

# Fourth Facts

## *Fourth Presbyterian Staff*

### **Pastor:**

Rev. Dr. Allen C. McSween, Jr.

### **Associate Pastor:**

Rev. Buz Wilcoxon

### **Interim Associate Pastor:**

Rev. Dr. Steve Vance

### **Children's Ministries:**

Donna Foster

### **Minister of Music:**

Hank Hinnant

### **Organist:**

Paul Thomas

### **Church Administrator:**

Faith Speight

### **Assistant Administrator:**

Robin Cline

### **Youth Ministry Coordinator:**

Jan Carter

### **Little Folks of Fourth:**

Sally Pellew

### **Pastor Emeritus:**

Rev. Robert Lawrence

## STATE OF THE CHURCH

The follow remarks are adapted from my 18<sup>th</sup> annual "state of the church" sermon. It doesn't seem possible that I am beginning my 19<sup>th</sup> years as your pastor. Sometimes it seems like it was just the other day that I was unloading a U-Haul-It full of books and waking up in a strange bed in a new town. Other times it seems like I have been here most of my career—45% of it to be exact.

For 18 years we have shared the joys and challenges of ministry. We have baptized some of the most beautiful babies I've ever seen, and watched them grow into fine young men and women. Last week's Youth Sunday was particularly moving to me since this is the first group of graduating seniors that includes ones whom I have baptized here. We have welcomed a steady stream of new members into the life of the church, and said our farewells to the saints who have blessed our lives in countless ways. We have called a series of remarkably gifted associate pastors, and then in due time sent them on to other forms of service to the Church. We have seen 11 of our members go to seminary, and have watched proudly as their careers have unfolded. Building on our strengths as a "calling congregation," you will be hearing a lot during the coming year about a remarkable program of vocational discernment that Buz has developed entitled "**Called Fourth.**"

Recently at our Friday Prayer Time a woman said to me that there seems to be a genuine "spiritual revival" going on in this church. I hope she is right. Partly in response to the illness of some dear and beautiful children in this church, there has been a deepening of the prayer life of a number of folks in this congregation. They have been dealing with some very difficult issues of faith in a way that I find truly inspiring. We are a stronger community of faith because of their prayers and their witness.

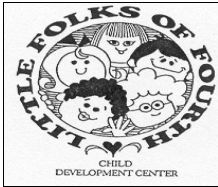
The past several months have been a challenging time in the life of this church, especially in terms of our finances. The hardest thing that your officers and pas-

tors have had to deal with this past year has been the cuts we had to make in the budget. One of the cuts involved the elimination of the position of *Coordinator of Church Programs and Volunteer Resources* that Kitty Daniels had held. (You will be pleased to know that Kitty has been hired as the church administrator of the 1st United Methodist Church of Easley.) I want to express appreciation to the other staff members who have picked up the work Kitty was doing and the spirit in which they have done so.



Several people have commented recently on what a good staff team we have in place. I agree wholeheartedly! It has become clear in recent years that this congregation **does transitions well**. Think of the anxiety when Ramon and Nancy retired, and Wain was called to Clinton, and David Coleman went to Memphis, and Charles retired. And look at the way Hank Hinnant and Paul Thomas and Tony Pepper and Buz Wilcoxon have so quickly become beloved and vital members of our staff team. Yes, this church does transitions well.

There is so much in the life of this congregation that is good and healthy and loving. But remember that the things that are best in this church cannot happen without two things—your **personal involvement** in the ministry we share, and your **financial support** of the church. I am very pleased with the generous response of many of you to our financial situation, and I encourage all of us to give a worthy proportion of what God has given to us. That is one of the concrete ways by which we demonstrate our love to Christ and his people, and come to know the fullness of joy He alone can give. Jesus commands and promises, "**As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love...that your joy may be complete.**" Have a blessed and wonderful summer!



## LITTLE FOLKS OF FOURTH- SUMMER

June, July, & August 2009

I've been thinking a lot lately about generosity. I was raised by parents who selflessly gave of their time and money to people in need, family members, and the church. Sometimes I would question my father's judgment about lending money that had little, if any, chance of repayment. He would always tell me that he was giving the money because it was needed, not because he wanted a return on an investment. Then he would always say, "Sally, you get back far more than you give." He didn't mean that in the monetary sense. There are a few promissory notes in his file cabinet that I'm supposed to tear up at his death. He does not want his estate to go after the money owed. He says that if they could have repaid the debt they would have. He doesn't want to cause them more problems. He's content with the fact that he helped.

In these economic times it's tempting to hold tightly to what you still have. I have several **Little Folks** parents who have lost jobs, teacher spouses whose jobs are in jeopardy and a teacher who had to move immediately because her landlord had defaulted on the loan payments. However, even in these stressful times we have opportunities to help others. A few weeks ago, out of the blue, a parent handed me a folded check. She gave it to me with the promise that I keep her identity a secret. She explained that she knew that a lot of families might be going through hard times and her family wanted to help out. I gratefully deposited the check in the **Little Folks Scholarship Fund**. I can't tell you how this unexpected generosity touched my heart. Ever since Little Folks began over 20 years ago, there have been other "special friends" who have given generously and anonymously. Sometimes they would underwrite the purchase of a book, equipment, or musical instruments. Sometimes it would be a donation to the scholarship fund. Their gifts were always unexpected and unsolicited. When I think of each of these special friends, it brings a smile to my face and tears to my eyes. With God's help, they and my father are the people that I want to be like when I grow up. Let's all look for opportunities to look outside of ourselves and help others.

**Little Folks** will be **CLOSED** this summer June 1-5, June 29-July 3, July 27-31, and Aug. 31-Sept. 7. Have a wonderful summer. We will open for the fall the day after Labor Day, Sept. 8.

