

THE LORD'S DAY

DECEMBER 25, 2016
MORNING WORSHIP
11:00 AM

The Prelude A CHRISTMAS RONDEL Charles Callahan

The Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Register — Visitors please give complete address and phone number.)

The Introit BREAK FORTH, O BEAUTEOUS HEAVENLY LIGHT J. S. Bach
Break forth, O beauteous heavenly light, and usher in the morning; Ye shepherds, shrink not with affright, but hear the angel's warning. This Child, now weak in infancy, our confidence and joy shall be, the power of Satan breaking, our peace eternal making.

The Call To Worship Luke 2:13-14

* **The Hymn 203** HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING MENDELSSOHN

* **The Prayer of Invocation and the Lord's Prayer**

* **The Gloria Patri** Hymnal, page 735

* **The Confession of Faith** The Nicene Creed-Hymnal, inside back cover

The Commandment Exodus 20:12
"Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you."

The Confession of Sin and Supplication for Grace

O Lord our God, we are reminded of the Divine purpose for the incarnation: that His name was called Jesus because He would save His people from their sins. We are grieved that our condition was so sinful that it required nothing less than the death of the Son of God. We mourn over our fallen natures and our sins that proceed from it. We confess that in our flesh dwells no good thing. We have broken your commandments in thought, word, and deed. We have committed sins of omission and commission. We have been lazy over Heaven's concerns and selfish over our own. Even in our best efforts we find pride and self. "Wretched man that I am. Who will set me free from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord." O Father, we thank You for His birth, His life, His death, His resurrection, and His ascension for sinners like me. In His redeeming name, we ask Your forgiveness and pardon. Amen.

The Scriptural Assurance of Pardon Ephesians 1:7
In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.

The Receiving of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Anthem CHILD IN A MANGER John Rutter
Child in a manger, Jesus, our Savior, born of a virgin, holy and mild; sent from the highest, come down in glory; tell the glad story, welcome the child. Shepherds, arise now, go to the manger; find where the infant Jesus is laid. Offer your homage, kneel down before Him; praise and adore Him, be not afraid. Wise men, come seek Him—Christ, our Redeemer; journey to Bethlehem, led by a star. Offer your treasures: gold, myrrh and incense, precious oblations brought from afar. Praise to the Christ child; there with his mother; glory to God our Father above. Angels are singing songs of rejoicing, greeting the infant born of God's love.

* **The Doxology** Hymnal Page 731 OLD HUNDREDTH

* **The Prayer of Dedication**

The Scripture Reading Romans 8:1-11 (Page 1200 in the Pew Bible)

The Prayer of Intercession

* **The Hymn 208** O COME, ALL YE FAITHFUL ADESTE FIDELES

The Scripture Micah 5:2-6 (Page 989 in the Pew Bible)

The Sermon Dr. Richard D. Phillips
O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

* **The Hymn 201** O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM ST. LOUIS

* **The Benediction**

The Postlude FANTASY ON "BRING A TORCH" Keith Chapman

*Congregation Standing



We are delighted to have you join us for worship today. We are a founding congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America, the largest Bible-believing Presbyterian denomination in America. We invite you to take a Visitors Packet and a weekly newsletter located throughout the church and learn more about how you can become a part of our mission.

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EVENING WORSHIP
6:00 PM

The Prelude SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT Dale Wood

The Welcome and Announcement

The Introit UP! GOOD CHRISTIAN FOLK AND LISTEN arr. David Wilcocks
The Smoker Family

Up! good Christian folk, and listen how the merry church bells ring, and from steeple, bid good people, come adore the new-born King: Tell the story how from glory God came down at Christmastide, bringing gladness, chasing sadness, showering blessings far and wide, Born of mother, blest o'er other, of a virgin lowly came, In a stable, 'tis no fable, God incarnate, Christ His Name.

