

This summer the Session's Missions Committee is planning a full Peru team to assist in construction and community outreach. As a general rule our mission teams are asked to raise their own support for missionary endeavors. The Session, however wanted to say a word on behalf of our 2012 Peru Mission team to ask the congregation to support as able (above and beyond the tithe). This year has brought increased costs through "non-native, in-country regional travel fees" subjecting (primarily Americans) to new prohibitive Peruvian taxation. (Taxation without representation anyone?) If you have not contributed to summer missions please do so soon. Remember to mark "Peru Missions" or one of our other fine summer missions venture at "Richmond Hills" or "Hartsville" on your checks so that funds can be relayed to the right place. Your ability to help our team will keep some of our members from having to stay home. Thank you for supporting Missions.

PROPERTY UPDATE

The Deacon's Material Property Committee has been very busy this spring taking care of "River and Rhett." The big project in April and May was the cleaning of all the church's stained glass windows in both the sanctuary and chapel buildings and the replacement of the forty year old external protective plastic casing. Over 28 days the Laws Company of Statesville, NC worked inside and outside the building on scaffolding to improve the appearance and condition of our glass. You'll notice two new things in the sanctuary since the work was finished, one is how much brighter it is inside because the old protective panes had faded and inhibited outside light from entering the building, and secondly the richness of blues, greens and purples on the windows themselves have been restored to their original colors.

Ongoing projects include a new fitted protective glass that has been ordered for Gresham Conference Room table and the final replacement (or repair) of each window throughout the church (a multi-year project of the diaconate) not including the Bell Towers (a future project). Deacons are developing a plan to use the "Sitton Property" (large grass field below our parking lot) for parking and recreational use by the church family in conjunction with the Long Range Planning Committee. This may include paving a driveway down into the field and lighting parts of the field for safety. After 3 months there has not been a single reported problem for a church member with Lanier Parking system's management. A reminder to park in unnumbered spaces when you visit the church on a weekday. If you need an additional parking tag visit the church library to register or see the Administrator.

The Session's Media Committee has begun planning some upgrades for sanctuary broadcasts. Among them are some new permanently mounted digital cameras that will allow us an improved video product for better visual perspectives. A new website and social media launch is planned for the summer.

Your Friend,



Church Administrator

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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

May 27	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting
May 28	Church Office Closed for Memorial Day
May 29	Summer RUF Meeting
June 1	Men's Ministry Event—Greenville Drive Game
June 3	Ice Cream Social
June 4	Diaconate Meeting
June 6	WIC Council
June 6	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
June 7	Titus II Bible Study
June 8	Senior High Gathering
June 10-14	Hartsville Mission Trip
June 10	Worship & Music Committee Meeting
June 11-15	Master Flute Camp
June 11	Session Meeting
June 12	WIC Circles 1-5
June 16	WIC Shower for Laura Lizak
June 17	The Lord's Supper at the Evening Service
June 19-22	General Assembly in Louisville, Kentucky
June 20	WIC Circle 6
June 23	VBS Workday
June 24	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting
June 25-29	Vacation Bible School
June 27	CE Committee Meeting

Mark Your Calendars

Church Picnic	July 4
Richmond Hill, GA Missions Trip	July 17-20
Jr. High Ridge Haven Trip	July 23-27
Trujillo, Peru Missions Trip	August 3-11
Marriage Retreat at Bonclarken	August 17-18

Special Mission Emphasis on May 27

On May 27th, during the 11:00 am worship service, the church will have a special time of prayer for SPC Missionaries Elizabeth Johnson (Peru) and Ali Morgan (Bulgaria) and our 3 summer missions teams (Peru, Hartsville, and Savannah). During the Sunday School hour there will be a reception (light-breakfast style) to recognize and honor our short and long term missionaries (*Senior High age group and above.*) A retiring offering will be taken at the 11:00 am worship service for the Peru Mission trip. Please be in prayer for the missions program of Second Church. Contact Tim Crunk, Missions Chairman or Rev. Starkey for more information.

The Church Office will be closed Monday, May 28.

