

## This Week at FPC

### Sunday, January 1

#### **Happy New Year!**

11:00 a.m. Combined Worship\*

### Monday, January 2

Church Office Closed.

### Tuesday, January 3

7:00 p.m. MSNGRbird Rehearsal

### Wednesday, January 4

4:00 p.m. Anne Elizabeth Shepherd Event

6:30 p.m. CYPP Training

7:35 p.m. Adult Choir

### Thursday, January 5

7:15 a.m. Men's Breakfast

5:30 p.m. Worship Ministry

### Friday, January 6

11:00 a.m. Intercessory Prayer Group

2:00 p.m. Website Meeting

### Saturday, January 7

12:00 p.m. Personal Prayer for World Peace

*(Wherever you are when the siren sounds)*

\* Childcare Provided

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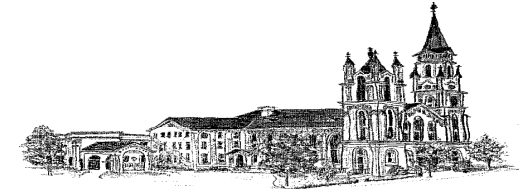
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## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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### **Prayer for a New Year**

*May we who are pilgrims, conscious of life's varying scenes, learn by faith, our Father to cling to Thee.*

*We know that Thou wilt be in the future as Thou  
hast been in the past.*

*We know that Thou wilt lead us on through all the  
tomorrows as Thou hast led us through  
the yesterdays.*

*We know that Thou wilt not let us go, even when we,  
in willful neglect and indulgence, try to wander  
from Thy way.*

*As we set our faces toward the new year, we know full well that it will bring many changes. The old must give place to the new. Time does not stand still, nor the world cease from its turning. Wilt Thou give to us the courage and fortitude of mature men and women that will enable us to stand upon our faith, as the spirit of the living Lord shall give us strength. In Thy strong name we pray. Amen.*

From - The Prayers of Peter Marshall



All Members, *Ministers*  
The Reverend Charles R. Hasty, Jr., *Senior Pastor*  
The Reverend Dr. E. Jones Doughton, *Associate Pastor*  
Mr. Thomas H. George, Jr., *Organist and Choirmaster*  
Ms. Suzanne McCary, *Church Administrator*  
Mr. Don Sharitt, *Director of Youth Ministries*  
Mrs. Jami Conroy, *Director of Children's Ministries*  
The Reverend Jason Micheli, *Campus Pastor, Abbey Fellowship*



## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*1st Sunday after Christmas*

*Liturgical Color: White*

January 1, 2012 † 11 a.m.

### † GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME †

PRELUDE *As With Gladness Men of Old* Burkhardt

(Prepare for worship in silent prayer.)

CHORAL INTROIT *This is the Day* Chapin

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

\*HYMN 170 *O Come, All Ye Faithful* ADESTE FIEDLES

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Almighty and Merciful God, You promise us forgiveness and new life in Jesus Christ. We confess that we remain occupied with ourselves, separated from sisters and brothers in Christ. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another; we allow the past to hold us hostage. In Your loving kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from sin. Remind us of the promises You make to us as our Savior so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace ...***(continue in silent personal confession)*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: Friends, hear and believe the Good News of the Gospel.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\*GLORIA PATRI HYMN 546

*(Children K-3 grade dismissed to Children's Church)*

### † PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD †

\*HYMN FOR ILLUMINATION 159 *What Child is This?* GREENSLEEVES

\*FIRST LESSON Luke 2:21-35, 52 p.58, NT

ANTHEM *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* Bach

Jesu, joy of man's desiring, Holy wisdom Love most bright; Drawn by Thee, our souls aspiring, Soar to uncreated light. Word of God our flesh that fashioned With the fire of life impassioned. Striving still to Truth unknown, Soaring, dying, round Thy throne.

