

# EXTRAVAGANT LOVE

## Prelude

"Trois Interludes pour le Chant du 'Veni Creator'" ..... *Auguste Sérieyx*  
"Veni Creator Spiritus" from *Sonata I* ..... *M.J. Erb*  
Sarah Wannamaker, *organist*

## Chiming of the Hour

**Words of Welcome** ..... Rev. Dr. Mark Hutton

## Call to Worship — *Psalm 103:11-12*

*Leader:* For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

*All:* As far as the east is from the west,  
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

## Hymn of Praise

No. 71: "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" ..... LOBE DEN HERREN

## Prayer of Adoration

**Sacrament of Baptism** (11:00am) ..... Rev. Dr. Mark Hutton

Riley Thomas Fredrickson (*September 27, 2023*)  
son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas William Fredrickson (Katie)

## The Apostles' Creed (11:00am)

## Announcements

**Welcome to Rev. Don Feuerbach** — *Associate Pastor of Congregational Care*

**Moment for Missions** — *Presbyterian Communities of SC* ..... Bobby Martin

## Offering

"The Meditations of My Heart" ..... *Elaine Hagenberg*

## Pastoral Prayer and Prayer Response — *Ephesians 3:17-18*

And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power,  
together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high  
and deep is the love of Christ. Amen.

## Hymn of Preparation

No. 397: "The Gift of Love" ..... GIFT OF LOVE

**Reading of the Word** ..... Turner Gamble (11:00am)

1 Corinthians 12:31 – 13:13 (*page 1786 in the pew Bible*)

**Sermon** ..... Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley

"Extravagant Love"

## Hymn of Response

No. 358: "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" ..... BEECHER

## Benediction

"He Leadeth Me" ..... *arr. Faye Lopez*

## Postlude

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in honor of  
the First Presbyterian Church Event and Production Volunteer Teams.

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### Opening Praise

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” ..... *Getty*

**Reading of the Word** — 1 Corinthians 12:31 – 13:13 ..... Charlotte Popat

**Sermon** ..... Rev. Dr. Claire Ripley

“Extravagant Love”

### Song of Response

“The Goodness of the Lord” ..... *Travis Ryan*

**Sacrament of Baptism** ..... Rev. Charlie Buchanan

Ann “Annie” Chambers Brown (*July 16, 2020*)  
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilkes Smith Brown (Paige)

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### Offering

“Tis So Sweet” ..... *NewSpring Worship*

### Closing Praise

“What a Beautiful Name” ..... *Travis Cottrell*

### Benediction



# Welcome to First Presbyterian Church

## Announcements

**WELCOME, VISITORS!**—We are so glad you are worshipping with us. If you would like to learn more about FPC's ministries, get connected to a Bible Study or Life Group, or request prayer, please visit [FirstPresGreenville.org/connectcard](https://FirstPresGreenville.org/connectcard) or text "Connect" to 864.920.5323, and complete the online card. Questions? Contact Charlotte Joye (864.565.0956, [cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:cjoye@firstpresgreenville.org)).

**MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING TODAY**—Each year South Carolina Presbyterian churches participate in a Mother's Day Offering for the six Presbyterian Communities of SC. The offering provides charitable care to enable residents to stay in their retirement homes when they have outlived their life's savings. Their average age is 89! Envelopes will be available for your contribution or you may give online at <https://giving.prescommunities.org>. Thank you for your generosity!

**WOMEN'S 6-WEEK SUMMER BIBLE STUDY**—All women are invited to the 6-week summer Bible study called *Conforming To Christ—Cultivating Fruit That Lasts*. In this study, we will see how the transforming love of Christ cultivates genuine authentic lives that bear lasting fruit. The same study will be offered in three different time slots starting Wednesday, June 19, at 9:30am and 6:00pm, and Thursday, June 20, at 9:30am. Childcare is available on Wednesdays. Books are available in the church bookstore. Visit the Women's Ministry page at [FirstPresGreenville.org](https://FirstPresGreenville.org) to register. For questions or more details, contact Leah Cloud at [lcloud@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:lcloud@firstpresgreenville.org).

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE**—We were excited to share an update on Phase 2 of the Capital Campaign during our worship services a few weeks ago. In case you missed it, please click the QR code to watch the video of how your giving has already impacted the community. You should have received your commitment card in the mail last week. Please return it to the church office or place in the offering plate by May 31. Thank you for being a part of transforming the heart of the city and "finishing the work"!



**MEN'S WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY**—Join us on Wednesday nights in Room B305 from 6:15–7:15pm for community and intentional discipleship designed specifically for men (post-college–40) who desire to grow in their relationship

with Christ and take steps toward biblical manhood. We will investigate Scripture, grow alongside one another, and serve the Lord. Contact Rev. Charlie Buchanan at [cbuchanan@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:cbuchanan@firstpresgreenville.org) if you have any questions.

**SO, YOU WANT TO LEARN TO READ MUSIC? CLASS**—You are invited to music reading classes from 6:00–7:15pm on Wednesdays in July this summer—July 10, 17, 24, and 31 in the choir room. All age levels are welcome, but the primary focus will be adult learners. Our goal is to "sing with the spirit and to sing with understanding" (1 Corinthians 14:15). Please register at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](https://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events).

**CLOP CLOP ON THE REEDY: A TALE OF HUGUENOT MILL**—Written by FPC member Dave Burke, this one-act performance follows the struggle of three characters in the 1890s and their responses to a tragic event. The performance is sponsored by a Metropolitan Arts Council grant and the Fine Arts Ministry of FPC. Join us on Friday, May 31, at 7:00pm in the FPC Worship & Arts Center. Doors open at 6:00pm with a preshow talk by John Nolan at 6:30pm. Tickets are available at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](https://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events).

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR DAY MISSIONS**—Join us as a chaperone to students as they serve the needs of our city this summer! We would also love your prayers for those serving and being served this week. Scan the QR code to hear how God is transforming the heart of the city through Day Missions! Visit [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](https://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events) under the *Day Missions* icon to register and to see the full list of items needed. Bring items to the Children's Ministry check-in area. Questions? Contact Karen King, [kking@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:kking@firstpresgreenville.org).



**2024 GRADUATES TO BE ANNOUNCED IN JUNE**—FPC members and family members who are 2024 (or August/December 2023) graduates of High School, College, Graduate School, and Seminary will be announced in early June. To be included, complete the form online at [FirstPresGreenville.org/Events](https://FirstPresGreenville.org/Events) or contact Austin Clay ([aclay@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:aclay@firstpresgreenville.org)) by Friday, May 31.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS**—If you would like to donate flowers for the Sanctuary in honor or in memory of loved ones for Sunday, May 26, please email Linda Slash at [lslash@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:lslash@firstpresgreenville.org).

*This is an abbreviated list of announcements for the week. For more details about news and events at FPC, please visit the **Connect@First** newsletter page and the **Events** page of the website at [FirstPresGreenville.org](https://FirstPresGreenville.org).*



**SENSORY BAGS**—FPC is now sensory inclusive certified through KultureCity. Sensory bags are available where you see this symbol, or see an usher for assistance. For more information on invisible disabilities, visit [KultureCity.org](https://KultureCity.org).

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## ONLINE GIVING



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Your generous giving enables us to continue transforming the heart of the city! You can give electronically to the operating budget or Capital Campaign at [FirstPresGreenville.org](https://FirstPresGreenville.org) (click the *Give* menu), mail your offering or place it in the offering plates during worship. Questions? Contact Kristy Service ([kservice@firstpresgreenville.org](mailto:kservice@firstpresgreenville.org), 864.565.0929).