



# Announcements

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2008

## 1. MISSIONARIES IN FOCUS

Zeke and Nona Zeiler - Campus Crusade for Christ - Houston, Texas

The Zeilers serve on the Bridges National Team which is a ministry of Campus Crusade for Christ where they seek to minister to international students at the University of Houston and Rice University. Pray for divine appointments, and ask the Lord to supply all Zeke and Nona need in declaring the Gospel. Pray those who hear the truth will be responsive to God's love and grace. Pray God's Word will spread rapidly and be honored wherever it goes. Pray also for wisdom for the Zeilers as they lead the young married class at their church. The Zeilers are parents of three adult children. Nona is the sister of our church members Betty English and Billy English.

## 2. DEATH

Christian sympathy is extended to Gerald and Martha Killian and family on the death of Gerald's father, Gattis Killian, who died Sunday, November 30, in Ft. Payne, Alabama; and to Regina Mederios and her family on the death of Regina's father, Nick Simone, who died Tuesday, December 2.

## 3. NEW ARRIVAL

We congratulate Joseph and Katie Lutz on the birth of their first child, Averie Logan Lutz, who was born November 25, in Augusta, Georgia; and Chris and Maggie Gensheer on the birth of their third child, Jack Davies Gensheer, who was born November 26, in St. Louis, Missouri.

## 4. HIGH LIFE CHRISTMAS PARTY

High Life's Christmas Party is today at Heritage Academy from 6 to 8 p.m. Heavy hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served. Students are asked to bring \$5, and the proceeds will be donated to Heritage Academy.

## 5. CHRISTMAS LOVE GIFT DINNER

Plan now to attend our annual Christmas Love Gift Dinner tonight at 6 p.m. in St. Andrew's Hall followed by the evening worship service. The theme of the Love Gift Dinner is *Rebuilding Places Through the Gospel for Youth, Children, and Missionaries*. This year's Love Gift will be used to help rebuild the Presstech building and the missionary home on Telfair Street. The First Presbyterian children have been hearing about these projects during Sunday School and have been given Love Gift banks to collect change. On this evening, children in K-4 through fifth grade are encouraged to bring their banks and go directly to their Sunday School classrooms for dinner and their class Christmas parties. Each family is asked to provide a large portion to feed 20 people of the following menu item, according to last name: A-F, starch (potato salad, macaroni and cheese, rice dishes, etc.); G-I, gelatin dishes, fruit salad, etc; J-M, green salad or cold vegetable dish; N-R, hot vegetable or vegetable casserole; S-Z, dessert.

## 6. CHRISTMAS MERCY GIFT

Following the worship services today and next Sunday, students from the youth ministry will be standing at the sanctuary doors to collect money for a Christmas Mercy Gift. Money collected will be used to provide special Christmas gifts to those in need. Thank you for your generosity towards this effort.

**7. WESTMINSTER CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Westminster Schools of Augusta will be holding their annual Upper School Christmas Concert in St. Andrew’s Hall, Monday, December 8, at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited.

**8. High Life Mystery Trip**

High Life’s Winter Retreat is January 16-19. This is High Life’s Financial Crisis Mystery Trip, to take advantage of the best price, turn in your registration and deposit by December 14. Extra registration forms are available in the church Welcome Center.

**9. WESTMINSTER SCHOOLS OF AUGUSTA OPEN HOUSE**

Westminster Schools of Augusta will be holding their annual Open House on Thursday, January 15 at 6:30 pm. Come hear about Westminster’s exceptional Christ-centered college preparatory PK - 12th grade curriculum. Meet teachers and tour the campus. RSVP at 706-731-5260 ext. 2220 or email [alynch@wsa.net](mailto:alynch@wsa.net)

**10. AUDIO/VIDEO TEAM OPERATORS**

The Audio/Video Ministry is seeking men and women who are interested in becoming part of our operations team. Both experienced and inexperienced people are welcome. If you are interested contact Paul Roberts at 706-364-3551.

