



FIRST CHURCH LIFE



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June 2010

First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
Rock Hill, South Carolina
Summer Worship Schedule
(May 30-Sept 5)
9:00 a.m. - Sunday School
10:00 a.m. - Worship



A Baby Shower

The First ARP Women's Ministries is hosting a Baby Shower honoring Jeremy and Amanda Ghent, and Baby Girl Ghent. Please join us for this special celebration on Sunday, **June 27** in Robinson Hall from 2-4 p.m. to shower them with gifts for the newest member of their family and our congregation. Everyone is invited to attend. Baby Girl "MRG" is registered at Babies R Us and Target.



* The church office will be closed on Monday, July 5, 2010. *

If you would like to include an article in the July 2010 Newsletter, please deliver that information to Amanda at the church **BEFORE July 10th**.

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Inspired by the love of Christ, and enabled by the Holy Spirit, we serve God through worship, education and fellowship that we may proclaim His grace and share His love in the world.





High Seas Expedition: VBS 2010

I can't believe that VBS 2010 is already over! We had a great week on our High Seas Expedition!! Over 35 children joined us for this fantastic week. Each day was filled with great fun, singing, crafts, games, snacks, and the Truth of God's Word. Throughout the week, we learned that God's Word is TRUE, COMFORTING, LIFE-CHANGING, AND FOR EVERYONE ("LET'S GO!"). Our great friends in the New Testament taught us how to trust in God's Word and how to share it with others. We even raised \$166.15 for JAARS/Wycliffe Ministries who will use those funds for printing Bibles in other languages so that other children around the world may have God's Word to hide in their heart.

Of course, you can't have a great week of Vacation Bible School without a staff of wonderful volunteers. Those who helped this year were Jeanie Alexander, Erin Cauthen, Janie Cauthen, Ann Louise Kellett, Connie Kiser, Amy Kulbok, Debbie Leathers, Laura Leathers, Matt Lewellyn, Rebecca Milling, Emily Patrick, Heather Robinson, Shellie Sloop, Lisa Smith, Pat Smith, Ellie Stager, Jan Stephenson, Earle Turner, Kelley Tuttle, Cindy Wilkerson and youth Ben Barkley, Key Barkley, Mary Alexander Barron, Mary Campbell Kellett, Katie Ledford, Josh Madsen, Taylor Madsen, Jon Meadows, Ivey Smith, and Emma Tuttle. Many thanks especially to Hanah Rhoad and Megan Madsen as they served as directors this year!

Look for VBS 2011 in June - get ready now for a great week! Dates to come soon!



Our **Christian Sympathy** is extended to *Mary Weisz* at the death of her husband, *Herman*; to *Lee Carroll* at the death of her husband, *Dick*; to *Dottie Gettys* at the death of her father, *Bill Adams*; and to the *Lucy Taylor* family at her death. Please pray that God's peace and comfort would rest upon these families.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW and plan for a wonderful weekend of fellowship, fun, and excitement as the annual church-wide retreat is coming soon! **October 15-17, 2010** we'll be on the beautiful grounds of Bonclarcken for a Mystery Weekend (*some* details to come soon). You certainly don't want to miss this fantastic weekend getaway.

Registration will begin at the end of the summer.

Contact Margaret Harper if you have any questions.



FARPY News

Don't forget the fun activities happening each week this summer

Mondays: FEAST for High School Youth (11:45-1 p.m. at Donatos)

Tuesdays: SWIM AND STUDY for Middle School Youth (2-4 p.m. at Northside Pool)

THIRSTY THURSDAYS for all youth (2-4 p.m. at Sonic on Celanese Rd)

KEEP IN MIND.... **The Appalachia Team** commissioning will be Sunday, **June 27**. Commissioning for **The Wales Team** will be Sunday, July 11. There will also be a brunch with Prayer Partners and a team meeting following worship on this day.



