



connection card
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
More People, More Like Christ

Today's Date: _____

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Check here if the above information is new.

CHECK ONE:

8:15 A.M. 10:45 A.M.

CHECK ONE:

First Time Guest

Regular Attendee

Member

I have a prayer request on the reverse side.

Place this card in the offering plate.

Weekly Calendar...November 26 through December 2

Sunday	Traditional Worship Services, Sanctuary*	8:15 & 10:45 a.m.
	Adults, Student & First Kids, Vine Ministry Hour**	9:30 a.m.
	Community Feast, Jeffords Center	10:30 a.m.
	"ThePoint", Contemporary, Jeffords Center*	11:00 a.m.
	Sanctuary Ringers, Handbell Room	6:00-7:30 p.m.
Monday	Prayer Group, Parlor	5:45 p.m.
Tuesday	Romeos, (Men's Breakfast), IHop	8:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Knitting Ministry, Parlor	10:45-2:00 p.m.
	First Kids Choir Rehearsal, Chapel	6:15-7:00 p.m.
	O4G Mid-Week Gathering, Student Center	6:30-8:00 p.m.
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room	7:00-8:30 p.m.
Friday	Mom's Bible Study, Room 207	9:30-11:30 a.m.
	Women's Bible Study, Conference Room	10:00-11:30 a.m.

*Childcare Provided

+More Information for classes in our respective brochures

Previous Week's Giving and Attendance

Weekly Income	Budget: \$28,166	Actual: \$25,532
Y-T-D Income	Budget: \$1,351,968	Actual: \$1,117,673
Mortgage Debt	Balance: \$374,486	Gifts Received: -0-
Attendance	Classes: 223	Worship: 395



Poinsettia orders in honor or memory of a loved one are now being accepted. Cost: \$10.

Deadline to submit order is

TODAY.

Please fill out the order form found on the Information Table in the Narthex or Jeffords Center and place in the designated basket. Be sure to circle the location where you would like your poinsettia to be displayed.



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**1st Sunday of Advent
November 26, 2017
"A Mother's Story"
Luke 1:26-38**

Welcome Visitors! Please visit the Welcome Center to receive a gift and have your questions answered to make your experience here more gratifying. Please fill out the tear-off Connection Card on the left and place it in the offering plate.

Visitors and Members: Please fill out the tear-off Connection Card and place it in the offering plate. Visitors, if you wish to receive our newsletter, please provide your email address. Members please use the form to provide any change in your address, phones, email address or contact information.

Church Nursery: Nursery/Child Care is available during the worship hours for birth through kindergarten with separate rooms for each age. Please ask an usher if you need help in finding the Christian Education Building, lower level.

Hearing Impaired: Hearing Assisting Devices are available on the table in the Narthex to the right of the sanctuary. Feel free to use and return the device each week.

Adults and Children with Special Needs: If you are here and would like to talk with someone about assistance during The Vine or worship services please let someone at the Welcome Center know or contact Kirsten Lee, 404-422-0435 or email kirstenblee@yahoo.com.

WE CARE...

- Christmas Card Exchange--Sponsored by Student Ministry
Save on Christmas Card Postage While Helping Students!
 Sending Christmas cards to church family member? Why not utilize the Christmas Card Exchange, sponsored by our Student Ministry? Mail your cards in the large mailboxes in the Narthex and Jeffords Center for 25 cents apiece. Cards will be collected through Dec 3rd.
 Please remember to print the family's first and last names on the envelope. Proceeds will help offset costs for our high school summer conference.
- Angel Tree—Gifts for Douglas County Foster Children
Today through Thursday, November 30; 5 p.m.
 We are collecting gifts for 20 foster kids of Douglas County. If you are able to help bless a child in foster care this Christmas, go to the Angel Tree in the Jeffords Center or Narthex and follow the instructions next to the tree. The gifts must be returned by **Thursday, November 30, 5 p.m.** Place unwrapped gifts in a **black plastic bag** with numbered Beige Angel attached to bag for identification.
- Haitian Christmas Gift Market
Sunday Dec 3rd - Sunday Dec 17, 10:30 a.m. - 10:55 a.m.
 Items can be purchased in support of Haitian artisans. Display items can be reserved and picked up on Sunday December 17th. Follow instructions at the display in the corridor between the Jeffords Center and Narthex/Foyer.

WE GROW...

- Advent Devotionals
Today
 Advent Devotionals are available in the Narthex and Jeffords Center for adults and children. Children 6 and under will use the red booklets and those 7 and up will use the blue booklets.

DIRECTOR OF TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Glenna James

Please welcome Glenna James as the permanent Director of Traditional Worship. She was acting director while we conducted a search for Sharon's replacement. The interview team unanimously endorsed her for the position. She has demonstrated a great love for our church and gifts for traditional worship ministry. We are confident that she will continue to build a strong traditional worship service that glorifies God and ministers to people.

WE SERVE

- Operation Christmas, 2017
Now through Thursday, December 7
 We are collecting toys for needy kids in Douglas County Ages 0-17. Gifts should be \$10--\$15. Place **unwrapped** gift in a gift bag and drop in the collection box in the Narthex with the suggested **age** and **gender** of the child clearly marked on the package.
 - **Friday, December 8; 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.**
 An assembly team is needed to help Pastor Andrew pack all the gifts for Operation Christmas into bags for particular families and position them for distribution the next day. Contact Pastor Andrew: andrew@fpcdouglasville.org; 770-942-0710.
 - **Saturday, December 9; 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.**
 Hand out Christmas gifts and invitations to our Christmas services to families in need of support this year. Sign up using this QR Code, or contact Pastor Andrew.



GENEROSITY SPOTLIGHT

How does God use our financial generosity towards the church? Consider Eastside Elementary School...

We have been Partners in Education with Eastside Elementary School for the past three years. Eastside is a Title 1 School, which means a high proportion of students are financially disadvantaged. This year we have supported their intramural sports program, giving \$2,000 dollars towards uniforms and equipment for their tag football team, bottled water for practices and sponsoring an end of year banquet for the students. This program was initiated as an incentive to kids for good behavior and as Ms. Nicole Hall, a teacher at Eastside who runs the program, says "they are definitely seeing better-behaved students." We also sponsored a \$1,250 trip for the 5th grade to go to the Tellus Museum. On two occasions church members filled the shelves of their food pantry, for kids who don't have food to go home to. We also supported their Fall Festival this year with a donation of \$2,000, which enabled 53 kids to attend this ticketed event and provided candy and games. We funded and provided a teacher appreciation day luncheon, mentored kids, knitted hats, took kids on a tour of CNN, and participated in a career day to inspire kids to invest in their education for the future.

This is how God multiplies our gifts to change hearts and transform lives.

Today's Date: _____

Are you or someone you know in need of prayer or have a praise?

- Keep this request confidential within the pastoral staff.
- Publish request on blue prayer sheet.

Requested by: _____
