

cross we enter into Jesus' resurrection life. This is exactly what Jesus had previously promised: "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live" (Jn. 11:25).

Second, the resurrection of Christ displays *the conquest of our enemy, death*. Jesus took to Himself the death we have deserved and He defeated it in His resurrection power! Thus Paul rejoices: "'O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?' The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law" (1 Cor. 15:55-56). According to the writer of the Hebrews, the resurrection of Christ has thus delivered believers from fear: the enemy's power is broken and we have been set free forever (Heb. 2:14-15).

Third, Christ's resurrection gives us *a glorious hope*. Having been set free from fear of death and judgment, believers now live in the light of a glorious future. No longer must we live as if all were invested in a few decades of earthly existence! A Christian view of life is resurrection life! Now, we see our years on earth as but a prelude to an eternity of holy, glorious fellowship with Jesus and with God the Father. Paul put it perhaps best: "this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison" (2 Cor. 4:17).

Fourth, our hope in Christ's resurrection emboldens us to *preach the good news in His name*. By looking into the empty tomb of Jesus, Christians see what a great message God has entrusted to us for the sake of the world. We now stand before the world in the manner that the apostle Paul stood before the philosophers of Athens. Against the idols of a dying age, we declare a living God who grants grace and life through Jesus Christ, and who "has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead" (Acts 17:31).

Having risen from the grave, Jesus ascended into heaven and sends the Holy Spirit to grant life to all who believe. We therefore celebrate His death in our place, and His life that gives us life. The best way for us to rejoice in Resurrection Sunday is to live in the power of the life that Jesus gives. "Peace be with you," Jesus declared in His first Easter appearances. He added, "As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you" (Jn. 20:21).

May the Lord bless you all this Holy Week and Resurrection Sunday!

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Rick Phillips

### New Baby

William Flynn Preston was born to Holt and Katie Preston on March 27, 2012. He weighed 9 pounds, 1 ounce, and was 20 1/2 inches long. Both mother and son are doing well.

### CHURCH INFORMATION

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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 - 5:45 PM \* Prayer Meeting and Bible Study - 6:45 PM

### Upcoming Events

April 4	No Wednesday evening activities
April 5	Maundy Thursday Communion Service
April 6	Good Friday Lunch and Service
April 6	Church Office Closed
April 6	Senior High Fellowship
April 8	Sunrise Service and Breakfast (7:00/8:00 AM)
April 8	Sunday School (9:00 AM)
April 8	Easter Service (10:00 AM)
April 9	Joint Session/Diaconate Meeting
April 10-11	WIC Circles
April 11	WIC Council
April 11	Missions Committee Meeting
April 13	CAT Kids' Spring Fling
April 15	College/Career Group Luncheon in gym
April 15	The Lord's Supper at the evening service
April 16	Young At Heart
April 18	Boy Scouts' Pancake Supper
April 21	WIC Shower for Davis White (Matthew Evans)
April 22	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting
April 25	CE Committee Meeting
April 26	Calvary Presbytery at Smyrna PCA
April 27-28	WIC Spring Retreat in Saluda
April 29	Hymn Sing in the gym after evening service

### Mark Your Calendars

<b>Blood Drive</b>	<b>May 2</b>
<b>New Members' Luncheon</b>	<b>May 6</b>
<b>Graduation Banquet</b>	<b>May 9</b>
<b>Mother/Daughter Tea</b>	<b>May 11</b>
<b>CAT Kids Program</b>	<b>May 16</b>
<b>Men's Whitewater Rafting Trip</b>	<b>May 18-19</b>
<b>Hartsville, SC Missions Trip</b>	<b>June 10-14</b>
<b>General Assembly</b>	<b>June 18-22</b>
<b>Vacation Bible School</b>	<b>June 25-29</b>
<b>Senior High Trip</b>	<b>July 16-20</b>
<b>Richmond Hill, GA Missions Trip</b>	<b>July 17-20</b>
<b>Jr. High Ridge Haven Trip</b>	<b>July 23-27</b>
<b>Trujillo, Peru Missions Trip</b>	<b>August 3-11</b>
<b>Marriage Retreat at Bonclarken</b>	<b>August 17-18</b>

