

The Church Gathers for Worship

May 31, 2026 at 9:35 AM

Order of Worship

The Prelude..... Musicians
 The Prayer For Prayer.....Dea. Kenneth Robinson
 Kelvin Young

PRAISE & ADORATION:

The Call to Worship..... Min. MacArthur Black
 The Invocation/Prayer of Confession.....Min. MacArthur Black
 The Prayer Response..... “The Lord’s Prayer”
 The Hymn of Praise.....”Oh, I Want To See Him”..... Choir/Congregation
 The Scripture in Response.....**James 1:2-12 (NIV)**..... Min. MacArthur Black
 The Greetings..... Min. MacArthur Black
 The Musical Selection..... Men of Praise Choir

THANKSGIVING

The Offertory Prayer & Period of Giving.....Pastor Simmons
 The Pastoral Reflections.....Pastor Simmons

BABY DEDICATION

BABY DESTINI ROSE GUILLEN
 BABY BRIELLE JANELL WALTON

HEARING FROM GOD

The Musical Selection.....Men of Praise Choir
 The Spoken Word.....”**Making Prayer Your First Priority**”.....Pastor Simmons

The Call to Discipleship.....Pastor Simmons
 The Hymn of Invitation.....“*I Need Thee Every Hour*”
 The Call to Prayer..... Min. Anna Hawthorne
 The Pastoral Reflections & Remarks.....Pastor Simmons
 The Hymn of Benediction.....“*He’s Sweet, I Know*”
 The Benediction.....Pastor Simmons

HYMN OF INVITATION

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

Verse 1

I need Thee ev’ry hour, Most gracious Lord; No tender voice like Thine can peace afford

Verse 2

I need Thee ev’ry hour, stay Thou nearby; Temptations lose their pow’r when Thou art nigh. [Refrain]

Verse 3

I need Thee ev’ry hour, in joy or pain; Come quickly and abide, or life is vain. [Refrain].

Verse 4 *I need Thee ev’ry hour, most Holy One; O make me Thine indeed, Thou blessed Son. [Refrain]*

Refrain

I need Thee, O I need Thee; ev’ry hour I need Thee; O bless me now, my Savior, I come to Thee.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDER!

Don’t forget to sign the Attendance Card located on the clipboard on your pew.

Vacation Bible School 2026 will be June 29 – July 2, 2026.

ATTENTION GRADUATES! In preparation to recognize our 2025 & 2026 high school and college graduates who graduated between July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026, you are requested to complete and submit the graduate info sheet by June 7, 2026 to the administrative assistant or Dr. Matrissa Bennett at matrissab@gmail.com. The church will recognize/award those individuals who are members of RFBC and are regular attendees/participants who are: 1. High School Graduates, 2. First time college graduates with a bachelor’s or associates degree, 3. Persons who have completed graduate degrees, 4. Persons who submit and complete the necessary forms by the deadline. Persons qualifying for Scholastic Achievement Graduate recognition will receive an invitation to participate in the AAA Ceremony on June 27, 2026.

RFBC is excited to celebrate the Academic, Athletic, and Artistic (AAA) achievements of our children and youth from the 2025–2026 school year! Join us for AAA Awards Night on Saturday, June 27, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the RFBC Family Life Center. Parents/guardians are invited to submit students’ final report cards, awards, honors, recognitions, accomplishments, and improvements through the electronic submission form. Deadline: Wednesday, June 10, 2026, by 12:00 noon Scan the QR code to submit! Late submissions cannot be accepted. Questions? Contact Dr. Matrissa or Rev. James Bennett at (864) 569-7234.



Poplar Spring Missionary Baptist Church will be the host for Fifth Sunday Service on Sunday, May 31, 2026 at 5:00 PM. The address is 290 Springdale Drive Simpsonville, SC 29681. Pastor Samuel Flint will be the speaker and music will be provided by Mt. Zion, Poplar Spring, Reedy Fork and Old Shady Oak choirs.