The Call To Worship Psalm 104:1-2 RE Melton L. Duncan

* **The Hymn 226** AS WITH GLADNESS MEN OF OLD DIX

* **The Invocation**

The Psalm 119 (vs. 161-176) Page 108 in the Trinity Psalter JERUSALEM

The Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory THE WEXFORD CAROL arr. Anna Page
The Smoker Family

Good people all this Christmas time consider well and bear in mind what our good God for us has done in sending His beloved Son. With Mary, lowly we should pray to God with love this Christmas day; in Bethlehem upon that morn, there was a blessed Messiah born. The night before that happy tide, the noble virgin and her guide, were long time seeking up and down to find a lodging in the town; but mark how all things come to pass: from every door repelled, alas! As long foretold their refuge all was but a humble ox's stall. Near Bethlehem did shepherds keep their flocks of lambs and feeding sheep, to whom God's angels did appear which put the shepherds in great fear. "Prepare and go" the angels said, "to Bethlehem, be not afraid for there you'll find this happy morn, a princely babe, sweet Jesus born." With happy heart and joyful mind, the shepherds went the babe to find, and as God's angel had foretold, they did our Savior Christ behold. Within a manger he was laid, and by His side the virgin maid, attending to the Lord of Life, who came to earth to bring us life.

* **The Offertory Response** WE GIVE THEE BUT THINE OWN SCHUMANN
The text for the offertory response is hymn 432, stanza 1
We give thee but thine own, whate'er the gift may be: all that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.

The Evening Prayer RE Melton L. Duncan

* **The Hymn 207** GOOD CHRISTIAN MEN, REJOICE IN DULCI JUBILO

The Scripture Ephesians 2:19-22 (Page 1242 in the Pew Bible)

The Sermon THE TRINITY AND THE CHURCH Rev. Scott C. Cook

* **The Hymn 217** WARUM SOLLT' ICH MICH DENN GRAMEN
ALL MY HEART THIS NIGHT REJOICES

* **The Benediction**

The Postlude CAROLS OF JOY AND GLADNESS Lani Smith

*The Poinsettias are placed in the sanctuary this Lord's Day to the glory of God
and in loving honor and memory of family and friends.*

DUTIES FOR THE WEEK

Nurseries:

AM Monitor	Janet Godwin
10:45 Treasures	Pat Tyner
Cherubs	Kim Robertson/ Kathryn Godwin
Kings Kids	Jo-Ellen Pujdak/ Callie Therrell
PM Monitor	Marcia Russell
5:45 Worker	Caroline Therrell

Ushers:

11:00 AM Service:

Main Floor: Hunter Leigh, Isaac Maralit, Joseph Maralit, Ethan Russell, Chad Scoggins
Balcony: Jonathan Phillips, Rich McCall
Evening: Marcus Laughter, Joel Barnett, Leon Harmon, Ron McNeely, Tony Stephens

Counters:

Joel Barnett, Capt.; Leon Harmon, Ron McNeely

Elders on Duty:

Ken Safford and Tim Crunk

Wednesday night workers:

No Wednesday Night Activities

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, December 25

11:00 AM	MORNING WORSHIP
5:30 PM	Season of Prayer in the Chapel
6:00 PM	EVENING WORSHIP

Monday, December 26

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, December 27

No Wednesday Evening Activities

Friday, December 30

Church Office Closed

*Happy New Year
From the Church Staff*

Check West End Herald for Basketball practices and schedules.

CHURCH INFORMATION

Website: spcgreenville.org **Social Media:** facebook.com/SPCGreenville
Telephone: Office (864) 232-7621 • **Fax:** (888) 511-1949 • **E-mail:** info@spcgreenville.org
Office Hours: Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Church Services: **Sunday:** Sunday School–10:00 AM
Morning Worship – 8:30 and 11:00 AM • Evening Worship – 6:00 PM
Wednesday: Supper – 5:45 PM & Prayer Meeting and Bible Study – 6:55 PM

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Poinsettias

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to the glory of God and in loving honor of:

