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## FAMILIES, CHILDREN & YOUTH

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*Childcare is available during classes  
for infants to 5 years old.*

**PLAYGROUP** 4:30-5:30 PM  
*Ages 3 and under Room C-104*

Join us as we share the joys and challenges of raising young children while our children play together. Playgroup will conclude in time for dinner in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact The Reverend Wes Barry, [wbarry@firstpres-charlotte.org](mailto:wbarry@firstpres-charlotte.org), for more information.

**STUDY HALL** 6:30-7:15 PM  
*Elementary through High School Library*  
Jen Evans, Josh Herrin and Lou Johnson will oversee the study hall time in the library.

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### *Dinner Menu*

*Every evening will feature a different entree which will include bread. There will also be a Salad Bar with fresh ingredients and fruit, and an Ice Cream Bar with fun toppings.*

FEBRUARY 17 PORK TENDERLOIN

FEBRUARY 24 SOUTHWEST CHICKEN

MARCH 3 BAKED ZITI

MARCH 10 BAKED SALMON

MARCH 17 POT ROAST

MARCH 24 FRIED CHICKEN

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## CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

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**A CHILD'S INTRODUCTION TO MUSIC** 6:15-7:15 PM

*Grades K, 1 Room P-206 Director - John Tosco*  
This choir introduces young children to the joys of music through games, instruments, and singing. They will participate in worship four times throughout the choir year.

**CAROL CHOIR** 6:15-7:15 PM

*Grades 2, 3 Room P-119 Director - Becky Puster*  
Children in the Carol Choir will experience being a part of an actual choir, with time devoted to learning how to sing and read music. These children will also receive a choir notebook with fun worksheets based on worship at First Presbyterian Church. They participate in worship several times throughout the year and sing in the spring musical.

**KIRK CHOIR** 6:15-7:15 PM

*Grades 4, 5 Room P-127 Director - Eddie Huss*  
New members of the Kirk Choir will be given a copy of The Presbyterian Hymnal and they will spend part of their choir time exploring the hymnal. They will continue developing skills introduced in the Carol Choir. Singers in the Kirk Choir will participate in worship a number of times and are a part of the annual spring musical.

**CHIME CHOIR** 5:15-5:45 PM

*Grades 4, 5 Room P-114 Director - Becky Puster*  
This choir is a basic introduction to the fun of ringing. The choir is open to members of the Kirk Choir and the ringers will learn basic ringing techniques as well as music reading skills.

*For information about these choirs, please contact  
Eddie Huss or Becky Puster at 704.332.5123*

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# Wednesday Connect

The Wednesday Evening Dinner  
and Study Spring Series 2010

*February 17th to March 24th*

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### *Evening Schedule*

4:45 PM PLAYGROUP

5:15 PM CHIME CHOIR

5:45 PM DINNER

6:00 PM CHILD CARE BEGINS

6:15 PM CHILDREN'S CHOIRS

6:30 PM ADULT CLASSES & STUDY HALL

7:15 PM ALL CLASSES END

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*The classes will conclude on March 17th.  
The final evening, March 24th, will feature a  
Children's Musical.*

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## Charlotte at the Crossroads: Where Do We Go From Here?

*Led by Dr. William P. Wood Sanctuary*  
This course is designed to assist our church in understanding the changing nature of Charlotte today and directing our ministry to a city at a crossroads. As an urban church, First Presbyterian is heavily involved in the issues that face the City of Charlotte including: housing, homelessness, public education, poverty and a host of other important challenges. Five community leaders will be featured and will give their insights as to the future of Charlotte. Mayor Anthony Foxx will speak on February 17th and Jim Rogers, Chairman and CEO of Duke Energy will speak on February 24th. Other speakers will be announced.

## The Gospel of Mark: Odder than You Thought

*Led by Dr. Greg Snyder Chapel*  
This course will be an interesting and in-depth view of the Gospel of Mark. Associate Professor of Religion Greg Snyder has taught at Davidson since 1998. He teaches courses on New Testament literature, Jesus, Paul, and selected topics in early Christianity.

### Classes

*February 17* **Mark 1-3: Jesus' Mission**

*February 24* **Mark 4: Teaching in Parables**

*March 3* **Mark 5-8: Insiders and Outsiders**

*March 10* **Mark 9-13: The Road to Jerusalem**

*March 17* **Mark 14-16: Passion, Death & ...?**

## Centering Prayer

*Led by The Reverend Katie Crowe and Elder Burt Melton Room S-203*  
Centering Prayer is a method of prayer that invites us to rest in the presence of the living God through silence while opening ourselves up to the movement and transformative work of the Spirit within. Stemming from the Christian contemplative tradition, Centering Prayer brings a deeper awareness of God's presence and activity into everyday life and helps us become agents of God's grace and love in a frenetic world. This class will explore the history, theology, fruits, and practice of Centering Prayer and will include a guided practice each week.

### Classes

*There will not be a class on February 17.  
February 24*

**Introduction and Prayer as Relationship**  
Exploring what it means to move from acquaintance to intimacy with God through Centering Prayer.

*March 3*

### The Method of Centering Prayer

Consenting to the movement and action of the Holy Spirit within.

*March 10*

### Thoughts and Use of the Sacred Word

Moving from conscious thought to deep rest.

*March 17*

### Deepening our Relationship with God

A new creation: being renewed in the image of God.

## Our Family and Our Faith

*Led by The Reverend Wes Barry Room S-202*  
This course will explore how our Christian faith can undergird our family dynamics as we try to demonstrate God's grace within our home. This class will be discussion oriented as we seek to learn from each other the challenges and successes facing us as parents. We will be looking at how our Christian Faith influences our parenting approaches and styles depending on the child's age and stage.

### Classes

*February 17* **Modeling**  
Macon and Lori Patton

*February 24* **Guiding**  
Nick and Kay Valaoras

*March 3* **Encouraging**  
Todd and Melissa Walker

*March 10* **Forming**  
Kedar and Flo Bryan

*March 17* **Sending**  
Woods Potts and Lucy Caldwell

*For more information, registration form and payment options are available on the church website, [www.firstpres-charlotte.org](http://www.firstpres-charlotte.org) or call the church office at 704.332.5123.*

## Reservation Form for Dinner and/or Child Care

[www.firstpres-charlotte.org](http://www.firstpres-charlotte.org)  
(click "make reservations" and pay online)

**704.332.5123**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Dinners for Adults and Youth @ \$7 \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Dinners for Children (age 4-11) @\$ 4 \_\_\_\_\_  
(children 3 & under: free)

Subtotal Adult/Youth \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Subtotal Children's Dinner \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL Due \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(not to exceed \$22 per family/per week)

Check attached for total amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total No. in Child Care : \_\_\_\_\_

(Child Care begins at 6 p.m.)

Children's names and ages:

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*This reservation form is for (check one or more);*

All Sessions  March 17

February 17  March 24

February 24

March 3

March 10

*Reservations for dinner and child care should be received by Monday at 12 noon prior to the Wednesday you wish to attend.*