\*SECOND LESSON Galatians 4:4-7 p. 189, NT

SERMON

**In The Fullness of Time**

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton

### † RESPONDING TO THE WORD †

\*HYMN OF AFFIRMATION 161 *Joy to the World* ANTIOCH

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER ("Debts", "Debtors")

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above coming down from the Father of lights (James 1:17a).  
Are you using your gifts of time, talent and treasure for His glory?*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *The Old Year Now Hath Passed Away* Bach

\*DOXOLOGY HYMN 544

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

### † SENDING †

\*HYMN 168 *Angels, from the Realms of Glory* REGENT SQUARE

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE *Go in Peace* Rutter

\*POSTLUDE *Let All Together Praise Our God* Walther

*\*Worshipers are invited to stand.*

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Following the 11 a.m. service, a Stephen Minister will be available in the Sanctuary for prayer and in the Museum for private prayer.

Hearing devices are available by request in the Sanctuary. Please ask any usher for assistance.

Youth & Children's Ministries  
Family Ministries

**LOGOS-a-GoGo 2011 - 2012**

**Bible Verse :**

*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want; he makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.*

**Isaiah 4:17**

**Logos Themes**

Jan. 4	No Logos
Jan. 11	Epiphany
Jan. 18	Backwards Night
Jan. 25	Grandparent's Night

**Child and Youth Protection Policy Training Class**

In accordance with the Child and Youth Protection Policy, volunteers who work with children and youth at First Presbyterian Church are required to attend one child safety training class annually (1 hour). This year we will offer two classes in January:

**Wednesday, January 4 6:30-7:30 p.m.**  
(please note there is no LOGOS this evening)  
**Sunday, January 22 12:15 p.m.**  
(lunch will be provided)

Please make a reservation through Kimberly Moseley at 706.322.4523 or at [kmoseley@columbusfpc.org](mailto:kmoseley@columbusfpc.org) to attend one of the classes and let us know if you will need child care for children ages 6 weeks – 5<sup>th</sup> grade.

Thank you for your cooperation in helping to create a safe environment for our children!

**Youth Calendar  
(6th - 12th grades)**

- Jan. 8 SNL! (Sack Lunch Packing) and Youth Choir resume.
- Jan. 11 Logos and Yada Yada resume.
- Jan. 12 High School Bible Study at the Montgomery's 7 - 8:30 p.m.
- Jan. 14 Confirmation Retreat at FPC. 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. in the Lodge.
- Jan. 15 Confirmation Class Begins NO SNL!
- Jan. 22 SNL! (Bible Study)
- Jan. 27-29 High School Quest
- Jan. 29 No SNL!

**YOUTH CHOIR WILL NOT** meet on January 1. Our next rehearsal will be on Sunday, January 8.

**Children's Musical rehearsals** will begin next Sunday, January 8. Rehearsals will run from 3:00 – 5:00. All children in grades 3 – 5 are invited to be a part of this year's musical production. We hope to cast parts at this first rehearsal!

**Check out First Presbyterian Church's NEW website at [www.columbusfpc.org](http://www.columbusfpc.org) &**




Congregational Joys & Concerns

**Health Concerns**

**Members:** Terrell Adams, William Gibbs, Faye Johnson, Scott Jones, Hugh Kennedy, Ty Kingery, Betty Lawrence, Elaine McMillen, Bill Miley, Daniel Moseley, Dave Moss, Laurene Moye, Bill Mullin, Fran Paepcke.

**Family:** Virginia Bartow, *mother of Pam B. Moye*; Steve Enfinger, *cousin of Faye Johnson*; Catherine Handjis, *aunt of Chris Smith*; Florence Henry, *mother of Larry Henry*; Shara Johnson, *daughter-in-law of Will and Faye Johnson*; the Merriken Family, *friends of Jarrett and Leah Cudd*; Ed and Mary Ann Neal, *father and mother of Warner Neal*; Virginia Rhoades, *mother of Sharon Webb*; Jane Shirah, *sister of Paul Dobbs*; David Stephenson, *son of Agnes Stephenson*; Susan Thomas, *sister-in-law of Inga Paris*, Cathy Smith Wilkerson, *niece of Biddy Hammett*.

