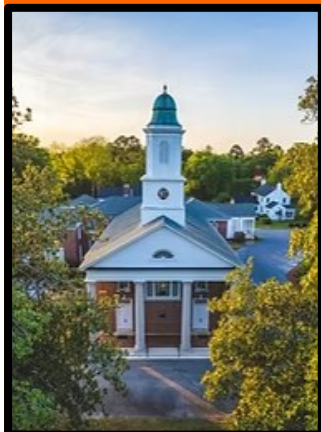




OCTOBER 2025

First Presbyterian Church Cheraw, SC

Dear First Presb Friends,



Happy September and October to y'all! It has been a busy and joyous season in the life of our church! As we look ahead this month, I have a few announcements about upcoming events that I would like to bring to your attention, as there is much to be excited about!

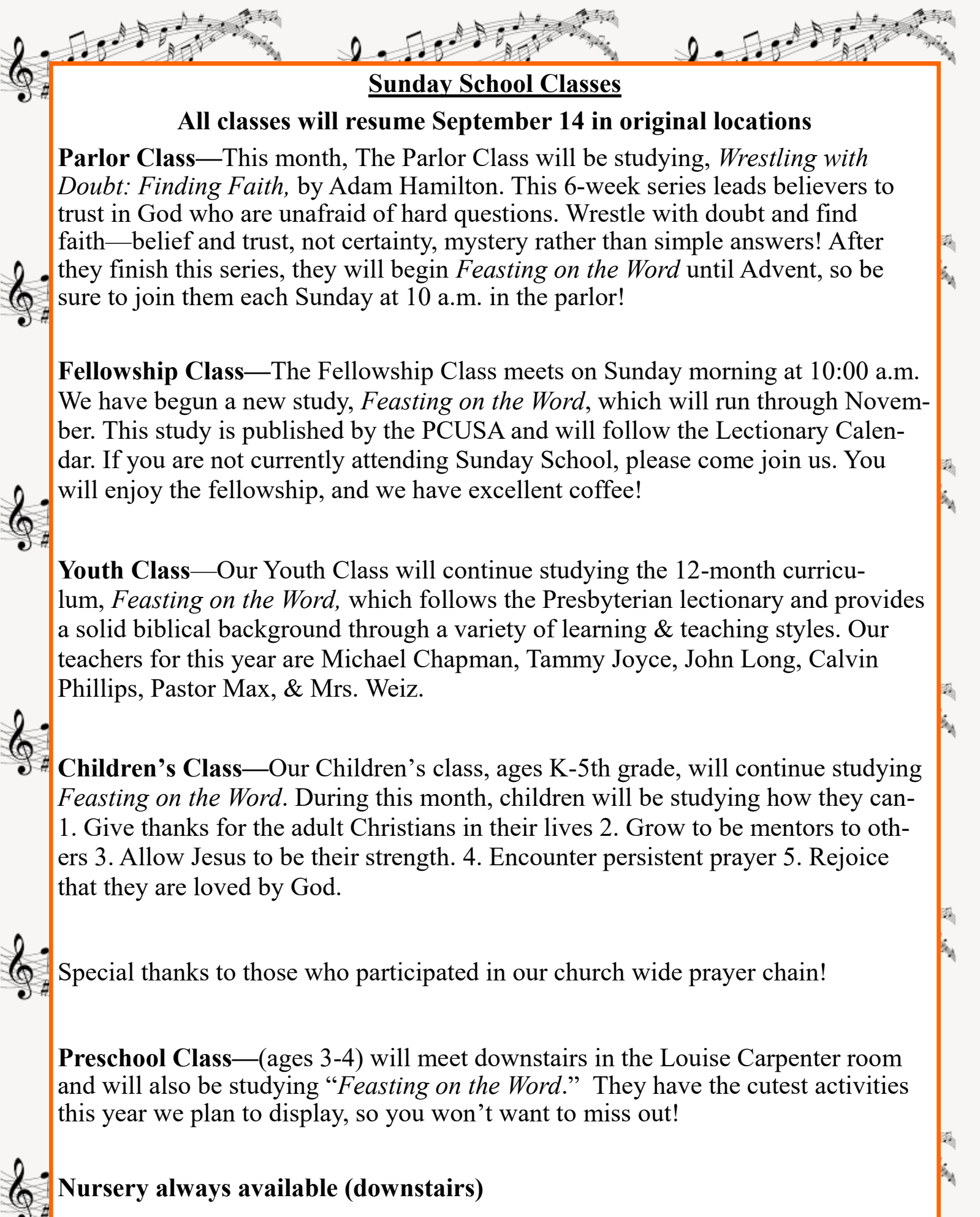
First, be sure to keep an eye out for our various upcoming fundraisers, as we have some exciting events planned and would love to include as many of you as possible. We will have our first *Pancake Supper for our Annual Summer Mission Trip* on October 15th! This is a great opportunity to come on out, enjoy some great food and fellowship while helping to support our Mission Team and Youth! More on the trip soon, as we will be switching locations this Summer! Also, don't forget that Trunk or Treat will be on October 22nd as well!

