## **All Circles:**

- Participate in a year-long study of a book of the Bible selected by the ARP's Women Ministries;
- Visit Naomi members who can no longer attend circle;
- Stay in touch with one or more missionaries;
- · Help stock the Freezer Ministry; and
- Keep up to date with Women of the Church activities.

## **Questions?**

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# First Presbyterian Church Women of the Church **Circles** What is a circle?

Circles are small groups of women who meet once a month from September through May to grow in the Word, encourage each other, support a ministry and missionary, and enjoy fellowship.

#### Circle 1

#### Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., at the Church

A small, fun-loving group of seniors. They sometimes go out to lunch together after their meeting to enjoy fellowship. Their project is the Cooperative Ministry.

Circle 3

Monday, 10:00 a.m., at the Church

These ladies are mostly retired seniors

who love the Lord and each other. They

thrive on praying for their missionaries

and for one another. This group

supports Lifeline Children's Services.

Circle 5

Monday, 5:45 p.m., at the Church

A small group of ladies of all ages. This

meeting time is suited for those who work

downtown, but all are welcome. After the

monthly Bible study, the ladies focus on

prayer requests. Their project is "Serving

the Servers" of First Presbyterian Church.

They find ways to honor the church's

kitchen staff, sextons, and security staff

throughout the year.

## Circle 2

#### Monday, 10:00 a.m., **Homes of Members**

This large group of ladies is generally from downtown Columbia. They are empty nesters with growing numbers of grandchildren. Year-round emails get the group praying for or assisting families in need. They prepare home-cooked meals for the church's monthly college lunches.

#### Circle 4

#### Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., **Homes of Members**

These ladies are primarily young professional women who often enjoy fellowship before or after their meeting. They help assemble gift baskets for the Pearls Ministry.

## Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., Homes of

This is a couple of dozen "seasoned saints" who pray for and encourage each other. The circle project is Young Life. They also support the nursing program at the Christian Hospital in Sahiwal, Pakistan.

#### Circle 7

#### Monday, 10:00 a.m., at the Church

This circle is traditionally for young mothers, with nursery and preschool childcare available. The circle project is the church's Foster Care Resource Closet.

## Circle 6

## Members or at the Church

#### Circle 8

#### Wednesday, 10:15 a.m., at the Church

Circle 8 members range in age from the mid-fifties to the mid-nineties. Their visitation committee includes two honorary member therapy dogs. Their project is Harvest Hope Food Bank for which they collect food each fall and spring.

#### Circle 9

#### Tuesday, 10:30 a.m., Toby's Place

Circle 9 meets at the location of its project, Toby's Place, a shelter for homeless women and their children. Circle meetings include WOC ladies of all ages along with shelter residents. Circle members have learned their role is to show residents the love of Jesus through Bible study and prayer. Circle members also help out with the shelter's food "wish lists."

## Circle 11

#### Monday, Noon, Small Dining Room in Jackson Hall

Circle 11 is the Lunch Fellowship circle. The First Presbyterian Church kitchen provides the lunch, and members pay \$7 for their meals. The circle's project is Ministry of Outreach to Slavic Tribes. The circle provides prayers, financial assistance, and supplies for this ministry.

#### Circle 13

#### Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., **Homes of Members**

Circle 13 meets in the Irmo area. Members range from age 50 to 70, but the group welcomes younger members as well. After Bible study, the ladies pray with prayer partners. Lunch is served at the end of each meeting. The group's project is gift bags for A Moment of Hope Ministries.

#### Circle 15

#### Monday, 10:00 a.m., **Laurel Crest Living Room**

Circle 15 is our Laurel Crest circle. Most of the members are Laurel Crest residents, but others are welcome. The circle project is helping to support the Laurel Crest Ladies Ministry.

# treatment, or isolation.

Circle 10

Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., at the Church

Circle 10 is the Heart and Hand Circle.

Ladies in this circle make Pressure Point

Pillows to give to anyone who could

derive comfort from them following

surgery, hospitalization, cancer

#### Circle 12 Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., at the Church

Circle 12 is the Evening Fellowship and is a growing group of ladies. The group enjoys fellowship prior to Bible study and prayer. They have established a strong email contact system to pray for one another. Circle projects are Camp Joy and making desserts for the College Lunch Ministry.

#### Circle 14

#### Monday, 7:00 p.m., **Homes of Members**

Circle 14 meets in homes throughout Northeast Columbia and Blythewood. Members range in age from thirtysomething to granny-something. The project is International Friendship Ministries, which works to bring international students to Jesus.

## Circle 16

#### Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., **Homes of Members**

Circle 16 is designed for ladies of all ages in the Lexington area. The circle's project is A Moment of Hope.