To Pastor Simmons, Mrs. Simmons, the Deacons, and my Reedy Fork Baptist Church Family: Please accept this note as my heartfelt thank you for choosing me to represent Reedy Fork Baptist Church at the Unsung Hero Gala presented by the Reedy River Baptist Association. I am truly humbled and deeply grateful for the cards, calls, flowers, and encouraging words you shared with me. Every expression of love and support meant so much to me and my family. I give God all the glory, honor, and praise. It is my sincere desire to walk worthy of my calling and to serve in a way that helps build God’s Kingdom. Please continue to keep me and my family in your prayers. Much Love, Anna Cecil.

Favor Upstate – Family Recovery – Strengthening Communities. Thursdays 2:00 – 4:30 PM Family Coaching, 6:00 – 7 :00 PM Family Group. RSVP Anthony R. Wilson @ 864-625-8616.

As an eligible voter in South Carolina, visit MyscVOTES.com to stay informed about the latest updates regarding the voting process and what you should do to register and participate in the upcoming elections successfully. Early voting in Greenville County is now to Friday June 5, 2026. **SC Primary Election is Tuesday, June 9, 2026. To request an absentee ballot by mail, contact the Greenville County Voter Registration Election Office at 864-467-7264. Absentee ballots must be returned no later than 7:00 PM on election day.**

Prisma Mobile Health Center will be at RFBC Thursday, June 11, 2026, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Please sign-up at the Admin. Assistant’s Office prior to Wednesday, June 10, 2026 during the designated time.

RFBC WEEK AT A GLANCE: MAY 31ST, 2026 – JUNE 6TH, 2026

TIME	MINISTRY	LOCATION
SUNDAY, MAY 31ST		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Lisa Bowie	267-807-9605, 769-622
8:30 AM	Sunday School	
9:30 AM	Sunday Morning Worship	FLC.RFBC App, & Facebook Livestream
5:00 PM	5 th Sunday Service	Poplar Spring Missionary BC
MONDAY, JUNE 1ST		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Annie Hammond	267-807-9605, 769-622
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Memorial Day Office Closed	
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Janice Alford – Grief Counseling	Community Office
TUESDAY, JUNE 2ND		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Deloris Hill	267-807-9605, 769-622
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Church Office Hours	
6:30 PM	Vices of Faith Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room #205
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3RD		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Caroline Neely	267-807-9605, 769-622
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Church Office Hours	Administrative Building
10:05 AM	In-Person Bible Study	Choir Room #205
4:00 PM	Sunday School Teachers Meeting	Choir Room #205
7:05 PM	In-Person Bible Study	Choir Room #205
THURSDAY, JUNE 4TH		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Jessica Whittenburg	267-807-9605, 769-622
9:00 AM – 5:00 PM	Church Office Hours	Administrative Building
2:00 PM -7:00 PM	Favor Upstate - Family Recovery	Room #203
6:30 PM	Voices of Faith Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room #205
FRIDAY, JUNE 5TH (OFFICE CLOSED)		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	Ja’Mikal/Miranda Harris	267-807-9605, 769-622
SATURDAY, JUNE 6TH		
6:33 AM Intercessory Prayer Line	James/Matressa Bennett	267-807-9605, 769-622
11:00 AM	Golden Age Ministry Meeting	Room 205
10:00 AM	Angels of Hope Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
10:00 AM	Deacons and Deacons’ Wives Meeting	Library
HOSPITAL/CONVALESCENT CENTER		
SIS. MARY DENNIS	N.H.C. MAULDIN, 850 E. BUTLER RD. GREENVILLE, SC 29607	
SIS. MARY GARRETT	WINDSOR HOUSE, 1931 PELHAM RD. GREENVILLE, SC 29615	
SIS. WINNIE TUBBS	BROOKSTONE TERRACE CHANTICLEER, 355 BERKMAN LN GREENVILLE SC	

