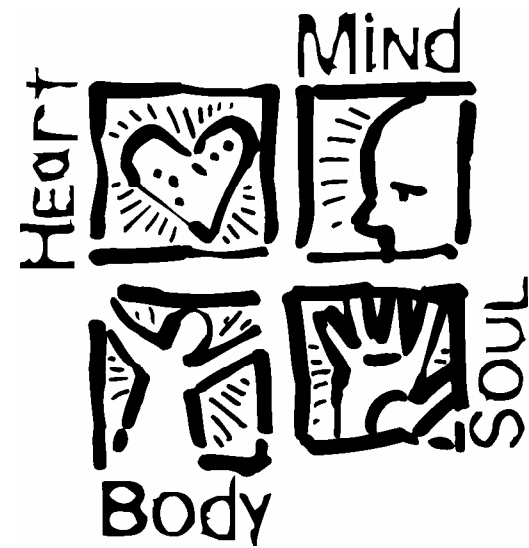




**2008-2009
Ministry
Opportunities**

**Fourth Presbyterian
Church**



Founded in 1912, Fourth Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) which welcomes all who would share with us in worship, education, and service to the community.

God made each of us for a special purpose. Some of us see the “big picture” and some focus on the details. Both are important and necessary and one is not better than the other. God gave us individual talents and spiritual gifts so that we can work together as a body. We each need to perform the unique functions that God designed for us to do. “Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them” (Romans 12:6).

You will find a wide variety of committees, events, missions, and educational opportunities where you may “plug in” at Fourth. Take a leap of faith—try doing some things you’ve never done before. Experiment with different ministries.

If there is an area that you would like to be involved in that you don’t see listed, please let me know. Fourth Presbyterian Church is always open to new ideas!

I look forward to helping you connect with your areas of interest. Together we will work to strengthen and grow the life and ministry of Fourth Presbyterian Church.

Blessings,

Kitty Daniels

Coordinator of Church Programs &
Volunteer Resources

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Fourth Presbyterian Church Staff

Dr. Allen McSween, Jr. – Pastor
Dr. Steve Vance – Interim Associate Pastor
Jan Carter – Youth Program Coordinator
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Kitty Daniels – Church Program Coordinator
Donna Foster – Director of Children’s Ministries
Chris Grove – Intern for Congregational Care
Hank Hinnant – Minister of Music
Sally Pellew – Director, Little Folks of Fourth
Faith Speight – Church Administrator
Charles Whitner – Sexton

Committee Moderators (thru June 2008)

Christian Education – Jamey King
Commitment – Steve Reynolds
Congregational Care – Kay Hornaday &
Andria Leland
Congregational Life – Connie Hunt
Coordinating & Planning – Bill Sibley
Diaconate – Paul Pressley
Fellowship – Dustin Caudell
Financial Resources – Steve Reynolds
Greeters & Ushers – John Boyt, Ed Loftis
Mission/Witness – John Marshall
Personnel – Rick Rhame
Physical Resources – Brent Grove
Presbyterian Women – Amy Clauss
Stewardship – Steve Seman
Worship – Margaret Watson
Youth – Ron Wertz

Youth Ministry

Vision: To nurture youth and their families in Christian discipleship through worship, fellowship, study and mission.

Mission: The youth ministry of Fourth is an engaging and welcoming community for its youth and their friends that:

- ☀ surrounds youth with an unconditional love that fosters genuine relationships
- ☀ anchors them in the joys and traditions of the Christian faith
- ☀ energizes and equips them to extend the love of Christ to the world.



Core Values: Christ-Centeredness, God's Word, Authentic Acceptance Sanctuary, Ownership, Respect, Joy, Relationship Focus, Compassion, and Shepherding

Ministry Opportunities:

- Church School Teacher, Youth Advisors, Major Event Coordinators, Youth Committee Members, Bible Study Leader (Wednesday nights Sept. – April) Confirmation Mentors, and Event Hosts.

🕒 Time Required: Varies

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MISSION STATEMENT

Fourth Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA) whose mission, as shaped by the Holy Scripture and the Constitution of the Church, is to offer a clear and distinct witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ by:

- Centering the life of the congregation in the Word of God proclaimed in worship, enacted in sacraments, studied with care, celebrated in song, and embraced in personal devotion;
- Forming a community of believers who will bear witness to their faith individually and corporately through caring for one another, serving others in the name of Christ, declaring God's will for the right ordering of our common life, and sharing God's grace with all;
- Passing on the faith of the church from generation to generation through an active program of Christian education and nurture for all ages in which believers are encouraged to grow toward maturity in Christ and obedience to God's will in all of life; and
- Encouraging faithful stewardship of the gifts of time, talent, and substance which God has entrusted to us for the building up of the church and demonstrating the kingdom of God to the world.

