



FIRST CHURCH LIFE



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September 2009, Part Two

First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church
Rock Hill, South Carolina
Sunday Schedule
8:30 a.m. - Worship
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Worship

Welcome to a New Year!



MOPS, Mothers of Preschoolers, will have their first gathering on Thursday, September 17 from 9:15 to 11:00 a.m. in the Faith Meeting Room. There will be refreshments, spiritual encouragement, and fellowship with wonderful ladies. And, of course, there will be childcare.

These meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at the church and offer mothers a time for learning, teaching, and seasonal projects!

If you would like to join, or know of someone who may be interested, please contact the church office or email them at:



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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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.



A Note From the Pastor

As we move toward the fall season, please keep in mind that there are several special opportunities for worship during the next couple of months. I hope you will note these occasions on your calendar.

There is World-wide Communion Sunday on October 4, when we will join with millions of other Christians in celebrating the Lord's Supper. Then, on the weekend of October 16-18, we have our 17th annual Congregational Church-Wide Retreat at Bonclarken. Worship will be offered at Bonclarken for those retreating as well as those in Rock Hill. The next Lord's Day, which is October 25 and Reformation Sunday, our annual Kirking O' the Tartans service will be offered at the 11:00 a.m. service only.

When the calendar page turns to November, we will offer our Second Annual Service of Remembrance at 4:00 p.m. on Sunday afternoon, November 1. Though lightly attended, this service was very well received by those participating last year. As has been said, "Christian hope requires a restless protest against death." Through a service such as this, we can remember those who have gone before us (each participant can speak the name of a loved one or loved ones in the microphone during the service), but we can also continue to proclaim the good news of hope and resurrection as we protest death and its claims. Then, on November 15, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at both morning services. And finally, Advent begins on November 29.

I hope you and yours will make every effort to remain plugged into worship each Lord's Day, but especially with these distinctive services referenced above.

Barry



Our Christian Sympathy is extended to Susan Kellest and her family at the death of her father, Frank Limerick, on September 8.

Please pray that God's comfort would rest upon this family.

FARPY News

Don't forget about the Senior High Super Retreat! Friday, September 25—Sunday, September 27 Registration is due to Matt by September 18! Pick up forms from Matt at the Church office!

Mark your calendars for the Senior High Super Weekend!!!

Schedule of events: October 9-11

Friday: 6pm Dinner and a Movie @ FARP

Saturday: Crowder's Mountain Hike.

Sunday: Trip to Cherry Place Farm (CornMaze and bonfire)

More information to come soon!

Don't forget these other great activities:

October 14: FARPY Mission Night

November 6-8: Middle School Bonclarken Retreat

November 20-22 FARPY Mystery Trip

Visit www.farpy.blogspot.com for more information.



Update on Judy Buis in Scotland

Please continue to pray for Judy as she serves in Scotland. Pray that she would receive much needed rest from the busy summer. When she returns to Glasgow, she will lead teacher training sessions and visit the area universities. Pray for her health, as she suffers from heart difficulties and struggles with asthma. Pray that that Lord would give her strength on a daily basis to fulfill these ministries.



FOUNDATIONS FOR THE FAMILY

Schedule Reminder

5:30 p.m.—Cherub and Elementary Choir

5:45 p.m.—Dinner is served

6:30 p.m.—Lessons for children, youth, and adults

7:15 p.m.—Adult Choir

Please fill out form and mail to or drop off in the church office.

2009 CHURCH-WIDE RETREAT REGISTRATION FORM

Names in Family (please include ages of children)

Accommodations

Lodge/Motel: \$68 per night

Faith Apartments: \$88 per night

Private

No charge

Meals

of Teens/ Adults (12 & up) ____ x \$30.50

of Children (4-11) ____ x \$20.00

Climbing Wall (ages 8 and up)

Add \$15/person

Bowling on Saturday evening – 9 p.m.

Add \$9/person

(includes 2 games and shoe rental)

T-Shirts will be available for \$10 (# x \$10)

Please list sizes _____

TOTAL

- Deposit (date pd)

TOTAL DUE SEPT 27

Date pd

October Birthdays



- 1 Andra Clamp
- 15 Patti Brakefield
- Adele Robinson
- 16 Ben Harper
- Sydney Sloop
- Carol Roper
- 2 Randy Laney
- 17 Shirley Hendry
- 3 Harry Baker
- 19 Spencer Anderson
- Buddy Cassells
- Joe Robinson
- Janie Cauthen
- 21 April Roper
- Julie Greiner
- Jennifer R. McAfee
- 4 Mary Hendrick
- 23 Paul Gettys
- Myra Reeves
- 24 Carey Harper
- 5 Anne Oates
- Nancy Orr
- 8 Aggie Powell
- Beth Simpson
- 9 Emma Harper
- 25 Susan Eaves
- 10 Chase Dillingham
- Theresa Smith
- Will Smith
- 29 Roe Roach
- 11 Hazel Rhodes
- Graham Tuttle
- 12 Jacob Gilleland
- Lois Kirkpatrick
- Greg Harbin
- Neal Powell
- 13 Thomas Gettys
- Eric Madsen



Attention HARPS

Our 4th Tuesday covered dish luncheons will resume on September 22 at noon in Robinson Hall. Please join us and welcome Dr. Robert Lesslie as our guest speaker. Don't forget to bring your favorite dish. See you there!