

as believers under godly shepherd-leaders, especially those who are "keeping watch over your souls," is one of the chief biblical provisions for your perseverance and growth in faith.

In short, just as salvation involves a covenant relationship with God, the life of faith also involves a covenant relationship with other believers under Christ's authority in the church. To this end, my constant prayer is that Second Presbyterian Church would not only be a place where God's Word is faithfully taught but also where God's people are faithfully shepherded. The more I grow in experience, the more I see how important the second of these is, together with the first. If you have been attending Second Church regularly, I would therefore ask you to consider your calling to join the church. The schedule of the upcoming New Members Class, meeting in Classroom C-209 at 9:50 am, is as follows:

- Sept. 16: The "Solas" of the Reformation (Pastor Phillips)
- Sept. 23: Doctrines of Grace (Pastor Phillips)
- Sept. 30: The Law and the Gospel (Pastor Phillips)
- Oct. 7 : Membership Vows (Pastor Spears)
- Oct. 14: Covenant Theology (Pastor Phillips)
- Oct. 21: Reformed Worship (Pastor Phillips)
- Oct. 28: Presbyterian Church History (Dr. Barry Waugh)
- Oct. 28: Elder Interviews
- Nov. 4 Elder Interviews
- Nov. 11 Reception of New Members and Luncheon

If you have any questions about our church or church membership, I am simply delighted to answer them. I look forward to getting to know many of our recent visitors better during this class, with thanks to God for the way He is increasing the numbers at our church.

May the Lord bless you all this week.

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Rick Phillips

### Welcome

We welcome to the organ this Lord's Day, Mrs. Dana Carter from Hendersonville, North Carolina filling in for Ellen Shearer while she is away.

### From the Church Historian

The series of displays concerning the founding members of the church continues with Jessie Louise Garlington (1876-1958). Presented in the wall display case in the history room is information regarding her life and work as a teacher in the Parker District School system at the Brandon Mill School in Greenville. Please come by at your convenience and learn more about the history of your church. The history room is open between Sunday School and the 11:00 worship service.

### CHURCH INFORMATION

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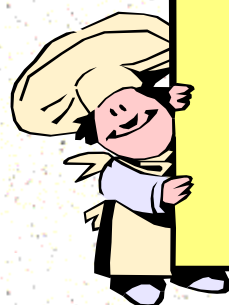
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**Church Services: Sunday:** Sunday School - 10:00 AM  
Morning Worship - 8:30 and 11:00 AM \* Evening Worship - 6:00 PM  
**Wednesday:** Supper - 5:45 PM \* Prayer Meeting and Bible Study - 6:45 PM

## Upcoming Events

- Sept. 13 WIC Precepts Bible Study begins
- Sept. 16 New Members' Class begins
- Sept. 16 The Lord's Supper at the morning services
- Sept. 16 Deacon Nominations end
- Sept. 17 Young At Heart resumes
- Sept. 19 Evangelism Explosion Banquet
- Sept. 23 Evangelism/Church Growth Meeting
- Sept. 26 CE Committee Meeting
- Sept. 26 WIC Circle 6
- Sept. 28 Sr. High Fellowship at the Spears'
- Sept. 28 7th and 8th Grade Fellowship

## Young At Heart Resumes

The Young At Heart monthly luncheon will resume Monday, Sept. 17, at 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall with a catered lunch. The lunch will be \$6.00 per person, payable at the door. Mark your calendars now and don't miss out on this special time as we look forward to everyone coming back to our monthly meetings. John Duncan will be speaking to us on "Christian Media."



### Evangelism Explosion Banquet

Wednesday, September 19

Dinner: 5:45 PM

Program: 6:45 PM

Speaker: Dr. Robert Cathcart  
Friendship Presbyterian Church  
Senior Pastor

## WIC Shower



All ladies are invited to a WIC Linen Shower for

**Kaitlyn Lyons Bouchillon**

Saturday, September 22, 2012

10:00 - 11:30 am

Church Fellowship Hall

*Aaron and Kaitlyn's colors are earth tones and they have a double bed.*



## New Youth Choir

**A new "Youth Choir" is forming for Junior and Senior High Students!!**

The Youth Choir will prepare selections to be sung during the Sunday Evening Worship Service, joint anthems with the Adult choir, Christmas Eve Service and various church events throughout the year. For more information please contact Cindy Duncan at CindyADuncan@gmail.com or Elizabeth Guest at elizabeth@secondpca.org. We look forward to seeing you Wednesdays at 6:15 pm.

## Nursery Volunteers

The Fall/Winter Nursery Schedule is now available at the nursery check-in desk. The new schedule begins Sunday, September 23, so please pick your schedules up by the 16th.

## Basketball Sign-Ups

Sign-up sheets in the gym. Contact Alan Farley (268-2674) with questions.