Sally

### STERLING CHILDREN NEED YOUR HELP

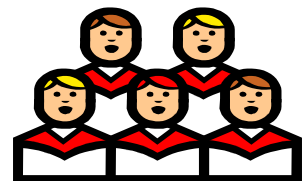
Many children we meet in the Sterling community are far behind their grade level in school. We want to help them catch up this summer. This summer, volunteers from Fourth Pres will be leading an 8 week tutoring program from June 15 through August 7 teaching reading and basic arithmetic. Tutoring sessions will be in the mornings between 9 and 12:00 Monday through Friday. Could you help us tutor the children 2 or more days per week? If so, call Clint Edwards at 233-8014 or call Buz Wilcoxon at the church office

**PRAYER HOSTS ARE NEEDED FOR FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP.** Weekly prayer hosts are needed. If you would be willing to open and close the sanctuary one Friday, set out the prayer lists and be present for the hour (11:30-12:30), please contact Heather Gatchell at hgatchell@charter.net or 349-1010.

### **Singers Needed!**

We need some new singers for the choirs, especially for the early service on Sundays. The only requirement is that you would like to lift your voice in praise of God on Sundays. Even if you have never sung in a choir before, there is a place for you in the choir. We practice the songs well in advance in order to feel confident. During the school year, rehearsals are at 6:30 p.m., on Wednesdays for the early worship service and at 7:30 p.m., for the later worship service. During the summer we rehearse most Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. The exact dates are on the church calendar. We are really in need of some new singers and would love to welcome some new singers in. Rehearsals are always fun, and you are guaranteed to leave feeling better than when you came in. See or call Hank Hinnant if you have any questions about choir.

These are the weeks for summer choir rehearsal, Wednesdays at 7:30.  
June 3, 10, 17, 24    July 8, 22 (not on 1, 15, or 29)    August 5, 19, 26 (not on 12)



## CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

**PRESCHOOL Classes - 18. Mo. – 2 Yrs.** will study more New Testament stories from God Loves Me, from the Christian Reformed Church. The teacher for June is Andrea Murdock. The teachers for July are Holly & Brent Boling and the teachers for August are Becky & Larry Boyd.

**3&4 Yr. Olds** will study “Pentecost”, from the *Seasons of the Spirit* Curriculum based on the *Revised Common Lectionary*. The teachers for June are: Elliott & Justin Grow. The teachers for July are: Karen & Jack Turpin and the teachers for August are Betsy & Ted Vick.

**K5 & 6** will study “Pentecost”, from the *Seasons of the Spirit* Curriculum based on the *Revised Common Lectionary*. The teacher for June is: Kathy Woodson. Teachers for July are: Whitney & Joe Ramseur and the teachers for August are Paige & Steven Smith.

**What’s happening in Crossway (Grades 1-5!) for the summer? We will combine grades 2 and 3 together and grades 4-5 together. Grade 1 will have a separate class.** “Raising the Roof” will be our focus in June, and we will use the ‘Temple’, ‘Thou Art’, ‘Mission Possible’, and ‘Acts’ rooms. The memory verse will be from Luke 5:20; “And when he saw their faith, he said, ‘Man, your sins are forgiven you’.” The teachers will be Jimmy Wright, Amie Owens, Merritt Ray, Mary Fran Crosswell and Robert Foster.

In July we will study ‘The Lost Sheep’ and will use the ‘Acts’, ‘Thou Art’, ‘Temple’ and ‘Mission Possible’ rooms. The memory verse will be from Luke 15:1-10, “Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost”(NRSV). The teachers will be: Barbara McPhail, Amy Quinn, Jennifer & Dale Heflin, Tracey Heller and Jeff Dishner.

In August we will study ‘Joseph’s Coat of Many Colors’ and will use the ‘Thou Art’, ‘Acts’, ‘Fourth Café’ and ‘Temple’ rooms. The memory verse will be from: Genesis 45:7 “God sent me ahead of you to rescue you in this amazing way and to make sure that you and your descendants survive.” Teachers are Andy Coburn, Katherine Rogers, Taylor & John Schneider, Anne McVeety & Robert Foster.

On August 18 we will have a wrap up party for all of the teachers and children in the Acts room. Rally Day will be August 23 and there will be a special program in the Fellowship Hall. There will be no church school classes that day. We will have a combined class on August 30 in the Acts room.

Don’t forget to bring your Bibles and come and join us in the excitement! Check the board in the Elementary hall each Sunday to see which class you will be in that day! We want to thank those who taught in the May rotation: Taylor & John Schneider, Andy Coburn, Anne McVeety, Katherine Rogers, Amie Owens and Jeff Dishner.

## FOURTH’S SUMMER WITH PSALMS

James Mays in his commentary on Psalms says, “The psalms have been at the center of Christian piety and faith for centuries.” This summer eleven psalms of three different types will form the center of our worship and adult education here at Fourth.

Each Sunday we will use a particular psalm as the centerpiece of our worship (in music and proclamation) and in a single adult education offering at 10 am, when we will study the psalm textually, thematically, and expressively.

Our hope that each Lord’s day in June, July & August will be meaningful and helpful to your faith development, and a resource for the living of each and every day.