Reformed University Fellowship

Summer 2012 (May 29 - July 10)

Tuesdays at 7:00 pm at Second Presbyterian Church

REMINDER: First meeting Tuesday, March 29th—7:00 pm

I AM

Good Shepherd, True Vine, Gate, Bread, Way, Light Resurrection, Life, Truth

Upcoming Men's Ministry Event

This men's event is open to families.

Greenville Drive v. Charleston RiverDogs (NYY)

Friday, June 1, 7:00 pm

Tickets are \$7.00 per person (advanced purchase)

Make check payable to Bill Hedgpeth no later than Sunday, May 27.

Music Notes

We will begin our annual Summer Musical CAT Kids on Wednesday, May 23. We will meet weekly from 6:45 until 8:00 pm and will sing, play instruments, study music history, music theory, as well as have weekly crafts. At the end of the summer we will present a program where we will demonstrate all that we have learned. If you have children or grandchildren age 3 through 6th grade, please allow them to come to Summer Musical CAT Kids each week. Also, if any of you are interested in teaching, helping with crafts, or assisting in any way, please let Elizabeth Guest know. (864-313-0193)

Summer Sunday School Class

Join us for our all Adult Sunday School (7th grade—adults) in the sanctuary this summer. The class will begin on June 3 and end on Rally Day, August 26. Our teaching elders, interns and ruling elders will teach from Sinclair Ferguson's "Discovering God's Will." Below is a schedule of the summer classes:

June 3	TE McGoldrick	1 Peter 5:5-11
June 10	TE Starkey	"God's Ultimate Purpose"
June 17	TE Spears	"Guidelines for Guidance"
June 24	Intern Sparkman	"Guarding the Heart"
July 1	Jim McCarthy	"A Christian Lifestyle"
July 8	RE Duncan	"Principles of Conduct"
July 15	TE Foster	"Consider Your Calling"
July 22	RE Crunk	"Marriage"
July 29	Intern Hedgpeth	"Wait for the Lord"
August 5	RE Pratt	"He Leads Me"
August 12	RE Rainey	"Time, Money & God's Will"
August 19	RE Safford	"God's Will & Personal Evangelism"
August 26	TE Settle	RALLY DAY: "How to Study the Bible"

Ice Cream Social



Come join us for a Second Pres. tradition....

Our first ice cream social of the season

will be Sunday night June 3, after the evening service.

Come enjoy some refreshing ice cream and wonderful fellowship.

The church will provide the ice cream and toppings.

Senior High Gathering

There is no Sr. High gathering Friday, May 25th.

In lieu of that there is a gathering at the Barnett's on

Friday, June 8th from 6:30—9:00 pm.

Dinner provided for \$3.00.

Please feel free to bring modest swim wear and towel.

THE SCOTTISH SLEUTHS

AND

THE CASE OF THE PUZZLING PARABLES

Vacation Bible School

June 25-29, 2012



If you would like to minister to the children during VBS this year, please contact Fran Turek at 299-6034 or franturek@bellsouth.net.

Congratulations

Thursday, May 10, Gabe Fluhrer passed his final examinations and on Friday, May 11, 2012 was installed as Organizing Pastor of Shiloh Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, North Carolina. We congratulate Rev. Fluhrer and pray for Gabe, Callie, and their two daughters as they begin a new journey with the Lord.

Church Calendar

Sunday, May 27
 8:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 10:00 AM Reception for short and long-term missionaries
 11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel
 6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP
 7:15 PM Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting

Monday, May 28
 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, May 29
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 828
 7:00 PM Summer RUF Meeting

Wednesday, May 30
 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
 5:45 PM FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER
 6:45 PM Musical CAT Kids
 6:45 PM Youth Bible Study
 6:45 PM PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

Friday, June 1
 12:00 PM Men's Fellowship Lunch and Bible Study
 7:00 PM Men's Ministry—Greenville Drive Game

Titus II Bible Study

The Women in the Church have begun a Titus II Bible Study group (older women teaching the younger ones.) The first meeting was in April at Cindy Howard's house. Tammy Looper covered "Tips for meal planning" as well as how we are created to be our husband's "help mate" (not the other way around.) The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 7th, at 6:45 pm at the home of Sarah Grubbs (100 Merritt View Terrace in Greenville.) Stephanie Vaughn, a professional organizer will be speaking to us on home organization.