## DEACON NOMINATIONS WILL CLOSE

SUNDAY, SEPT. 16, AFTER THE EVENING SERVICE.

Ballots and a list of eligible men for nomination are available from an usher.

Copies of the nomination and election procedure are located on the shelf outside the library.

### Men Eligible for the Nomination to the Office of Deacon

Altman, Kip	Cumbus, George	Holbrook, Mark	Ludwig, Hank	Player, Spencer	Therrell, Billy
Andrews, Sam	DeShields, Dick	Holman, Bob	Lusk, Roger	Pomerlyan, Serge	Trayham, Jerry
Atwood, Nathan	Dickerson, Larry	Hook, John	Mahon, Frank	Rogers, Reed	Waugh, Barry
Bassett, Brian	Dillard, Marion	Hopple, Jim	Mann, George	Russell, Seth	Weaver, Jeremy
Bechtel, Bill	Dillard, Mike	Howard, Mike	Mann, Hudson	Safford, Kenneth	Windt, Jeff
Bechtel, Brian	Early, Gordon	Huber, Ray	Mann, Josiah	Schvaneveldt, Stephen	Woodard, Don
Bigbee, Cale	Evans, Daniel	Icard, Randy	Martin, Henry	Scoggins, Chad	Woodard, Ken
Bishop, Jim	Evans, Matthew	Johnson, Nathaniel	Martin, Joe	Senn, Byron	Worley, Bryan
Braeckelaere, Bill	Evans, Spencer	Johnson, Timothy	Martin, Sam	Sexton, Joshua	Worley, Mitchell
Briggs, Ken	Farley, Jacob	Kee, Kirby	McCall, Rich	Shearer, Bob	Wright, Lloyd
Briggs, Larry	Farley, Thomas	King, Harry	McDaniel, Bill	Shreve, Ethan	Zeigler, Dale
Bulla, Don	Fields, Chuck	King, John	McKenney, Ray	Shreve, Tom	
Caldwell, David	Frazier, Andy	Knox, Bill	McNeely, Ron	Spears, Daniel	
Campbell, Woody	Gamble, Jacob	Korol, Jason	Montgomery, Henry	Shuford, Jack	
Carter, Jordan	Griffin, John	Kozma, John	Moore, Robert	Stephens, Tony	
Casey, Erik	Griffin, Matt	Laughter, Marcus	Owens, Tim	Stevens, Ben	
Chivers, Mike	Grubbs, Scott	Lock, David	Palmer, Walter	Stoddard, Daniel	
Chivers, Richard	Guest, Andrew	Long, Rick	Patton, Jon	Strickland, Mark	
Compton, Jimmy	Hammett, Lewey	Looper, Jimmy	Plating, Steve		

The above adult men are eligible because they have been a resident member in good standing of Second Presbyterian Church for 2 or more years. Members may chose up to 5 qualified men from this list for nomination.

## Worship at Perry Correctional

On Saturday evening, September 22, 2012, Second Presbyterian will be leading a worship service at Perry Correctional Institute in Pelzer. There are a variety of ways you can help be a part of this prison ministry and help our church's outreach to those in need of the Gospel behind bars. Please contact Bill Watkins (304-4737) to join in this vital Gospel endeavor.

## Baptism

Maggie Mae Billingsley received the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, September 9, 2012. We are thankful for the Billingsley family and pray that Maggie will love and serve the Lord all the days of her life.

## Treasurer's Report

### August 2012 & YTD Financial Status

	Actual		
	Aug. 2012	YTD 2012	YTD Budget
Offerings	68,876	626,679	665,182
Outlays:			
Operating Expenses	88,186	534,185	587,695
Mission Disbursements	28,433	79,846	77,487
Total Outlays	116,619	614,031	665,182
Net Offerings	(47,743)	12,648	

- ⇒ Contributions in August 2012 were \$68,876 versus budget of \$83,148.
- ⇒ YTD contributions are \$626,679 vs. \$608,986 for the same period in 2011.
- ⇒ Through August 2012, actual contributions are behind budget by \$38,503. For the fourth month in a row, monthly contributions were behind 2011 contributions.
- ⇒ Operating expenses for August 2012, were \$88,186 versus the budget of \$73,462.
- ⇒ Three months of Missionary commitments were made in August 2012. Missionaries have been paid three-fourths of their annual commitment.
- ⇒ Please continue to pray that the Lord will provide the financial resources necessary for the programs and ministry of SPC.

If you have any questions, please contact Bobby Mann or David Rainey.

