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The Fountain

*The teaching of the wise is a fountain of life.
Proverbs 13:14*



June 22, 2017

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A Note from Our Pastor

Dear Friends,

The book of Acts is not just our summer reading. The book of Acts is a description of what the Holy Spirit of the Risen Christ wants to do again and again in and through God's people. That is true in first century Jerusalem and Judea and 21st century Hartsville and South Carolina. Just look at the parallels: Acts 2 narrates a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and we pray every Sunday for God to grant us His Spirit once again. Then we are told about a caring community of believers, where "great grace was upon them all, and there was not a needy person among them" (4.33-34). We daily practice our caring for one another. Then there were great objections to the sharing of the gospel, even imprisonment. While we do not face possible jail time for our faith, we do encounter opposition through cynicism, disbelief and just plain apathy.

In Acts we hear how the gospel went from Jerusalem to Judea and Samaria and to the uttermost parts of the earth (1.8). We serve Christ in Hartsville via the Soup Kitchen, Carolinas Kids and the Trent Hill Center. We serve Christ in Darlington County through Habitat for Humanity, Free Clinic and HIM. We serve Christ regionally through our Presbytery of New Harmony and Thornwell Home for Children. Beyond our state we share God's love in Appalachia, Haiti, the Dominican Republic and (soon through Rev. Lauren Scharstein) Kenya. Our Presbyterian Church, USA has missionaries in many countries on every continent. We support those missionaries through our financial giving and our prayers.

Filled and energized by the Spirit, we serve Christ and share God's love wherever we are and wherever we may be called to go. I have always loved these words by Dr. Tom Long, who in one of his sermons on Jesus' call to his disciples then and now said, "That same summons comes to all of us. For some of us it will come as a call to leave our nets, our books, our desks, our homes. For others it will come as a call to mend our nets more carefully, read our books more thoroughly, mind our desks more faithfully, live in our homes more lovingly. But in what whatever form, it has come and will continue to come, this summons to forsake being our 'own person' and to become Christ's [person]. And when we hear it, we can be sure that the One who loves us best, and cherishes our life most fully, has come near, and, in the deepest of all ways, we have been called for."

It is my joy to share God's call to worship, love and serve with you!

Your pastor,

Dr. Dan

Church Calendar for June 22 - August 1

Thursday, June 22

Montreat Music and Worship Conference
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM Girl Scout Meetings - MFH

Friday, June 23

Montreat Music and Worship Conference
10:00 AM Soup Kitchen

Saturday, June 24

Montreat Music and Worship Conference

Sunday, June 25

9:45 AM Adult Summer Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, June 26

Summer Mission Blitz Work Day: Habitat
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Summer Mission Blitz Lunch
7:00 PM Session Meeting - CONF RM

Tuesday, June 27

Summer Mission Blitz Work Day: Carolina's Kids
10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Group - McAlpine RM
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Summer Mission Blitz Lunch

Wednesday, June 28

Summer Mission Blitz Work Day: ECE Program
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Summer Mission Blitz Lunch
7:00 PM CE Feedback Request Session -
CONF RM

Thursday, June 29

Summer Mission Blitz Work Day: Trent Hill Center
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Summer Mission Blitz Lunch

Friday, June 30

Summer Mission Blitz Work Day: HIM
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM Summer Mission Blitz Lunch

Sunday, July 2

No Adult Sunday School due to July 4th Holiday
11:00 AM Worship Service

Tuesday, July 4

Church Office Closed for July 4th Holiday

Sunday, July 9

Thornwell Mission Trip
9:45 AM CE Feedback Request Session
- CONF RM

11:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, July 10

Thornwell Mission Trip

Tuesday, July 11

Thornwell Mission Trip
8:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast - Shoney's
10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Group - McAlpine RM

Wednesday, July 12

Thornwell Mission Trip

Sunday, July 16

9:45 AM Adult Summer Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship Service
12:15 PM Montreat Youth/Parent Meeting
- CONF RM
5:00 PM CE Feedback Request Session
- CONF RM

Monday, July 17

12:05 PM Pastor's Lunch at Presbyterian
Community, Florence

Tuesday, July 18

10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Group - McAlpine
RM
5:30 PM Service Committee - Pastor's
Office

Sunday, July 23

Montreat Youth Conference Departs
9:45 AM Adult Summer Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service

Monday, July 24

Montreat Youth Conference
7:00 PM Session Meeting - CONF RM

Tuesday, July 25

Montreat Youth Conference
10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Group - McAlpine
RM

