

Speak to each other with Psalms
and hymns and spiritual songs,
singing and making melody
to the Lord with all your heart

Ephesians 5:19



**First Presbyterian Church
of South Charleston**

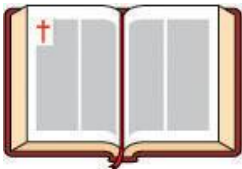
Welcome Home!

You enter this church not as a stranger but as one who is intimately known by Jesus Christ, who desires to be your Savior and Friend. Come, then, with joy and thanksgiving into Christ's Presence, where you will discover peace and purpose. We are people committed to Jesus Christ and His works of grace, hope, and compassion in our community today. If you are seeking a Church Home, you are invited to join this church family by your profession of faith in Jesus Christ. Thank you for being here!

We encourage you to come downstairs to our Fellowship Hall after the worship hour, for good food, good fellowship, good conversation. Also, Elders will be available to share information about church programs and volunteer opportunities. To notify the church of illness, hospitalization, or death, or to pass along a prayer request, or to request homebound Communion, please call the Church Office at 744-2333. Our office hours are 7:00 am to 3:00 pm, and there is voicemail, also.

Use the ***Prayer Request Card*** (found in your pew) to write the names of those who are sick or have other concerns. You are encouraged to join us in the Parlor from 11:00 until noon on Friday mornings for a time of silent and spoken prayers, as we bring our concerns before God. If you cannot be with us in person, we ask that you remember the congregation in prayer at that same time.

Nursery is provided in our Care Room, located on Sanctuary Level, B Building. Children through fifth grade may come forward during Time with Our Children And afterwards children through 2nd grade may leave with a Sunday Samaritan



Wednesday Night Bible Study **Mizpah Room, 6:35 pm**

What is the Good Word?

Do you really know the Ten Commandments?

Sermon on the Mount -- Matthew 5



Called to be Disciples

Ecclesia Reformata, Semper Reformanda
The Lord's Day January 29, 2012

Called as partners in Christ's service!
Called to ministries of grace!
We respond with deep commitment,
Fresh new lines of faith to trace!

Praise

Our Shared Ministry

*If you are new to the First Presbyterian Church of South Charleston, welcome!
Please sign the Visitor Card, located in your pew rack, and place in offering plate*

Call to Worship

Adoration

"Called as Partners"

No. 343

Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always

And also with you

Please greet your brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ

Morning Prayer

The People of God in Unison

Lord Jesus Christ, You invite us to be followers and disciples, as well as your friends; and You send us out to change the world. You give each person a specific job to do. It is a worthy task, a calling, an endeavor uniquely designed for each person. In this hour, we make a commitment of time, energy, and financial resources. We pray that You shall use us to make our own little corner of the universe more beautiful, more peaceful, more forgiving, more just, more compassionate than the way we found it. Therefore, O Blessed Savior, in response to your Grace, help us to create circles of love and justice around our family, our church, and our community

Silent Prayer for Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

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Gary McGrew, *Pastor*
Dot Thomas, *Director of Music Ministry*
Youth Fellowship, *Greeters*
Lisa Calderwood, *Sunday Samaritan*

Mark Hornbaker, *Choral Director*
Youth Fellowship, *Ushers*
Annual Winter Lunch & Church Meeting

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Fellowship Hall following worship

a wonderful feast (no charge) of
Ham, Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Cookies

2011 Year in Review and Celebrations of 2011 Joys

Memorial Remembrance for those who passed away in 2011

Approval of Pastor's 2012 Compensation



Souper Bowl Sunday is February 5th

Each Sunday until then bring in Canned Goods
And place in Baskets in Vestibule
These will go the Food Pantry at Heart and Hand

2012 Flower Calendar

The 2012 Flower Calendar is posted on the Bulletin Board outside the Church Office. We recommend that you sign up now if you desire a special date. Place your completed envelope in the collection plate or drop it off in the Church Office. Cost is \$ 20.⁰⁰ per arrangement. Thank you.