STATEMENT OF VALUES

These are the spiritual qualities we as a congregation strive to manifest in our life together:

- **Christ-Centeredness:** Christ is Lord of every aspect of our lives;
- **Inspiring Worship:** Worship is the heartbeat of our life of faith. We bring before God our very best in worship;
- **Theologically Grounded:** We teach, preach, and nurture all members in ways that are biblically-based, intellectually honest, and informed by the best resources of the Presbyterian and the Reformed theological tradition;
- **Nurture:** We welcome and care for one another in ways that encourage us to grow together into the image of Christ. We practice hospitality and encourage a culture of gratitude;
- **Diversity:** We build bridges to those different from us, racially, economically, theologically, and spiritually, and welcome discussion of issues, questions, and ideas, including controversial ones;
- **Stewardship:** We live as faithful stewards of all that God has entrusted to us;
- **Service:** We extend God's blessings to others through selfless service and joyful witness;
- **Christian Education:** We pass on the faith from generation to generation in ways that challenge and encourage all members toward maturity in Christ and obedience to God's will in all of life.

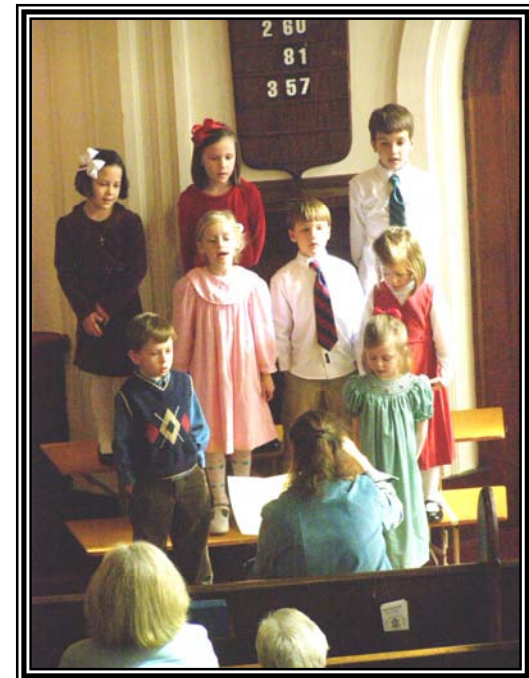
- Participate as a member in any of the choirs
 - 🕒 Time varies depending on the choir (see above)

**Please come join us! We have lots of fun!
Bring a friend!**

Instrumentalists and Soloists

Fourth Presbyterian welcomes anyone who is blessed with musical gifts to share in our music ministry opportunities ranging from seasonal performances to special music with our choirs.

Please share your talent with the church!



Treble Choir & Jubilate Singers

Our children's choir program for those in grades K-5 is led by Sally Pellew, Hank Hinnant, and Debbie Kyser. It is an opportunity for children to begin their musical choir experience within the church. It is designed to encourage the enjoyment of music while promoting the expressions of our faith through music. The choirs usually sing in worship about every other month and meet on Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. just before Wednesday Night Fellowship. The Treble Choir is for grades K-2 and the Jubilate Singers is for grades 3 – 5.

Choir Chimes

This group invites all ages and is led by Debbie Kyser. All you need to be able to do is count to four. There is a place for the beginner and also for the trained musician. The Chimes play in worship about every other month, and practice on Mondays from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Youth Choir

Youth Choir, for grades 6-12, meets Sunday evenings from 5:30 – 6:15 p.m. Young people are offered the opportunity to sing music in many styles, to go to a yearly choir festival, and to sing in worship regularly.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Assist Children's Choirs or Youth Choir
🕒 1 hour/week
- Assist with children's music in Sunday School
🕒 1 hour/Sundays

Opportunities for Mission and Ministry Weekends & After 5

- Sterling Community – annual “Day of Healing—Day of Hope” community development projects
- Financial support for work of United Ministries
- Build a Habitat for Humanity house every third year with Westminster Presbyterian
- Volunteers involved with A Child's Haven, Meals on Wheels, Greenville Literacy, and other programs in the community
- Be a Fourth Friend
- Participate in fellowship activities such as the church bbq, Agape dinner, spring picnic, church retreat
- Be a part of Wednesday Night Fellowship
- Triune Mercy Center – help serve meals quarterly
- Project Host – prepare and serve sandwiches for soup kitchen.
- Setting up, decorating, and taking down the Chrismon tree



