



Spring Hill Messenger

OCTOBER 2025

## Are you ready to be ALL IN?

This October, our congregation will journey together through our Stewardship season under the theme: **"All In – Trusting God with Our Whole Lives."** Each week in worship, we will hear powerful testimonies from church members and sermons that invite us to reflect on how our time, our talents, our treasure, and our trust can be offered to God in faithful response to God's abundant grace.

Along the way, there will be opportunities to grow and connect — including a Theology of Giving Sunday School class on October 12 and fellowship gatherings throughout the month that encourage us to see how God is at work in and through Spring Hill Presbyterian Church.

Our season culminates on **Dedication Sunday, October 26**, when our worship will focus on how our *"Trust Leads to Extravagant Generosity."* Together, we will offer our pledge cards and time & talent forms as acts of worship, then join in a joyful band-led procession to the Bullard Building for our celebration lunch.

Sign-up sheets are available in the back hall for both the October 19 dinner and the October 26 lunch.

The Stewardship Committee is deeply grateful for your faithful generosity. Now is the time to prayerfully consider how you will go "All In" gratefully sharing your gifts as we look forward with hope and excitement to new opportunities for mission, staffing, and faith development.

Come, celebrate, and discover the joy of trusting God with our whole lives!

Barkley Shreve,  
Stewardship Committee

Go to the link to signup for lunch or dinner  
<https://signup.com/go/WsnviZf>



## Music Ministries

Many have asked about the large organ console that has been placed in the Fellowship Hall. It is an instrument that I built for myself a number of years ago and it is soon going to be heard here in concert in the Fellowship Hall!

The console, started life in 1927 in Canada to control a pipe organ. It served in both churches and private residences until it came into my possession. I had the interior removed and the shell refinished. So, it has all new interior components and keyboards.

Inside the shell is a high-powered desktop that runs a computer program called Hauptwerk. This program allows real pipe organs – both classical and theater – to have each pipe in the organ individually recorded in its original acoustic environment. The program then decodes the signals from the keys being played to play the proper sample, thus creating virtual pipe organs from around the world. There are 14 tower speakers that are stored elsewhere in the church that will be hooked up to bring the organ to life.

I'll be giving my first ever concert in Mobile on Sunday, November 9 at 2 PM in the Fellowship Hall using the Hutchinson Organ. The concert is titled "Never on a Sunday" and will feature music that I would likely not play in a worship service including classical pieces such as "Westminster Carillon" and "Londonderry Air" along with popular pieces such as "Pick Yourself Up" and "You Made Me Love You." I hope you'll join me. It is sure to be great fun!



## 2025 Fall Current Issues

### Current Issues Classes for October Offer Reflection and Response

**Oct. 5** – “Cello Music of Bach – Dedicated to the Glory of God” (Mary Helen Harper)

Everything that Bach composed, he dedicated to the Glory of God. On Sunday, October 5th, from 9:00-10:00 in the sanctuary, Mary Helen Harper will share some of Bach’s compositions for the cello, along with accompanying art of her own that was inspired by the music she will share. This is a churchwide event, and all are encouraged to join us in the sanctuary or virtually using the link on our YouTube and Facebook; and sent in the weekly E-News.

**Oct. 12** – “Theology of Giving” – Barkley Shreve, our Stewardship Committee Chair, will facilitate conversation on scripture-based questions that lead us to reflect on the bounty we have received from God and our response to God’s abundant grace.

**Oct. 19** – **(PW Sunday)** – Montreat Women’s Connection panel discussion on the conference from last August. Additionally Presbyterian Women will share information about their Bible study materials.

**Oct. 26** – **(Dedication Sunday)** - Dale Hair will facilitate discussion of articles from Presbyterian Outlook: (1) “Practicing Joy When the World is Falling Apart; and (2) “The Complexity of Joy.” These articles will be available for advance reading. (Use Examen approach to reflect on these articles in our lives.)

### Post Church

This bible study group meet the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month. This October it will be the 14 & 28. They start at 5:00 pm for some fellowship and start the theological discussion at about 5:30 at Post on the Hill, 4513 Old Shell Rd.



# Memorials

Jack Hamlin

William H. McLean

Betty Minto

Frank & Jane Callahan, Ruth Fitzgerald, Mary Lena Harper, Rebecca Florence

Gregory & Jane Saad, Lewis & Barkley Shreve, William Shropshire

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## Blessings by the Bite

(formerly known as Supper Clubs)

Blessings by the Bite is a quarterly gathering where groups of around 8 share a meal and deepen connections. We will kick off in October during Stewardship Season. Our hope is that as we gather around the table, we reflect not just on the food we share, but on the lives we're called to live in community.