Lonnie and Kathy Humes, Spain

Lonnie and Kathy, along with their children (Kaitlin, Adrianna, and Ethan), serve in a small town just outside of Madrid, Spain in Camarma de Esteruelas. Lonnie mainly teaches at Evangelical Christian Academy, a school for missionary kids, and they all minister in the surrounding town with the youth. Over the summer, World Witness sends a short-term mission team to run sports camps and studies for the children and youth of Camarma. They ask us to pray for the following this month:

1. For the short-term team that will join them July 22-Aug 1.
2. For the new ministry of serving at the women's prison in their "backyard" playing the piano and leading a gospel choir..
3. For the Humes children as they are completing their last years of high school and seeking a college or employment in Spain.

Women's Ministries Salsa Project



First ARP Women's Ministries is planning three mornings of making and canning salsa (July 20-22). This will be a time of fellowship for the ladies and friends of our church. Sign up in the connector to come and help with this project. The salsa will be used for Women's Ministries fundraising and some will be donated to the Bonclarken Gift Shop. Also, a **Salsa Giving Tree** is set up in the connector for anyone to select ingredients that you may donate. Many of you have these ingredients already in your garden. If we receive more items than requested, we will make more salsa. THANK YOU for your help!



Clothing Drive for a Back-To-School Sale



First ARP Women's Ministries continues to prepare a Back-to-School clothing event for the community by collecting gently worn kids' clothes and shoes. They will collect these items ALL

SUMMER LONG! Please separate clothing in labeled bags by size and gender. You may bring these bags to the church office or to the Preschool Office. The Early Bird sale will be August 6 from 5-7 p.m. and the Open Sale will be August 7 from 7-12 p.m. The proceeds will go toward WM Missions and Outreach. Thanks for your support! Contact Shellie Sloop (328-8212) if you have any questions.

Organ Restoration Update

On Friday, June 4, Morris Spearman, President of Spearman-Hawkinson, Inc. came to the church to double check the space requirement for the new wind chest as well as for the new pipes. Both of these items have been designed and ordered. This part of the contract required a payment of \$20,000 when a bill is received. The parts will not be delivered until January 2011. Installation will begin at that time. We have not reached our goal financially, but with continued contributions and memorials to the organ fund we are getting closer. Thanks for your help.



C H U R C H



There will be a Congregational Outdoor Work Day on **Saturday, July 10** from 9 a.m.-Noon. Please bring your yard tools and work gloves for a morning of working on the church grounds. Please make every effort to attend!

DEACON NOTES

The Diaconate held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 1 and discussed the following:

- ◆ A Missions Conference will be held on November 12 & 13 with Joseph Alghrary as the guest speaker. Activities will be held for children, youth, and adults.
- ◆ The Youth still need \$1250 to complete the expenses for the summer mission trips. These funds will be sought through the church budget.
- ◆ Grounds maintenance is taken care of, weather permitting, every Thursday evening. If you would like to assist, contact Eric Madsen.
- ◆ A survey about community outreach will be presented to members of the congregation members. This will help in future outreach projects.

BUDGET NOTES ending on May 31, 2001

General Account Revenue	\$74,052.29
General Account Expenses	\$49,594.79
General Account Surplus	\$24,457.50



Congratulations to the Class of 2010!

On Sunday, May 23, high school graduates were recognized and honored during the worship service and a reception following worship. Those students were Ax Dillingham, Josh Madsen, Jon Meadows, Mary Karen Meadows, Mike Simpson, and Ryan Simpson.

We also wish to recognize those who have graduated from colleges and universities this year. Those students are:

Erin Cauthen, from College of Charleston, with a degree in Corporate Communications with a minor in Hospitality and Tourism
Sarah Dagenhart, from Winthrop University with a Master of Arts in Teaching

Alan Harbin, from Clemson University with a BS in Business/Marketing

Hadley Harris, *cum laude* from Clemson University with a BS in Animal Veterinary Sciences

Amy Heinsohn, from College of Charleston with a BS in Physical Education/Health Promotion

Laura Leathers, *summa cum laude* from Erskine College with highest honors and a BS in Chemistry with a minor in Biology

Matt Turner, from Lenoir-Rhyne University with a BS in Physics

All college students and recent college graduates are invited to attend the University Class offered during the Sunday School hour held in the Library. This class is taught by Mark and Carol Herring.