### **PSALMS OF PRAISE & DEVOTION**

<i>Date:</i>	<i>Text:</i>	<i>Creative Expression:</i>	<i>Lesson Leader:</i>	<i>Preacher</i>
June 7	Psalm 100	Debbie Kyser,	Joe Ramseur,	Buz Wilcoxon
June 14	Psalm 148	Jan Welch,	Mary Jane Quattlebaum,	Allen McSween
June 21	Psalm 8	Lucas McMillan,	Steve Seman,	Steve Vance
June 28	Psalm 30	Liz Seman,	Jimmy Wright,	Allen McSween

### **PSALMS OF PRAYER & PETITION**

<i>Date:</i>	<i>Text:</i>	<i>Creative Expression:</i>	<i>Lesson Leader:</i>	<i>Preacher</i>
July 5	Psalm 80	Paul Thomas,	Robert Thomas,	Allen McSween
July 12	Psalm 88	Coppenbargers,	Connie Carson,	Allen McSween
July 19	Psalm 51	Allison Lipsey,	Renee Davis,	Buz Wilcoxon
July 26	Psalm 90	Brad Majors,	Peggy Taylor,	Steve Vance

### **PSALMS OF PROMISE & HOPE**

<i>Date:</i>	<i>Text:</i>	<i>Creative Expression:</i>	<i>Lesson Leader:</i>	<i>Preacher</i>
Aug. 2	Psalm 46	Deborah Schneider,	Gwen Randolph,	Allen McSween
Aug. 9	Psalm 24	Connie and Hu Lacquement,	Allen McSween	
Aug. 16	Psalm 139	Suanne Hall,	Mary Krcelic,	Steve Vance

# Announcements

**WORSHIP PACKS FOR CHILDREN IN GRADES K-5 – 5th!** Be sure your child in these grades picks up a pack each morning as he or she enters the Sanctuary.

## Worship Pack Families for June, July, and August are:

6/7 Tennent 6/14 Ray 6/21 Schneider 6/28 Ramseur

7/5 Tennent 7/12 Ray 7/19 Schneider 7/26 Ramseur

8/2 Tennent 8/9 Ray 8/16 Schneider 8/23 Ramseur 8/30 Dishner

We will have **Safe Place Policy training sessions this summer** for all volunteers who work with children more than five hours per year. The dates are as follows: **June 10 at 12:00 pm, Thursday, June 25 at 6:00 pm, Tuesday, June 30 at 6:00pm, Sunday, July 12 at 10:00am, Wednesday, July 22 at 12:00pm, and Tuesday, August 4 at 12:00pm.** New volunteers may choose to attend from one of these dates so that they will be ready to volunteer in the fall. This class is to inform the volunteers about our Statement of Policy on Child Protection which was approved by our Session on April 1, 2007. If you are rotating back in to volunteer with children and have taken the training, do not have to take it again, you may however, need to do a new background check. If you have any questions about this contact Donna at 232-8123

**VACATION BAGS ARE BACK!** These bags (one/family please) are designed for children to take with them on vacation with fun activities, crayons, a Bible etc. that will hopefully keep them connected to Fourth even on vacation! The bags are ready for check out and are located in Donna's office.

**CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS FOR 2009-2010** will be commissioned at both of the Worship services on **Sunday, August 23.** There will be a Pre-School and Crossway Team Orientation that day also following the 11:15 service, in classroom #23. It will last about an hour and snacks will be served and a nursery will be provided. This orientation is for all those involved in the Pre-School and Crossway areas.

**PREPARING YOUR CHILDREN FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER CLASS** for baptized elementary children (or younger if you feel they are ready) will be held on September 9 during the program portion at WNF. Please call the church office to sign up. Be watching the Bulletins for further details.

**ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A WAY TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY?** Fourth Presbyterian is teaming up with Grace Covenant Presbyterian to minister to the needs of homeless families in our area through the "Greenville Area Hospitality Network" Grace Covenant will be a host church for families for the weeks of July 12-18, and Sept. 27-Oct. 3rd. Families will come to the church and stay overnight, and we are assisting by providing volunteers to serve meals and visit with the families in the evenings and on Saturday. Help is needed to provide a "homey" touch to the classrooms where the families will be staying. Can you donate gently used twin-sized linens, towels, nightstands and lamps? Please bring them to the church and place in the box marked, "GAIHN". If you would like to volunteer during the week of July 12th or Sept. 27th., please contact Kathy Woodson at 232-6873 or kathywoodson@att.net.

## BASKETBALL CAMP

We will again be having our basketball camp with North Greenville Men's Basketball Coach, Chad Lister. The camp will be held **July 13-17, from 9:00 – 12:00.** The children will receive a t-shirt and a snack will be provided each day. You may send a water bottle with them also. The cost is \$55 for the week. It is available for children K-5 through those who have completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade. If you need more information or would like to sign up, call or e-mail Donna in the church office at 232-8123, donnafoster@4thpres-grvl.com. A registration & information form is on the table in the church office. Please put your registration form in Donna's box. We look forward to another fun camp!



**DAY CAMP ON THE MOVE** will be back this summer for children who have completed grades 1-5. It will be held the **June 24.** We will meet at Frankie's Fun Park at 10:00 and finish at 12:30. The cost will be \$18. We also will need parents to help so call Donna if you can help. Please let the church office know by June 1, if your child/children will be joining us. We must have at least fifteen children to qualify for the group rate.

## FOURTH FACTS

### SESSION

#### Class of 2010

Brent Grove  
Biff Quattlebaum  
David Quattlebaum  
Gwen Randolph  
Steve Seman  
Bonnie Wallin

#### Class of 2011

Brad Majors  
Bill Pitman  
Anne Propst  
Ruth Roper  
Kathy Thomas  
Robert Thomas

#### Class of 2012

Candy Colquitt  
McCrary Gwinn  
Dan Hunt  
Gene Krcelic  
Allison Lipsey  
Mary Monahan

#### **Moderator of Presbyterian Women:**

Amie Owens

### DIACONATE

#### Class of 2010

Hall Bickmann  
Carol Perrin Cobb  
Clint Edwards  
Beth Meyer  
Lucy Pulliam  
Harris Robinson

#### Class of 2011

Talbot Carter  
Mary Fran Crosswell  
Linda Doherty  
Heather Gatchell  
Harrison Kisner  
Hector McLean

#### Class of 2012

Mike Chandler  
Don Jackson  
Hugh McVeety  
Katie Rabe  
Kristie Tennent  
Michelle Wilson



### STEWARDSHIP OF TIME IN THE SUMMERTIME

“Gather ye Rosebud’s while ye may, old time is still a flying, and the same flower that smiles today, tomorrow will be dying.” – Robert Herrick

What a difference a year makes. Last summer gas was \$4.00 a gallon, the Dow Jones index was still over 12,000, unemployment was just barely starting to increase, and George Bush was still the president. For better or worse, things change quickly and “Old Time is still a flying”.

