

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SENIORS MINISTRY MESSENGER

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Psalm 145:3-4

Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,
 and his greatness is unsearchable. One
 generation shall commend your works to
 another, and shall declare your mighty acts.

From the Heart of Pastor Bryan Bult

As I looked out over the congregation at the youth choir Christmas concert, it blessed me to see not only the vibrant reds and verdant greens of Advent, but also the silver crown of glory with which many of you are blessed. Lots of seniors were in attendance, showing their interest in the vital role our youth play in congregational life. Thank you for investing in the future of First Presbyterian. As someone who gets to minister to and with seniors, nothing is more gratifying to me than seeing you all getting to know our senior high and middle school youth, and vice versa. Rich and impactful relationships spanning the generations add much vitality to the Body of Christ, which makes me excited about our upcoming 4th annual Spaghetti Soirée. I know several of you have been 'pen pals' with my own children since last year's gathering. You will never know what that has meant to them. I see others of you taking time out of the normal flow of church life to speak with and get to know our teenagers, and it thrills me. Thank you for loving our flock so much that you share not only God's Good News but your own lives, too.



Jan/Feb 2022

Seniors Ministry Staff

Rev. Bryan Bult Assoc. Minister to Seniors
 Janet B. Altman Seniors Ministry Coord.

January Gatherings

- 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY
- 8 9:00 AM Encouragers Breakfast
- 12 1:00 PM Encouragers Steering Committee
- 17 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR DAY
- 19 1:00 PM Barnabas Min Prayer & Note Writing
- 20 11:30 AM Encouragers Lunch at Grecian Gardens
- 31 8:00 AM Seniors Ministry Men's Breakfast
- 31 5:30 PM Couples in Action Steering Committee

February Gatherings

- 5 9:00 AM Encouragers Breakfast
- 9 1:00 PM Encouragers Steering Committee
- 15 6:00 PM 4th Annual Spaghetti Soiree
- 16 1:00 PM Barnabas Min Prayer & Note Writing
- 21 PRESIDENTS DAY
- 28 5:30 PM Couples in Action Steering Committee





Strawberry Ice Cream For Pick-up or Delivery

Saturday, January 15 is National Strawberry Ice Cream Day. Seniors Ministry invites you to reserve a 14 oz. container (or two) of Strawberry Häagen-Dazs by contacting Janet Altman at 803-799-9062 Ext. 550 before January 10.

We will have a "drive thru" pick-up location at the church, but we are also glad to deliver to your home. **There is no charge for the ice cream.** Any donation you wish to make will be divided among Local Missions organizations supported by First Pres.



ENCOURAGERS

FELLOWSHIP | PRAYER | SERVICE
Singles 50+ Years Old



We will enjoy our monthly Saturday breakfast buffet, devotional, and hymn on January 8 & February 5 at 9:00 AM in Jackson Hall. Cost is \$5. Reservations are needed.



GRECIAN GARDENS RESTAURANT

(803)794-7552
www.greciangardenssc.com

We will meet for lunch on Thursday, January 20 at 11:30 AM. If you wish to carpool, a group will leave the Family Life Center parking lot at 11:00 AM. Reservations are needed.

CATAWBA PRESBYTERY SENIOR CONNECT DAY

Friday, March 18
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Iain M. Duguid, Professor of Old Testament at Westminster Theological Seminary and Pastor of Christ Presbyterian Church in Glenside, Pennsylvania.



MARCH 30-APRIL 3, 2022

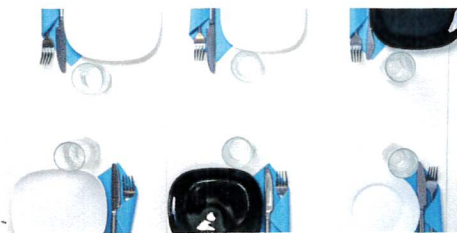
Special Guests: Dr. Sinclair Ferguson & Dr. Robert Godfrey



UPcoming EVENTS

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couples
 IN ACTION
 FELLOWSHIP • PRAYER • SERVICE

