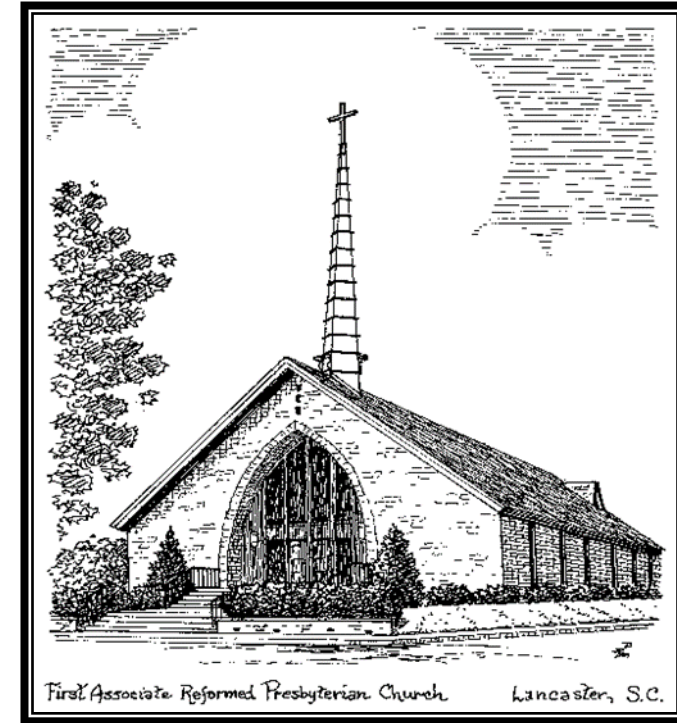


Volunteers

	March 11	March 18
Nursery	Erin Tindal	Susan Prete
Toddlers	Dell Ghent	Kimberly Hefner
Greeters (F)	Richard & Patricia Gardner	Joe & Debby Hegler
(S)	Richard & Lorri Crawford	Philip & Stacey Pegram
	March	April
Elders	Richard Crawford Ed Ogburn	Frank Brackett Buddy Lever
Captain	Keith Jaillette	Dave Mohr
Ushers	Ben Rivers Richard Crawford Andrew Johnson	Matthew Rivers Richard Gardner Tom Holland



Staff and Officers

STAFF		ELDERS	DEACONS
Pastor- Dr. Kyle E. Sims	2018	Ed Ogburn	Debbie Dickson
Pastoral Intern- Mr. Ethan McConnell		Richard Crawford	Keith Jaillette
Choir Director- Dr. Kristen Wunderlich	2019	Frank Brackett	Debby Hegler
Organist- Mrs. Amy Jones		Buddy Lever	Dave Mohr
Secretary- Mrs. Stacy Pokopac	2020	Richard Gardner	Daniel Bohler
		Sam Prete	Richard Shields

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March 11, 2018

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Worship

GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude

Mrs. Amy Jones

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Kyle Sims

ENTERING WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 9:1-2

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

Our Father Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name,
 Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread;
 And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors;
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;
 For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

***Hymn**

Red Trinity Hymnal #253

"There Is a Fountain Filled With Blood"

Confession of Sin

Lord Jesus, I have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, and of neglect to seek You in my daily life. My sins and shortcomings present me with a list of accusations, but I thank You that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver me from every evil habit, every interest of former sins, everything that dims the brightness of Your grace in me, everything that prevents me taking delight in You. Amen

**stand as you are able*

Financials

AUTOMATIC

DRAFT

Are you ready to take a step of faith? Sign up for a monthly draft of your giving.

It is a serious commitment to set up your tithe to come out every month, but we are called to give from our first fruits. This is a tool to help you be faithful and regular in your giving to Christ and His church. For more information see Sam Huey.