I think our summertime goes especially fast anymore. It used to feel like the summer went on forever. Perhaps it was the simple childhood joys of the summer or the fact that it was a break from the routine of school. Whatever it was, it does not seem to be like that anymore. Before you know it, another summer season will have come and gone.

We do not often think about Stewardship opportunities in the summer, in fact, sometimes we tend to take a break from Stewardship in the summer. But this year in particular, we must keep our Stewardship in focus.

After all, we are in the midst of a very difficult economic environment. The church needs us to be very vigilant in our financial giving to stay on track with our budget. Challenge yourself to do more in your giving than usual this summer and help us to enter the fall season in good standing.

The economic situation has created more than its share of Stewardship opportunities in our community. There are people in dire need at the agencies we support. This summer, challenge yourself to volunteer at Triune Mercy Center (their food pantry is nearly depleted already), ask Gene Krcelic how you can help. Or help a student prepare for this world by tutoring at the Sterling Community Center this summer, ask Clint Edwards how you can help. Jump in with any of the many programs at United Ministries, volunteer to help with Vacation Church School, join us as we begin to help clean up and maintain the new Swamp Rabbit Trail, assist our youth group with their busy summer schedule.

Whatever it is, do not let the summer season of Stewardship pass you by. Give, Live and Get Involved! There are many opportunities to be better stewards of your time, by being better stewards of your blessings from God this summer.

Another famous quote, this time from Ecclesiastes says, “*to every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven*”. This upcoming summer season, we challenge you to make it a season of stewardship, with the purpose of serving God’s kingdom in this world through the work and witness of Fourth Presbyterian Church.

Steve Seman

06/01 Nelle Crawford  
 06/01 Tiffany Irwin  
 06/01 Blair Wilson  
 06/02 Edith Patterson  
 06/02 Tim Lipsey  
 06/02 Gracyn Holmes  
 06/03 Ralph Walker  
 06/03 Heyward Byce  
 06/04 Kari Stover  
 06/04 Ted Vick  
 06/04 Anna Hogan  
 06/04 Jack Ridgway  
 06/05 Fran De La Rue  
 06/05 Paige Smith  
 06/05 Evan Jones  
 06/07 Rick Rhame  
 06/07 Heather Schmid  
 06/08 Shelby Bartley  
 06/08 Emily Grant  
 06/09 Julia O'Dell  
 06/09 Paul Pressley  
 06/09 Jackson Turpin  
 06/10 Mose Macfie  
 06/10 Julie Watson  
 06/10 Brock Koonce  
 06/10 Daniel Sanders  
 06/11 Meredith Sloan  
 06/11 Sarah Helwig  
 06/11 Finley Johnson  
 06/13 Lynn Mitchell  
 06/13 Cherry Reynolds  
 06/13 Bogue\* Wallin  
 06/13 Bonnie Wallin  
 06/13 Sarah Short  
 06/13 Charlotte Guest  
 06/13 Nora Clauss  
 06/14 Mick Perry  
 06/14 Aubrie Lauderdale  
 06/14 Margaret Rogers  
 06/15 Markus Schmid  
 06/16 LouAnne Hunnicutt  
 06/16 Eric Dellinger  
 06/16 Jeanne Howard  
 06/16 Bow Wilson  
 06/17 Trisha Fore  
 06/17 Matt Thompson  
 06/18 Bob Patterson  
 06/18 Eric Burnette  
 06/19 Jan Stenhouse  
 06/19 Amy Clauss  
 06/19 Chad Propst  
 06/20 Thea Furman  
 06/20 Mary Krcelic  
 06/20 Elizabeth Keegstra  
 06/20 Peter Shoun  
 06/20 Caroline McCauley  
 06/21 Jimmie Stewart  
 06/21 Tom Keith  
 06/21 Harris Robinson  
 06/21 Anne Giguere  
 06/22 Jean Wright  
 6/23 Lewis Foster  
 06/23 Anne Ellefson  
 06/23 Drennan Quattlebaum  
 06/23 Griffin Gatchell  
 06/24 Hayden Jones  
 06/24 William Rogers

**SUMMER  
 BIRTHDAYS**

06/25 Frances Cook  
 06/25 Ross Eldridge  
 06/25 Wells Beacham  
 06/25 Chloe Caudell  
 06/25 Ellis Millwood  
 06/27 Robin Cooper  
 06/28 Debbie Kyser  
 06/28 John Lattimore  
 06/28 Melanie Thompson  
 06/29 Al Hoppe  
 06/29 Beth Jefford  
 06/29 Kim McPhail  
 06/29 Bryan Zeiger  
 06/29 John Abney  
 06/29 Kendall Heflin  
 06/30 Mindy Young  
 06/30 EddieCole  
 07/01 Courtney Rivers  
 07/02 Dot Grimball  
 07/02 Steve Cook  
 07/02 Derrick Quattlebaum  
 07/02 Trey Gibson  
 07/02 Chris Carter  
 07/03 Dana Greer  
 07/03 Whitney Ramseur  
 07/03 Lisa McMillan  
 07/03 Dominic Gill  
 07/04 Suzanne Perkins  
 07/04 Jillian Schneider  
 07/05 John Mann  
 07/05 Rhodes Bagwell  
 07/05 Ethan Copenbarger  
 07/06 Hector McLean  
 07/07 Philip Hunnicutt  
 07/08 Mamie Bruce  
 07/08 Richard Barrett  
 07/09 Charles Stuart  
 07/09 Sam Clauss  
 07/10 Louis Seaborn  
 07/10 Chris Lauderdale  
 07/12 Laurie Koch  
 07/12 Lila Kilby  
 07/13 Charles Eldridge  
 07/13 Martha Cooper  
 07/13 Diane Chandler  
 07/14 Jane Gwinn  
 07/14 Worth Beacham  
 07/15 Diane Estridge  
 07/15 Blanche Stewart  
 07/15 Shauna Havird  
 07/15 Patricia Gwinn  
 07/15 Avery Mitchell  
 07/15 Christopher McCauley  
 07/16 Monita Mahoney  
 07/16 Nancy Hogan  
 07/16 Peggy Taylor  
 07/16 Jervey Inglesby  
 07/16 Chase Eldridge  
 07/17 Joanne Edwards  
 07/17 Myra Culbertson  
 07/17 Beth Warner  
 07/17 Jackson Ashley  
 07/18 Margaret Hungerford

