

## WEDNESDAYS@FIRST

March 6 (Fellowship Hall)

Round 2 Options

MidWeek Classic: "I Am" Statements in the Gospel of John with Kyle Matthews and Carol McEntyre (Fellowship Hall)

Seek Ye First: Pursuing the Economic Vision of Jesus with Matthew Loomis Rehnborg (Media Center)

Painting with Patrick—Watercolors with Patrick Bairefoot (Parlor)

If you do not already have standing supper reservations, please make a reservation for dinner by noon on the preceding Monday: <https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/wednesdays-at-first/>.

## SUNDAY WORSHIP

March 10, 10:30am (Sanctuary)

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Family Dedication

Proclaimer: Carol McEntyre


Sermon: Illuminated by the Light

Scripture: John 8:12-20

Anthems: "Hymn to Christ the Light"—Highben

Service Musicians: Sanctuary Choir

For more information on some of the music in our services, visit the Organist's Blog at <https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/category/organists-blog/>

 Pews in front of the baptistry will be reserved for our Deaf and hard-of-hearing community. When available, an ASL interpreter will be at the base of the baptistry.

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by the Seminar-Corder Class in memory of the deceased members. If you would like to provide flowers for one of our future worship services, contact Kimberly Coates at [kimberly.coates@firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:kimberly.coates@firstbaptistgreenville.com) or 864-233-2527 ext. 128.



## From the Senior Minister

CAROL MCENTYRE

shared life and ministry guided by the Spirit of God.

Thank you for the lovely installation worship service on February 25! I am grateful we had the opportunity to officially celebrate my installation as your Senior Minister and mark the beginning of our time together with a covenant of commitment to our



## Holy Week at First Baptist: March 24–March 31

A few years ago, I went shopping on Good Friday. I was walking through the mall hoping to purchase some clothing I thought I needed when it struck me that engaging in such a trivial activity on such a profoundly sacred day felt incongruous—at least for me. At the heart of Holy Week lies the commemoration of Jesus Christ's final days on Earth, leading up to his crucifixion and resurrection. Each day of this week holds significance, inviting us to walk alongside Jesus in his final moments, to witness the full extent of his love, and to celebrate his triumph over sin, evil and death. As we approach the sacred time of Holy Week, I want to let you know what we have planned and invite you to join us. Holy Week begins

with Palm Sunday Worship on March 24 and extends to Easter Sunday, March 31. On Palm Sunday, children are invited to join the palm processional as we mark Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where crowds welcome him with praise. On Wednesday, March 27, we will celebrate Maundy Thursday, where Jesus shared his last supper with his disciples, washing their feet in humility and service and instituting communion. Yes, you read correctly: we will celebrate Maundy Thursday on Wednesday! We decided to make this change to reenact Maundy Thursday, as it would have occurred with Jesus around the table after a shared meal. Children, youth, and adults

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March 27

6:00pm in Fellowship Hall  
Maundy Thursday on Wednesday

March 29

6:00pm in Carpenter Chapel  
Good Friday Service

March 31

7:00am Easter Sunrise Service  
8:30am Easter Garden Service  
10:30am Easter Service

# Palms and Easter Lilies



We are preparing for our Palm Sunday and Easter celebrations. To aid in our celebration, we will place palms in the Sanctuary on Palm Sunday and an arrangement of lilies as both honorary and memorial gifts on Easter Sunday. All lily gifts will be published in the newsletter. If you are interested in providing an Easter lily gift, please visit <https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/easter-lilies/> and follow the instructions to submit your dedications. You may even pay online! If you would prefer, you may still mail the following information

and your payment (checks payable to First Baptist Church) to me at church or drop it off in person. **Orders and checks (\$30 each) should be received by Wednesday, March 21.** If you would like to make a gift toward this arrangement, complete the online form or send the following information to my attention at the church (First Baptist Church, Attn: Kimberly Coates, 847 Cleveland Street, Greenville, SC 29601), along with your contribution of \$30 per dedication:

Name:  
Phone  
Number:  
Email Address (if applicable):  
Number of Gifts (\$30 each):  
In honor of:  
In memory of:

Please make checks payable to First Baptist Church.

Orders should be received by March 21.

—Kimberly

## Join the Musical Joy

Do you know that singing in a choir makes you happier? That is true for me, but thanks to the research of many learned scientists reported in an article in *The Choral Director* magazine, it's a proven fact. I can only tell you from my experience; I leave Wednesday's Sanctuary Choir rehearsal elated and excited because I have been able to participate in such a glorious undertaking.

