



Announcements

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 2008

1. MISSIONARIES IN FOCUS

Dan and Becky Rogerson - The Evangelical Alliance Mission (TEAM) - Italy

Dan and Becky have been in Italy since 1998 as church planters with TEAM. In 2004, they moved to the city of Trieste, where they are involved in a ministry of evangelism and church planting. The Rogersons have just completed a year's home ministry assignment and returned to Trieste on August 12. Pray for old friendships to be quickly renewed, and for new ones to quickly form. Pray for continued healing for Becky as she recovers from shoulder surgery. Ask the Lord to open the ears of the Italian people to the truth of the gospel. Pray the Rogersons financial needs will be met. The Rogersons have two teenage children: Josh and Karis.

2. WEDDING

We express best wishes to Susan Hammett Davis and Henry DeWitt Beman IV who were united in holy marriage August 16, at First Presbyterian Church.

3. WOMEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDY: ROMANS: A STUDY COURSE IN THE GOSPEL

Join us for a 23-week study beginning this fall in the book of Romans. Romans is a book rich in Gospel teaching and helps us to discover and appropriately respond to this indescribable gift. Topics include: Overview of the Gospel, Doctrine of Justification and Union with Christ, as well as Living out the Gospel Responses of the Heart: idolatry, assurances, Gospel application in relationships and forgiveness to name a few. The study begins September 3. If you were unable to attend the Women's Ministry Gathering on August 27 please contact Emily Freeman at efreeman@firstpresaugusta.org or 706-823-2012 to pick up your study. Meetings will take place Wednesday mornings from 9:45 - 11:30 a.m. or Wednesday evenings from 7 - 8:45 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church in St. Andrew's Hall. Nurseries will be available and light refreshments will be served. The study costs \$10.

4. INTERESTED IN JOINING?

If you are interested in making First Presbyterian your church home, or are interested simply in knowing more about our church, you are encouraged to attend an Inquirer's class. The next class begins with supper on Friday night, September 5 at 6:30 p.m. The following six Sundays during the Sunday School hour the Pastors will lead you in understanding our doctrine, vision and opportunities to serve in the church. Please call Joan at 706-823-2455 or email jgay@firstpresaugusta.org if you would like to attend.

5. MEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDY: GENESIS: WHAT WERE WE PUT IN THE WORLD TO DO?

Join us for an 11-week study beginning this fall in the book of Genesis. Topics include: Creation, Paradise Lost, City of Man; City of God and much more. Plan to attend one of the sessions beginning Wednesday, September 3, or Sunday, September 7. Classes will be held Wednesday evenings from 7 - 8:45 p.m., with nurseries available, and on Sunday evenings from 5 - 6:15 p.m. Classes will be held in various locations within the church. Registration sheets are available in the Welcome Center. The cost is \$5.

6. NURSERY YOUTH HELPER BASIC TRAINING

Nursery Youth Helper Basic Training will be held Sunday evening, September 7, at 5:45 p.m. in Nursery 2B. This one time training is required for any First Presbyterian Church student (grades 7-12) who are interested in serving in the nursery during the evening service. Please call or email Louise Coleman with questions 706-667-9129 or Louisecoleman5@knology.net.

7. MEN'S CHORUS

The Music Ministry invites all men to participate in a men's chorus on Sunday morning, September 7. All men are welcome to sing. The chorus will sing for both services, and will leave the late service after the anthem (about 11:30 a.m.). Music will be fun and easy. There will be one rehearsal on Thursday, September 4, 7 - 8 p.m. For more information, please call or email Jonathan McGuire. 706-306-7107 or m McGuire.jonathan@gmail.com.

8. YOUTH EXTREME EVANGELISM EXPLOSION

The Youth Ministry is beginning an exciting new program called Extreme Evangelism Explosion (XEE). XEE is designed to equip high school students with the tools to take a friend all the way through the Gospel and into developing a relationship with Christ. XEE will meet on Sunday afternoons beginning September 7 at 5 p.m. in Telfair Hall. For more information on the commitment required for this semester-long course and to sign up, please contact Merrie Barthel at mbarthel@firstpresaugusta.org.

9. HELPING OTHERS CHANGE COURSE

Have you ever been at a loss for words when a friend admitted to having trouble in his/her marriage? Have you ever wondered how to minister to someone in your small group who has just shared a very surprising prayer request? This discipleship course is designed to help us learn how to come alongside and help others by building a firm foundation for understanding why people do what they do, how lasting change takes place, and how to be an instrument of biblical change in the life of another person. Beginning September 10, Pastor Chris Florence will teach this course on Wednesday nights from 7 - 9 p.m. in the 623 Building. Workbooks for the class cost \$25. To register for the course contact Joan Gay either by phone at 706-823-2455 or via email at jgay@firstpresaugusta.org.

