

move. We have scheduled Sunday, July 25, as their final service, with a reception to follow the morning service at which Gabe will preach. Please be in prayer for Gabe and Callie. I am sure that many opportunities will arise in the weeks to come for you to express your love and gratitude to the Fluhrers.

This raises a question about our youth ministry, which Gabe has so ably headed. To answer this question, the Session announces the calling of Mr. Seth Starkey as Director of Christian Education, effective August 1, 2010. Serving as our church intern since last summer, Seth has demonstrated outstanding ability, Christian maturity, and commitment to ministry. During the last year, he and his bride, Laura Lee, have endeared themselves to our congregation and gained the respect of our youth and their parents. Seth plans to graduate in December from Reformed Theological Seminary, Charlotte, with his Master of Divinity degree, and after his approval by presbytery we anticipate his ordination as Assistant Minister to youth and families.

Finally, the Session announces the hiring of Mr. Melton L. Duncan to the new position of church administrator, effective August 1, 2010. The need for this position has been made clear by increasing demands on our church staff and our need for more effective coordination of committees, activities, facilities use, media and overall ministry. Answering to the Senior Minister and the Session, Mr. Duncan will oversee all administration and ministry support functions of the church. Mel is ably suited to this role, given his lifelong intimacy with Second Church and his experience in ministry support with Ligonier Ministries and Reformed University Ministries.

These are significant changes, and we give praise to God for providing for our church needs. Second Presbyterian Church remains committed to the ordinary means of grace, and also to effective administration and ministry support. Please pray for God's blessing on these changes, and on the Fluhrers, Starkeys, and Duncans as they enter into new roles in service to our Lord Jesus Christ. Meanwhile, I thank our congregation for its consistent generosity in supporting Christ's work at Second Church and give praise to God for His many blessings to us all.

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Rick Phillips

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Church Services: **Sunday:** Sunday School—10:00 AM •
Morning Worship—8:30 and 11:00 AM • Evening Worship—6:00 PM
Wednesday: Supper & Bible Study and Prayer Meeting – 5:45 PM

Radio Broadcast: Sundays, 9:00 AM, Station: WLFJ 660 AM

Upcoming Events

May 16	The Lord's Supper at the morning services
May 17	Young At Heart
May 19	Good News Club Presentation
May 20	WIC Book Club I
May 21	Senior High Dinner
May 23	Receive New Members
May 23	Evangelism/Church Growth Meeting
May 23	VBS Meeting for all workers
May 26	CE Committee Meeting
May 26	Blood Drive
May 30	New Members' Luncheon
May 30	Hymn Sing
May 31	Church Office Closed for Memorial Day

Music Notes

- A big thank you to Ashley Maralit and Rebekah Johnson and all other parents who made it possible for the children to sing on Mother's Day. It was a blessing to me and I pray that it was for you as well.
- Beginning Wednesday, May 19, we will begin summer musical CAT Kids from 6:30-8:00 pm each week until August. I need help with craft helpers (teenagers through adults) as well as instrument demonstration sessions each week. If you would be willing to help in any way, please contact Elizabeth Guest as soon as possible. (864-313-0193)

Vacation Bible School Meeting for All Workers



There will be a meeting for all VBS volunteers on Sunday, May 23, at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to come.

Vacation Bible School
Monday, June 21—Friday, June 25
8:45 am—12:00 noon
4 years-old to 6th grade (completed)

Senior High Beach Trip

Edisto Island, SC
July 10-17, 2010
\$50 deposit due to Gabe by May 17, 2010

Junior High Camp

Ridgehaven
July 26-30, 2010
\$50 deposit due to Seth by May 17, 2010

CAT Kids Spring Fling

Saturday, May 15, 2010
12:00 noon until 2:00 pm
At the church

BLOOD DRIVE: WEDNESDAY, MAY 26

Retiring Offering

This Lord's Day, May 16, we will partake of The Lord's Supper at the morning worship services. The Deacons have asked that the congregation prayerfully consider the greater-than-normal needs of some members of the church when they prepare to give to the retiring offering following the Lord's Supper.

Baptism

Iain Osborne Woodard, covenant child of Ken and Kelly Woodard, received the sacrament of baptism on Sunday, May 9, 2010. We are thankful for Iain and for the entire Woodard family and pray that he will love and serve the Lord all the days of his life.

"Every time we baptize a child we bear witness that salvation is from God..."

—B. B. Warfield

Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary

The Board of Trustee, Faculty and Class of 2010 cordially invite you to attend the twentieth commencement.

Dr. Ben Shaw, speaker

Friday, May 21, 2010, 7:00 PM

Greenville Seminary

Reception immediately following

Young At Heart

The monthly Young At Heart Luncheon will be Monday, May 17, 11:45 am, in the Fellowship Hall. The catered lunch is \$5.00 per person, payable at the door. Our speaker this month is our own Pastor Gabe Fluhrer. Don't miss this special time for fellowship and good food.