March 4, 2018	
Attendance	88
General Fund	\$4,622
Total GF contributions this month	\$4,622
Average Monthly Budget requirement	\$19,214
Missions Fund	\$42

General Fund	February	YTD
Contributions	\$17,924	\$36,882
Expenditures	\$22,120	\$42,716
Difference	-4,196	-5,834
Missions Support		
Contributions	\$442	\$976
Expenditures	\$1,263	\$2,566
Congregational Care Fund		
Contributions	\$30	\$71
Expenditures	\$340	\$340
Memorial Fund		
Contributions	\$50	\$195
Expenditures	\$0	\$0

HOPE IN LANCASTER HOPE is currently seeking donations of healthy, non-perishable foods such as the following:

Spaghetti Sauce, Canned Potatoes, Grits, Cereal, Instant Potatoes, Canned Tomatoes, Juice, & Jiffy Mix.

HOPE also has a Fresh and Healthy food initiative to provide healthier food options for their clients. Additional pantry needs include:

Peanut Butter, Canned Salmon, Jelly, Canned Fruit, Canned Beef Stew, & Dry Pasta

Pastor's Corner

March 11, 2018

This is part 2 of 3 introductions to our Women's Ministries Bible studies. Be sure to register for our Women's Ministries Meet & Greet Saturday, April 21. Details are on the bulletin board outside the church office.

The Jones Robinson Pressly Circle

Jones Robinson Circle

Two women's Bible study groups at First ARP Church were once named Circle One and Circle Two. In 1928, the names were changed to the Rebecca Jones Circle, named for the wife of State Supreme Court Judge Ira B. Jones, and the Harriet Lou Robinson Circle, named for Mrs. W. D. Robinson. These two circles merged in 1968 to form the Jones Robinson Circle.

Sarah Pressly Circle

To fulfill a need for working women, the Business Women's Circle, which met in the evening, was formed in 1932. After the death of Dr. W. S. Patterson, beloved pastor of the Lancaster and Shiloh churches for twenty-five years, the Business Women's Circle took the name of Patterson Circle. In May of 1949, a group of young mothers in the Patterson Circle formed another circle named Sarah Pressly Circle for one of the young missionaries in Pakistan. In January of 1998, the Patterson Circle joined the Sarah Pressly Circle.

Jones Robinson Pressly Circle

In September 2006, the Sarah Pressly Circle and the Jones Robinson Circle merged to form the Jones Robinson Pressly Circle.

In the present day, this group gives women an opportunity to get to know one another better and to grow in commitment to Christ. It is a time for bible study, sharing, praying, and financially supporting missionaries and other projects. If 1:30PM suits you, come join the good time of fellowship in the church library the first Monday of each month.

Betty Allen- JRP Circle Secretary

Assurance of Pardon

Ezekiel 36:25-27

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

***Confession of Faith**

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;
Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
Born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell;
The third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into Heaven,
And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic** church;
The communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
The resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen, amen.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Celtic Communion"

Chancel Choir

***universal*

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

MEANS OF GRACE

***Psalm**

“The Holiness Of God”

Blue ARP Psalter #187

Pastoral Prayer

Anthem

“God So Loved the World”

Chancel Choir

Children’s Sermon

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Exodus 17:1-7

Pew Bible Page 59

Sermon

“The People’s Court”

Rev. Leon Brown

Prayer of Application

RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL

***Hymn**

“My Faith Has Found a Resting Place”

Red Trinity Hymnal #468

***Free Offer of the Gospel**

***Closing Prayer**



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mar. 11-14 Special Services
- Mar. 13 Presbytery at Oak Ridge ARP Church - 10:00AM
- Mar. 20 Lunch Bunch- 11:30AM
- Mar. 23-25 Middle School Retreat - Bonclarken
- Mar. 25 Easter Music and Reception
- Mar. 29 Maundy Thursday Service
- Mar. 31 Easter Egg Hunt- 1:00PM
- Apr. 15-20 Bonclarken Work Week
- April 19 Life Line Screening
- Apr. 21 Women’s Ministries Meet and Greet- 1st Lancaster- 9:00AM

LIFELINE EVENT Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at First Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church on 4/19/2018. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or text the word circle to 797979 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle.