10. ALOF BIBLE STUDY

The *A Life Of Faith* Bible Study for girls in kindergarten through fifth grade will have a kick-off party at Miss Kathy's house, Saturday, September 13 from 10:30 a.m. until Noon. All girls and their moms are invited to attend to see what ALOF is all about. At the party you will meet the fictional characters Laylie, Kathleen, Millie, Violet, and Elsie, who will help teach Biblical truths throughout the study. If you plan to attend RSVP to Miss Kathy Jones by Friday, September 12, by calling 803-292-0144.

11. LIFESTYLE EVANGELISM SEMINAR

The Lifestyle Evangelism Seminar, September 19-20, is a three-session workshop on learning how to develop a lifestyle of evangelism. Many Christians are intimidated about verbalizing the Gospel or they struggle with knowing how to build Gospel relationships with friends, neighbors, and co-workers. Mike Hearon and Rick Keuroglan will be leading this seminar which is designed to help you learn how to dialogue the Gospel in the context of building relationships. The seminar begins on Friday evening, for dinner and then follows with a Saturday morning training session through lunch. Please contact the church office to reserve your place.

12. WOMEN'S RETREAT

Ladies, register today for the Women's Retreat to be held October 3-5 at Epworth By the Sea Conference Center on St. Simons Island. Those women not on our mailing list are invited to pick up a brochure in the Welcome Center. For questions call Debbie Hawkins 706-737-2813 and for scholarship information call Emily Freeman 706-823-2450.

13. FALL AGAPE PROJECT

The Fall 08 AGAPE Service Day takes place on Saturday, October 11, at Saint Paul's Missionary Baptist Church.

14. CHANCEL, CANTERBURY AND HANDBELL CHOIRS

As we begin our new ministry year this month, all are encouraged to consider investing their musical gifts in one of our choirs. The Chancel Choir now rehearses on Thursday nights two or three times per month at 7 p.m. The Canterbury Choir meets Sundays at 5 p.m. The Handbell Choir meets Wednesdays at 6 p.m. Contact Jonathan McGuire, 706-306-7107, or Mallory Sides, 706-823-6412, for more information.

15. CHURCH WEBSITE

Take a moment to explore our newly redesigned and updated website at www.firstpresaugusta.org. Some of the new features of our website include: an easily accessible church calendar, a suggested resource section, an explanation of sanctuary symbols, past sermons for downloading, a newly designed members section, and much more.

34th ANNUAL LABOR DAY FAMILY EVENT
at the Presbyterian Peninsula
TODAY

Featuring Paul Roberts and The Fresh Music All-Star Bluegrass Band

Please bring: coolers, chairs, and desserts.

Sign up sheets for desserts are available in AEC's and at the Welcome Center.

Lifeguard on duty from 1:30-4 p.m. for swim area only.

1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. – Family fun and swimming!

4:00 p.m. – Games for families with children, led by Miss Kathy

5:00 p.m. – Supper: Barbeque pork, hash and rice, slaw, potato salad, tea

6:00 p.m. – Vespers by the lake, led by Pastor George Robertson followed by
Dessert Reception for Miss Kathy

Note: Tickets for the barbeque are sold out, but feel free to bring a picnic supper and join us!
For directions to the Presbyterian Peninsula, you may pick up a brochure in the Welcome Center.

OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

Today

8:30 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Adult Education Communities/Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Officer Training
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary
1:30 p.m. Labor Day Event at Lake
6:00 p.m. Vespers and Reception for Miss Kathy
9:00 p.m. CO Prayer

Monday, September 1

All Day Labor Day Church Offices Closed

Tuesday, September 2

7:00 a.m. MCO Prayer
6:45 p.m. Deacons Serve at Rescue Mission
8:30 p.m. CO Meeting at ASU

Wednesday, September 3

9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
7:00 p.m. Women's and Men's Bible Studies
7:00 p.m. High Life Downtown

Thursday, September 4

10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Meeting
11:15 a.m. Midweek Bible Hour
7:00 p.m. Men's Chorus Practice

Friday, September 5

6:00 p.m. Inquirers Dinner
6:30 p.m. Southern Hospitality Banquet

Sunday, September 7

8:30 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Adult Education Communities/Sunday School
9:45 a.m. Inquirers Class
9:45 a.m. Nursery Meeting
9:45 a.m. Officer Training
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary
5:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study Group
5:00 p.m. Youth XEE Groups, Telfair Hall
5:00 p.m. D-Groups, Various Locations
5:00 p.m. ASU Bible Study
5:45 p.m. Nursery-Youth Training
6:30 p.m. Evening Worship Service with Communion, Sanctuary
9:00 p.m. CO Prayer