Also, right around the corner are a few special services in the life of our church! World Communion Sunday is the first of these special services, with the Jazz Festival right around the corner, on October 19th we will have a Saxophonist join us for worship! Our next special service is Reformation Sunday, where we will feature a bagpiper, and then All Saints Sunday, where we will honor all the saints who have passed away over the past year. Keep an eye out for more news soon!

Lastly, while this is a special time in the life of our church, let us also remember those on our prayer list as it continues to grow. We are who we are by the grace of God, so let us share in that same love God always shares with us with one another. During these difficult seasons, please keep those on our Prayer List and their families in your prayers, as this continues to be a particularly difficult season in their lives with surgeries, bad news, and good news alike. We are a body built upon the love Christ shared for us, and so we will do what we can to help each other in our various seasons of life!

Blessings,

Rev. Maxwell Michaels

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Sunday School Classes

All classes will resume September 14 in original locations

Parlor Class—This month, The Parlor Class will be studying, *Wrestling with Doubt: Finding Faith*, by Adam Hamilton. This 6-week series leads believers to trust in God who are unafraid of hard questions. Wrestle with doubt and find faith—belief and trust, not certainty, mystery rather than simple answers! After they finish this series, they will begin *Feasting on the Word* until Advent, so be sure to join them each Sunday at 10 a.m. in the parlor!

Fellowship Class—The Fellowship Class meets on Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. We have begun a new study, *Feasting on the Word*, which will run through November. This study is published by the PCUSA and will follow the Lectionary Calendar. If you are not currently attending Sunday School, please come join us. You will enjoy the fellowship, and we have excellent coffee!

Youth Class—Our Youth Class will continue studying the 12-month curriculum, *Feasting on the Word*, which follows the Presbyterian lectionary and provides a solid biblical background through a variety of learning & teaching styles. Our teachers for this year are Michael Chapman, Tammy Joyce, John Long, Calvin Phillips, Pastor Max, & Mrs. Weiz.

Children's Class—Our Children's class, ages K-5th grade, will continue studying *Feasting on the Word*. During this month, children will be studying how they can—
1. Give thanks for the adult Christians in their lives
2. Grow to be mentors to others
3. Allow Jesus to be their strength
4. Encounter persistent prayer
5. Rejoice that they are loved by God.

Special thanks to those who participated in our church wide prayer chain!

Preschool Class—(ages 3-4) will meet downstairs in the Louise Carpenter room and will also be studying “*Feasting on the Word*.” They have the cutest activities this year we plan to display, so you won't want to miss out!

Nursery always available (downstairs)

Christian Education & Music Ministry Fall Schedule

- ♦ **Wednesday, Oct. 1**—5:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Spaghetti Fundraiser & Karaoke Night!
- ♦ **Sunday, Oct. 5**--Youth Bells to ring in the 11 a.m. service for World Communion
- ♦ **Wednesday, Oct. 8**--- NO Fun Program
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- ♦ **Wednesday, Oct. 22**—Trunk or Treat! 5:30 p.m.
- ♦ **Sunday, Oct. 26**—Reformation Sunday, Bill Caudill, piper to play during 11 a.m. service
- ♦ **Sunday, Nov. 23**—5-6p.m. Pageant Costume fitting; 6-7 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- ♦ **Wednesday, Nov. 26th**—NO Fun Program; No Chancel Choir
- ♦ **Sunday, Nov. 30**—Youth Bells to ring during the 11 a.m. service
- ♦ **Saturday, Dec. 6** —10:00-11:30 a.m.—Christmas Pageant rehearsal with pizza Afterwards
- ♦ **Sunday, Dec. 7** —11a.m. Children's Christmas Pageant (children to ring & sing)
- ♦ **Sunday, December 14**—Chancel Choir Christmas Cantata 4 p.m.
- ♦ **Dec. 10, 17, 24, 31, Jan. 7**-- NO FUN PROGRAM/ MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!
- ♦ **Wednesday, Jan. 14**—Fun Program & Chancel Choir Resume