Family Friendly Ministries

- ❖ Assisting with care packages for college students
- ❖ Plan & decorate bulletin boards
- ❖ Delivering meal, rosebud, & cradle crosses to newborns
- ❖ Project Host Soup Kitchen – prepare sandwiches
- ❖ Library helper
- ❖ Prayer Partner
- ❖ Sterling Community activities
- ❖ United Ministries
- ❖ Wednesday Night Fellowship
- ❖ Decorating the Chrismon tree
- ❖ Preparing casseroles for those in need
- ❖ Sending cards to members upon a death, illness, or joyous event
- ❖ Visiting, calling and delivering flowers to homebound members
- ❖ Memorial Garden upkeep
- ❖ Straightening of Bibles, hymnals, envelopes, pencils, etc. after each service
- ❖ Preparing children's worship packs for Sunday worship service



- 🕒 1-2 hrs. rehearsal
- 🕒 3-4 hrs. wedding day
- Assistant
 - 🕒 4 hrs. total, including rehearsal & wedding

MUSIC

Congregational singing is an important part of our worship in God's church. It's a time when it is not necessary to have a trained voice to sing the praises to the Lord. Enthusiastic voices and energetic music can bring us closer to God and to each other.

A choir helps lead the congregation in singing and also praises God with introits, anthems, and other choral responses. Our goal is to have as many individuals as possible participating in directing, assisting, ringing, or singing in the various choirs, ensembles and chimes group.

Sanctuary Choir (11:15 a.m.)

Our numbers vary from 12-25 each Sunday. We are looking for new members (age 16 and above) who love to sing - soprano, alto, tenor, baritone, or bass! We meet once a week on Wednesday night 7:30-8:45 pm and sing at the 11:15 service.

Early Service Choir (8:45 a.m.)

The early service choir sings each week for the 8:45 service. We are always glad to welcome new singers into the choir. We rehearse on Wednesdays at 6:30 – 7:15 p.m.

THE SANCTUARY

A member of the worship committee is responsible for scheduling sanctuary cleaning. Straightening of Bibles, hymnals, envelopes, pencils, etc. after each service could be done by volunteers. **This could be a family activity.**

Ministry Opportunity:

- 🕒 Time: 30 min. per week

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Flowers may be placed in the sanctuary by an individual or family in honor or memory of a loved one or to the Glory of God. These flowers beautify the sanctuary and enhance our worship service.

- Provide flowers
 - 🕒 The time it takes to order flowers.
- Arrange flowers
 - 🕒 Time varies

WEDDINGS

This is a wonderful opportunity to participate in this meaningful event with those members who are married in our sanctuary. There are opportunities to direct or assist, and no experience is necessary. Training is provided to anyone who is interested. We haven't lost a bride, a groom, a director, or an assistant yet! Depending on the size of the wedding we usually have a director and 1-3 assistants.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Director
 - 🕒 1 hr. meeting with bride/groom/mother



Buildings and Grounds

The Building & Grounds Committee is charged with maintaining the Church's physical plant and planning for improvements. This includes everything from heating and air conditioning to furniture and computer systems. The Committee is typically made up of one or two session members plus volunteers. Volunteers come with backgrounds in architecture, construction, engineering, planning, interior design, computer systems, or just a sincere interest in contributing their time.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Service on the Building & Grounds Committee of the Session to work on improving the Church facilities.
 - 🕒 The committee meets 4-5 times each year for 1-2 hours. Sub-committees work on special assignments between meetings.

Church Work Day

Twice each year, members and friends of Fourth Presbyterian Church gather to "spruce up the place". Activities range from weeding, to painting and repairs, to spring cleaning of rooms. Ample treats are always available and lunch is provided for those who can stay for the afternoon.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Cleaning, painting, minor repairs, yard work
 - 🕒 Times range from one to six hours.

Special Building & Grounds Projects

These projects are only for those members and friends with special skills, such as landscaping, furniture repair, upholstering, coordination of furniture, accessories, cabinet work, and decorating. You can either suggest a project or ask which ones are already planned. In either case, we can use your skills!

Ministry Opportunities:

- Repair/replacement of church infrastructure
 - 🕒 Times range from a few hours to as many as you can give.

Christian Education

The Christian Education Committee is responsible for church school classes on Sunday mornings for pre-school, elementary and adults. The Youth Division, a separate committee of the Session, directs the junior and senior high school students. Volunteers help out in the nursery during the 11:15 worship services as nursery helpers and floaters. During both services volunteers bring the children downstairs after the children's sermon. Volunteers teach in the pre-school classes and the The Crossway for elementary children. Teachers for the adult classes prepare and present classes (usually over a six-week period) throughout the year.

an emergency) are also duties of the ushers. Each service ushers record the actual headcount within the church, nursery, choir loft and sanctuary. Ushers perform the collection of the offering at each service. They are responsible for picking up loose items left behind in the sanctuary pews after each service and dispose of any trash.