### Men's Whitewater Rafting Trip

Nantahala River  
**May 18-19, 2012**  
 \$49.00 per person  
*(includes lodging, meals and guide-assisted rafting)*  
 Contact Bill Hedgpeth for details and to sign-up

### Second Presbyterian Marriage Retreat

**Bonclarken Conference Center, Flat Rock, NC**  
**August 17-18, 2012**  
**Guest Speaker: Dr. Derek Thomas**  
 Minister of Preaching and Teaching, First Presbyterian Church, Columbia, SC  
 \$189.00 per couple  
*(includes lodging, Friday evening dinner and Saturday morning breakfast)*  
Limited availability  
 Please contact Bill Hedgpeth for details and to reserve your room.

### Holy Week and Easter Services

#### Maundy Thursday Service with Communion

April 5, 2012  
 7:00 pm

#### Good Friday Lunch and Service

April 6, 2012  
 Lunch—11:45 am \* Service—12:30-1:00 pm

#### EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2012

#### Sunrise Service at Wyche Pavilion:

7:00 am

#### Breakfast at the church:

8:00 am

#### Sunday School:

9:00 am

#### Easter Worship Service:

10:00 am *(only one service)*

#### Evening Worship Service:

6:00 pm

### Sunrise Service Info

For the Sunrise service there is limited parking available next to the Wyche Pavilion, though there is a new drop off round-about for use off of Spring Street (between the Greenville News building and the Bowater Building). If you are planning to come to the Easter Sunrise Service the best option (as in previous years) is to walk over through Riverplace and cross the bridge over the Reedy. Please avoid the construction zone behind the Peace Center. The service will begin at 7:00 am. We are asking folks to contribute \$4.00 for breakfast.

### Parking on Easter Sunday

The Deacons are asking us to help make room for visitors by parking in a non-campus space (if you are physically able) on Easter morning. Options include the parking lot on River Street next to the Innovate building (north of the church), the lot on Rhett Street (south of the church where Shealy Electric used to be), and street-side parking along Camperdown Way. With a large group from Mountain View Baptist expected for the Sunrise Service and breakfast, car pooling or ride and share are also excellent options.

### CAT Kids Spring Fling

Friday, April 13, 2012  
 5:30—7:30 pm  
 Church Gymnasium

### Young At Heart

The monthly Young At Heart luncheon will be Monday, April 16, at 11:45 am in the Church Fellowship Hall. The catered lunch will be \$6.00 per person, payable at the door. This month our program will be "Miracle Hill Ministries." Don't miss this special time of fellowship, good food, and a very informative program.

### WIC Shower

*All ladies are invited to a WIC bridal shower for*  
**Davis White (Matthew Evans' fiancé)**

Saturday, April 21, 2012

10:00 - 11:30 am

Church Fellowship Hall



## Church Calendar

**Sunday, April 8**  
 7:00 AM EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE (Wyche Pavilion)  
 8:00 AM Breakfast in the church gymnasium  
 9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL  
 10:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP  
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel  
 6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP  
 6:00 PM Wee Worship Choir

**Monday, April 9**  
**Joint Session/Diaconate Meeting**  
 6:00 PM Supper  
 7:00 PM Meeting

**Tuesday, April 10**  
 10:00 AM WIC Circles 1 & 3 meet at the church  
 2:30 PM WIC Circle 5 meets at the church  
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 828  
 6:00 PM Evangelism Explosion Training  
 7:00 PM WIC Circle 2 meets at the home of Tammy Looper  
 7:00 PM WIC Circle 4

**Wednesday, April 11**  
 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study  
 5:00 PM WIC Council  
 5:30 PM Missions Committee Meeting  
 5:45 PM FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER  
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir  
 6:45 PM CAT Kids and Covenant Kids  
 6:45 PM Youth Bible Study  
 6:45 PM WIC Circle 6  
 6:45 PM PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