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, September 16

8:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP  
 9:50 AM New Members' Class  
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel  
 10:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL  
 11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP  
 4:45 PM Adult Choir Rehearsal  
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel  
 6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP  
 6:30 PM Wee Worship Choir

### Monday, September 17

11:45 AM Young At Heart

### Tuesday, September 18

10:00 AM WIC Bible Study  
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 828  
 7:00 PM Jr. High Boys' Basketball practice

### Wednesday, September 19

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study  
 5:45 PM EVANGELISM EXPLOSION BANQUET  
**Speaker: Dr. Robert Cathcart**  
 8:00 PM Sr. High Boys' basketball practice

### Thursday, September 20

9:30 AM WIC Precepts Bible Study  
 5:30 PM Jr. High Girls' Basketball practice

### Friday, September 21

12:00 PM Men's Bible Study and Fellowship Lunch  
 3:00 PM Sr. High Boys' Basketball practice

### Saturday, September 22

10:00 AM WIC Linen Shower for Kaitlyn Bouchillon

**FALL CHURCH PICNIC**  
**Saturday, October 13, 2012**  
**9:00am-2:00pm (Lunch-11:30am)**  
**Herdklotz Park**

### Save the Date

Calvary Pres WIC Fall Retreat  
 October 26-27, 2012  
 Friday, 4:00 PM until Saturday, 3:00 PM  
 Bonclarken Conference Center, Flat Rock, NC  
 Speakers: Debbie Gamble and Crystal Liu

### Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following shut-in member.  
 Also, send her a note of encouragement.  
**Frances Giles**  
 2 Hoke Smith Blvd., Room #35  
 Greenville, SC 29615

### Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.  
**David and Hilary Caldwell**  
**Dillon, Hayden, Ethan**  
**Woody and Georgie Campbell**  
**Mike and Diana Carey**  
**Heather, Amanda, Alexandra, Natalie**

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**WORSHIP AT SECOND  
 THE LORD'S DAY  
 SEPTEMBER 16, 2012**

MORNING WORSHIP  
 8:30 & 11:00 AM

**ON PATMOS ISLE**  
 Revelation 1:9-18  
 Anthem:

Cause Me To Hear Thy Lovingkindness  
 Hymns: 100, 310, 378  
 Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

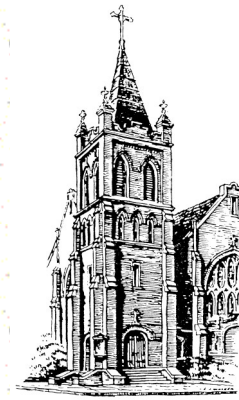
EVENING WORSHIP  
 6:00 PM

**ABLE TO HELP**  
 Hebrews 2:14-18

Hymns: 57, 243, 196  
 Psalter: Psalm 146

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

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## Letter from the Senior Minister Fall 2012 New Members' Class

On September 16, we will begin our new members' class for the fall. The purpose for this class is to provide information on the key beliefs of Second Presbyterian Church and to provide an opportunity for visitors to enter into our church membership. We ask that those seeking to join attend the class not only so that they can learn about our church but also so that we can get to know them and begin to incorporate them into our church life. Attending the class does not obligate you to join, and some may wish to attend simply to learn about the Reformed faith and Second Church. At the end of the class the Session will be available to meet with prospective members, who join by presenting a credible profession of faith in Jesus Christ and agreeing to fulfill the membership vows as stipulated by the Presbyterian Church in America.

In recent years, I find that many Christians have underestimated the importance of church matters. Many may not understand the biblical basis and calling for Christians to enter into covenant relationship with a local congregation of believers. Let me give some reasons why it is important for you to be a member of a faithful church and perhaps why you should consider joining our congregation:

1. The very first thing we see after Pentecost in Acts 2:42ff is that Christians immediately began to gather together. They "devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of the bread and the prayers." The early Christians did not stay at home and say, "I can be a Christian by myself," but they committed themselves to a local body of fellow Christians.
2. In Hebrews 10:25, God commands Christians not to neglect meeting together but to encourage one another, "and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." This teaches at least 3 things: 1) Christians are commanded by God to gather together corporately for the purpose of encouraging one another; 2) Christians gathering together is not to be an infrequent thing, but rather it is to be a regular occurrence; 3) Christians are to encourage one another, which requires knowing one another; and knowing one another implies regular commitment to the same local body of Christians - which again is what church membership signifies.
3. In Philippians 1:1, Paul states that he is writing "to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons." This implies that "all" the Christians ("saints" means those who have believed in Christ and are set apart for holiness) are committed to gathering together regularly in a church with officers (elders and deacons, cf. 1 Tim. 3) appointed or elected to oversee their affairs. When Paul writes to the church in Philippi, he writes to the Christians who have committed to one another there and to their leaders.
4. In Hebrews 13:7, Christians are commanded, "Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls." This clearly assumes what we know as church membership, since this command can only be fulfilled by believers who are under the authority of elders in a local church body. Hebrews 13:7 tells believers to "remember your leaders... and imitate their faith." Living