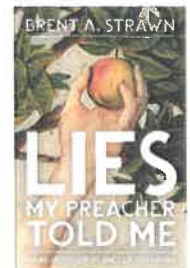
Participants can meet for lunch or supper, so please let us know your preference when you sign up! There's a sign-up sheet in the back hall or you can contact either Leslie Sweeney [lsweeney400@gmail.com](mailto:lsweeney400@gmail.com) or Mary Ann Brown at [moomoo0652@gmail.com](mailto:moomoo0652@gmail.com).

<https://signup.com/go/EEqqinF>

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## Men's Breakfast

The Men's Breakfast Bible Study has been moved to the 2nd **Thursday** of the Month. This month's date is October 9 at 7:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. We will be studying the first two chapters of the book, *Lies My Preacher Told Me*. Copies are available in the church office. Sausage Biscuits are \$2.00.







PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMEN

# Presbyterian Women

## Sunday – Oct. 19, 2025

Who will be revealed as this year's recipient of the PW Life Membership Award for outstanding contributions to our church? Join us during worship and in a reception afterwards to celebrate our honoree, and ALL the ways in which the women in our church are serving in leadership roles.



### MARY B AUSTIN WEEK PARTNERS IN EDUCATION



We invite you and your beloved pets to a special Blessing of the Animals service. This cherished tradition honors the sacred bond between humans and all living creatures, celebrating the beauty of God's creation. Whether your companion is furry, feathered or scaled, all are welcome.

## Spring Hill Presbyterian Church

### Statement as of June 30, 2025

Total Annual Budgeted Revenue	\$ 793,620
Year-to-date Received	\$ 405,004
Other Receipts	\$ 38,208
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$ 443,212</b>
	\$
Benevolences	28,660
Salaries and Services	\$ 201,598
	\$
Programs	13,205
	\$
Office Expenses	13,188
General and Plant Services	\$ 137,978
	\$
Other	14,265
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 408,893</b>
	\$
<b>Excess Receipts over (under )Expenses</b>	<b>34,318</b>

### Attendance for June & July

	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Online</u>
9/7	88	65
9/14	144	67
9/21	97	65
9/28	155	55

## Happy 101st Birthday Hilda Gewin



## Prayer List

Margaret Armentrout, Ted Auttersen, Barbara Beach, Cammie Belue, Roy Benton IV, Frank Callahan, John Carr, Lanier Cauley, Janet Clarke, Jamie Crawford, Cathi Dagley, Pat Edington, Chrisy Ennen, Ruth Fitzgerald, Mary Lee Franks, Curran Foose, Ann Hafner, Charles Hall, Bill Harris, Marcy Harris, Lauren Henson, Bill Layfield, Paula Letterman, Sara Long, Nick Kramer, Kay Korb, Jim Martin, Lynn Martin, Ernestine McElroy, Zachary McMickens, Betty Minto, Ann Nicolson, Jenny Oveson, Mary Owen, John Porter, Steve Reams, Susan Schlichting, Pat Stoll, Carol Sumrall, Gayle Underwood, Johnny Walton, Babs Warren, Malcolm Warren, Billy Wiik, Ann Wilson, Andy Wharton, Ronnie Wright and our military members: Ashton Rubio, Stuart Rubio.



# HALLOWEEN Trunk or Treat

23 OCTOBER

START AT 5:00 PM

HOT DOGS & CHIPS,  
BOUNCY HOUSES &  
TREATS

10 Westminster Way  
Mobile AL.

# October 2025

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<b>Sunday Schools @ 9:00</b> <b>Holy Grounds 10:00</b> <b>Worship @ 10:30</b> <b>Youth Singers &amp; Children's Choir @ 5:00</b> <b>Youth, Children &amp; Parents Dinner @ 6:00</b> <b>Youth Group @ 6:30</b>			<b>1</b> Children's Chapel PWCT Chancel Choir	<b>2</b> Westminster Communion	<b>3</b> Girl Scout Lockin	<b>4</b> AA
<b>5</b> Sunday Schools Holy Grounds Worship Communion	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Balance Class Committee Meetings	<b>8</b> Children's Chapel Day circle Afternoon Circle Chancel	<b>9</b> Men's Break- fast Bible Study	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>     AA
<b>12</b> Sunday Schools Worship Blessing of The Animal	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Balance Class Post Church	<b>15</b> Children's Chapel  Congrega- tional Care Chancel	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Yeoman Workday
<b>19</b> Sunday Schools Worship PW Sunday Wholeness & Healing Dinner	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Balance Class Session Diaconate	<b>22</b> Children's Chapel  Chancel Choir	<b>23</b> Newsletter Deadline Trunk or Treat	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>     AA
<b>26</b> Sunday Schools Worship Dedication Sun- day Lunch	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Balance Class Post Church	<b>29</b> Children's Chapel  Chancel Choir	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	