

you when I was made in secret." (Psalm 139:13,15) God also helps and calls the preborn child. "You have been my guide since I was first formed . . . from my mother's womb you are my God." (Psalm 22:10-11) "God... from my mother's womb had set me apart and called me through his grace." (St. Paul to the Galatians 1:15)

God gives special protection to the weak and helpless, especially the unborn. "If men fight, and hurt a woman with child, so that she gives birth prematurely, yet no harm follows, he shall surely be punished accordingly as the woman's husband imposes on him; and he shall pay as the judges determine. But if any harm follows, then you shall give life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot, burn for burn, wound for wound, stripe for stripe." Exodus 21:22-25

God holds those in power responsible to protect the lives of the weak and helpless (widows, orphans, the unborn.) "Cursed is the one who perverts the justice due the stranger, the fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, 'Amen!'" (Deut. 27:19) "The LORD watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; But the way of the wicked He turns upside down." (Psalm 146:9) "The LORD will destroy the house of the proud, but He will establish the boundary of the widow." (Prov 15:25)

God considers an attack upon his image-bearers an attack upon himself. "Surely for your lifeblood I will demand a reckoning; from the hand of every beast I will require it, and from the hand of man. From the hand of every man's brother I will require the life of man. Whoever sheds man's blood, by man his blood shall be shed; For in the image of God he made man." Gen 9:5-6

In light of these truths, what should individual Christians do?  
January is Sanctity of Life Month:

Pray to our Father who hears, and sees, and acts!! Ask him to show great grace and mercy to our land: to convert the lost, to correct his own people, to protect the weak and innocent, to empower his Church to preach and teach the whole truth of the gospel of Christ.

Teach and preach these truths as we have opportunity. Do not be silent in the face of opposition and/or ignorance. If each evangelical Christian would speak to 5 friends, all of America could hear the truth.

Make other options to pregnant mothers known and available - adoption, help to single parents, etc. Personally get involved in helping and encouraging.

Work through our political system to outlaw abortion in our state and in our nation.

In His Service,  
Pastor Spears

## ANNUAL VALENTINE'S BANQUET Friday, February 15, 2013

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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

Jan. 19	WIC Shower for Lee Wills Early
Jan. 20	The Lord's Supper at the morning services
Jan. 21	Young At Heart
Jan. 23	CE Committee Meeting
Jan. 25	Sr. and Jr. High Fellowship with parents at the church
Jan. 26	Calvary Presbytery
Jan. 27	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting
Feb. 1	Men's Bible Study/Lunch begins
Feb. 3	New Members' Class begins
Feb. 3	Churchwide Fellowship Supper
Feb. 4	Diaconate Meeting
Feb. 6	WIC Council
Feb. 6	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
Feb. 7	WIC Precepts Bible Study begins
Feb. 7	Jessamines
Feb. 9	WIC Baby Shower for Jordan McCarthy
Feb. 10	Worship & Music Committee Meeting
Feb. 11	Session Meeting
Feb. 12-13	WIC Circles
Feb. 13	Missions Committee Meeting
Feb. 15	Annual Valentine Banquet
Feb. 17	The Lord's Supper at the Evening Service
Feb. 18	Young At Heart
Feb. 20	CE Committee Meeting
Feb. 22	Jr. High Fellowship
Feb. 22	Sr. High Fellowship
Feb. 24	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting
Feb. 27	Annual Sports Banquet

**If you have a date for the February calendar please contact the church office this week. [judy@secondpca.org](mailto:judy@secondpca.org) or 232-7621, ext. 10**

### Mark Your Calendars and Save the Date

March 24	New Members' Reception and Luncheon
March 28	Maundy Thursday Service
March 29	Good Friday Service
March 31	Easter Sunrise Service
May 8	Graduation Banquet
May 15	CAT Kids Program
June 9-13	Hartsville, SC Mission Trip
June 10-14	Flute Camp
Week of June 17	General Assembly in Greenville, SC
June 21-29	Peru Mission Trip
June 24-28	Vacation Bible School
June 28-July 8	Scotland Mission Trip
July 16-19	Richmond Hill, GA Mission Trip
July 22-26	Jr. High Trip to Ridge Haven
July 29-Aug. 3	Sr. Trip to Edisto Island, SC

### 2013 Mission Trips

#### REMINDER OF COSTS AND DEADLINES:

- Trip 1: Hartsville, SC, June 9-13, \$50 per person by February 1
- Trip 2: Richmond Hill, GA, July 16-19, \$50 per person by February 1
- Trip 3: Trujillo & Cajamaraca, Peru, June 21-29, \$1,250 deposit due by January 6
- Trip 4: Dundee, Scotland, tentatively June 28-July 8, \$1,200 deposit due by Jan. 6

## WIC Baby Shower

All ladies are invited to a WIC Baby Shower for

**Lee Wills Early**

Saturday, January 19, 2013

10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

Lee is registered at Babies 'R Us, Buy Buy Baby and Target.

## Young At Heart

The monthly luncheon of the Young At Heart will be Monday, January 21, 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. The catered meal this year will be **\$7.00 per person**, payable at the door. This month our intern, Mr. Jim McCarthy will be our guest speaker. Start your New Year by joining us for wonderful fellowship, delicious food, and a very good program.

## Jr. and Sr. High Fellowship

Jr. and Sr. High Fellowship together with parents  
Friday, January 25th  
6:30 pm  
at the church.