**Thursday, April 12**  
 9:30 AM WIC Precepts Bible Study

**Friday, April 13**  
 12:00 PM Men's Fellowship Lunch and Bible Study  
 5:30 PM CAT Kids Spring Fling

### Nursery Schedule for Easter Sunday

If you are available to help in the nursery on Easter Sunday, April 8, please come by the nursery at 8:45 am for the Sunday School hour and/or 9:45 am for the morning worship service. If you are not needed, you would then be available to attend your Sunday School class or morning worship service. If you have any questions, please contact Karen Gray.

### Pancake Supper at Second

On Wednesday evening, April 18th, come and support Boy Scout Troop 828. The Boy Scouts will be preparing and serving yummy pancakes with all the fixings for supper that evening beginning at 5:45 pm. They will also take care of all the clean-up. All other activities will remain on their regular schedule.

### Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following member.  
 Also, send her a note of encouragement.

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### WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY APRIL 8, 2012

MORNING WORSHIP  
 10:00 AM

COME AND SEE  
 Matthew 28:1-7

Anthem:

My Eternal King

Hymns: 277, 274, 286

Rev. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP  
 6:00 PM

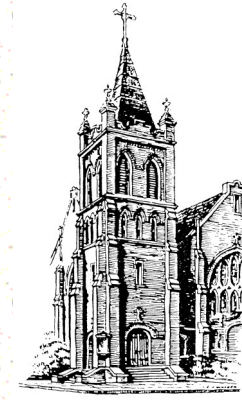
THE LORD'S SUPPER

Mark 14:22-26

Hymns: 255, 420, 361

Psalter: Psalm 127

Mr. Joshua Sparkman preaching



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## Letter from the Senior Minister Looking into the Resurrection

*"He is not here, for he has risen, as he said.  
 Come, see the place where he lay"  
 (Mt. 28:6).*

Having celebrated Palm Sunday, we have now begun what Christians refer to as "Holy Week," which includes the most precious dates on the Christian calendar. This Thursday evening we will gather to remember the Last Supper of our Lord. It is called *Maundy Thursday*, for the Latin word *mandatum*, meaning "commandment," recalling Jesus' loving ministry to us and His command for us to love one another. We will also have a Good Friday service, remembering our Lord's suffering on the cross, at noon on Friday. All this is intended to prepare our hearts for the great joy of the Lord's resurrection. Our Easter observance will begin with our annual sunrise service, in which we will greet the Resurrection Day morning by hailing the risen Christ. This year we have invited Mountain View Baptist Church to join us for the sunrise service, and their pastor, Stacey Mills, will be preaching. The sunrise service is followed by a breakfast in the church gymnasium, after which the normal Sunday morning schedule is moved up an hour: Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. and the late morning service at 10:00 a.m. I hope you will be able to participate in these events, setting apart time during this week to honor our righteous King, who died and rose from the dead for our salvation. Please consider inviting friends and neighbors to join us as well.

To be a Christian is to be a child of the resurrection: the resurrection of Jesus Christ that makes Christians what we are. It was looking into the open tomb that gave the first believers their passion and power (Jn. 20:8). So important was the resurrection to the first Christians that they changed their calendar so that the holy day of the week would correspond to the resurrection of Jesus (see Acts 20:7). We therefore should look into the empty tomb as well, reflecting on what a difference the resurrection of Christ has made for us.

First, the resurrection of Jesus declares *the victory of our Savior*. When the disciples had last seen Jesus, He was suffering at the hands of an evil world, condemned, despised, and shamed. But by rising from the dead, Jesus showed that he accomplished what he set out to do in dying on the cross. The enemies who seemed to have defeated Him – all the powers of hell and darkness – were not able to overcome Jesus, and in the resurrection He displayed His victory over them. The resurrection not only *proves* Jesus' victory, but the resurrection *is* Jesus' victory. Those who trust in Him enter not only into the sorrow of the cross but through the