Baptism

Millie Maria LaBombard, covenant child of Louie and Jessica LaBombard, received the sacrament of baptism on Sunday, May 13, 2012. We are thankful for the LaBombard family and pray that Millie will love and serve the Lord all the days of her life.

Second Presbyterian Marriage Retreat

Bonclarken Conference Center, Flat Rock, NC
 August 17-18, 2012
 Conference 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)
\$50.00 reservation deposit due June 24th (balance due July 22)
Limited availability
 Please contact Bill Hedgpeth for details and to reserve your room.

Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following member.
 Also, send her a note of encouragement.
 Catherine Elrod
 5 Yarmouth Court
 Greenville, SC 29611

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WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY

MAY 27, 2012

MORNING WORSHIP
 8:30 & 11:00 AM

THE GREATNESS OF THE
 GREAT COMMISSION

Matthew 28:18-20

Anthem:

Be Thou My Vision

Hymns: 296, 441, 587

Rev. Seth T. Starkey preaching

EVENING WORSHIP
 6:00 PM

PRECIOUS FAITHFULNESS

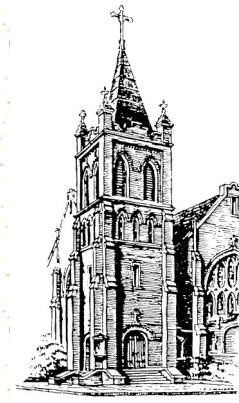
Psalm 36

Hymns: 25, 36, 660

Psalter: Psalm 133

Rev. Robert E. Spears preaching

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Letter from the Church Administrator Dr. Phillips, Missions Appeal, Property Update and the Kingdom of God

DR. PHILLIPS

Our Senior Minister was awarded the *Doctor of Divinity* by the Board of Trustees of Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary who presented the degree to him this past Friday, May 18th at their annual spring graduation on the Taylors campus. By God's grace Richard D. Phillips has had a remarkable record of faithful and productive ministry as a Teaching Elder and an equally impressive prior record of service to the nation in the U.S. Army and as professor at The United States Military Academy.

Phillips' work within the Kingdom of God was recognized; authoring 28 volumes and contributing to an additional 20 titles of *Christian theology and biblical exegesis*; speaking at over 50 major Christian conferences including the venerable Philadelphia Conference on Reformed Theology, which he has chaired since the death of his beloved pastor James Montgomery Boice. This week Rick will participate at the Gospel Coalition Council meeting in Louisville where he will share a discussion panel with John Piper on continuing revelation and then travel for a Board of Trustees meeting at Westminster Theological Seminary. Rick's active role as a churchman within the Presbyterian Church in America and the broader church (especially the Global South) through ministries like African Bible College and Rafiki show a commitment to both biblical orthodoxy and evangelical zeal.

The Second Church family recognizes and truly rejoices with our Senior Minister and family on this wonderful "Ebenezer" in their lives. The Session presented as a gift to Rick a newly altered Geneva-style black preaching robe with "academic bars" on the arms befitting a "doctor of the church" and an orchid corsage for Mrs. Phillips on the occasion. Well done Dr. Phillips.

MISSIONS APPEAL

The Kingdom of God is on the advance in the work and ministry of Second Church, especially through our summer missions program **but we need your help**. Since the mid 1990's we have had the privilege of supporting the remarkable reformed and Presbyterian "Peru Mission." Native Peruvian Alonzo Ramirez and Texan Wes Baker (both classmates of Rev. Spears at RTS Jackson) approached our congregation early on about prayer and financial support for their "Christian Missionary Society." Since those early days our church has sent individuals and teams on dozens of trips to Lima, Trujillo and Cajamarca; literally building churches, seminaries and laying the ground work for community outreach endeavors and college ministry. Peru Mission is a sound, fruitful and growing Christian enterprise. Our own Elizabeth Johnson has signed on to work as a medical missionary for Peru Mission for the next two years. We rejoice that Second Church has a faithful missionary partnership with Peru Mission.