Wilson	4/13 Alex Davis Elizabeth Hawthorne Lynn Hipp	4/19 Colin Pettigrew Suzan Simmons Mark Sublette	4/28 Nancy Brown Hannah Job Steve Lefevre
4/8 Hugh Garner Miller Gregory Rees Gregory		4/20 John Martin Charlie Kreider Karen Ware	4/29 Ford Hedrick Mac Martin
		4/21 Betty Cornwell Luke Poetz Karen Sawyer Carol Walling	4/30 Mary Coronato Tom Freeman Helen Steele



4/2 Don & Holly Ridgell Jim & Caroline Thomas	4/17 Denny & Laurie Sherrod Dyke & Rhonda Spencer	4/21 Colin & Emily Pettigrew
4/6 Paul & Joan Borick	4/18 McClure & Jennifer Dickerson Rob & Marsha Griffin John & Amanda Stevenson	4/24 Jay & Tommi Jones Bill & Tina Mostertz
	4/19 Keith & Terri Smith	4/28 Preston & Debbie Shealy
		4/29 Jeremy & Heather Wright



Recurring Weekly Activities

Sunday

- 8:30 am Worship Service — Tartan Hall
- 9:00 am Sojourners' Class — Zoom
- 9:30 am Kindred Spirits Class — Club Room
- Kid's Club — the Nest
- Youth Breakfast Club — the Den
- Confirmation Class — E-209
- 10:45 am Worship Service — Sanctuary/Livestream
- Nursery (Birth-3yrs) — Nursery Room
- WeeKirk (children's worship/3K-1st gr.) — following Children's story — Nest
- WOW (worship education/2nd-5th gr.) — E209
- 2:30 pm Cub Scouts — Backyard/Tartan Hall/Ed. Building (2nd & 4th Sundays)
- 5:00 pm Youth Group — the Den & Tartan Hall
- 6:00 pm PSA College Dinner/Program — PSA Student Center

Monday

- 9:30 am Preschool Chapel — Sanctuary
- 6:30 pm Scouts BSA Troops 235 Boys/7235 Girls — CI Rm/TH

Tuesday

- 9:30 am Staff Meeting — Conference Room
- 4:00 pm Folk Dancing — Tartan Hall

Wednesday

- 10:00 am Wednesday AM Bible Study — Club Room
- 6:00 pm Wednesdays @ the Fort (3-5th gr.) — Nest/E208/
- 6:10 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal — E209
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal — Choir Room

Thursday

- 7:45 am Holy Grounds (Youth) — Jitters Coffee Shop
- 9:15 am Men's Small Group — Library
- 7:00 pm PSA College Bible Study — PSA Student Center

Weekly AA Meetings

Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday evenings at 8:00 pm and Friday afternoons at 12:30 pm in Room E205 of the Education Building.



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