I am relatively new to First Baptist Greenville and had not sung in choral groups for years, so I was nervous about joining the Sanctuary Choir, but with my husband's and Vivian's encouragement, I joined and LOVE IT! When one joins our church one is asked to do three things—attend as often as possible, find a small group where we can get to know folks in depth, and contribute time, talents and (of course) money to further the work of the church. Joining the choir is a chance to get to know others who love music, give some time and whatever musical talent you have—the money, of course, is up to you. 😊

I am not a solo quality singer, nor do I read music, but the joyous voices around me and the direction given the choir by our leader help me join in the offering of glorious music to the glory of God. There is room in this part of God's house for you—come join us!

—Lynn Woodman Cauble, Sanctuary Choir Member

### Vocal Choirs

Preschool Choir led by Ellen Wilson—  
*Wednesdays@First Activities*

Contact Ellen at [ejett@yahoo.com](mailto:ejett@yahoo.com) for more information.

Elementary Choir led by Amy Joye—  
*Wednesdays@First Activities*

Vocare (Youth Choir) led by Amy Joye—  
Sundays following Worship

Contact Amy at [amy.joye@firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:amy.joye@firstbaptistgreenville.com) for more information.

Sanctuary Choir led by Vivian Hamilton—  
*Wednesdays@First Activities*

Contact Vivian at [vivian.hamilton@firstbaptistgreenville.com](mailto:vivian.hamilton@firstbaptistgreenville.com) for more information.

### Handbells

Bell Tower Ringers led by Julie Treu—  
Sunday Evenings

Golden Ringers (Senior Adult Beginners) led by Julie Treu—  
Friday Mornings

Contact Julie at [jhtreu@gmail.com](mailto:jhtreu@gmail.com) for more information.

# The Yard Sale Is Fast Approaching!

The Neighborhood Partnership Yard Sale will be held on **Friday, March 8, 4-7pm** and **Saturday, March 9, 8am-1pm**. Throughout the year, volunteers have been collecting furniture, office equipment, appliances, books, exercise equipment, silverware, china, toys and other household items to sell at the annual yard sale. Proceeds from the sale are used to support Neighborhood Partnership Missions, a ministry that supports nearby communities by addressing their needs (emergency and otherwise). This includes helping with home renovation, handicap ramps, painting, yard work, and other financial support.

**We need volunteers!** If you're interested in volunteering, please fill out this quick form at <https://forms.gle/ZmiVNWHwSozTZiP28>. We especially need help with clean-up at 1pm on Saturday, so we can give a break to the volunteers who have been

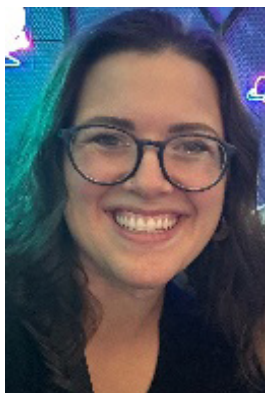


working all day. For more information, visit <https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/yardsale/>.

Thank you to all of the church members who have donated so many items. Our volunteers are working hard to get them organized and priced. Because of this, **WE ARE NO LONGER ACCEPTING DONATIONS!** Please hold onto your items until we are able to accept them later this spring.

—Jennifer

## Children's Ministry Additions



Our Nursery Hallway Staff has been growing and making some great changes over the past couple of months. As we work

together to offer the best care possible for our families, we want to take a moment to highlight all of our nursery caregiving staff and

introduce some new faces over the next couple of weeks. First up is Caroline Hiatt!

Caroline has accepted the position of Children's Ministry Assistant, and we are so excited to have her join our team. Right now, Caroline will be working on Sunday mornings on the nursery hallway to greet and welcome families and, in May, will begin expanding her hours with us.

Caroline has spent the last 10 years as a teacher, working with children from preschool to high school. She

has worked in church nurseries in various capacities for most of her life. She is wife to Grayson and mom to Ellis (4) and Junia (1). One of the things that drew her to FBG originally was the intentional emphasis on the growth of children as the Church of today, not just the future. She is thrilled to take on a more involved role in the Children's Ministry at FBG as the Children's Ministry Assistant.