07/18 Andy Coburn  
 07/18 Brian Barker  
 07/18 Bill Ellison  
 07/19 Jim McGill  
 07/19 Kacee Lominack  
 07/19 Jane McPhail  
 07/20 Virginia Whitmer  
 07/21 Lib Shackelford  
 07/21 Rosa Keith  
 07/21 Gwen Lauderdale  
 07/21 Steve Payne  
 07/21 J.N. Strausbaugh  
 07/21 Hunt Thomas  
 07/22 David Scott  
 07/22 Rhonda Jackson  
 07/22 Ann Coleman  
 07/22 Jesse Mellon  
 07/23 John Mobley  
 07/23 Nancy Tippins  
 07/23 Alex Ridgway  
 07/24 Pete Sanders  
 07/24 Amy King  
 07/24 McCay Vick  
 07/25 Dan Wherry  
 07/26 John Cooper  
 07/26 Scott Jones  
 07/26 Heather Barker  
 07/26 Lucy Strong  
 07/27 Paul Kroeger  
 07/27 Cheryl Craig  
 07/27 Carroll Waiboer  
 07/28 Hall Bickmann  
 07/28 Hunter Williams  
 07/28 Brantley Turner  
 07/28 Sarah Nesbitt  
 07/28 John Lipsey  
 07/29 Jan Woodward  
 07/29 David Stephenson  
 07/29 Emily Foster  
 07/30 Mary Lane Pellett  
 07/30 Taylor Saifi  
 07/31 Barbara McEwan  
 07/31 Laura Shoun  
 08/01 Frieda Brown  
 08/01 Susan Fredricksen  
 08/02 Marvin Quattlebaum  
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 08/08 Tate Lauderdale  
 08/08 Avery Canady  
 08/08 Mary Clare Macfie  
 08/09 Dick Bishop

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 08/09 Sophie Coburn  
 08/10 Sarah Jane Baumann  
 08/10 Margaret Stuart  
 08/10 Harriss Waiboer  
 08/11 Jenell Vassy  
 08/11 Robbie Blackwell  
 08/11 Stephen Walters  
 08/12 Louise Reynolds  
 08/12 Bonnie Dicyly  
 08/12 Irma Cox  
 08/13 Bud Warner  
 08/13 Sharon Mellon  
 08/13 Gene Krcelic  
 08/13 Janelle Thomas  
 08/13 Ellison Smith  
 08/14 Tom Edwards  
 08/14 Mary Edwards  
 08/14 Georgiana Walters  
 08/16 Frank Plaxco  
 08/16 Katherine Lenderman  
 08/17 Gram Praytor  
 08/18 Dan Hunt  
 08/18 Ron Werntz  
 08/18 Craig Snider  
 08/18 Riviere Propst  
 08/18 Marett Cole  
 08/19 James Goldsmith  
 08/20 Grace Odell  
 08/21 Merritt Wherry  
 08/21 Robert White  
 08/21 Molly Crosswell  
 08/22 Ruth Pollard  
 08/22 Lisa Quattlebaum  
 08/22 T Opperman  
 08/23 Mitch Rogers  
 08/23 John Quattlebaum  
 08/23 Madison Stover  
 08/23 Bowen Dishner  
 08/24 Ginger Stuart  
 08/24 Christie\* Hunnicutt  
 08/24 Anne Cooper Ellefson  
 08/24 Rebecca Ellefson  
 08/24 Lucy Clauss  
 08/25 Henry Walker  
 08/25 David Randolph  
 08/25 Casey Schemm  
 08/26 Kathy Woodson  
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 08/31 Andy Wall  
 08/27 Jonah McHaffie  
 08/28 Millie Wearn  
 08/28 Emelia Stephenson  
 08/28 Nana Westbrook  
 08/28 John Schneider  
 08/28 Will Wright  
 08/29 Owen Lucas  
 08/29 Laura Mixon  
 08/29 Jervey Inglesby  
 08/30 Susanna Schmid  
 08/30 Emily Campbell  
 08/30 Will Ashley  
 08/30 Emma Turpin  
 08/31 Susan McSween  
 08/31 Margie Taylor  
 08/31 Chip Burnette



## YOUTH NEWS

**June 21- 28th-** Youth Mission Trip to McAllen, TX- Our youth will work out of 1st Pres. Church of McAllen serving families in need of house repairs, building and painting. They will also run a Bible School for the children of the Su Casa de Esperanza organization.

**July 19th-25th-** Our youth will participate in the Montreat Youth Conference, the theme is "World on Fire".

**August 23rd-**Kick-Off/Pancake Breakfast- All youth will meet in the Fellowship Hall to serve the entire congregation a breakfast of pancakes, sausage, bacon cereal and juice. All donations will go towards next summer's Mission Trip.