Wednesday, July 26

Montreat Youth Conference

Thursday, July 27

Montreat Youth Conference

Friday, July 28

Montreat Youth Conference

Saturday, July 29

Montreat Youth Conference Returns

Sunday, July 30

9:45 AM Adult Summer Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
5:00 PM CE Feedback Request Session -
Fish House (610 Prestwood Drive)
6:00 PM Fifth Sunday Vespers - Fish House

Tuesday, August 1

10:30 AM Prayer Shawl Group - McAlpine
RM
10:30 AM Staff Meeting - Pastor's Office
5:30 PM Christian Ed Committee - GRACE
RM
5:30 PM Property Committee - CONF RM

Upcoming Newsletter Deadlines

Noon on July 11 & 25

Christian Service

ELDER GREETER

June 25: Eugene Vaughan

July 2: Alan Norwood

HEAD USHERS

June 25 and July 2: P.J. and Barry McGirt

ACOLYTES

June 25: Kate Hunter

July 2: Law Hope

AUDIO/VISUAL

June 25: Todd Rix

July 2: Ronnie Holden

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP (RM 207B)

June 25: Katie Liddle, Brandi or Cal Wheeler

July 2: Kate Pennington, MaryAnn Chapman

PASTORS' AIDES

Week of June 26: Cecelia Brown, Bill Miller

Week of July 3: Gwen Davis, Joye Sansbury

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

June 26: Jane Wheeler

June 27: Open

June 28: Emma Zold

June 29: Nancy Money

June 30: Betty Shepard

July 3: Jane Wheeler

July 4: Church office closed

July 5: Becky Vincent

July 6: Nancy Money

July 7: Betty Shepard

July 10: Jane Wheeler

July 11: Jean Robison

July 12: Emma Zold

July 13: Open

July 14: Betty Shepard

July 17: Tru Lawton

July 18: Ginny Hays

July 19: Becky Vincent

July 20: Nancy Money

July 21: Betty Shepard

Adult Summer Sunday School

Adults and high school youth are welcome to join the Busy Adults Sunday School class during the months of June and July. The class is a facilitated discussion about important matters of faith. The class will meet in the conference room on Sundays, June 25, July 9, 16, 23 and 30. Please consider joining facilitators Gwen Davis and Larry Renck for lively discussion and conversation and meaningful fellowship. **Special Note: Adult Summer Sunday School will not meet Sunday, July 2, due to the holiday weekend.**

Summer Sunday School classes for children and youth are not currently offered this summer due to lack of participation and willing volunteers. The Christian Education committee did not come to this decision lightly, but with significant thought, discussion and prayer. Anyone interested in Summer Sunday School classes for children and/or youth is highly encouraged to contact a member of the Christian Education committee: David Blackmon, Alan Norwood, Ashley Ingalls, Amah Riley, Julie Cox, Andrea Pulling, Lyne Askins or staff resources Matthew Zold or Jill Isola. The Christian Education committee wants your feedback about Christian Education programs! Please watch your email inboxes for opportunities to attend a feedback session in person, or share your thoughts via email or a phone conversation. We want to hear from you!

Nursery Care

Nursery care is provided during Sunday School and worship for children (under 2) in our infant nursery. It is also provided during worship for children (ages two and three) in our toddler nursery. Following the Children's Moment with the pastors each Sunday, our nursery workers, Mrs. Claudia McDaniel, Mrs. Tamika McDaniel Peguese, Mrs. Doris Chavis, Mrs. Latoya Chavis Wanzer, Ms. Sherry Edwards and Ms. SueAnn Myers, take wonderful care of our children.

Announcements

Finances at a Glance

May 2017

	Month to Date	Year to Date
Budgeted Income	\$58,670.11	\$293,350.55
Actual Income Received	<u>\$40,652.77</u>	<u>\$302,447.33</u>
Over(Under)	(\$18,017.34)	\$9,096.78
Budgeted Expenses	\$58,670.11	\$293,350.55
Actual Expenses	<u>\$61,563.92</u>	<u>\$292,387.71</u>
(Over)Under	(\$2,893.81)	\$962.84
NET TOTAL	<u>(\$20,911.15)</u>	<u>\$10,059.62</u>

Cooks Needed for Soup Kitchen Dates

Our June date to serve others in the Hartsville Soup Kitchen this month is tomorrow, Friday, June 23. Thank you to those who have signed up to help! Please arrive at the soup kitchen by 10:00 a.m. Our next assigned date is Wednesday, July 26. We need a cook for this date as well as volunteers to help set up and serve. Cooks are asked to arrive by 9:00 a.m. and volunteers by 10:00 a.m.

- ⇒ If you **can cook or volunteer** for the **July 26** date, please contact the church office.
- ⇒ If you **can cook for future dates** (August 30, September 20), please contact Sonja Gibson at sroush@gmail.com.