—Bridget

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are invited to participate in this unique experiential worship service in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00pm. (Wednesday night supper will be served as usual.) Good Friday, March 29, is always a solemn remembrance, marking Jesus' crucifixion and death; we will worship in Carpenter Chapel at 6:00pm. It is a time for reflection on the magnitude of humanity's cruelty in crucifying Christ and his sacrificial love for us all. The sweet joy of Easter

and the glorious celebration of Jesus' resurrection from the dead is enriched by our observance of Good Friday. Easter morning, there are multiple opportunities to worship God and celebrate the triumph of life over death and love over fear.

—Carol

## Upcoming Events

**WATCH** indicates worship experiences broadcast via Vimeo and Facebook Live.

- 3/6 6:30am Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study Group (AYMC Terrace Level)  
*Wednesdays@First* Activities  
 6:00pm MidWeek Classic: "I Am" Statements in the Gospel of John with Kyle Matthews and Carol McEntyre (Fellowship Hall)  
 Seek Ye First: Pursuing the Economic Vision of Jesus with Matthew Loomis Rehnberg (Media Center)  
 Painting with Patrick – Watercolors with Patrick Bairefoot (Parlor)
- 3/8-10 Middle School Mission Blitz (Asheville, NC)
- 3/8 4:00-7:00pm Annual Neighborhood Partnership Yard Sale (Practice Gym) Volunteers Needed: [firstbaptistgreenville.com/yardsale](http://firstbaptistgreenville.com/yardsale)
- 3/9 8:00am-1:00pm Annual Neighborhood Partnership Yard Sale (Practice Gym) Volunteers Needed: [firstbaptistgreenville.com/yardsale](http://firstbaptistgreenville.com/yardsale)  
 10:00am Children's Ministry Monthly Fellowship Event: Easter Egg Hunt (Fellowship Hall)
- 3/10 **WATCH** 10:30am Fourth Sunday in Lent Worship Service (Sanctuary) with Proclaimer Carol McEntyre, including Family Dedication  
 5:00-7:00pm Sunday Night Live for Youth (AYMC)
- 3/12 10:30am-3:00pm Holy Rollers to Clinton for Lunch at Trotters Restaurant and Belk Outlet in Laurens
- 3/13 6:30am Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study Group (AYMC Terrace Level)  
*Wednesdays@First* Activities  
 6:00pm See 3/6 for details.
- 3/17 **WATCH** 10:30am Fifth Sunday in Lent Worship Service (Sanctuary) with Proclaimer Carol McEntyre and the Preschool Choir  
 11:30am Vocare Rehearsal  
 5:00-7:00pm Sunday Night Live for Youth (AYMC)
- 3/21 11:30am Roadrunners Lunch in Fellowship Hall and Go on Tour of Triple Tree Aerodrome in Woodruff, SC
- 3/24 **WATCH** 10:30am Palm Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary) with Proclaimer Carol McEntyre

### Wednesdays@First Schedule

Exceptions and details noted in calendar

- 3:00-6:00pm Youth Hang Time (AYMC Terrace Level)  
 5:00-6:00pm Supper Serving Lines Open (Fellowship Hall)  
 5:30-7:00pm Children's Hang Time, Children's Choirs & *Children@First* (B400 hall)  
 6:00-7:00pm Youth Bible Study (AYMC Terrace Level)  
 6:00-7:00pm Adults@First (Music & Prayer Time, MidWeek Classic & Other Adult Education)  
 7:00-8:30pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

- 3/24 11:30am Vocare  
 5:00pm LGBTQ & Friends Community Group (Parlor)  
 5:00-7:00pm Sunday Night Live for Youth (AYMC)
- 3/27 6:30am Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study Group (AYMC Terrace Level)  
*Wednesdays@First* Activities  
*Wednesdays@First* offers a meal, fellowship and spiritual formation opportunities for all ages. See block for more information.  
 6:00pm Celebration Wednesday: Maundy Thursday on Wednesday (Fellowship Hall)

## Wednesday Night Supper

Please make reservations by noon on Monday at <https://firstbaptistgreenville.com/wednesdays-at-first/>



March 6

**Adult:** Salad, Stuffed Pork, Roasted Potatoes, Mixed Veggies, Dinner Roll, Fruit, Dessert

**Child:** Hot Dogs, Mac and Cheese, Fruit, Cookie

March 13

**Adult:** Salad, Beef Stroganoff, Egg Noodles, Roasted Veggies, Dinner Roll, Fruit, Dessert

**Child:** Buttered Pasta, Cheesy Bread, Fruit, Cookie

## Sympathy

...to Caroline and Grayson Hiatt in the death of their son.

...to the family of Paul Montjoy, FBG Facilities Staff member.

...to the family of Dr. Thomas Edward Nix.

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