**August 28th-** Confirmation Exploration Retreat- All Eighth graders going through our Confirmation Class will open the year with a fun-filled retreat.

**Jr. High Local Mission Work/Lock-in-** Dates TBA

## GOFOURTHERS THIS SUMMER

**GOFOURTHERS in JUNE:** The *GOFOURTHERS* will meet at Fourth on June 18 at noon for covered dish luncheon (bring your favorite!) in the Mildred Crymes Room and entertainment by our own Clint Edwards. You won't want to miss this! And bring a friend too!! **Deadline is Monday, June 15**

**GOFOURTHERS in JULY:** The Gofourthers will meet on July 16 at 10:30 AM at Fourth to board vans for Flat Rock, NC. Lunch at Kelsey's will be followed by the matinee performance of "The Perfect Wedding" at Flat Rock Playhouse. Cost: \$30 for the play & transportation. Lunch is Dutch Treat. **Deadline for tickets is June 22**



**GOFOURTHERS in AUGUST:** On August 20 we will be hosted at the Roper Mountain Science Center by our own Tim Taylor, for a presentation regarding the activities of the Center. Box lunches by Judsons. **Deadline for lunch orders is August 18.**

*Please call Robin in the church office to make your reservations.*

*GOFOURTHERS is a monthly fellowship & outing opportunity for senior adults & friends of Fourth Presbyterian Church. Join us!*



## Presbyterian Women

**Presbyterian Women** The annual Birthday Luncheon was a special treat for all of us. Many thanks to Amy Quinn for her fabulous planning! We dedicated our Birthday Offering to two wonderful causes and our 2009-2010 Coordinating Team officers were installed by Dr. Allen McSween.

Moderator – Amie Owens  
Vice Moderator – Whitney Ramseur  
Secretary – Rhonda Jackson  
Treasurer – Janelle Thomas  
Bell Mebane Circle – Teresa Cottingham  
Circle #2 – Mary Beck  
Circle #3 – Jenell Vassy  
Circle #4 – Betsy Hughes  
Mission & Witness – Laurie Quattlebaum  
Special Events – Amy Quinn  
Leadership & Resources – Suanne Hall  
Historian – Sara Seaborn  
Congregational Care – Heather Gatchell  
Past Moderator – Mary Krcelic

*Circles will begin meeting again in September.  
Please look for a letter this summer  
with all the details.*

# Fourth Facts

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### Nursery committee floaters are:

June Reid Hipp  
July Rhonda Watson  
August Trina Freeman

### June Pre-school Helpers are:

Nursery: Elaine Smith  
4-5 yr olds: Lauren Canady

### July Pre-school Helpers are:

Nursery: Trina Benson  
4-5 yr. Olds: Tracey Heller

### August Pre-school Helpers are:

Nursery: Katie & Bobby  
Bennett  
4-5 yr. Olds: Mindy Young

**SUMMER HOURS—THE OFFICE WILL CLOSE AT 1:00 ON FRIDAYS ONLY**

### Greeters and Ushers for June (watch bulletins for July & August)

**8:45**

**Greeters:** Currently working on new  
volunteer lists for this service

**Ushers:**

**11:15**

**Greeters:** Sarah Jane Baumann and Penny Beacham

**Ushers:** Rick Rhame, Buster Beachman, Kim Pitman, Bill  
Pitman

## CAMP EDGE

**VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL, this year will be the week of July 27-31 from 9:00-12:00** and we will be using the Cokesbury curriculum entitled “**Camp E.D.G.E. Experience and Discover God Everywhere**”. What fun we are going to have as we begin this awesome adventure through the Bible! The planning team is very excited about this year’s Vacation Church School and we can’t wait to share all of the stories, fun crafts and new adventures with everyone. We have an exciting week planned for members of Fourth age’s 3-5.



For our children in Pre-School – grade 3 in addition to our storytelling and crafts, we are very excited to include once again the very popular science focus in our rotation this year and think the children will love it! We are also continuing with the music rotation that will have everyone singing all of the great music. Our 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders do things a little differently. Each day they will be doing a mission project. They will be going to various agencies throughout the week helping with projects and needs that they might have. This is a great way for our kids to help others firsthand. If your child is in this age group, a permission form will be required. These will be sent in the mail. Please call the church office if you do not receive one. We have a very large group this year and will need to plan early, so please return your registration forms as soon as you can.

Our project this year is the Ronald McDonald House and we will be collecting various types of supplies for them; paper towels, splenda packets, cotton blankets, individual packets of sweet and salty snacks, plastic cold cups, AA batteries to name just a few. A complete wish list can be found on their website; [www.rmhgreenville.org](http://www.rmhgreenville.org). Click on the “how you can help” link to find the wish list.

All of the children will be dropped off and picked up at the parking lot door. They will be put in your car, so you do not need to park and come in. You can register online at <http://www.cokesburyvbs.com/4th%20Pres/ce>. Online registration is available until **June 15**. After that date, registration forms will be available in the church office and need to be returned to the church office no later than Sunday, **June 28**. If you have trouble registering, please call or e-mail Rebeckah Macfie at 675-9593, [rebeckahmacfie@gmail.com](mailto:rebeckahmacfie@gmail.com). We are requesting a \$5.00 donation for each camper. Donations may be dropped into the designated box in the church office.

On Friday, we will have a short program and lunch for our children and their parents. The program will begin at 11:45 and will last about an hour. Lunch will be provided (however, donations will be accepted!) If you have any questions, please call one of our Directors: **Elliott Grow, 282-9090, [egrow@charter.net](mailto:egrow@charter.net), Diane Chandler, 879-1991, [chandlerdn@bellsouth.net](mailto:chandlerdn@bellsouth.net), or one of our Assistant Directors: Rebeckah Macfie, 675-9593, [rebeckahmacfie@gmail.com](mailto:rebeckahmacfie@gmail.com) or Amie Owens, 232-2012, [AOWens12@aol.com](mailto:AOWens12@aol.com).**

**CD’s** are also available in the church office and can be purchased for **\$5.00**. These CD’s are great and really help your child learn the songs and there are computer games on their as well.