The usher committee is responsible for staffing of greeters and ushers at special services throughout the church year and fulfilling additional staffing requirements, as needed, at peak attendance periods such as Easter Sunday.

The usher committee is responsible for monitoring fire extinguishers within the sanctuary to see that they are charged to code and not outside expiration, and that the first aid equipment in the church office is ready and available for use in case of an emergency. The usher committee has provided training on use of the AED (automated external defibrillator) & CPR to interested members of the congregation and will continue to do so.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Greet and usher for morning worship service
 - 🕒 1 ½ hour weekly
- Greet and usher for special worship services including funerals, Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Christmas Eve.
 - 🕒 Time 1 ½ hours

- Assist with homebound communion (Must be Elder or Deacon)
 - 🕒 Time varies

MEMORIAL GARDEN

Our church has a lovely Memorial Garden where many of our loved ones have been interred. Share a month with someone or make it a family activity and help maintain our beautiful garden.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Clean around and inside the garden by picking up sticks, blowing leaves, and pruning as needed.
 - 🕒 Time will vary depending on the season: about 1 hr. per week for a month.

This could be GREAT FAMILY FUN!

USHERS AND GREETERS

Ushers & Greeters is a Diaconate Committee that coordinates annual scheduling and training of the ushers and greeters. The primary responsibility of the ushers during worship is to help provide for an atmosphere within the sanctuary that is most conducive for members to worship God. The greeters' primary responsibilities are to help distribute bulletins and to make all feel welcome as they enter.

Helping members to a seat as well as monitoring the congregation for location of medical professionals in attendance (in case of

Educational Ministry opportunities:

Pre-School

- Prepare and teach lessons for pre-school children on Sunday mornings (10:00 to 10:50 a.m.) for 2-to 5- year-olds. The teacher rotates teaching every three months. There are three sets of teachers assigned to each age group (2's, 3's & 4's, and 5 & 6K). The teaching schedule begins in September and ends in August. Teachers serve on a two-year basis and then rotate off. Requires regular attendance on Sunday mornings according to schedule.
 - 🕒 Time frame 4 to 5 hours on assigned month.
- **Nursery Committee Chairman** heads up the nursery committee and has the responsibility of assigning all volunteers related to the nursery (see below) on the calendar for the year. The chair maintains and updates this list and covers when necessary. This volunteer also purchases (reimbursed) and delivers the juice to the nursery on an as needed basis.
 - 🕒 Time frame varies but is flexible and can be done at home.
- **Nursery volunteers** are needed to serve as Nursery helpers during the 11:15 service. They serve as an extra pair of hands, if needed, to assist our paid workers (in the nursery through 3 & 4 year-olds) from 8:30-12:30. If they are not needed they may attend worship.
 - 🕒 Time frame 1 hour each Sunday and scheduled on a monthly basis.

- **Nursery floaters** are needed during the 11:15 service to make sure that all rooms are stocked with juice, crackers and enough people to help with the children. If they are needed to help out in a room, they stay, if not, they may go to worship after stocking the rooms.
 - ⌚ Time frame 1 hour each Sunday and scheduled on a monthly basis.
- **Volunteers** are needed to lead children downstairs after the children's sermon on Sunday mornings from both the 8:45 (September-May) and the 11:15 service (September- August). If there are a lot of children the volunteer stays with them in the green room. There are activity sheets in the room and there is also time for free play. If there are only 1 or 2 children, they may go in with the paid workers in the red room and the volunteer may return to the service.
 - ⌚ Time frame 1 hour each Sunday and scheduled on a monthly basis.

ELEMENTARY

- **The Crossway teachers** are needed on Sunday mornings (September-August). These teachers serve a two-year term and then rotate off. These teachers use art, music, drama, cooking, games or computer talents to teach elementary age students (grades 1-5). They will study a different Bible story each month. Teachers teach for four months throughout the year. The lessons are provided and the classroom is set up for them with all supplies etc.

Worship & Music

The mission of the Worship Committee is to provide for the worship of the people of God, including preaching of the Word, administering of the sacraments, and special services such as funerals and weddings, in accord with the principles of Reformed worship and the "Directory of Worship" (THE BOOK OF ORDER). The responsibilities are divided among the subcommittees as listed below:

COMMUNION

The elder who leads this subcommittee schedules two individuals to prepare the bread and wine for communion each of the 12 months. These preparers set up the elements (bread and wine) for the officers of the church to serve communion. There are opportunities for individuals, families, or groups to be a part of this special sacrament.