FPC invites you to join us for our annual

Trunk or Treat

Wednesday, 10/22

5:30pm

300 Market St. Parking Lot

Decorate the trunk of your car
& bring lots of TOT candy! Let's
see who can have the most
spooktacular costume!

www.cherawfpc.org



Save the Date!
Chancel Choir
Christmas Cantata
Sunday, Dec. 14
4 p.m.

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP AT 11 A.M.!

SUNDAY,
OCTOBER 26

REFORMATION SUNDAY

ON THIS DAY, WE WILL
CELEBRATE OUR
PROTESTANT HERITAGE

WITH SPECIAL MUSIC BY
BILL CAUDILL, BAG PIPER

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CHERAW

300 MARKET ST.

**Special thanks to those who helped and
supported the Chancel Choir Spaghetti/Karaoke
Fundraiser!**

**Because of your help,
We will be able to continue funding.
guest musicians and uplifting
worshipful music!**

Love, Weiz



Presbyterian Women News

October Duties

October 5 - Communion -

Jean Page Watson and Beth Witherspoon

October 19 - Youth Supper -

Mary Jane Evans, Shelly Morgan, and Becky Childers

November 2 - Communion -

Tracie and Calvin Phillips

November 16 - Youth Supper -

Cathy Chapman, Beth Witherspoon

Circle Meeting / Bible Study

October 1-

Soup and Sandwich Luncheon at 11:00am in the Fellowship Building.
We will be taking monetary gifts for the Thank Offering.

November 5-

Circle Meeting / Bible Study in the parlor at 10:00am.



Fellowship Committee News

October 22- Trunk or Treat – 5:00-6:00

Bring your friends and come join us for a fun evening of trick or treating.

We would like to have as many cars or trucks as possible, decorated for this event. We will have a hot dog supper from 5:00-6:00. Everyone is welcome to participate!



November 19- Friendsgiving

Fellowship Committee will provide ham, turkey and drinks for this meal.

We are asking everyone to bring their favorite Thanksgiving side dish.

This meal will begin at 5:30.

This is a wonderful way to share your friendship and gratitude with your church family.



December 10- White Christmas Cover Dish Meal

We will be taking up monetary donations for Pee Dee Coalition.



We have also heard from a very reliable source that we will have a very special guest.

So, parents bring your cameras and kids bring your Santa list!



**The Community Women's Bible Study will begin a new series,
Heaven by Jennifer Rothschild, October 7th at 6pm or
Wednesday October 8th at 9am.**

Pick the time and date that works best for you!

**The series will run 6 weeks. Books can be ordered online
through**

Amazon or [Christianbook.com](https://www.christianbook.com).

**See Caroline Streater or Tracie Phillips with questions or
assistance ordering.**





Prayer Changes Things

Gerry Rogers

Ina Coggeshall

Gray & Bea Sloop

Benny Moore

Bobbie Jones

For those suffering from chronic mental and emotional illnesses

B.J. Moore

Louise Carpenter

Shirley Brock

Edward Tinsley

Ruth Jackson

Marion Murphy

Kathie Cook

Kity G. Grubb-niece of Brother Davis

Nadia Harris

Robby & Clytie Roddy

Stasa Petros



- 1 Knox Miller, Karen Tillman**
3 Avery Dickson, Sam Phillips
5 Susie Ingram
6 John Long
10 Alison Chapman
12 Dan Tillman
17 Robert Angle
27 Brylee Denham
31 Tammy Joyce



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5 10:00 am- Church School 11:00 am- Worship (Communion)	6 8:30 am- MMO 5:00 pm- Mission Committee Meeting	7 6:00 pm- Women's Bible Study Resumes	8 8:30 am- MMO 9:00 am- Women's Bible Study 3:15 pm- Fun Program	9	10	11 2:00 pm- Max & Jenny's Baby Shower
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