The theme of VCS this year is camping, so if you have any tents, sleeping bags or camp type items that the VCS committee could borrow to decorate with, we would be most appreciative. You can drop your items by Donna’s office. Please identify them with your name.

We will also need to borrow Christmas trees as we get closer to July. If you have one that you would not mind loaning for the week of July 27-31, please contact Donna in the church office. Thank you!

We look forward to seeing everyone at VCS!

## MEET THE NEWEST ADDITION TO OUR FOURTH FAMILY

Robert Wise Pickens (Bert)  
28 Cammer Avenue, Greenville, SC 29605



Bert, who comes to Fourth from the First Presbyterian Church of Spartanburg, married Fourth member Suzanne Broome on May 10. He is employed at Pickens Roofing and Sheet Metal Inc. in Spartanburg. Bert enjoys all things having to do with the outdoors; he especially likes hunting and fishing. He is interested in working with the church youth and especially looks forward to working with Suzanne.

## Summer Mission Spotlights



### **Thornwell Home for Children**

(Information found at [www.thornwell.org](http://www.thornwell.org))

The Thornwell Home for Children in Clinton, South Carolina, has been taking care of children and youth in need since its founding on October 1, 1875. With the support of Presbyterian Church (USA) congregations and private donations, the home nurtures more than 100 children, many of whom suffer from mild to moderate emotional problems stemming from the death of parent(s); a separation or divorce resulting in a temporary inability to care for a child; a temporary financial and/or physical inability to care for a child; families experiencing types of dependency or abuse; and parent's/guardian's disabling health or advanced age. One of the most successful homes for children of its type, the care of Thornwell's residents is based on sound Christian principles and a warm, loving cottage atmosphere staffed by Family Teachers dedicated to providing the finest in Christian development.

### **Presbyterian College**

(Information found at [www.presby.edu](http://www.presby.edu))

"The compelling purpose of Presbyterian College, as a church-related college, is to develop within the framework of Christian faith the mental, physical, moral, and spiritual capacities of each student in preparation for a lifetime of personal and vocational fulfillment and responsible contribution to our democratic society and the world community."

Presbyterian College was founded in 1880 by the Rev. William Plumer Jacobs, an early minister of First Presbyterian Church in Clinton, S.C. The college was a response to the educational and social needs of local Civil War orphans, a ministry that coincided with the founding of Thornwell Home for Children a few years earlier. Fourth Pres participates in many partnerships with PC including Celtic Cross (PCUSA leadership development program), the Board of Church Advisors, and Lilly Globalization Project. Members of Fourth Pres have also served on PC's Board of Trustees.

### **Furman Campus Ministry**

*Our Church Liaison: Sherman Woodson*

Foothills Presbytery, with the support of Presbyterian Churches of Greenville County, has organized the Furman PCUSA Campus Ministry Support Team and its ministry, the Presbyterian Westminster Fellowship (PWF). The primary purpose of the PWF at Furman is to reach out in Christian love to the college community, bringing them by word, example, and Christian ministry to the good news of God's saving grace through Jesus Christ.

### **Forman Christian College**

(Information found at <http://fccollege.edu.pk/index.php>)

Forman Christian College was founded in 1864 by Dr. Charles W. Forman, a Presbyterian missionary from the USA to what is today Pakistan. The college motto, "By love, serve one another" has been a guiding principle for Formanites throughout its history. During the time of partition, the college converted two hostels into a hospital for refugees, thus starting United Christian Hospital. During the 1905 Kangra Valley earthquake, Dr. J.C.R. Ewing organized and led the relief effort. Similarly, the college did devoted relief work for survivors of the Quetta earthquake, this time under the leadership of Prof. Jaqun Nath. In 2005, FCC again showed its devotion to service by organizing relief drives and fund-raising events for victims of the October earthquake

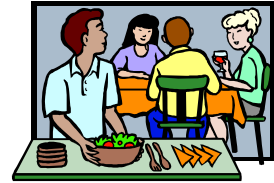
**\*AUGUST 8:** Family Day at Sterling! Games, Talent Show, Cookout, and Grant Opening of T.O.R.C.H.

### **FAMILY MISSION TRIP**



"Fourth Pres. is sponsoring a **Family Mission Trip** to support the on-going hurricane recovery on the Gulf coast. Gene Krcelic will be leading a group from our church to New Orleans from **Sunday June 14 thru Friday June 19**. We will be staying at the Olive Tree Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) Village. We have reserved 16 spaces in the village. Youth must be at least 14 years of age by June 14. The cost for the trip should be less than \$150 per person. For more information please contact Gene at 269-1104 or [gkrcelic@yahoo.com](mailto:gkrcelic@yahoo.com) ASAP.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP:** We have just wrapped up a wonderful year of Wednesday night dinners and programs. A lot has gone into making our Wednesday nights very successful this past season. Many, many thanks to all the volunteers who took up the money, set up and cleaned up and watched the children. To those who led the programs, thank you for informing and entertaining us. Our emcees, Allen, Buz and Steve thanks for handling the stage, holding the microphone for our enthusiastic "blessers of the meal"! And of course the leading of the singing of the Birthday song! Thank you to those who participated in the Wednesday night program--if you did not show up and buy the dinners, we would not have enjoyed all the fellowship, fun and food that we did this year. We have been so blessed to have Tony Pepper in charge of and preparing our meals. If you have not dined lately at 4th, you have missed a real treat and many treats! We may need to start an exercise class following these evening dinners! And last but certainly not least, many thanks to the Wednesday Night Fellowship Committee who put this all together and keep it running smoothly all year. The entire program schedule is in place for this fall and next spring and Tony has put together menus that will compliment the evenings! We expect to have the biggest year ever, so come and join the food, fun and fellowship--you will be glad you did! We will resume with the picnic in Cleveland Park August 26th!