Summer Mission Blitz is Next Week from Monday, June 26 - Friday, June 30

Please consider joining us around Hartsville and Darlington County next week for our Summer Mission blitz! All ages and abilities are needed! There is a morning shift from 8:00am-noon and an afternoon shift from 1-5pm every day next week. Volunteer for just one shift or a whole bunch! See our schedule below for the tasks we will be taking on with each organization. Lunch will be provided in the fellowship hall for all participants working that day. **Please get your registration forms to the church office as soon as possible so we can plan accordingly!** **Monday:** painting and flooring at a Habitat for Humanity home; **Tuesday:** working with Carolina Kids and Southside Early Childhood Center at the Kids' Closet and on the Southside playground; **Wednesday:** building some planting boxes for our own Early Childhood Education Program to use on our playground; **Thursday:** working on multiple projects both indoor and outdoor at the Trent Hill Center for Children and Families and **Friday morning:** assisting in the Hartsville Interfaith Ministries food pantry. There is a project for every age and ability! This isn't just for adults - children and youth are welcome and encouraged to participate! Let's show Hartsville and Darlington County just how much First Presbyterian Church cares!

Officer Nominating Committee News

Our 2017 Officer Nominating Committee held its first meeting this week. Committee members are Elder David Blackmon (Co-chair), Elder Alan Norwood (Co-chair), David Segars, Rita Daniel, Emily Stacy, Meg Clark and Katie Liddle. Nominating brochures for officer suggestions are available in the narthex and Sunday bulletins. **All suggestions are due to the church office by next Wednesday, June 28.** Please remember our ONC in your prayers!

Announcements

Office News

The church office will be open Monday, July 3, from 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., and will be closed Tuesday, July 4, for Independence Day. Annisa Sheffield will be on vacation Monday, July 3. If you need assistance Monday, please contact Nancy Money in the church office. The office will be open 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday and 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Friday that week. Have a safe and fun holiday week!

Men's Prayer Breakfast

All men of the church are invited to Men's Prayer Breakfast **Tuesday, July 11**, at Shoney's! **Please note date has moved to second Tuesday of each month.** Join us at 8:00 a.m. for food, fellowship and devotion!

July Service Committee Meeting

Service Committee members, please mark your calendars for the July meeting to be held at **5:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 18**, in the pastor's office.

The Christian Education Committee Would Like Your Feedback!

Please considering coming to a feedback request session in the conference room on one of the following dates: Wednesday, June 28th, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.; Sunday, July 9th, 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.; Sunday, July 16th, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.; and Sunday, July 30th, 5:00 - 5:45 p.m. at the Fish House (610 Prestwood Drive) just before Fifth Sunday Vespers. Members of the Christian Education Committee hope to hear your thoughts, hopes, and dreams for Christian Education programming here at First Presbyterian Church.

Thornwell Mission Opportunity

Please consider joining us for a unique mission opportunity at the Thornwell Home for Children in Clinton, SC. We will offer a mission trip for all ages, Sunday, July 9 - Wednesday, July 12. Opportunities include offering a VBS for the Thornwell children, some mission work for all ages and abilities, and plenty of fellowship with one another and Thornwell families. Registration forms are available in the narthex. *All ages are welcome, however, children must participate with the supervision of an adult.* We have six volunteers signed up so far. Won't you join us? For more information, contact Rev. Jill Isola, associatepastor@firstpreshart.org. **Registration forms due no later than July 1st.**

150th Anniversary Picture Directory

As of today's date, we have 79 appointments made. Stop by the table in the narthex this Sunday to make an appointment and/or review your contact information. Lifetouch allows 2 phones and 1 email to be printed in the directory.

Picture dates and times are Tuesday, August 22, through Friday, August 25, from 2 p.m. - 9 p.m. and Saturday, August 26, from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Makeup days are Tuesday, August 29, and Wednesday, August 30, from 2:00 p.m. - 9 p.m.

Signing up online at home or work is easy! Visit the member site at <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y1con778/> or click on the picture in congregational emails. ***We want everyone to be in our church family picture directory so please look at the calendar and decide what day you can have your pictures made.***

Children's Ministry

Thank You Note

A BIG "THANK YOU!" goes to all our VBS volunteers! You were wonderful leaders, teachers and helpers this past week! We loved sharing our week with your children learning all about God's incredible, wonderful, beautiful creation and our call to care for all of creation and one another! Thank you so much for giving of your time and talents, it was a great week!

Mission Opportunities for Our Children

Children are invited and encouraged to take part in our summer mission opportunities: both our Summer Mission Blitz and our Thornwell VBS and Mission have room for children! Mission is not just for adults!

