

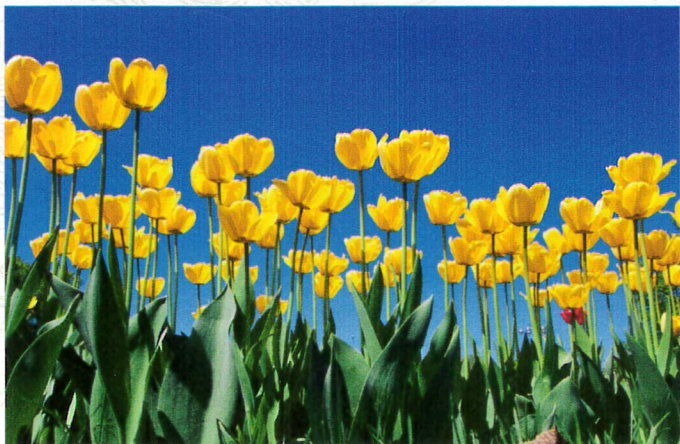
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SENIORS MINISTRY MESSENGER

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From the Heart of Pastor Bryan Bult

Paul enjoins us, in the application of his letter to the Galatians, to “bear one another’s burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.” Just this week, I was tremendously encouraged to witness seniors in the body of Christ literally bearing the burdens of their hurting brothers and sisters in Christ, and it was a beautiful sight. The longer I serve as minister to seniors here at First Pres, the more examples I see of seniors serving each other in all kinds of selfless ways. There is a dazzlingly diverse range of gifts and talents represented among the membership of our congregation, which does not surprise me. After all, when our Lord ascended on high, he led captivity captive and gave gifts to men. What does surprise me at times is the willingness, even eagerness, you seem to have to use those serving gifts in response to real need. As my co-worker noticed, many of you clearly want to be asked to help, because you know that unique joy that comes as a byproduct of serving. It is a privilege to serve with you, and there’s nothing I’d rather be doing.



Mar/Apr 2023

Seniors Ministry Staff

Rev. Bryan F. Bult Assoc. Minister to Seniors
Janet B. Altman Seniors Ministry Coord.
Scottie Crawford Pastoral Intern

March Gatherings

- 3 4:00 PM Trip to Erskine College
- 4 9:00 AM Encouragers Breakfast
- 7 1:00 PM Seniors Ministry Committee
- 7 2:00 PM Tabitha’s Tea - Widows Fellowship
- 8 1:00 PM Encouragers Steering Committee
- 12 Daylight Saving Time Begins
- 17 9:00 AM Catawba Presby. Senior Connect Day
- 22 1:00 PM Barnabas Min Prayer/Note Writing
- 27 5:30 PM CIA Steering Committee

April Gatherings

- 1 9:00 AM Encouragers Breakfast
- 2 6:00 PM Handel’s Messiah, Part II
- 4 1:00 PM Seniors Ministry Committee
- 6 6:00 PM Maundy Thursday Communion
- 7 7:00 PM Handel’s Messiah, Part III
- 9 Easter Sunday
- 12 1:00 PM Encouragers Steering Committee
- 13 5:30 PM CIA Dinner & Bowling
- 24 5:30 PM CIA Steering Committee
- 26 1:00 PM Barnabas Min Prayer/Note Writing

HE IS RISEN

CELEBRATE THE RESURRECTION

CATAWBA PRESBYTERY

SENIOR CONNECT DAY

SPEAKER



Dr. Steven C. Adamson,
President,
Erskine College
and Seminary

Friday, March 17

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

First Presbyterian is hosting this gathering for senior adults in the Catawba Presbytery. We will begin with a light breakfast at 9:00 a.m. in the atrium and then move to the sanctuary at 10:00 a.m. for Dr. Adamson's first message. At 11:00 a.m. there will be two breakout sessions from which to choose and then we will have lunch in Jackson Hall at 12:00 p.m. We will conclude our day with a second message from Dr. Adamson at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Reservations can be made by contacting Janet Altman at (803) 799-9062 Ext. 550.

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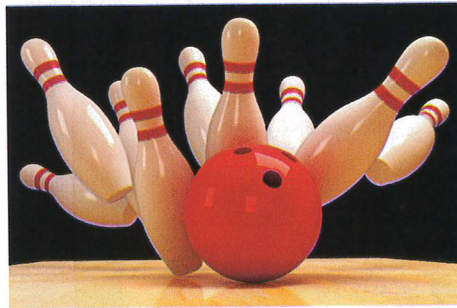
couples IN ACTION

FELLOWSHIP • PRAYER • SERVICE



Dinner & Bowling

Thursday, April 13
5:30 p.m. Dinner
6:30 p.m. Bowling



In Other News...

Twenty-nine couples will be participating in supper clubs in March, April, and May. This is the third round of clubs.



ENCOURAGERS

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Singles 50+ Years Old

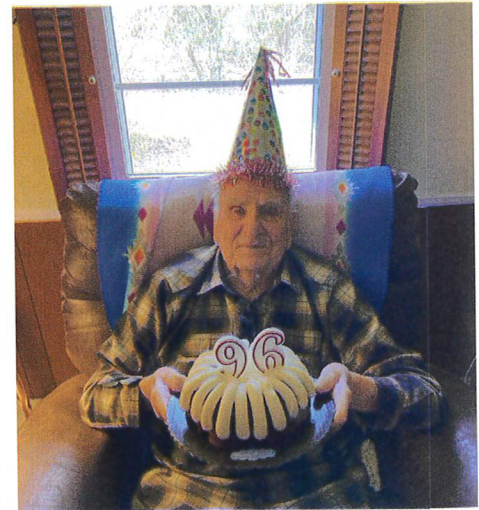
Breakfast

Saturday, March 4
9:00 a.m. in Jackson Hall

Saturday, April 1
9:00 a.m. in Jackson Hall

Steering Committee Meetings

Wednesday, March 8 &
Wednesday, April 12
1:00 p.m. in Jackson Hall



Dan Christmus was a good sport and wore the hat on his 96th. The Birthday Brigade continues to enjoy favor with those celebrating 95+ trips around the sun.