## Precepts Bible Study

Ladies: The next Precepts Bible Study begins Thursday, February 7 in the Conference Room of the church. We will be studying First John every Thursday from 9:30—11:30 am for 11 weeks. Please notify Mary Russell (329-1670) by January 25 if you plan to join us as books need to be ordered.

## Baptism

Charlotte Providence Mobley, covenant daughter of Kevin & Shannon Mobley, received the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, January 13, 2013. We are thankful for the Mobley family and pray that Charlotte and Caroline, Mary Grace, Ellie, Samuel, and Josiah will love and serve the Lord all the days of their lives.

## Sunday School Class Changes

The Westminster SS class (taught by John Duncan) has moved its meeting location to the Fellowship Hall. The Fellowship SS class (taught by Tim Crunk) has moved upstairs to room S-308 (3rd floor behind the balcony.)

## New Members' Class

Begins Sunday, February 3, 2013  
Room C-209 (3rd floor down the hall from church office)  
Taught by Pastor Phillips  
The class will meet each Sunday for 7 weeks.  
Attending the class does not obligate one to join the church, however, you are requested to take the class before joining the church.

## Jessamines

The Jessamines will begin the New Year with their first meeting of 2013 on February 7th, 6:30-8:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Barnetta Stephens, speaking on "Serving our Seniors and Shut-ins." Girls will make Valentine cards for our shut-ins with Mrs. Jenny Spears. Dinner theme is soup and salad. Please bring a generous portion to share. See Cindy Duncan if you have any questions.

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, January 20

8:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP  
 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  
 6:00 PM Wee Worship Choir

### Monday, January 21

11:45 AM Young At Heart  
 6:00 PM Sr. High Girls' Team 1 Basketball game at TLC  
 6:00 PM Sr. High Girls' Team 2 Basketball game at home  
 7:00 PM Sr. High Boys' Basketball game at OLR

### Tuesday, January 22

10:00 AM WIC Bible Study  
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 828

### Wednesday, January 23

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study  
 5:00 PM CE Committee Meeting  
 5:45 PM FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER  
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir  
 6:15 PM Youth Choir  
 6:45 PM CAT Kids and Covenant Kids  
 6:45 PM Youth Bible Study  
 6:45 PM PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

### Thursday, January 24

8:00 PM Men's Basketball game at W. Pres.

### Friday, January 25

6:30 PM Jr./Sr. High Fellowship with parents at the church

### Saturday, January 26

9:00 AM Calvary Presbytery at Woodruff Road PCA  
 10:30 AM Jr. High Girls' Basketball game at John Knox  
 10:30 AM Jr. High Boys' Basketball game at St. George

## Remembering One Another

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

**Luella Henderson**  
 Countryside Health Care Center, Room 140  
 706 Pelzer Highway  
 Easley, SC 29641

## Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

**Rob and Beth Gustafson**  
**Dot Gwinn**  
**Lewey and Marsha Hammett**  
**Elaine, Nathaniel**

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MORNING WORSHIP  
 8:30 & 11:00 AM

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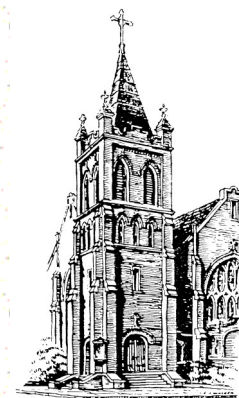
Revelation 6:12-17  
 Anthem:  
 Awake, My Heart  
 Hymns: 100, 321, 378  
 Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP  
 6:00 PM

### APPOINTED AS PRIEST

Hebrews 5:1-6  
 Hymns: 303, 301, 305  
 Psalter: Psalm 10 (verses 12-18)  
 Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

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## Letter from the Associate Minister Sanctity of Human Life

Imagine driving through every city, town, and borough of South Carolina. Imagine coursing your way through every one of the thousands of miles of highways, streets, and roads. Now, visualize that in all the days and weeks it takes you to do this, that you see not one other person. No cars are moving. No shops are open. No lights in any of the homes. No human life, anywhere. Now travel throughout North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, and Alabama. In all those months of traveling – you see not a single person. Where are all the people? They are not “here” – they were never born because they were aborted in their mother’s womb. Fifty-five million people killed – missing from this world. More than the entire population of the states listed above. And that’s not all – many of those aborted in the early years would have had children by now – so you must add to your travels of uninhabited states – Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Tennessee. And the number grows by over 3,000 per day. Seven days a week. 365 days a year. Year after year. Forty years and counting since the Supreme Court made abortion legal in 1973.

What has happened to our country that was founded with the words – “We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness?” Even, worse, what has happened to the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ that has “local branches” just down the street from every abortion mill in America? We rightly wonder how the German people could have allowed their country to incarcerate and kill millions of Jews (and Christians!). Yet, how is it that the hue and cry against abortion by the Church is barely above a murmur? Why is this a “political issue” and not a moral issue to many?

Let us remind ourselves of God’s perspective on human life:

God has “known” us (intimate, loving “knowledge”) from before there was time and space.

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world. Eph 1:3-4

God created mankind (man and woman) as his image-bearers – to be over the rest of creation.”

“Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.” Genesis 1:26-27

God counts us as persons from the moment of conception.

“You knit me in my mother’s womb . . . nor was my frame unknown to