



Dusan Vukajlovik is playing cello today. Dusan is Principal Cellist of the SC Philharmonic and regularly plays with the Upton Trio.

Tim Varner is singing the music for illumination today. Will Jordan, Herring Choral Scholar, is the soloist on "Come to Me," the choral anthem.

The red rose on the baptistry is in honor of Benjamin Dorsey Brown Greer, son of Margaret Brown and Charlie Greer, born August 17, 2023.

 When available, an American Sign Language interpreter is at the base of the baptistry. Pews in front of the baptistry are reserved for our Deaf and hard-of-hearing community.

 This Sanctuary is equipped with Hearing Loop. If you have a hearing aid equipped with a T-coil and switch to it, you will hear audio directly from our sound system.

Music selections today include: Prelude from Cello Suite 1 by J.S. Bach; "Keep Me Faithfully in Thy Paths" by G.F. Handel and edited by Richard Proulx, ©1980 GIA Publications, Inc.; "To You All Hearts Are Open" by John Tirro, ©2003 Mondo Zen Music, admin. Carol Vincent and Associates, LLC; "God Be with You Here" by Kyle D. Matthews, ©2020 Catalytic Songs; "Come to Me" by Dan Forrest, ©2018 Beckenhorst Press, Inc.; Processional (from Six Pieces for Organ) by Ernest Bloch; "On the Works of Our Hands" from "Two Shaker Hymns" by Burton Bumgarner, ©2002 Hinshaw Music Inc.; and "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" by Helmut Walcha. For more information on today's music, read the Organist's Blog on the church website: <https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/category/organists-blog/>

Blessing of the Pets
October 1, 6:30pm
(Prayer Labyrinth)

Mary Carol Anderson Youth and College	Tony Hopkins Interim Senior Minister	Kyle Matthews Pastoral Care
Caleb Avery AYMC Director	Amy Joye Music Associate	Matt Rollins Community Engagement
Julie Fayssoux First Baptist Day School	Bridget Kokolis Children	Charles Tompkins Organist
Vivian Hamilton Music and Worship	Camille Loomis Rehnborg Spiritual Formation and Outreach	Baxter Wynn Interim Senior Adults
	Jenna Manning Church Operations	

Sunday morning worship service broadcasts:
www.firstbaptistgreenville.com/worship-live/

Links to view or listen to previous services are also available.

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Looking Ahead

Sunday, September 24

11:30am-1:30pm Acolyte Training and Lunch

4:00-5:00pm Vocare Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Vocare is our youth choral ensemble for 6th-12th grade students.

5:00pm LGBTQ & Friends Community Group (Parlor)
All are welcome to support, learn and fellowship with the LGBTQ community in our church.

5:00-7:00pm Sunday Night Live (AYMC)
6th-12th grade students meet for games, supper and Bible Study.

Wednesday, September 27

6:30am Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study Group (AYMC Terrace Level)
All men of the congregation are invited to study the Revised Common Lectionary weekly passages.

Wednesdays@First Activities
 MidWeek Classic: Belonging to God's Church: Insiders and Outsiders in American Church History with Elizabeth Jemison (Fellowship Hall)
 Running with Doug Stout (AYMC Reception Desk)
Wednesdays@First offers a meal, fellowship and spiritual formation opportunities for all ages. See block for more information.

Sunday, October 1

10:30am World Communion Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary)
 with Proclaimer Tony Hopkins, including Acolyte Dedication and Presentation of Bibles to Third Grade Children

11:30pm Called Church Conference Following Worship (Sanctuary)

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Financial Needs as of 9/23
 \$2,100,962
 Receipts as of 9/11
 \$1,613,597

Wednesdays at First Schedule

- 3:00-6:00pm Youth Hang Time (AYMC Terrace Level)
- 4:45-6:00pm Supper Serving Lines Open (Fellowship Hall)
- 5:30-7:00pm Preschool and Children's Music and Missions (C300 & B400 Halls)
- 6:00-7:00pm Youth Bible Study (AYMC Terrace Level)
- 6:15-6:55pm MidWeek Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00-8:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

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September 24, 2023

Ten Thirty O'Clock



Words of Belonging

Call to Worship Vivian Hamilton

Music for Meditation Prelude from Cello Suite 1 J.S. Bach

We are invited to use this time to center ourselves and prepare our hearts for worship.

Prayer for Worship Vivian Hamilton

We come before you, Lord, in anticipation of time spent with you and each other. We yearn for connection and a place to belong. Fill our beings with your love, that refreshed and renewed, we may share your priceless gift with all of your creation. Amen.

*Processional Hymn 53 ELLACOMBE
"With Joy We Come before You, Lord"

Welcome of Worshipers Vivian Hamilton

Words of Faith

Music for Illumination MOSSY CREEK
"God of Beauty, Truth and Goodness"

Gospel Lesson John 4:5-15 Mary Carol Anderson
page 864 of the Bible in the pew rack

Centering Prayer "To You All Hearts Are Open" John Tirro

To you all hearts are o-pen, to you all de-sires known.

To you there are no secrets, almighty God; we come to you.

Pastoral Prayer Mary Carol Anderson

*Children's Hymn 247 KINGSFOLD
"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

(During the last two stanzas, children 4K-grade 5 are invited to come forward.)

*Children's Sermon Bridget Kokolis
"God Be with You Here" Kyle D. Matthews

(Children, 4K and 5K, are dismissed for Preschool Worship.)

God be with you here! God be with you there! there!

God's love will al-ways hold you tight,

E-ven when you're out of sight!

Torah (Law) Lesson Genesis 24:15-27 Tony Hopkins
page 17 of the Bible in the pew rack

Choral Worship "Come to Me" Dan Forrest
"Come to me, all you who labor,
Come to me, and I will give you rest."
"Come to me, all who are weary and burdened,
And you will find rest for your souls."
"Come, my child, Learn my heart,
For I am gentle and lowly."
"See how great my love for you
That I have called you my child."
- Matthew 11:25, 28-29; 2 Corinthians 6:18; 1 John 3:1

Sermon The Woman at the Well Tony Hopkins

Words of Commitment

*Invitation Hymn 307 WORDS OF LIFE
"Wonderful Words of Life"

Generosity Moment Laura Stout

*Invitation to Offering Deacon
How priceless is your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of your wings. (Psalm 36:7, NIV)

Musical Offering Ernest Bloch
Processional (from *Six Pieces for Organ*)

Introduction of New Members Tony Hopkins

Service and Fellowship Vivian Hamilton

*Doxology (Hymn 32) LASST UNS ERFREUEN
***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

*Benediction Tony Hopkins

*Benediction Response Burton Bumgarner
"On the Works of Our Hands"
*On the work of our hands and the praise of our hearts,
May the light of thy countenance shine,
In the least ever faithful, abiding and true,
Our service of joy shall be thine.
May the halo of prayer, may the mantle of peace
As heaven's benediction descend,
Ordaining our lives for the mission of Christ,
And love with our sacrifice blend.*
- The Canterbury Shakers, 1908

Postlude "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" Helmut Walcha

**Our Service of Worship has ended.
Our Worship through Service begins.**