

industry make Charleston a prime location for a joyfully reverent ministry – a ministry where Reformed worship, faithful pastoral/shepherding care, leadership development (ruling elders and future ministers), disciple-making, diaconal ministry, and a passion for the lost, both home and abroad, are part of the core purpose and vision. In addition, a church with a big vision for ministry in Charleston could potentially have a widespread impact through church planting, conferences, publishing, and theological education.

For the past ten years I have been privileged to serve a wonderful and growing church in Douglasville, Georgia (West Atlanta). We are so thankful for what God has done at Grace Presbyterian. Nevertheless, Marla and I have strongly sensed God preparing us (and GPC) for the next chapter of our lives. Through much prayer and counsel with friends in ministry (not the least your pastor - and my dear friend - Rick Phillips who first challenged me with this idea about a year ago), we have received large amounts of confirmation, support, and encouragement to move forward with this work. The final confirmation came when the Palmetto Presbytery unanimously approved the church plant (subject to my transfer exam) on January 24th, 2013.

Where do we go from here? Our transition from Grace Presbyterian Church will begin on May 15th. We plan on moving to Charleston towards the end of May, and launching the ministry in the beginning of June. In the meantime we will have an informational meeting in Charleston on Monday, March 25th at 7:00 p.m. at the South Carolina Society Hall (72 Meeting Street). At this meeting we hope to meet several families and individuals who might be interested in joining our core group (a small core group of families already exists). The following night, on Tuesday, March 26th at 7:00 p.m., we will have a Bible Study Fellowship in the home of a core group family. There will be further dates/meetings to follow.

Dear friends at SPC, perhaps you are wondering how you can help? 1) Please pray. Remember our work during your prayer meetings, public worship, family prayer, and private prayers. Apart from Christ, we can do nothing. Unless the Lord builds the house, we labor in vain. Pray for the preaching of the Word. Pray for the lost and under-churched. Pray for a gifted musician to assist us in worship. Pray for further financial support as we are still in need of 3-5 year pledges. Pray for Ross and Joanna Hodges, a very gifted couple who are graduating from Westminster Seminary California in May and joining our work in Charleston in June. They are also currently raising support. 2) Spread the word! Perhaps you know of friends, family members, or acquaintances in the Charleston area who might be interested in a church plant with the same ministry philosophy as Second Presbyterian. If so, please let them know of our plans. Also, please take a moment to share the details of our work on your Facebook, Twitter, and blog pages. We want to get the word out -- especially about the Monday, March 25th informational/introductory meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the South Carolina Society Hall (72 Meeting St.).

Friends at Second, I thank God for your church's generous support and gospel partnership in this large kingdom undertaking. Thank you for your prayers as the Payne family (Jon, Marla, Mary Hannah (9) and Hans (7)) make this big transition in life and ministry. We are excited to see our Lord create something from nothing through the proclamation of His powerful, life-giving, efficacious Word. Please feel free to give my contact information to any who might be interested in the work. My email is jdprgracepca@mac.com

For Christ and His Kingdom,
Jon

CHURCH INFORMATION

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Upcoming Events

Feb. 24	Communicants' Class begins
Feb. 24	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting
Feb. 27	Annual Sports Banquet
March 2	WIC Calvary Presbytery Annual Meeting
March 3	Churchwide Fellowship Supper
March 4	Diaconate Meeting
March 6	WIC Council
March 6	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
March 10	Daylight Savings Time begins
March 10	Worship & Music Committee Meeting
March 11	Session Meeting
March 12-13	WIC Circles
March 13	Missions Committee Meeting
March 17	The Lord's Supper at the morning services
March 18	Young At Heart
March 20	Spring begins
March 20	CE Committee Meeting
March 20	Peru Mission Team Meeting
March 21	Jessamines
March 22	Jr. High Fellowship
March 22	Sr. High Fellowship
March 24	Palm Sunday
March 24	New Members' Reception and Luncheon
March 24	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting
March 27	No Wednesday Night Activities
March 28	Maundy Thursday Service
March 29	Good Friday Service
March 29	Church Office Closed
March 31	Easter Sunrise Service
March 31	Easter Sunday

To All Ladies of Second Pres Church

There is an extraordinary event happening in Greenville this summer! From June 17th-21st at the TD Center, Greenville, over 2,000 people will be convening for the **41st Annual General Assembly of the PCA**. (Where all the big decisions of the PCA are made.) Would you be willing to be a hostess for this national conference? The women's committee would like to put together a group of "Ask Me" ladies who could volunteer for two hour segments throughout the week to welcome, answer questions, give direction, offer a warm smile, and make our guests comfortable. **Come and join the team for this important event!** Please contact Lynda Duncan (lrduncan@charter.net) 864-350-2693, or sign up on the postings around the church. (A schedule with more details will be sent out later to those who sign up.)

General Assembly Housing

This year's General Assembly for the PCA will be held in Greenville June 17-21. There will be some who wish to attend but the cost of hotel accommodations is problematic. If you have a spare bed or two and would be willing to open your home as a host for some of these folks, please contact Robert McKinley via email at (rmckinley@dataworksplus.com) or cell 322-3067.

Dundee Mission Trip Cancelled for 2013

Due to difficulty in securing housing the summer mission trip to Scotland has been cancelled. Contact Mel Duncan if you have questions.

Senior High Fellowship

DINNER AND BONFIRE
Friday, February 22nd
6:30-9:00 pm
Home of the Evans
Bring \$3.00 for dinner.