Hope to see you there!

The WNF committee is also looking for some folks to help on the committee this coming year. We would love to have you and your ideas. Contact Hall Bickmann, 271-5071 or Donna Foster, 232-8123.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP PICNIC IN CLEVELAND PARK

**Wednesday, August 26**

Join us for our annual picnic in Cleveland Park at shelter #29

We will fire up the grills and enjoy hamburgers, hot dogs and all the fixins, potato salad, slaw, chips and dessert

Dinner will begin to be served at 5:45.

Please note that we will not be having the blood drive at the Picnic this year. Due to the extreme heat, we will have it in the fall at the church



### WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SET UP and CLEAN UP HELPERS

September 2 Julia O'Dell & Jenell Vassy, Set Up  
Annamarie & Dick Burts, Clean Up

September 9 Edith Patterson & Margie Taylor, Set Up  
Mary & Gene Krcelic, Clean Up

September 16 Mary Beck & Marcie Bruce, Set Up  
Lucy & Joe Pulliam, Clean Up

September 23 Marty Lancaster & Diana Schmid, Set Up  
Whitney Ramseur & Joe Lee, Clean Up

September 30 Amy & Jamey King, Set Up  
Jack & Karen Turpin, Clean Up



# “Communion ...Food for the Journey”

## Fourth Presbyterian Church Retreat

September 19-20, 2009

Bonclarken Conference Center

Flat Rock, North Carolina

*No matter by what name it is known - Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper, the Mass, the Eucharist - the act of taking, blessing, breaking and sharing simple gifts of bread and wine is the heartbeat to the living of the Christian life. To accept the invitation that comes from our Lord, to gather in community around a simple table, to share Communion is to give expression to, "whose we are and whom we seek to serve". The activities and programs of the 2009 Church Retreat, "Communion ...Food for the Journey", will provide every participant with insights, understanding and experiences that grow out of the meaning of Communion and help all to live out the meaning of this sacrament more fully in our daily lives.*



Our Retreat leaders will be Dr. Jim Simpson and Mrs. Janice Simpson. Jim's home town is Motherwell, Scotland. He has a B.Sc. from the University of Dundee, a B.D. from the University of Aberdeen and a D.Min. from Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur GA. Ordained to the Ministry of Word and Sacrament in May 1987, Jim served as parish Minister in Newtonhill and Portlethen near Aberdeen until 1996, when he was called to Pastor the Northminster Presbyterian Church in Roswell GA. He was there until taking up his role at Presbyterian College in 2007. He enjoys golfing, watching movies, sports, esp. soccer and traveling.

Janice was born in Glasgow, Scotland, Janice has been an educator in church, public high school, and college settings for 30 years. She has taught English, religious education, emotionally disordered students and Christian education. She holds Master of Arts and Bachelor of Divinity degrees from the University of Glasgow, Scotland, a Masters in Special Education from North Georgia College and State University, and a variety of post-graduate teaching qualifications and endorsements from both sides of the Atlantic She currently teaches in the Religion and Philosophy Department at Presbyterian College.

Jim and Janice are the parents of Jennifer, a PC graduate who is now Director of Youth at Decatur Presbyterian Church, Decatur, GA, and Jim, a rising senior majoring in International Affairs at the George Washington University, Washington DC.

**Accommodations** -We will return to the new "Lodge" where we will have our adult sessions in the "Mike and Lib Patrick" Conference Room. Accommodations will be provided in the Lodge, the Faith Apartments for larger groups/families and the Heidelberg Hotel for those who wish a more rustic stay. Our senior high youth will be housed in the Agape Cottage. Our youth programs will be headed up by Buz Wilcoxon and Donna Foster and her wonderful team will lead the children. Dr. Simpson will bring with him some of the members of The Celtic Cross group from PC. These students will be an important part of the children and youth programs by helping in the planning and implementation of their activities.

**Free Time Activities**- Free time activities abound and you can choose from simply relaxing by the lake with a good book, sitting around the Lodge catching up with old friends to watching or playing football. If you desire to satisfy the urge to shop, fun and really cute stores are in Flat Rock and Hendersonville. The lake provides the opportunity to paddle boat or aqua bike. If you are up for a little more action, Louis Seaborn will be gathering those interested for a fun hike. Of course our Family Fun Fest will take place on Saturday afternoon with a variety of outdoor games and activities and the ever popular climbing wall will be available as well. New this year will be the Scavenger hunt that promises to be fun for all. Not to be forgotten, apple picking is always a fun activity to do Saturday afternoon or on the journey back toward home on Sunday. The "coffee house" band will return with a new repertoire in the fabulous music room of the Heidelberg Hotel as well as the evening vespers led by our youth and a bonfire complete with s'mores.

Registration information will be available at the church on **July 16** and will also be available on the church website, [www.4thpres-grvl.com](http://www.4thpres-grvl.com). **Our early bird discount of 10% will apply until August 16**, but **does not** apply to fees for extra free time activities. Room availability will be on a "first come" basis, so make your plans early! All are welcome and scholarships are available. If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Linda Doherty, 232-8567, [katieandemilydoherty@gmail.com](mailto:katieandemilydoherty@gmail.com), Amy Dishner, 233-1971, [amydishner@charter.net](mailto:amydishner@charter.net) or Donna Foster, 232-8123, [donnafoster@4thpres-grvl.com](mailto:donnafoster@4thpres-grvl.com).