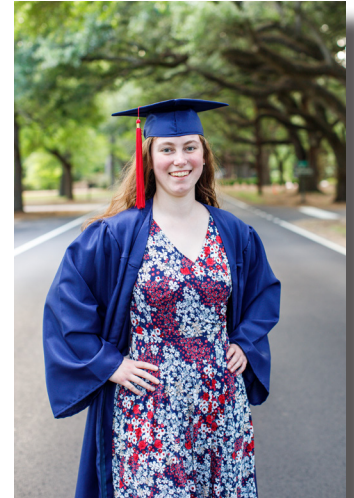


First Presbyterian Church Congratulates our 2024 High School Graduates



Katie Brown

Katie is the daughter of Trey and Kelley Brown and sister to Carly. She has been a part of FPCA her entire life. She was baptized here as an infant and attended the Preschool Mother's Day Out program. She has participated in worship leadership as an usher and a lay reader, has been a member of the Handbell Choir, and has attended Sunday School and Youth Group. Sally Jenkins was her Confirmation Partner. Katie served on the Pastor Nominating Committee has also enjoyed participating in trips to Camp Fellowship, CROSS, and both the Montreat Youth and Worship and Music Conferences. She was ordained as an Elder in March 2024 and currently serves on the Session. Katie is graduating as the Salutatorian for the Mead Hall Episcopal School Class of 2024. She has lettered for four years with the Varsity Volleyball and Basketball teams, serving as Co-Captain this past season for Basketball. She has served as the Chaplain for the Interact Club, was a member of the Beta Club and the National Honor Society, and was the inaugural editor-in-chief for Greensleeves, the Mead Hall literary magazine, and was an active Girl Scout in Troop 415. Katie will be attending Wofford College in Spartanburg, SC. She plans to major in Biology and is exploring the Pre-Veterinary program. An avid sports fan, she is looking forward to cheering on the Terriers in every sport, every season.



Tripp Calfee

Tripp is the son of Amy and Bobby Calfee. Tripp has been attending FPC-Aiken since he was two years old. He was baptized in Virginia before moving to Aiken. Tripp has served as an acolyte, played church league basketball, participated in Vacation Bible School, and was a VBS crew leader. John Gordon served as Tripp's covenant partner. Tripp has enjoyed playing club soccer for 12 years. He is graduating from Aiken High School. He has been an active member of Young Life. He lettered at Aiken High in soccer for four years. He is currently the captain of the AHS Varsity soccer team. Tripp participated in SOCIAL Inc. and was a lead cotillion member last year. In the fall, Tripp will be attending The Citadel and plans to major in construction engineering. He will be a 4th generation Citadel cadet. Tripp is appreciative of his church family for the love and guidance he has received. He welcomes your prayers as he reports to The Citadel on August 10th.



Bryant Ford Crook

Bryant Ford Crook is the son of Mary Fran and Paul Crook and brother to George (Abbi), CeCe and Mary Ellis. After moving to South Carolina in 2018, he and his family joined First Presbyterian Church Aiken in Fall 2019. He was a part of the Confirmation Class of 2020 where Vic Sower was his confirmation partner. During his free time, Bryant Ford enjoys playing video games, playing ping pong with his siblings, and working on his car, all when he is not working at Panera Bread. After graduation from South Aiken High School, he plans to attend Lander University to pursue a degree in Secondary Education with a concentration in Social Studies. He wants to thank everyone in the congregation for their prayers and support, especially his buddy Mr. Vic.



Bayer Dawsey

Bayer is the son of Cam and Ashley Dawsey and brother of Calla. He is the grandson of Jane and Dave Keisler. Bayer attended First Presbyterian Preschool and Kindergarten and served as an acolyte. He is graduating with Honors from South Aiken High School. He played varsity soccer for four years with regional team honors, was on the Ring Staff and Executive Council and a member of the National Honor Society. He played many years of competitive soccer with Aiken Futbol Club and enjoyed volunteering at ACTS his senior year. Bayer is looking forward to being a Gamecock and studying Public Health, with a focus on medicine, at the University of South Carolina.



Robert Girardeau, Jr.

Robert Jr. is the son of Robert and Judi Girardeau and the brother of Amanda, Ashlyn, and Regan. Robert has been attending First Presbyterian since birth and was baptized here. He has participated in Youth Fellowship, Vacation Bible School, CROSS, served as an Elder and was a member of the Christian Education Committee. Robert is graduating from South Aiken Baptist Christian School with honors. He served as student body president and was a representative on South Carolina Independent School Association's (SCISA) model legislator at their annual conference. He played varsity soccer for 3 years. He will be carrying on the family legacy of attending the University of South Carolina, where he will major in Political Science and he hopes to attend their law school.