Ministry Opportunities:

- See that the linens are clean prior to the service
 - ⌚ Time varies
- Set up and prepare the elements for 8:45 service
 - ⌚ 1 hr.
- Replenish them for the 11:15 service
 - ⌚ 15-20 min.
- Clean and put away the silver
 - ⌚ 1 hr.

Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women (PW) is a church-wide organization open to all women. It provides many opportunities for individual spiritual growth through prayer, Bible study, outreach, fellowship and friendship. Presbyterian Women support the mission of the church, both at home and abroad, through education, global awareness, financial gifts and service. Opportunities for involvement abound ranging from the annual Advent Service to the Birthday Luncheon held every May.



Women's Circles

There are four circles from which to choose. All circles meet monthly for fellowship and Bible study on the second Tuesday, October through April. In September and May there are combined meetings of day circles which are special events. Dates and times for circles and special events are given in Fourth Facts (newsletter) and Sunday bulletins.

Coordinating Team

Presbyterian Women is managed by the PW Coordinating Team. Each year a coordinating team is elected, which consists of: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Secretary/Historian, Treasurer, Mission Witness, Special Events, Leadership Resources, Circle Chairs, Congregational Care and Past Moderator. The team meets in the morning on the first Tuesday of each month and is responsible to the Session.

- **The Crossway Committee** is a group of volunteers that manage the curriculum for The Crossway. The committee consists of a director, assistant director, art room director, 4th.com room director, temple room director, acts room director, mission possible room director, theologian, publicity person, and a staff member. Their duties are to attend the planning meetings (six per year on a Sunday morning at 8:45), plan the lesson and any activity in their room, and set up their rooms each month they are assigned. These volunteers are on the same two-year rotation.
 - 🕒 Time frame varies depending on what is needed, but is flexible and can be done at home. Some prep time will also be needed at the church to set up the room.
- **The Crossway shepherds** are assigned to each grade level and rotate with those children as they attend each different room in the month. Their role is to be a constant for the students and to foster a relationship with them. There are generally four shepherds.
 - 🕒 Time frame every Sunday for one year, however this is flexible, knowing that people are going to take vacations and long weekends. Shepherds may serve a second year if they wish.

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL is a one-week summer program from 9:00 am-noon. The program is open to children age 2 – grade 5 and is held the last full

week in July. Volunteers are needed to direct, teach, shepherd, decorate, lead singing, take pictures, do a Power Point, make treats, and organize ending day program/meal.

- ⌚ Time frame varies depending on what is needed, but is flexible and some can be done at home.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

- Organize and help with the church library by shelving new and borrowed materials.
- Dusting and keeping the library area clean and tidy by returning books and magazines to their proper location.
- Calling or sending reminder notices of overdue items, designing bulletin boards, sign making, etc. There are jobs of all kinds available to members to help keep our library running effectively.

- ⌚ Time frame depends on the task, but is flexible to the volunteer's schedule.

CE Contact: Donna Foster – Director of Children's Ministries (232-8123 ext. 221)
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ADULTS

- Prepare and teach lessons for adults on Sunday mornings.
- Read and review suggested books to determine their suitability for adult classes.
- Prepare Power Point for church school.

Triune Mercy Center

This is an opportunity to serve dinner to the homeless population of Greenville. On the 4th Sunday in January, April, July, October- 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Blood Drive

(in conjunction with Wednesday Night Fellowship) in April & September at Cleveland Park

- ⌚ 1 ½ hours

Please also consider volunteering with one of the many community charities (United Ministries, Greenville Literacy, Meals on Wheels, etc.) sponsored by Fourth Presbyterian Church.



Youth Mission Trip

Planned each summer

- 🕒 One Week (Sr. High Youth & Advisors)

Project Host Soup Kitchen

4th Saturday of even months (Feb, April, June, August, October, December). Come join the assembly line! Your help is needed to make peanut butter sandwiches and pack 100 bag lunches for the children that come to Project Host. Then stay to serve and greet the crowds that come for lunch. Our church has participated in this vital ministry for almost 20 years.

- 🕒 2 Hours (Ages 8 and Up)

Alternative Christmas Market

The Alternative Christmas Market is a way to “buy” your Christmas gifts and help the charitable organizations that Fourth Presbyterian Church supports. During the market, you will have a chance to meet with representatives from the various organizations and find out about their mission. When you make a donation to them, through Fourth Presbyterian Church, you will receive a specially designed Christmas card that acknowledges your gift. This card can be sent someone on your Christmas list. This gift not only honors that person but also helps the organization. It is the perfect gift!

- Collect money
- Handout forms
- 🕒 1-2 hours

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Halloween Carnival



- Volunteers are needed to direct, man booths, purchase supplies, decorate & set-up, and to clean-up.

- 🕒 Time frame varies depending on the task, but this is a one time event held after supper on the Wednesday night before Halloween.