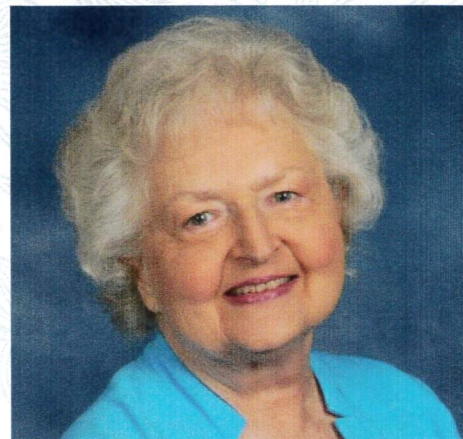
Dinner for Six



The Couples in Action Steering Committee invites couples over the age of 50 to sign up to participate in **Dinner for Six**. The idea is that 3 couples will rotate between their 3 homes (February thru April)

and share a meal. Meals can be potluck or prepared by the host/hostess. A sign-up form went out via email in December, but you can also contact Janet Altman at 803-799-9062 Ext. 550 with questions or to sign up.

Romans 12:9-13 *Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.*



Deborah Kirkland, First Presbyterian Church Librarian

Let Us Worship God

As we celebrate the 225 plus 2 (227 years) of our church in 2022, we will continue to be intentional about how we worship God. Our Senior Minister, Dr. Derek W.H. Thomas, has written a new book, *Let Us Worship God: Why We Worship the Way We Do*. The book elaborates on sermons he preached at our church about the different parts of our worship service. Learn more about the great joy of worshipping God. The book is available from the Book Service locations with payment envelopes or payment on the church website or app. Visit the church library to check-out books in Room 200 of The Bridge. Instructions are posted. An online computer catalog is available.
library@firstprescolumbia.org



Tuesday, February 15 @ 6:00 PM In Jackson Hall

An intergenerational gathering of those 50+ years old and our middle and high school youth.

MENU

- Caesar Salad
- Baked Spaghetti Primavera
- Garlic Bread & Dessert
- The Youth will provide instrumental dinner music.
- Please make reservations by Tuesday, February 8.

Seniors Ministry will offer a Men's Breakfast in Jackson Hall each quarter in 2022. This gathering is for men over the age of 50 and a sign-up sheet will be sent via email several weeks before each breakfast. You may also sign up by contacting Janet at (803)799-9062 Ext. 550.



Monday, January 31 @ 8:00 AM In Jackson Hall
Cost: \$5

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Crossword Puzzle

1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9		10	11	12	13
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ACROSS

- ___ up; misbehaves
- Form
- Working group
- Keats or Yeats
- Jeopardy
- Enveloping atmosphere
- Word with green or lasting
- Amphitheatre
- Rip
- Vacation spots
- Swears
- Musical notes
- Direct
- Strong thread
- Group tub
- Egg holders
- Harem rooms
- Ms. Farrow
- State-of-the-art
- Woman's nickname
- Fighter
- ___ for; try to win
- Plentifully
- Diet soft drink
- Pass out
- Varnish ingredient
- Skedaddled
- Occurring less often
- German city
- For each
- Glorified

- Brings back to life
- Fork part
- Fess up
- Tack
- Slangy denial
- City in Arizona
- Anglo-Saxon servant
- Is less than honest
- Methodical arrangement
- Worry

DOWN

- One who mocks
- Small bay
- Mickelson's pegs
- Ambles
- Tiffs
- His and ___
- "___ you kidding me?"
- Fiesta feature
- Lift the spirits of
- ___ to; indulged
- Has second thoughts about
- He was: Lat.
- Conflicts
- ___ Dawn Chong
- Domingo, notably
- No-frills
- Stopover
- Flawless
- Dark color
- Mister

- Cut
- Commonplace
- Derisive expression
- ___ West
- Crowd
- Watch site
- John, in Glasgow
- Breakfast specials
- Guadalcanal heroes
- More flushed
- Gun the engine
- "___ shining sea."
- Pickled pepper picker
- Common Latin abbr.
- I & V & I & V & I
- Last of the Stuart monarchs
- Like a juicy peach
- Great in size
- German pronoun
- Assassinated
- Twenty-five hundred