Treasurer's Report

April 2010 & YTD Financial Status

	Actual		
	April 2010	YTD 2010	YTD Budget
Offerings	70,737	260,655	298,667
Outlays:			
Operating Expenses	55,313	219,033	252,773
Mission Disbursements	14,811	44,214	49,227
Total Outlays	70,124	263,247	302,000
Net Offerings (Outlays)	613	(2,592)	

Offerings in April were \$70,737 and expenses were \$70,124.

Offerings for April were \$3,929 behind budget.

Offerings in April 2010 were \$6,084 less than April 2009.

YTD 2010 offerings are \$452 less than YTD 2009.

The 2010 Budget is \$64,893 more than offerings were in 2009.

YTD expenses exceed offerings by \$2,592.

If you have any questions, please contact Pat Holbrook or David Rainey.

Please direct all comments, suggestions, and questions about the newsletter and/or the bulletin to Mr. Melton L. Duncan, Media Chairman.
southron@charter.net

Church Calendar

Sunday, May 16
 8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
 10:00 AM New Members' Class
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 5:30 PM Prayer in the Chapel for the Congregation and Officers
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**
 6:30 PM Wee Worship Choir

Monday, May 17
 11:45 AM Young At Heart

Tuesday, May 18
 10:00 AM WIC Bible Study
 6:00 PM Evangelism Explosion training
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 828

Wednesday, May 19
 5:45 PM **Family Night Fellowship Supper**
 6:45 PM Good News Club Presentation
 Musical CAT Kids (immediately following presentation)

Thursday, May 20
 10:30 AM WIC Book Club I

Friday, May 21
 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
 6:30 PM Senior High Dinner

Saturday, May 22



New Members' Luncheon

All members and visitors are cordially invited to a luncheon honoring our new members,
Sunday, May 30, 2010
 Immediately following the 11:00 morning worship service in the church gymnasium.
Meat and drinks will be provided by the church.
Church members are asked to bring generous portions of side dishes (vegetables, salads, breads) and desserts.

Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following member.
 Also, send her a note of encouragement and/or give her a call.

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WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY MAY 16, 2010

MORNING WORSHIP
 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

BEHOLD THE MAN!

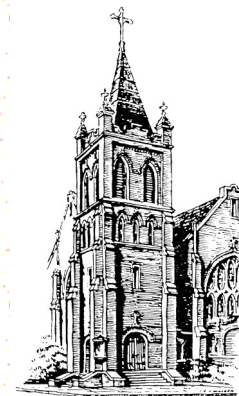
John 18: 38b-19:8
 Hymns 35, 255, 299
 Anthem: The Lord's My Shepherd
 Rev. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP
 6:00 PM

A TRAGIC END

1 Samuel 31:1-13
 Hymns 6, 498, 467
 Psalter: Psalm 78 (verses 63-72, 1)
 Rev. Richard D. Phillips preaching

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Letter from the Senior Pastor.... Changes to Our Church Staff

At the meeting of our Session on Monday evening, a number of actions were taken that will considerably impact our church staff. I want to inform the congregation about these changes and the rationale behind them. If you have any questions, you may feel free to talk to one of our elders or to contact me.

The first was the request by the Reverend Gabriel Fluhrer to resign as Assistant Minister, effective August 1, 2010, to begin his doctoral studies in apologetics at Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, PA. The elders have known for some time about this possibility, as have many of you, but now it has been made official and the Session regrettably approved Gabe's resignation. This decision arises out of conversations that Gabe and I have had over many months concerning how he may best serve our Lord in years to come. He and I agree that doctoral studies would best enable him to develop his gifts and make a meaningful contribution to the church. Our belief has been confirmed by Westminster offering Gabe a full scholarship and by the Lord providing income for the Fluhrers while in Philadelphia. One remaining need is the sale of their home here in Greenville, for which I would ask you to pray.

Gabe and Callie came to Second in 2004, as Gabe was beginning his Master of Divinity studies at Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. During these years, we have had the privilege of watching Gabe and Callie blossom in their faith, Christian maturity, and spiritual gifts. No one here will doubt that Gabe and Callie have made a major difference to our church, and many of you give praise to God for the ways in which the Fluhrers have personally blessed you. We will miss them sorely, but we delight to give them up for more extensive service to Jesus Christ. In addition to his studies in Philadelphia, Gabe will be working as an editor with the Alliance of Confessing Evangelicals, a leading Reformed and Evangelical broadcast and publishing ministry, and his future books are already in the works. I look forward to many years of collaboration in ministry with Gabe and I am certain that the Fluhrer's relationship with Second will not be ending with this