**Remember our deployed soldiers:** Charles Carmen, Derek DiBello, Ben Durham, Wade Greenley, Zachary Labas, Allie Vacalis, their families, and military families around the world.

† In Memoriam †  
**Edgar B. Horn**  
July 29, 1920 - December 23, 2011

**Thank You!** To the members of this church, thank you for your sympathy during this difficult time for us. Your consideration and prayers for us have been greatly appreciated. It is a great blessing to have such a caring church family. God bless this church and its members.  
Hwa Yong Coffin and Samuel Coffin

**Celebrating:** We are celebrating with Daniel who has been undergoing chemotherapy treatments for Leukemia for the last 3 years! Daniel will be having Outpatient surgery on Tuesday, January 3 to have his port removed and he will complete all treatments on Thursday, January 5. Thank you so much for all of the love, prayers and support you have given us during this time.  
Danny, Kimberly and Daniel Moseley

Notes for Sunday, January 1, 2012

**11:00 AM Usher Team**

Tom and Lucile Flournoy – Captains, Mary Dell Borneman, Bob Borneman, Walker Borneman, Sam Dismuke, Sara Dismuke, Mint Flowers, Jim Gunby, Elizabeth Harbison, Abigail Hasty, Hugh Kennedy, Mary Casey Powers.

**Vestibule Team**

Ed Adams - Captain, Tommy Adams, Ed Booth, Jake Burrus, Jim Moye, Stacy Welch.

**Greeters and First Friends**

Leonard Buce, Rachel Cowart, Cammy Currie.

**TV Team**

Jeff Adams, Matt Adams, Rush Wickes.

**Soundboard**

Stacy Welch.

**Pastor-on-Call**

Rev. Dr. E. Jones Doughton

**Sermons Online**

Go to [www.columbusfpc.org](http://www.columbusfpc.org), click on Worship and then Sermon Archives.

**Financial Status through Sunday, December 27:**

Total Income	\$1,515,468.30
Total Expenses	(\$1,560,883.48)
	(\$45,415.18)

Note: These numbers do not represent the final report for the year 2011.

**Congregational Meeting Sunday, January 8, 2012**, following the 11 a.m. worship service. For the purpose of renewing our line of credit at Sun-Trust Bank.

**Congratulations** to Ed and Jessica Adams on the birth of their son, Thomas Edwin Adams, IV, born on December 28. Proud grandparents are Tommy and Terrell Adams, proud great-grandparents are Ed and Kathryn Adams and proud aunt is Julie Adams.

**Rev. Hasty** and his family are away visiting family this weekend and preaching at Edisto Island Presbyterian Church in South Carolina.

## Ministry Opportunities

As North Korea's economy continues to deteriorate exacerbating already chronic food shortages Christians in the country, aided by partners such as the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) are assisting the most vulnerable North Koreans, the elderly and children. **The Bongsu Noodle Factory and Bakery**, operated by the Korean Christian Federation, the government-sanctioned church and PC(USA) partner turns one metric ton of flour daily into much-needed noodles and bread for distribution to orphanages and homes for the elderly. The flour, which must be imported from neighboring China, costs a little over one dollar a pound to purchase and ship here. These are difficult days for Christians in this troubled country. Please pray for this church during government transition.

**FEELING DOWN? STEPHEN MINISTRY** can help. Stephen Ministers are not just there for the "big" crises they are also available for the little ones, because many times the little things add up. Consider Stephen Ministry if the little things are taking their toll. Contact Rev. Doughton for more information.

**Stephen Ministers Available.** If you would like to pray with a Stephen Minister immediately following the 11 a.m. worship service, Mary Margaret Stone will be in the Museum, Debbie Allen will be in the Sanctuary, and Earle Powell will be on call during the week at 706.569.7776. All contacts with Stephen Ministers are held in confidence.

**Save the Date and Fasten your Seatbelts: The Eighth Annual Global Missions Conference** will begin on Wednesday, February 8 and continue to Wednesday, February 15.

**ADULT HANDBELL CHOIR WILL NOT** meet on January 3. Our next rehearsal will be on Tuesday, January 10, beginning at 7:30.