YOUTH GROUP NEWS Youth group meets on the second Sunday of the month from 6-7PM and on the 4th Sunday of the month at 12PM for lunch. Parents are asked to take turns providing the meal. A sign up sheet is available on the youth bulletin board near the Fellowship Hall. See Ethan McConnell with questions.

Announcements



VISITORS Welcome to Lancaster First ARP. If you are a first time visitor, our ushers have a welcome packet for you. If you are a returning visitor, please fill out an attendance card from the pew in front of you so we may have a record of your visit. Offering envelopes are also available for your convenience.

SPECIAL SERVICES Rev. Leon Brown, church planter and pastor at Crown and Joy Presbyterian church in Richmond, VA will be the speaker for this year's Special Services March 11-14. He has a fascinating testimony of his youth and conversion, has preached the Girardeau Lectures at First Presbyterian in Columbia, and is a graduate of Westminster Seminary in California. He is currently working on a Doctorate in Hebrew. Please make time this week to attend this great worship opportunity.



WEDNESDAY FAMILY NIGHT Join us for Wednesday night supper before special services. Supper is served at 5:45 followed by Worship at 6:30. The cost is \$3 each or \$10 per family. Checks to BUTCH GHENT are accepted. Please sign up on the bulletin board in front of the church office by Tuesday.

WOMEN'S WORK WEEK Thank you to all the ladies who participated in the first of three work days this spring. We will meet again March 29 and April 7 at 10:30 to polish, clean out, straighten up, etc. If you are able to help on a different date, just check the list in the parlor to see what needs to be done. See Debby Hegler with questions.

WEBSITE FEEDBACK We are still looking for feedback on our church website. Please visit our current site at www.firstarplancaster.org and let us know what works or doesn't work, and what you would like us to add or take away. Contact the church office at onahill@comporium.net to share your ideas .

LEAVING WORSHIP

***Congregational Response**

Song Supplement #1

May the peace of God our heav'nly Father
And the grace of Christ the risen Son
And the fellowship of God the spirit
Keep our hearts and minds within His love
And to Him be praise for His glorious reign
From the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain
Christ eternal the King of Kings

"Benediction"

Words and Music by Stuart Townsend and Keith Getty

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***The Greeting of the Congregation**

Taking the Gospel To the World

Isaiah 26:9

My soul yearns for you in the night; my spirit within me earnestly seeks you. For when your judgments are in the earth, the inhabitants of the world learn righteousness.

Sermon Notes

Text: Exodus 17:1-7

Title: "The People's Court"

Prayer Emphasis

Andrew Brunson - Pray for his safety, health, encouragement, and soon release.

Special Services - Pray that God will bless Rev. Leon with unction and power as he preaches God's Word. Pray our hearts and minds will be ready and prepared to hear God's Word. Pray the community will come and be blessed. Pray the Lost will come and be saved.

Rev Leon Brown - Pray for his church Crown and Joy PCA in Richmond. Pray as they are looking to a new work in Los Angeles. Pray for his preaching, teaching, and speaking ministry. Pray for his family as he is here with us away from them.

Pray for our Government- Pray for the State Legislature in session. Pray for Mayor John Howard as he battles cancer. Pray for the work of government at all levels.

Pray for our Presbytery meeting- Pray that God's will would be done and Christ's Kingdom would be advanced. Pray that we would have unity among the brothers. Pray for Elder Sam Prete attending First meeting.

Pray for the work of the Gospel in Lancaster- Pray it may impact this community through us. Pray that the Lost may be saved. Pray that Christians may be transformed.