Youth Ministry

Montreat Youth Conference News

If you have not submitted your final payment, please do so. If you have questions about the payment schedule or the amount owed, please contact Rev. Jill Isola. **A meeting for all youth attending the Montreat Youth Conference (July 23 - 29) and their parents will be held immediately following worship Sunday, July 16, from 12:15 - 12:45 p.m. in the conference room.** Youth unable to attend that meeting, please contact the church office to schedule another time to meet.

Fifth Sunday Vespers

The congregation is invited to the Fish House (610 Prestwood Drive) Sunday, July 30, for Fifth Sunday Vespers at 6:00 p.m. Our service will be led by our youth who attended the Montreat Youth Conference. We will also celebrate the Lord's Supper together. Please join us for an inspirational evening together on the lake!

Connect with FPC Hartsville Youth Ministry on Social Media!

We have an Instagram account: [fpc_hartsville_youth](#) with great pictures from our youth events so far this summer. Additionally, we are using a great app to be in touch with everyone quickly: it is called GroupMe, and be found anywhere you get your apps on your smartphone. We communicate about summer youth lunches, share volunteer opportunities, reminders about upcoming meetings or deadlines and more. It's a great way to be in touch with what's going on with the FPC Hartsville Youth!



Birthday Blessings

June

- 22nd Cal Wheeler, Mason Youngblood
- 24th Lee Langston, Julia Harris
- 25th Pat Hill, Kaye Crook, Doyle PUNCHES, Rachel Matthews
- 26th Heather Norwood, Carrie Kittrell, Taylor Morris, Peyton Little
- 28th Morgan Stacy
- 29th Kinsley Berdeau
- 30th Bose Liddle

July

- 1st Grace Hope, Denise Kelly, Daniel Hunter
- 2nd Gay Blackmon, Adam Quick
Caroline Cannarella, Mary Sullivan Powell
- 3rd Mike Foster, Andrea Little
- 6th SaraAnn Fagan, Carson Riley
- 7th Ben Quick, Lindsay Powell, Eliza Segars
- 8th Allison Scharstein, Luke Johnson, Ava Riley, Jodie Bessinger
- 9th Jackson Mazell
- 10th Josh Witten, Lauren Hardymon
- 11th June Allston

Please keep in prayer our troops as they serve our country: Greg Jones (nephew of Anna Hill), Col. Will Zemp (son of Sid Zemp), Lt. Col. Jimmy Liddle (husband of Katie McKorell Liddle), Melissa Holden Miller (daughter of Ronnie Holden), SSG Kevin Capazzi (son of Joann and Ted Wurzbacher), Capt. Mary Katey Hays (niece of Bob and Ginny Hays), Steven Turnbach (son-in-law of Bob and Anne Kearns), Maj. Mike and Megan Dumas (family of Andrew and Jill Isola), Sgt. Patrick Sullivan (brother of Lindsay Powell), and Kathryn Mitchell-Tyler (friend of Mellany Faes).

Please keep in prayer: Michael Peterson (friend of the Stuckeys), he family of Louise Coldwell (mother of Rev. Dick Coldwell), Mellany Faes, the family of Eileen Harris, Paula Kaye Thompson (aunt of Shannon Smith), the family of Bob Bradshaw (grandson of Emma Webster), Baby Simms Daniels, the family of Mildred Sites (aunt of Donna Maguire), the family of Mary Louise Hunnicutt (sister of Betty Shepard), the family of Frank Flowers (father of Meg Clark), the family of Kathleen Riley Lipford (aunt of Gay Blackmon), the family of Jason Burkett (brother of Betsy Kraus), the family of Kirk Dunlap, Barbara Anderson (friend of Mellany Faes), Tina Galloway Herring, Mac Lucius (nephew of Jane Wheeler), Elza Stout (mother of Gay Blackmon), Charlotte Chesnutt (wife of Calvin Chesnutt), Clyde Stuckey, Emma Joy Schultz (granddaughter of Val Schulz), Ted Wurzbacher, Leona Wilkes (aunt of Ronda McElveen), Elaine Connor (friend of Ken Hughes), Diane Keever (sister of Denise Kelly), Mike Long (brother-in-law of Gay Blackmon), Joe Davis, Don Cuppett (brother of Cathy Cuppett), Michael (nephew of Cathy Cuppett), Sidney and John Horton, James Menius, Mark Sheffield, our residents at the Presbyterian Communities (Jane Dunlap, Phil and Joan Hart, Lee Langston, Mary Jane McDonald, Olive Timberlake, Libba King (mother of Lisa Fagan), Sara K. Wildeboer, June Allston); Methodist Manor (Pat and Harry Hill); Morningside (Corky Koonts, Jack McGirt); Thrive at Prince Creek (Ann Dixon) and Elmcroft (Marilyn Lesser).

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