Christmas Pageant

- Volunteers are needed to direct, lead music and play various parts.
- 🕒 Time frame varies depending on task. Music is generally practiced with the children two or three Sundays before the pageant, which is the second or third Wednesday night in December depending on the year.



Day Camp on the Move

- Volunteers (usually parents of children signed up) are needed to drive the children to and from the activity. Day Camp usually occurs in June and lasts for one week, 9:30 am-12:30 pm. Various locations are visited during the week. Volunteers are also needed to stay and help with the children during their activity.

Congregational Care

The Congregational Care committee of Fourth Presbyterian seeks to offer comfort and care to those in our congregation experiencing difficult, challenging or joyful times in their lives. We provide meals, respite care, send sympathy and get-well cards, keep in touch with homebound members by phone, mail or visitation, deliver flowers, take cradle crosses and meals to families with new babies, coordinate care packages for college students, coordinate rides for those who need them, assist with funeral receptions, coordinate the prayer partners, and keep the pastors informed of crisis situations within our church.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Preparing casseroles for the freezer for those in need
 - ⌚ 2 months per year (on call as needed), flexible hours, can be done at home, family friendly
- Sending sympathy and get-well cards to members upon a death or illness
 - ⌚ 1 month per year, flexible hours, can be done at home
- Visiting, calling, delivering flowers to homebound or those recovering from illness
 - ⌚ 1 month per year, flexible hours, calls can be done at home

Volunteer Opportunities

Habitat for Humanity

(With Westminster and John Knox Presbyterian Churches)

Planned for spring of 2008 (Ages 16 and Up).

- Construction and painting
- Landscaping
- Mentoring the family (budgets, decorating, etc.)
- Phone trees
- Lunch preparation

Sterling Community

Interact with the residents and children of the Sterling Community.

Day of Healing, Day of Hope (spring - annually)

⌚ 2-4 Hours – (All ages, family friendly)

Christmas Gathering

⌚ 2 Hours – (All ages, family friendly)

After School Program Homework Help

⌚ 1- 2 hours

Angel Tree-provide gift for child

⌚ Varies (All ages, family friendly)

Tutoring

⌚ After school and evenings for 1 - 2 hours on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays (teenagers and adults)

Mentoring

⌚ Hikes, picnics and other outings (All ages, family friendly)

Summer Beach Trip

⌚ All day

Mission and Witness Committee

One of Fourth Presbyterian Church's crucial areas of focus is that of Mission and Witness. This mission involves local, international, and denominational concerns. Our outreach efforts include direct service as well as financial support. This group manages the many missions within the church, the community, and worldwide. It oversees Fourth's benevolent budget and all community outreach programs.

- Sterling Community
- Habitat for Humanity
- Thornwell Home & School for Children
- United Ministries
- Project Host Soup Kitchen
- Presbyterian Disaster Relief
- Greenville Literacy
- Meals on Wheels
- A Child's Haven
- Pendleton Place
- Rivers of the World
- Triune Mercy Center
- Greenville Area Interfaith Hospitality Network (GAIHN)
- Special projects for the Kwahu/Foothills Presbyteries Partnership

The Mission and Witness Committee meets monthly. It is an open committee and members of the church family are welcome and encouraged to attend and actively participate in this committee.

- Assisting with funeral receptions, food preparation, assist with hosting, set-up & clean-up of reception, house sit for member (if needed) during funeral
 - ⌚ Flexible hours, as needed
- Participation in the ministry of prayer in which we pray for every member of our church and those with special needs and concerns
- Delivering a meal, rosebud and cradle crosses to families with newborns
 - ⌚ On call as needed, flexible hours, family friendly
- Assisting with care packages for college students
 - ⌚ 2x per year, family friendly
- Providing a ride to church for those who need one
 - ⌚ Flexible hours, as needed

Congregational Life

The Congregational Life committee has several mission opportunities. This committee works to welcome new and prospective members of the congregation and helps them become assimilated into the work and ministry of the church. Fourth Friends are assigned to new members and these friends shepherd and nurture the new members during their first year of membership. The committee also conducts a review of the roll each year to update information and identify needs of each congregation member. A pictorial directory is done every three years.

New Member Luncheon –Every year the committee prepares a luncheon for new members who have joined the church in the past year. This typically occurs in the spring.

Ministry Opportunities

- Help with invitations, food preparation, serving and clean up
- 🕒 Can range from an hour to several hours.

Annual Membership Roll Review –

Each year the committee divides the roll and church officers make phone calls to each member of the church to update records and identify any needs.

Pictorial Directory – Every three years a new pictorial directory is made. The next will be done in the fall of 2008.