Tabitha's Tea

WIDOWS FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, March 7

2:00 p.m.
Jackson Hall

Angie Wingard and Maria Van Zanen have planned and will host this gathering for widows. The program will include musical selections and Pastor Bryan Bult will bring a message.



Fitness Walking
Family Life Center
Tuesdays & Thursdays
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.



March

Love Cola

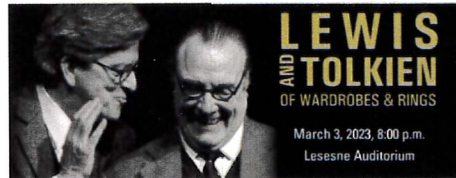
Fellowship of Christian Athletes - Midlands

April

Teen Challenge

A Moment of Hope

These local missions groups will have an information table in the Atrium on Sunday mornings.



A group will leave First Pres at 4 p.m. on Friday, March 3, and stop for dinner in Clinton, SC, arriving at Erskine College around 7:30 p.m. Lewis & Tolkien, Of Wardrobes & Rings is a 90-minute play set in Oxford's Eagle & Child pub. Aging and legendary authors, J.R.R. Tolkien (Marc Whitmore) and his great friend C.S. Lewis (David Payne), meet for what turns out to be the last time.

Please contact Janet Altman regarding availability of seats on the bus.

Easter Books

Church Library in The Bridge
Shelf Number 232

THE CHRIST OF THE EMPTY TOMB
James Montgomery Boice

TO SEEK AND TO SAVE: Daily Reflections on the Road to the Cross
Sinclair B. Ferguson

LESSONS FROM THE UPPER ROOM: The Heart of the Savior
Sinclair B. Ferguson

ALIVE: How the Resurrection of Christ Changes Everything
Gabriel N.E. Fluhrer

JESUS, KEEP ME NEAR THE CROSS:
Nancy Guthrie, Editor

THE COST: What It Takes to Follow Jesus
Steven J. Lawson

ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS: When Ordinary People Met the Savior
Richard D. Phillips

THE SEVEN SAYINGS OF THE SAVIOUR ON THE CROSS
Arthur W. Pink

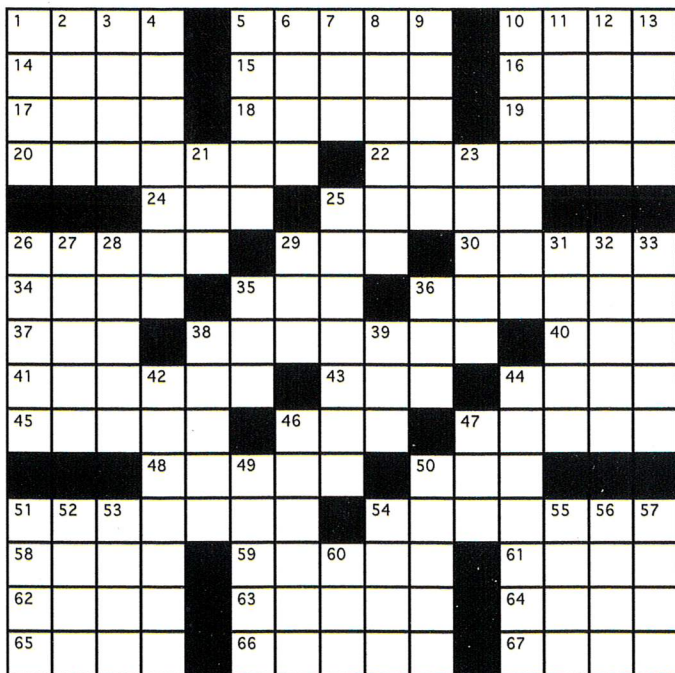
THE GLORY OF CHRIST
R. C. Sproul

BASIC CHRISTIANITY
John R. W. Stott



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Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1. Thick drink
5. Racer's concern
10. Mature
14. Words on a sale tag
15. Means of transportation
16. Famous garden
17. Frost
18. Burr, for one
19. Voice range
20. Hook or Cook
22. Not worth keeping
24. Source of light
25. One who acts for another
26. European language
29. Silvery-gray color
30. Sheer linen
34. Female sandpipers
35. Type
36. Bible chapter divisions
37. Everyone
38. Arguer
40. Notes of the scale
41. Calorie counter
43. Crackpot
44. ___-majesty; offense against the king
45. Wash
46. Perform
47. Communion plate
48. Analyze grammatically
50. Esses' forerunners

DOWN

1. Artist Chagall
2. Hong Kong's location
3. Drooping
4. African flies
5. European nation
6. Design
7. Word with drops or rings
8. Sufficient
9. Slow to understand
10. One who sits on a house
11. Lazing
12. Gerbils and pooches
13. Baseball's Slaughter
21. Diving bird
23. Penetrate
25. With a sideways glance
26. Last year's srs.
27. Memento
28. Moray seeker
29. Priest's garment

31. Small land in the sea
32. Written agreement
33. Ruhr Valley city
35. Ending for wind or sand
36. Nov. honoree
38. Exclude
39. King ___
42. Black gum trees
44. Eternal
46. Okay
47. For
49. Kennedy & namesakes
50. Ready to fight
51. Crooked
52. Mixture
53. Passageway
54. Unsullied
55. ___ Adamis
56. Copper
57. Ball holders
60. Feel awful about