PRAY FOR SICK AND SHUT IN

Bobby Chapman	Dorlee Evans	David Lewers Sr.	Kenneth Robinson
Sarah Chapman	Mary Evans	Willie R. Lewers	Michael Robinson
Brittany Copeland	Barbara Harris	Jennifer McKinney	Vanessa Robinson
Ray Dennis	Joe G. Hawthorne	Mattie McKinney	Gail Samons
Jerry Earl	Tamica Hawthorne	Aimee Nava	Joyce Shockley
Lonnie Epps	Clarence Henderson	Elizabeth Robertson	Albert Sweeney
	Joanette Henderson	Connie Robinson	Jessie Thomason

If you or a member of your family are sick, in the hospital or has passed away, please notify the church

ASAP. (864-243-3495 Ext. 0 – Admin Asst. or
 Ext. 1 – Pastor Simmons).

THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Through fire and testing,
Congregation: God brings us to a place of blessing and promise.

Leader: The Holy Spirit leads us onto the great path of love.
Congregation: Gather us in, O God.

Leader: Amidst fire and storm, make us whole.
Congregation: Bring us into the presence of the Holy One.

Leader: From suffering and pain, save us.
Congregation: Shelter us in your loving arms, Precious Lord.

Leader: On the highways of ire, guides us.
Congregation: Make us your disciples, Great Spirit.

All: As we worship today lead us into your presence.

THE SCRIPTURE IN RESPONSE:

”JOHN 16:19–28” (NIV)

Leader: 19 Jesus saw that they wanted to ask him about this, so he said to them, “Are you asking one another what I meant when I said, ‘In a little while you will see me no more, and then after a little while you will see me’?”

Congregation: 20 Very truly I tell you, you will weep and mourn while the world rejoices. You will grieve, but your grief will turn to joy.

Leader: 21 A woman giving birth to a child has pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish because of her joy that a child is born into the world.

Congregation: 22 So with you: Now is your time of grief, but I will see you again and you will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy.

Leader: 23 In that day you will no longer ask me anything. Very truly I tell you, my Father will give you whatever you ask in my name.

Congregation: 24 Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.

Leader: 25 “Though I have been speaking figuratively, a time is coming when I will no longer use this kind of language but will tell you plainly about my Father.

Congregation: 26 In that day you will ask in my name. I am not saying that I will ask the Father on your behalf.

Leader: 27 No, the Father himself loves you because you have loved me and have believed that I came from God.

All: 28 I came from the Father and entered the world; now I am leaving the world and going back to the Father.”



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9:35 AM In-Person Worship



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Depart to Serve

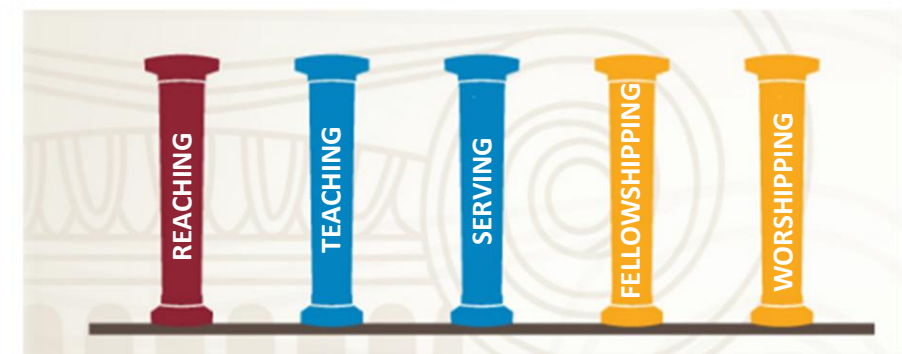
John 16:19-28 (NIV)

“Making Prayer Your First Priority”

vs. “Until now you have not asked for anything in my name. Ask and you will receive, and your joy will be complete.”

Our Mission

This church seeks to glorify God by **Reaching** people for Christ; providing **Teaching** opportunities for them to grow in Christ. **Ministering** to the needs of the congregation, community, and the world; devoted to enjoying **Fellowship** of one another, and continually **Worshipping** together.



Our Vision

“Reaching The Unchurched For Christ”

Come walk with us; we will do thee good!