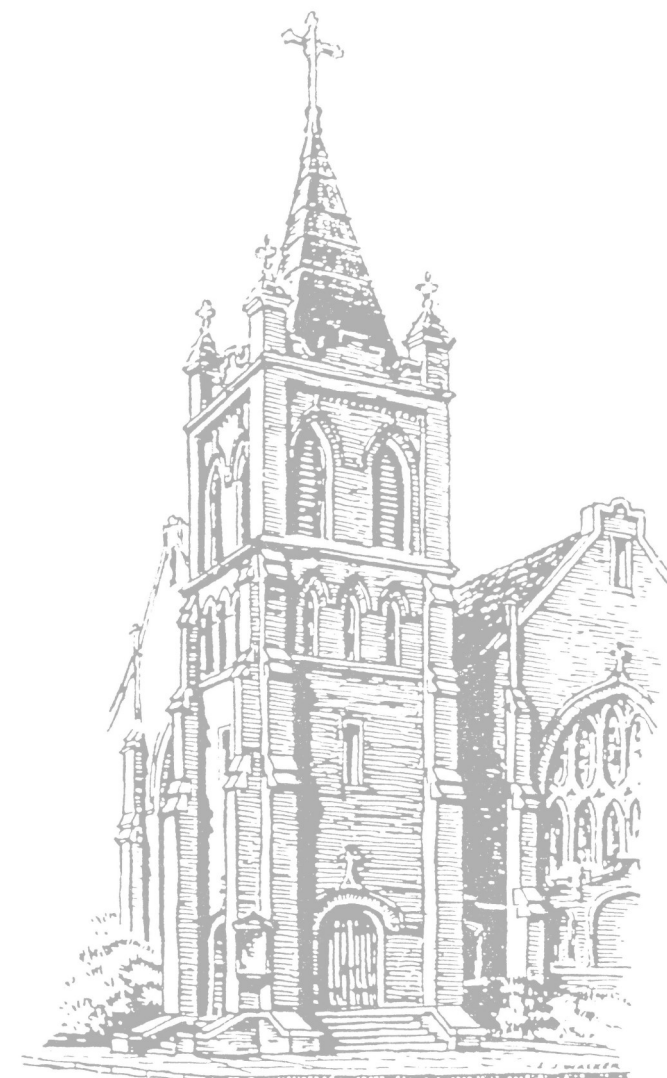
Our Church Staff	by: David and Jane Rainey
Ladies of Second Church	by: Pat Shuford
Pastor Rick Phillips & family	by: Ron and Carolyn McNeely
Mrs. Lucy Dodson	by: Ron and Carolyn McNeely
Henry and Elizabeth Montgomery	by: Fitz and Dottie King
Umberto Lancianese	by: Maria L. Chivers
Pastors & Staff of Second Church	by: Joe and Leslie Martin
Othella Martin	by: Joe and Leslie Martin
Kaye Hickman	by: Joe and Leslie Martin
Our Military Vets	by: The Mahon Family

to the glory of God and in loving memory of:

Judy Phibbs	by: David and Jane Rainey
Our son, Fred	by: Jack and Pat Shuford
C. Douglas McDaniel, Jr.	by: Doug and Susan McDaniel
Lawrence H. Eubanks	by: Doug and Susan McDaniel
Our Parents	by: Ed and Margaret Butler
Ernest Lee Brand, Jr.	by: Ann Brand
Opal Holbrook	by: Pat Holbrook
Jane Holbrook	by: Pat Holbrook
John and Wilma Crawford	by: David and Linda Bragdon
Alan Waite	by: Judy Waite
Sanford Tyner	by: Patricia Tyner
Ann Oliver Epps	by: The Manns and Altmans
David Oliver	by: The Manns and Altmans
Betty Atwood	by: Dot Dillard
Mr. and Mrs. Olin McNeely	by: Ron and Carolyn McNeely
Mr. Clyde Dodson	by: Ron and Carolyn McNeely
Our Parents	by: Fitz and Dottie King
Anne Manning Lytch	by: Maria L. Chivers
Joe Clifton Martin, Jr.	by: Joe and Leslie Martin
A. Darrell Hickman	by: Joe and Leslie Martin
Mrs. Luella Henderson	by: Marne Hall
Mrs. Rubye Benchoff	by: Marne Hall
Eleanor Allen	by: WIC Circle 5
Polly Duncan	by: WIC Circle 5
Marion Dillard	by: WIC Circle 5
Sgt. and Mrs. Heyward Mahon	by: The Mahon Family
Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Pomraning	by: Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Cooley
Mr. and Mrs. John Cooley	by: Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Cooley

The Second Presbyterian Church Greenville, South Carolina

Dr. Richard D. Phillips, Senior Minister



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*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who struggle and desire victory;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who are strangers and want fellowship;
To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whoever will come;*

*This church opens wide her doors
and offers her welcome in the name
of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

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