Summer Children's Activities

Every Monday June 14-Aug 23 (except for July 5): Open Gym/Playground for all ages, 10-noon

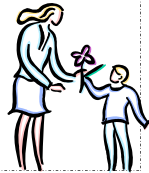
Wednesdays, June 16-Aug 4: Free Movie

Wednesdays! Meet in front of Manchester Cinemas at 9:45 a.m. for the free showing of the week. Movies include *Charlotte's Web*, *Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs*, *Ice Age*, *Planet 51*, *Imagine That*, *March of the Penguins*, *Hotel for Dogs*, and *Arctic Tale*.



to Bobbie Aycock, Emily Harper, and Jan Phillips on their retirement from teaching. Blessings to you as you begin a new season of life!

Parents of young children are reminded to pick up their children promptly after Sunday School and Worship from their respective nurseries. Thank you for assisting with the Children's Ministries in this manner.



You're invited!!

All women are invited to this summer's Bible study on Tuesday mornings, beginning June 15 and running six weeks through July 20. We will continue our study with *Having a Mary Spirit* by Joanna Weaver. The studies will be held in different homes each Tuesday from 10-11:30 a.m. Below is a detailed schedule of hostesses and teachers. Join us for this wonderful opportunity of fellowship and growth!

	Host	Teacher
June 15	Mary Joyce Wright	Amanda G. (review 1-6)
June 22	Jan Phillips	Jeanie Alexander (ch7)
June 29	Barbara Lesslie	Amanda Ghent (ch8)
July 6	Marsha Vogel	Sarah Harper (ch9)
July 13	Jody Rankin	Kenie Crawford (ch10)
July 20	Beverly Simpson	Shirley Holland (ch11)

July Birthdays

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| 1 | Allen Elliott | 13 | Katherine Logan |
| | Payne Gettys | 15 | Barry Dagenhart |
| | Jay Holladay | | Ann Laney |
| | Lauren Ledford | 16 | Rob Crawford |
| | Mallory Pearson | 18 | Ann Louise Kellett |
| 2 | Ivey Smith | | Walker Norris |
| 3 | Nick Tuttle | | Frank Simpson |
| 4 | Cameron Miller | 19 | Buzzy Elder |
| 5 | Lucas Ramsey | | Rene` Helms |
| 6 | Edith Cable | 20 | Allen Elliott, Jr. |
| | Joanne Dillingham | | Betsy Ledbetter |
| | Tripp Eaves | | Caleb Ramsey |
| | Don Ferguson | | Stephen Turner |
| | Josh Madsen | 22 | Robert Faulkner, Jr. |
| 7 | David Smith | | H. W. Rhodes, Jr. |
| 8 | Faye Hoke | | Lisa Smith |
| | Christian Kulbok | 23 | Dottie Gettys |
| 9 | Kyle Brakefield | 24 | Shellie Sloop |
| | Elise Harbin | 25 | Sally Williamson |
| | Kathy Todd | 29 | Ross Berry |
| 10 | Jane Fleischer | | Angela Fischesser |
| | Mimi Loftus | | Bo Youngblood |
| | Taylor Mauldin | 31 | Ashley Barron |
| | Pam Maxwell | | Susan Faulkner |
| 11 | Elizabeth Doede | | Chandler Green |
| | Dorcas Hinson | | Kay McKinney |
| | Manning Sloop | | Beth Robinson |
| 12 | Chris Helms | | Hal Todd |

On Thursday, May 20 members and friends of First ARP served over 70 individuals at Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen. Those who helped were Kenie Crawford, Harriet Price, Jan Stephenson, and Brian Twomey. The next serving date is Thursday, June 17. Contact Jan Stephenson, Coordinator, if you would like to help.