Annual Sports' Banquet

Wednesday, February 27, 2013
Dinner: 5:45 pm * Program: 6:45 pm
Speaker: Mr. Jim McCarthy
The entire church family is invited to this event as we honor our young people who participated in this year's sports events.

Turn in Team Jerseys to Your Coach

The Church League Basketball season is now over at Second. The church requests that players return their team jerseys (in clean condition) to their coaches the night of our sports banquet (2/28). Coaches we ask that you help us by folding and labeling your jerseys to be stored in the sports closet in the gym. See Kevin Worley with questions.

2013 WIC Annual Meeting

CALVARY PRESBYTERY WOMEN IN THE CHURCH
Norris Hill Presbyterian Church, Anderson, SC
Saturday, March 2, 2013 * Registration 9:30 am * Meeting 10:00 am
\$8.00 payable at the door
(an offering will be collected for the WIC scholarship fund)
Speaker: Rev. Matthew Icard
Pastor of Youth and Families at Clemson PCA
Send reservations to Lisa Horne: markandlisa5@att.net by February 25th.

Missing Microphones

The church is missing some vital media equipment that we need for worship services and teaching each week. The missing items include 2 transmitters, 1 lavalier and 1 earset mic. Would you please check and if you mistakenly picked up one of these items would you please return it to the church office.

Easter Lilies

If you would like to order an Easter Lily to place in the church on Easter Sunday in memory or honor of someone special, please fill out the form below and place in the church office in Judy Grant's mail box along with \$8.00 for each lily.

I would like to place _____ (how many) Easter Lily(ies) in the church on Easter Sunday:

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Name: _____ Telephone #: _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Church Calendar

Sunday, February 24

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:45 AM New Members' Class
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 10:00 AM Communicants' Class
 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
 7:15 PM Evangelism/Church Growth Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 26

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

Wednesday, February 27

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
 5:45 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
 6:45 PM **ANNUAL SPORTS' BANQUET**
 Speaker: Mr. Jim McCarthy

Thursday, February 28

9:30 AM WIC Precepts Bible Study

Friday, March 1

12:00 PM Men's Fellowship Lunch & Bible Study

Communicants' Class

A Communicants' Class will be held beginning February 24 and go through March 24. The class will meet at 10:00 on Sunday mornings in the Conference Room. Parents who judge their child ready to meet with the Session for communicant membership should bring their child to the class. Please see Pastor Starkey if you have any questions.

Remembering One Another

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

Lila Riggins
 Presbyterian Home
 801 Musgrove Street
 Clinton, SC 29325

Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

Jim and Lynn Hopple
Bobbie Houser
Ray and Kathryn Huber

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WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY FEBRUARY 24, 2013

MORNING WORSHIP
 8:30 & 11:00 AM

FROM THE BOTTOMLESS PIT

Revelation 9:1-21

Anthem:

God of Grace and God of Glory
 Hymns: 66, 486, 472
 Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP
 6:00 PM

FROM MILK TO MEAT

Hebrews 5:11-6:3
 Hymns: 655, 92, 139
 Psalter: Psalm 15

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

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A New Church in An Old City Christ Church Presbyterian, Charleston, SC by Rev. Dr. Jon D. Payne, Church Planter

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ at Second Presbyterian Church, it is a delight and privilege to partner with you in a new and exciting PCA church plant in Charleston, South Carolina. Rev. Phillips, Mr. Mel Duncan and your session of elders have been a significant source of encouragement over this past year as we've sought to determine the Lord's will for our lives and ministry. Thus, we are very grateful to partner with Second in this new Reformed church plant for the glory of God and the extension of Christ's kingdom. The following is a brief update on our future work.

Let me begin with some information about our background as it relates to the South Carolina Lowcountry. More than just a beautiful city, Charleston has been a profound point of interest for my wife Marla and me. Marla, a Hartsville, S.C. native, lived in the historic district of Charleston for over eight years! She graduated from the College of Charleston in 1993 (B.A. English) and the Medical University of South Carolina in 1997 (B.A., M.A. Health Sciences and Physical Therapy). Moreover, two of Marla's brothers graduated from the Citadel, one also graduating from MUSC. As a graduate of Clemson University (B.A. 1993), I played for the Charleston Battery in 1997, a popular professional soccer team in Charleston. It was during my stint with the Battery that I met my wife Marla (on the second row) at church in Mount Pleasant, S.C. We continue to have some wonderful friends, acquaintances, and contacts in Charleston, and are looking forward to planting a new Reformed church in an area we know and dearly love. Perhaps like some of you, for many years we have had a growing sense of the need in Charleston for a new Reformed church that is warm, vibrant, missions-minded, and conscientiously Reformed and confessional; a church that is serious about the means of grace (expository preaching, sacraments and prayer), children's catechesis, evangelism, disciple-making, world missions, and church planting—a church like Second Presbyterian Greenville! In Charleston County alone, the largest county in SC, there are over 350,000 people, with only about 500 attending PCA churches. There is clearly much work to do. The harvest is plentiful! Like her sister cities of Columbia and Greenville, Charleston is a large and rapidly growing area that is ripe for a new distinctively Reformed and confessional work. Both Columbia and Greenville, I believe, each have more than twice the number of PCA churches than Charleston does. There are thousands of unchurched (and under-churched) people that need to be reached with the gospel in this strategic location.

Due to its strategic location, a church plant in Charleston has enormous potential in terms of healthy growth and widespread impact, both in the Lowcountry and around the world. The College of Charleston, MUSC, Charleston Law School, The Citadel, Charleston Southern University, professional sports teams, Boeing Airlines, the rich Reformed ecclesiastical heritage, and the world renown tourist