- Opportunities to help include assisting with scheduling photo appointments and selection of directory photos.
- 🕒 Time varies

GoFourthers

This group is for ages 50+, but all adults are welcome to attend. The GoFourthers meet monthly, on the third Thursday (with a few exceptions). There are a variety of activities planned such as lunches, an annual overnight trip, visits to historical, recreational, and fun locations and an annual visit to Flat Rock Playhouse! The GoFourthers travel, shop, eat, and fellow-ship—there’s lots of fun for everyone! If you don’t currently participate

**Little Folks of Fourth
Child Development Center**

For “Little Folks” ages 6 months - 5 years
Director: Sally Pellew: 235-1754 (w), 233-5003(h)

Schedule: Monday - Friday, 9:00am - 1:00pm
Early stay available: 8:00 – 9:00 am
Late stay available: 1:00 – 2:00 pm
Following Greenville County School calendar
(September – May)
Summer program June, July, August

Little Folks of Fourth is a licensed and ABC Enhanced Program with the S.C. Dept. of Social Services and follows the guidelines set forth by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC). The emphasis in our program is learning through play. We use a theme based curriculum which revolves around children’s literature emphasizing that it is the process, not the product that is important. The activities include story time, music, cooking, craft projects and time for creative play. This is a chance for parents to have a break and for the children to learn to play with other children. Our goal is to create a warm and loving environment to help each child become a happy, confident, independent individual.

There is a daily fee and separate registration fees for the fall & summer programs. Early stay and Late stay can be used as needed, just inform the Early and Late stay teachers. Register by calling the Little Folks phone number or the Church Office. There is also a scholarship fund available.

children to play with each other, watch age appropriate movies, do crafts or play games. The leader plans his/her own activity.

- 🕒 Time frame is 45 minutes one time per month.



Discovery Events

Discovery events are casual events held in members' homes or other locations outside the church that include a mix of both new and long-time members. The purpose of these events is to foster Fellowship opportunities outside the Church building. Events are held 3-4 times per year and have included: Discovery Dinners, Discovery Hors D'Oevres, Greenville Drive baseball game, etc. Events are determined each year based on the interest of the congregation.

Ministry Opportunities

- Host event
 - 🕒 Time varies
- Call/personally invite new members to participate
- Coordinate members/assign those with like interests to host homes
- Provide directions

with this group, make plans to join us at one of our monthly events. Check the newsletter and bulletin for details.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Participate in the planning of trips
 - 🕒 1-2 hours annually
- Assist with decorating for lunch
 - 🕒 1-2 hours annually

Fourth Friend

A Fourth Friend is assigned to each new member or family who joins the church and helps with the assimilation of the new member into the life of the church. This includes introducing them to other members and being the "go to" person if they have any questions.

- 🕒 Continues throughout the year.

Time and Talent Fair

If you have creative or artistic talents, we need you! You can help organize and set up for the Time & Talent Fair held each year in the spring.

- 🕒 Time 1 – several hours

Church Newsletter Writers

Write a short biography of new members for the monthly newsletter.

- 🕒 Time: approximately 1 hour per month (depending on the number of new members)



Athletic Committee

Volunteers needed to be basketball coaches and gym monitors for Saturday basketball games (December – February).

Fellowship

The Fall Barbeque

Each October the church gathers for a favorite fellowship activity, the Fall Barbeque. Surrounded by the changing leaves and cooler weather, members and visitors of Fourth Presbyterian Church gather on the front lawn with blankets and chairs to enjoy each other's company and some of the best bbq you can find. Led by bbq and stew expert, Walt McPhail, various members spend the entire night preparing the feast of bbq, Brunswick stew and all of the fixins for everyone to enjoy. Members are asked to bring a dessert to share - we've got some of the best cooks in Greenville her at Fourth Pres!

Ministry Opportunities:

- Cooking, Chopping, Set-Up, Serving, Clean-Up and the like.
 - ⌚ Times range from one hour to as many as you choose!

The Agape Dinner

The Agape Dinner is a favorite tradition of Fourth Presbyterian Church. At a time when we are especially encouraged to celebrate God's Agape Love, we gather at the beginning of December to do just that. Believe it or not,

Programs cover a wide scope including, talks by church members, pastors, missionaries, professors, community leaders, family dancing, family game night, Christmas pageant, worship, Halloween carnival, and many others. There is a nursery provided for infants and activities for children age 3 – junior high school are available. These activities may be crafts, stories, movies, recreation, or other.

Wednesday Night Fellowship is one of the most highly attended events at Fourth Presbyterian Church. Another great thing is that no reservations are required, so come hungry and ready for some wonderful fellowship!