### Holiday Giving at First Presbyterian Church

**Thornwell Offering:** \$1,500.00

**Mission Auction:** \$9,676.00

**Christmas Giving Market:** \$5,250.00

**Joy Gift Offering:** \$1,845.00

**Good News Church Offering:** \$2,147.00

Our **Christmas Eve Offering** will be divided between our partner church, The Good News Baptist Church in Moscow, and the PC(USA) Joy Gift Offering. Thank you to all that donated.

The **Mildred Frazer Kinnett Award**, named for one of the saints of Global Mission at FPC, will be presented at the Global Mission Conference to an individual or group who has made significant contribution to Global Mission or Local Mission at this church. The Mission Ministry Team is now soliciting nominations from the congregation at large. If you have someone in mind please write out the nominee's name and brief description of qualifications, place it in a sealed envelope and give it to Rev. Doughton. Your input is appreciated.

**Sack Lunch Ministry:** As you are preparing your family for the cooler weather to come, please remember that our friends who come to the door each day for a sack lunch could also use some help. We are requesting clean adult-sized jackets, coats, hats and gloves. We could also use heavy shirts and sweatshirts as well as socks. We have very limited storage space but will try to find room for these much-needed seasonal items. Thank you in advance for your help.

## Fellowship & Christian Education Opportunities

### Men's Prayer Breakfast

will meet again on Thursday, January 5, 2012 at 7:15 a.m. in the Parlor.

### Men's Life

will resume on January 10, 2012 in the Lodge at 6:30 a.m.

### At Home Communion Sunday, January 8:

Teams of Deacons and Elders will take communion to members of the church who are unable to attend on that day. If you know a member who would like to receive communion at home, in assisted living, in a nursing home, or in the hospital, please contact the church office.

### College and Career Sunday Morning Conversations

Join us 20-somethings on Sundays at 10 a.m. in room 108 to discuss the intersection of our faith and events in the news. For more information, please visit <http://www.columbusfpc.org/adult-sunday-school> or contact Rev. Jason Micheli.

**Oasis : Prayer:** Join us in the chapel on Wednesdays from 5 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. for a time of quiet reflection and prayer. (Feel free to arrive late.) We close with a communal prayer at 5:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Rev. Micheli.

**Wanted:** Volunteers to run the soundboard during church services. No experience necessary. We will teach you. Younger adults welcome. It's fun and challenging and an excellent way to serve your church with your talents. Contact Harry Rice at 706.315.5978.

**2012 Pledge Envelopes:** If you ordered 2012 pledge envelopes they are on the table in the seating area off the reception hall.

We resume our **Church Family Suppers** on Wednesday, January 11 at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The **Iona Service with special prayers for healing** will take place at 6:30 p.m. in the Chapel.

**January 18 :** Grant Scarborough and the new clinic for indigent health care, Mercy Med.

**January 25:** Neil Richardson and the Muscogee County Prison Ministry

**February 1:** Valley Interfaith Promise and Columbus Habitat for Humanity

**Volunteers** are needed to run the TV equipment during church services. No experience is necessary, training is available. It's fun and challenging and an excellent way to serve your church with your talents. Contact Kyle Moyer at 706.322.4523 or [kmoye@columbusfpc.org](mailto:kmoye@columbusfpc.org).

**The Center for Christian Studies Term 4** begins on Sunday, January 8 and will continue through Sunday, February 26. Dee Potts will teach from the book of Ecclesiastes January 8, 15, and 22. Bob Potts will present insights from I Corinthians on January 29, February 5, 19, and 26. February 12 will be dedicated to our Global Mission Conference speaker.

**Church Office Closed.** The church office will be closed Monday, January 2, in observance of the New Year's holiday. It will reopen on Tuesday, January 3, at 8:30 AM.

**The Upper Room and Our Daily Bread** devotional books are located on a table outside the Fellowship Hall.

**Circle 4**

will meet on January 9 at 10:15 a.m. at Spring Harbor in the private dining room with Eleanor Pease.