

Church Calendar

Sunday, March 31

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**
 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

Tuesday, April 2

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

Wednesday, April 3

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
 5:00 PM WIC Council
 5:00 PM Pastoral Care 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, April 4

9:30 AM WIC Precepts Bible Study

Friday, April 5

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

Scripture Reading for the Week

*"...Two men stood by them in shining garments...
 they said to them,
 "Why do you seek the living among the dead?
 He is not here, but is risen!"*

Luke 24:4, 5, 6

Upcoming Events

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 (see announcement for times)
April 3	WIC Council
April 3	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
April 7	Churchwide Fellowship Supper
April 7	Worship & Music Committee Meeting
April 8	Joint Session/Diaconate Meeting
April 9/10	WIC Circles
April 10	Missions Committee Meeting
April 12-13	WIC Spring Retreat
April 15	Young At Heart
April 17	Peru Mission Team Meeting
April 18	Jessamines
April 21	The Lord's Supper at the evening service
April 24	CE Committee Meeting
April 25	Calvary Presbytery
April 26	Jr. High Fellowship
April 26	Sr. High Fellowship
April 27	WIC Shower
April 28	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee

Mark Your Calendars & Save the Date

May 1	Graduation Banquet
May 4	Mother/Daughter Tea
May 8	CAT Kids Program
May 15	CAT Kids Spring Fling
May 22	Musical CAT Kids begins
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
July 16-19	Richmond Hill, GA Mission Trip
July 22-26	Jr. High Trip to Ridge Haven
July 29-Aug. 3	Sr. High Trip to Edisto Island, SC

Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week
 the following shut-in member.
 Also, send her a note of encouragement
 and/or give her a call.

Sara Cater
 11 Colgate Avenue
 Greenville, SC 29617
 246-3292

Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week
 the following members.

Phil and Carol Larson
Marcus Laughter
Lauren
Jim and Janice Leathers
James

Missionary of the Week

Wes and Jami Baker—Peru Missions

- Please pray that our Home Assignment would not only be a spiritually refreshing time for the family, but that all of the tricky details of the children's education would be worked out. Please pray for spiritual growth for all of us in faith, perseverance, and wisdom. Noah will (Lord willing) graduate from High School just as we return to Peru. Abby will be 16 with only one year left of High School when we return. We need much wisdom on how to handle this adjustment.
- Pray for our support-raising efforts. We have some personal support to raise, but most urgently we need to raise \$2,000/month for support of two Peruvian church-planters (Percy Padilla and Jaime Avellaneda). Ps. Percy's current support will cease on July 31 of this year. Ps. Jaime's current support will cease in early next year. These are two very valuable members of our team. We can't afford to lose them.
- Pray for funding for property for the Cristo Rey Church, mission offices, seminary, and university ministry. Rent is exorbitant and all four ministries have been greatly limited by the cramped facilities we presently occupy. We hope to acquire property that can adequately host all of these in one place.

New Members

The Session has received the following into communing membership. We welcome them into our church family.

Rianne Cho and Jonah (non-communing 4 year old son)

1022 Sweet Juliet Way
Greer, SC 29650

Rianne joins by Profession of faith pending transfer of letter from Lake Trails PCA in Madison, Wisconsin.

Scott and Christina Cook

105 Brams Court
Taylors, SC 29687

The Cooks join by Profession of Faith pending transfer of letter from Devenger Road ARP in Greer.

Ryan and Emily Dunlop

Brynnley (non-communing almost 1 year old daughter)

6 Hearthstone Court
Greenville, SC 29615

The Dunlops join by Profession of Faith.

Kayla Frazier

314 Ledbetter Road
Travelers Rest, SC 29690

Kayla joins by Profession of Faith pending transfer of letter from Reedy River Baptist Church in Greenville.

Larry and Martha Guy

102 Beechwood Court
Mauldin, SC 29662

The Guys join by Profession of Faith pending transfer of letter from Shannon Forest PCA in Greenville.

Laura Kennedy

20 Palladio Drive
Greenville, SC 29617

Laura joins by Profession of Faith pending transfer of letter from Park Cities PCA in Dallas, Texas.

Phil and Carol Larson

201 Princeton Ave.
Greenville, SC 29607

The Larsons join by Profession of Faith.

Ken and Jo-Ellen Pujdak

Victoria

280 Lynn Road
Taylors, SC 29687

The Pujdaks join by Profession of Faith pending transfer of letter from Mitchell Road PCA in Greenville.

Watch for an insert for your pictorial directory of these new members in an upcoming Herald.

GREAT ESCAPE 2013

SPC Women In the Church

Spring Retreat

April 12-13

Black Mountain, NC

Nestled in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains near Asheville, NC, YMCA Blue Ridge Assembly is a full-service conference center situated on 1200 acres of woodland beautified by mountain streams, wildflowers, ridges, valleys and spectacular views. In addition to sweet times of hymn-singing and prayer in the common room of our lodge, we will study some of the names of our God, led by several ladies from our own church family. Our very own Rich McCall will be preparing our meals during the retreat. The cost for the Great Escape 2013 is \$75.00 per person, if paid by March 31, and \$85.00 for later registrations. Space is limited so be sure to make your reservations early. There are purple registration envelopes located throughout the church or contact Alice Barnett (906-0166) with any questions. Come join the fun!

Church Directory Online

The church directory is currently being updated for the website. The new members will be added along with any changes that need to be made to existing members. If the information the church office currently has on file for you is inaccurate or has been changed please let us know. We strive to have the most updated and current information available for you on our website.