Ministry Opportunities:

- Set-up and clean-up
 - ⌚ 30 – 45 minutes
- Suggest relevant programs for WNF
- Decorate Fellowship Hall for WNF
 - ⌚ 1-2 hours seasonally
- Greeters for WNF
 - ⌚ 30 minutes
- Secretary/Treasurer for WNF
 - ⌚ 45 minutes – 1 hour
- Prepare Power Point for WNF
 - ⌚ 1 hour
- Be a children's leader during the program for either the nursery, 3-5 year olds or elementary age children. This is a one year commitment from September-April one time per month. There is no set curriculum and it is a time for the

destination for dessert. It is a wonderful event and a great way to get to know each other outside the traditional church setting. All the homes are beautifully decorated for the Christmas holiday and it really sets a festive tone for the Christmas season.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Participate in the planning of the event
🕒 1-5 hours
- Participate in progressive dinner by preparing food and attending
🕒 1-2 hours
- Serve as host home or serve as host liaison
🕒 Time varies

Wednesday Night Fellowship

Our Wednesday Night Fellowship (WNF) suppers are a time for the church family to gather for fellowship, food, study, entertainment, and just plain old fun! The WNF season runs almost concurrently with the Greenville County School year. Meals are provided by Veggies to Go and the cost is very reasonable at \$6 per adult, \$4 for children (ages 10 and under), the family maximum is \$18. Where else can a family eat a great meal (including dessert and drinks) for that price? Dinner begins at 5:45 p.m., followed by announcements at 6:20. The program begins at 6:30 and ends promptly at 7:15 p.m. Kids can be home and in bed by 8! It truly is a family oriented time for our church.

the gym is transformed into a Christmas wonderland with handmade centerpieces, candles and a wonderful holiday meal. From the turkey to the cranberry sauce, it's all there. While the food is divine, what really makes the Agape Dinner such a treasure is the time spent visiting with old and new friends. No reservations needed, just bring your selves and an empty stomach.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Invitations, centerpiece arrangements, set-up, preparing pound cakes, serving, clean-up, washing linens afterward...just to name a few. The Agape Dinner always draws a large crowd and the adage, "many hands make light work" has never been truer.
🕒 Time frame for Agape Dinner volunteering ranges from 1-4 hours.

The Spring Picnic

Surrounded by budding trees and blooming flowers, members and friends of Fourth Presbyterian Church gather each spring for fellowship picnic-style. The Spring Picnic, which takes place each May, brings our congregation together again for a wonderful meal and offers a great time to catch up. Gathered outside on the front lawn, we enjoy fried chicken with side dishes and desserts like you've never seen. Members are asked to bring two items (sides or desserts or one of each). Like the BBQ, Spring Picnic Sunday is a casual dress Sunday and no reservations are needed. Don't forget your blanket or

chairs and plan to stay awhile. You'll be glad you did!

Ministry Opportunities:

- Set-Up, serving, clean-up and some decorating, too, if that is of interest.
- 🕒 Times range from one to three hours.



Church Retreat

The Annual Churchwide Retreat is held in September at beautiful Bonclarken in Flat Rock, North Carolina. Only 45 minutes from Greenville, Bonclarken is a world unto itself during the retreat weekend. Programs for all ages from infants to our most senior adults are provided. Adults have workshop sessions with speakers chosen to go along with the retreat theme. Meals are provided in Bonclarken's dining hall and it is your own fault if you go away hungry! The fun starts on Friday night when many folks drive up and spend the night so they will be there bright and early for the Saturday activities. Two sessions are held on Saturday morning with Saturday afternoon being left open to either planned or informal recreational activities. Some choices are caving, ropes course, paddle boats, fishing, hiking, shopping, rocking chair sitting, napping, reading, family games, and on and on. You can do as little or as much as you like. Saturday evening the group gathers

at the lake for a bonfire and vespers. Kids roast marshmallows and we sing a few songs. Then we gather for an informal "coffee house" with live music. What a great way to unwind after a busy day! Sunday morning there is breakfast and a final session followed by a worship service. After a hearty lunch people make their way home.

What a great way to spend an autumn weekend and get to know your church family!! Please join us.

Ministry Opportunities:

- Registration/check in
🕒 1 – 2 hours
- Food/snacks set up
🕒 1 – 2 hours or more if desired
- Assist with family games
🕒 2 hours
- Assist with program coordination
- Assist with children's programs
🕒 varies
- Planning team
🕒 Time varies for above opportunities

Holly & Mistletoe Progressive Dinner

The Holly & Mistletoe Progressive Dinner is an annual church wide event held each December. Church members sign up to attend and are then divided among three homes for the main course. All attendees meet at one member's home for appetizers, then continue on to their assigned homes for the entrée, and finally all progress to the final