**11. CHURCH WEBSITE**

Take a moment to explore our newly redesigned and updated website at [www.firstpresaugusta.org](http://www.firstpresaugusta.org). Some of the new features of our website include: online giving, 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.

**CHRISTMAS EVENSONG**  
**Sunday, December 14**  
**Service begins at 6:30 p.m.**

Plan to attend our annual Christmas Evensong. This year’s celebration will feature traditional Christmas carols sung by the adult and children’s choirs and the congregation, and a homily delivered by Dr. George Robertson.

**UPCOMING CHRISTMAS SERVICES**

Christmas Evensong Service - Sunday, December 14 ..... 6:30 p.m.  
Christmas Eve Service - Wednesday, December 24 ..... 6:30 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

## OUR WEEKLY CALENDAR

### **Today**

8:30 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary  
9:45 a.m. Adult Education Communities, Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. Canterbury Choir Rehearsal  
6:00 p.m. Love Gift Dinner  
6:00 p.m. High Life Christmas Party, Heritage Academy  
7:00 p.m. Love Gift Service  
7:00 p.m. Children's Christmas Parties

### **Monday, December 8**

7:00 p.m. Upward Bound Christmas Party, Telfair Hall

### **Tuesday, December 9**

6:00 a.m. Final High School Prayer, Paul and Shannon Myers' home  
7:00 a.m. Medical Campus Outreach Prayer

### **Wednesday, December 10**

7:00 p.m. High Life, Telfair Hall

### **Thursday, December 11**

10:30 a.m. Morning Prayer Meeting  
11:15 a.m. Midweek Bible Hour  
5:00 p.m. Handbells  
7:00 p.m. Evensong Rehearsal

### **Saturday, December 13**

9:30 a.m. Evensong Rehearsal

### **Sunday, December 14**

8:30 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary  
9:45 a.m. Adult Education Communities, Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary  
6:30 p.m. Evensong, Sanctuary

## Pastors

George Robertson .....Senior Pastor  
 Christopher Florence .....Associate Pastor, Nurture & Administration  
 John Franks ..... Associate Pastor, Family Nurture  
 Peter Letchford ..... Pastoral Associate, Pastoral Care  
 Robert Vasholz ..... Pastoral Associate, Pastoral Care

## Ministry Directors

John Barrett ..... Executive Director of Discipleship  
 Mike Hearon ..... Executive Director of Outreach  
 Rick Keuroglan ..... Director of Evangelism  
 Emily Freeman ..... Director of Women’s Discipleship  
 Cassie Dankovich ..... Women’s Coordinator, Youth Ministry  
 Jay Miller ..... Director, Youth Ministry  
 Kathy Jones ..... Children’s Ministry  
 Paul Roberts ..... Music Ministry  
 Jonathan McGuire ..... Choir  
 Jonathan Stamberg ..... Worship Leader  
 Clark Newton ..... Medical Campus Outreach  
 Kevin Figgins ..... Pastoral Intern  
 Anne Clark ..... Women’s Ministry

## Session

Gary Beaudreau	Jim Clark	Gerald Killian	Bruce Van Peurse
Gene Betts	Billy English	Ken Lanclos	Mike Watts
Jim Bodden	Mike Harris	Sean Lynch	David Whitcomb
Sylvester Brown	Ike Holton	Jerry Miller	Skip Wiggins
Jim Carroll	Ron Jeffcoat	Byron Morris	

## Diaconate

Sam Acevedo	Jeff Drake	Troy Lorier	Frank Stafford
Phil Ames	Jim Gensheer	Daren Marionneaux	Eric Swierski
Reda Bassali	David Haburchak	Bobby Massucco	Dexter Walker
Breck Brigham	Lester Harper	Jason Medlin	Walter Welborn
Todd Brown	Glen Johnson	Tony Musgrove	Don Williamson
Michael Byars	Tommy Jones	David Nye	Matt Willis
Tony DiRenzo	Dave Kassner	Michael Robinson ( <i>chair</i> )	
George Downs	Al LaFavor	Bill Rogers	