232-7621, ext. 10
jgrant@spcgreenville.org

Communicants' Class

After attending the Communicants' Class the following non-communing members were received by the Session into communing membership on March 20, 2013:

Charlie Gray (son of John and Karen Gray)
Sophie Lynch (daughter of Chris and Michelle Lynch)
Gabrielle Lynch (daughter of Chris and Michelle Lynch)
Ashton Scoggins (daughter of Chad and Andi Scoggins)

**Reminder: Upcoming Graduates please contact the church office.
232-7621, ext. 10 or jgrant@spcgreenville.org**

Holy Week Services

Maundy Thursday Service with Communion

March 28, 2013
7:00 PM

Good Friday Lunch and Service

March 29, 2013
Lunch—11:45 am * Service—12:30-1:00 pm

Community Easter Sunrise Service

Come join our celebration of
The Resurrection of Christ

7:00 am
Sunday, March 31, 2013
Wyche Pavilion
(behind the Peace Center)

Segadores Mission Church
and
Second Presbyterian Church

Pastor William Castro, (GPTS graduate) will be preaching.

Easter Services at Second on March 31st

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

Nursery Help Needed

Nursery help is needed during the Sunday School hour, 9:45-10:45 am. You may respond to kwgray@mac.com, or 864-414-1130. Please consider serving in this way. Thank you.

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 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 aaaaaaa"

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



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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

At the Corner of River and Rhett



SPC Greenville and church planting

On Monday March 25th Dr. Phillips traveled to the "Holy City" of Charleston, SC and participated in the inaugural meeting of Christ Church Presbyterian - a new PCA work our church has been sponsoring and supporting financially. The location was the historic South Carolina Society Hall on Meeting Street and there were over 40 people in attendance. Dr. Jon Payne whom Palmetto Presbytery has made an "evangelist" with the authority to organize the church spoke of the need for a new church and some of the goals and hopes that the work is seeking God's blessing upon. Our pastor spoke with many interested people who have a desire to begin a new gospel enterprise in South Carolina's oldest city.

Since 1973 (the year the PCA began) Second Church has been involved in several new church plants. In 1980 SPC along with two sister PCA churches began Woodruff Road PCA with our own Gordon Houser serving as the founding minister. A few years later SPC worked with our presbytery MNA committee to start Fellowship Presbyterian in Taylors. At the same time a multi-ethnic mission work was begun with SPC involvement on Green Avenue.

If one goes back in history earlier in the 20th century SPC played a major role in the beginning of Fourth Presbyterian Church (now PCUSA) and John Calvin (PCUSA). Second Presbyterian also contributed funds to begin the Greenville ARP church on Cleveland Street.

Easter Sunrise Service Speaker

Rev. William Castro is Assistant Pastor for Hispanic Outreach at Mitchell Road Presbyterian church. This Ministry is reaching out to the growing Hispanic community in Greenville through the Segadores Church or "Harvest Mission."

William was born in Trujillo, Peru and is good friends with our missionary Alonzo Ramirez. He holds degrees from Seminario Evangelico de Lima and Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

Rev Castro pours his passion and prayers into his ministry, hoping God will equip and train future ministry leaders from the Hispanic community. William and his wife, Judy, have three daughters, Grace, Laura, and Camila. We welcome them and members of their church on Easter Sunday.

What Is Grief

“Oil and perfume make the heart glad, and the sweetness of a friend comes from his earnest counsel.” Proverbs 27:9 (ESV)

Grief is our response to any loss. If you lose a \$10 bill, it hurts a little. If you lose \$100 bill, it hurts more. If you lose thousands in the stock market, the experience of loss is greater. This is also true of relational losses. When a relationship is severed, severely reduced, or changed, there is a loss in your life. If that person had a significant role in your life, then the grief is greater.

Grief is God’s way of healing our loss. It takes time to adjust to loss in our life. But our society doesn’t seem to want to take time to grieve. Even in the Christian community, there is often pressure to “get on” with your life. When a close loved one, who was a significant part of our life, is gone, there is a ragged hole in our life. Life will never be the same. There will be a “new normal”, but it will never be the same as it was.

Here are some guidelines for grieving (very short – if you need help in this area, please contact one of the pastors)

1. Acknowledge to your Father your pain and loss - He already knows and cares – but He wants you to talk to him. Spend much time in prayer and thought. Don’t “stuff” your emotions – express them to your Father.
2. Remind yourself of His goodness in giving you the one you are now grieving – recount your Father’s blessings to you through that person.
3. Read, memorize, and recite to yourself over and over the promises of God – Trust in Him!
4. Ask your Father to heal you and to show you what He wants you to do with your life now.
5. Don’t rush the process – take time to grieve and mourn your loss.

“The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, because the LORD has anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to *those who are* bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn, to console those who mourn in Zion, to give them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they may be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.” Isaiah 61:1-3

—Pastor Robert Spears

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WORSHIP AT SECOND

THE LORD'S DAY

MARCH 31, 2013

MORNING WORSHIP

8:30 & 11:00 AM

THE SEVENTH TRUMPET

Revelation 11:15-19

Anthem:

Christ Is Arisen

Hymns: 277, 267, 295

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 PM

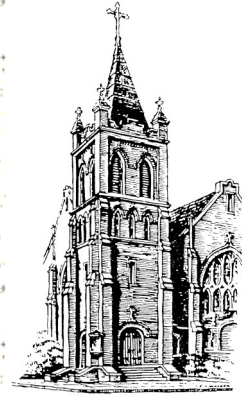
THE SPIRIT IS LIFE

Romans 8:9-11

Hymns: 53, 274, 402

Psalter: Psalm 18 (vs. 14-26)

Mr. Jim McCarthy preaching



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March 25, 2013

Pastoral Letter 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 Segadores Mission Church to join us for the sunrise service, and their pastor, William Castro, 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.