Your God is Too Small

Read Matthew 6: 5-15

Make no graven image

Folk sometimes get funny ideas about the Nature of God
policeman, judge, executioner, passive grandfather, uninvolved

Folk use some fancy phrases to describe the Nature of God
Man Upstairs, The Force, Wisdom, Supreme Being, Big Idea

Folk often see God as a god with not much Nature
God makes no demands and forgives everyone

These are graven images. Idols. False gods.
These gods are too small, way too small

The Second Commandment warns
Do not limit God
Do not narrow God
With God all things are possible

Our Father, who art in heaven

Jesus used an intimate word, *Abba*, Daddy, for God
Here is SomeOne you know, SomeOne you can trust
Here is SomeOne you can count on, SomeOne who saves and protects

Behind the word *Abba* is a foundational Bible theme, Genesis to Revelation

God is Love

active, committed, devoted, engaged, energetic, faithful

Hallowed be Thy Name

More than we can ever fully understand
Maybe we cannot describe it fully but we can appreciate what God does
For God so loved the world that God gave His only begotten Son



First Presbyterian Church of South Charleston Website www.1stpresbyscww.com makes available Sunday morning worship bulletins, newsletters, Session information, and youth group video. Also, posted are the Announcements for the Month, as well as information about upcoming mission projects and many fellowship opportunities

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS & DEEDS OF LOVE

Family and Friends

Leigh Ann Adkins
Zachary Bryant
Maxie Foster
Genevieve Halstead
Jimmy Halstead
Betty Heidenreich
Ray Holley
Elizabeth Isabella
Pat Kent
Sam McGrew
Merrell McIlwain
Mark Nance
Myrle Richardson
Glenn Robinson
Marilyn Smith
Sarabeth Wickert

Care Facilities

Jackie Anderson
Marilee Cyrus
Carole Faulkes
Carl Heidenreich
Annabelle Hoppe
Elouise Miller
Joe Perry
Lois Poe
Mary Ann Rapalee
John Starr
Grace Workman

*Cedar Ridge
Twin Lakes
Edgemont
Teays Valley
Hubbard House
Valley Center
Putnam Center
Sally Lewis, Milton
Charleston Gardens
Pendleton Manor
Braxton County Center*

Presbyterian

Child Development Center
Lineweaver Cottage, Davis Stuart
Bluestone Camp & Retreat Center
Fort Liberte, Haiti
Presbytery of Nyeri, Kenya

Armed Services

Michael Byer
Chris Field
Jay Harper
Rich Hayes
B.J. Jeffries
Bret McCutcheon

*grandson of the Byers
son of the Fields
grandson of Jack Jones
son of the Hayes'
grandson of the Jeffries
grandson of Phyllis*

**This Wednesday
You are Invited!**



5:45 pm Fellowship Hall

Catered Meal

\$ 7.⁰⁰ Adults
\$ 3.⁰⁰ Children

Menu

Chicken Parmesan, Tossed Salad
Garlic Bread, Spumoni Ice Cream

6:30 MAD (*Music & Drama*)
6:35 Adult Bible Study
7:30 Adult Choir

**The meal is as important
as the programs,
for it is here
we have the chance
to fellowship with folk**

THIS WEEK

Today

9:45 am Church School
10:55 am Morning Worship
12:05 pm Winter Church Meeting
4:30 pm Youth Fellowship
7:00 pm Al-Anon

Monday

8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Worship on Wednesday

5:45 pm Catered Meal for all
6:30 pm MAD Wednesday
6:35 pm Adult Bible Study
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday

11:00 am Prayer Fellowship

Saturday

10:00 am Packing Pills for Haiti

Sunday

9:45 am Church School
10:55 am Holy Communion
12:05 pm Fellowship
12:35 pm Handbells
4:30 pm Youth Fellowship
7:00 pm Al-Anon

Weather Policy: All meetings are automatically cancelled/postponed if Kanawha County Schools are closed or early dismissal due to weather