Sister Churches

Faith Fellowship ARP- Cypress, TX- Dr. Robert Ferguson

First Presbyterian- Columbia, SC- Rev. Derek Thomas

Ongoing Prayer

Requests

First ARP

Ann Pokopac
 Carol Nims- Presbyterian Home- Florence
 Carlyle & Mott Henley
 Chic Whitlock- Morningside
 Clara Nell Robinson
 Erin Tindal
 George Mason
 Betty Allen
 I. W. Caskey
 John & Pat Willis
 Katey Powell
 Marilyn Duve
 Mary Brown Parks-White Oak
 Mary Ella Jordan
 Nancy Ogburn
 Sally Lloyd
 Tom Strickland

Church Planters

Ben Carver- Shem Creek ARP- Mt. Pleasant
 Ian Wise-Pageland RPCNA
 Matt Awtrey-Kings' Church- Irmo
 Rob Turner- Arsenal Hill- Columbia

Missionaries

Phil & Sarah Baer- Wycliffe
 Rebekah Carson-Germany
 Mark & Natalie Witte-Spain

Military

Alex Coale- Japan
 Dillon Coale- NAS Pensacola

Friends & Family

Andrew Brunson- Prison in Turkey
 Charles and Annie Montgomery- Susan Prete's
 Parents
 Darrell Wayne Bristow- Pat McEachern's
 Brother
 Delphine Spinks- Geri Brazell's Sister
 Donna Bohler- Daniel Bohler's Mom
 Doris Hudson- Lorri Crawford's Mother
 George Busch- Scots Kirk Presbyterian Church
 Gwen Furse- Friend of the Pokopac's
 Jimmy Simpson- Mary Ella Jordan's Cousin
 JoAnn Byrd-Patricia Gardner's Mother
 Joan Pardue- Benny Brazell's Sister
 John Christian Rozycki- Kristen Wunderlich's
 Nephew
 Judy Morrison- Aaron Morrison's Step Mom
 Louise Carpenter- Debbie Dickson's Mom
 Mary Ginty-Katey Powell's Mother
 Mary Musselwhite- Pat McEachern's Friend
 Richard Harms and Family
 Robert and Janice McClelland- Andrea Hen-
 ley's Parents
 Sandra Ginty- Katey Powell's Sister-In-Law
 Shirley Parker- Brazell's Sister-In-Law

Young Worshipers


During the worship service your youngest children should draw pictures of what they hear and see in the appropriate boxes, while older children ought to take written notes.

<p><u>Scripture Text and Title</u></p>	<p><u>My Favorite Hymn From This Week</u></p>
<p><u>Sermon Points</u></p>	<p><u>What I Learned Today?</u></p>
<p><u>Things To Pray For</u></p>	<p><u>How Will I Obey God's Word?</u></p>

March

2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
				1 10:30 Women's Work Day
4 MS Retreat deadline Sr. Hi Retreat	5 1:30 JRP Circle 4:00 JL Circle	6	7 5:45 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir	8
11 5:00 AE Circle 6:30 Special Ser- vices	12 6:30 Special Ser- vices	13 Presbytery at Oak Ridge ARP 6:30 Special Ser- vices	14 5:45 Supper 6:30 Special Ser- vices	15
18 7:00 Session	19 6:30 Trail Life (Navigators)	20 11:30 Lunch Bunch	21 5:45 Supper 6:30 Classes 7:30 Choir	22
25 MISSIONS 12:00 Youth Lunch 6:00 Easter Music Celebration	26 6:30 Trail Life	27	28 No Wednesday Night events	29 10:30 Women's Work Day Maundy Thurs- day service

Fri	Sat
2 Sr. Hi Retreat	3 Sr. Hi Retreat
9 7:00 Youth breakfast	10
16 7:00 Youth breakfast	17
23 7:00 Youth breakfast M S Retreat	24 Church Work Day M S Retreat
30 	31 1:00 Easter Egg Hunt

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6- Don & Betsy Rushing
- 10- Carlyle & Mott Henley
- 30- Mark & Kimberly Hefner
- 31- Chuck & Sonja Coale

BIRTHDAYS

- 1- Sam Huey
- 6- Phil Baer
- 8- Frank Brackett
- 10- Kyle Sims
- 18- Barton Henley
- 19- Lorri Crawford
- 21- Dell Ghent
- 24- Kimberly Hefner
- 26- Johnny Jones
- 27- Amanda Banholzer
- 29- Buddy Lever

NORMAL SUNDAY

SCHEDULE

- 9:15 Officer Meeting
- 9:30 Coffee Fellowship
- 10:00 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship