

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, April 28

8:30 AM	<b>MORNING WORSHIP</b>
9:50 AM	Children's Chapel
10:00 AM	<b>SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>
11:00 AM	<b>MORNING WORSHIP</b>
4:45 PM	Adult Choir Rehearsal
5:30 PM	Season of Prayer in the Chapel
6:00 PM	<b>EVENING WORSHIP</b>
6:00 PM	Wee Worship Choir
7:15 PM	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee

### Tuesday, April 30

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

### Wednesday, May 1

6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study
5:00 PM	WIC Council
5:45 PM	<b>2013 ANNUAL GRADUATION BANQUET</b>
	Dr. Derek Halvorson speaking

### Friday, May 3

12:00 PM	Men's Fellowship Lunch and Bible Study
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### Saturday, May 4

11:30 AM	Mother/Daughter Luncheon
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## Scripture Reading for the Week

Romans 8:38-39

*"For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."*

## Upcoming Events

April 25	Calvary Presbytery at Downtown PCA
April 26	Jr. High Fellowship
April 26	Sr. High Fellowship
April 28	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee
May 1	WIC Council
May 1	Graduation Banquet
May 4	Mother/Daughter Event
May 5	Churchwide Fellowship Supper
May 5	Elder Vow Renewal at evening service
May 6	Diaconate Meeting
May 8	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
May 8	Missions Committee Meeting
May 8	CAT Kids Program
May 12	Worship & Music Committee Meeting
May 13	Session Meeting
May 14-15	WIC Circles
May 15	Peru Mission Team Meeting
May 15	Administration Committee Meeting
May 15	CAT Kids Spring Fling
May 18	WIC Shower for Rebekah Evans
May 19	The Lord's Supper at the morning services
May 20	Young At Heart
May 22	CE Committee Meeting
May 22	Musical CAT Kids begins
May 24	Jr. High Fellowship
May 24	Sr. High Fellowship
May 26	Ice Cream Social and Reception for Josh and Lori Sparkman
May 27	Church Office Closed for Memorial Day

## Mark Your Calendars & Save the Date

June 10-14	Flute Camp
Week of June 17	General Assembly in Greenville, SC
June 20-29	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 members.  
Also, send them a note of encouragement.

**Mr. and Mrs. Roy Heath**  
17 Green Hill Drive  
Simpsonville, SC 29681

## Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week  
the following members.

**Chris and Michelle Lynch**  
**Sophie and Gabrielle**  
**Frank and Amy Mahon**  
**Lauren and Allen**  
**Ron Mahon**

## Missionary of the Week

**CHARLESTON CHURCH PLANT**  
**DR. AND MRS. JON PAYNE**  
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1. Pray for all the work that is involved in church planting.
2. Pray for all the details in moving for the Payne family (house to sell; house to buy; moving, etc.)
3. Pray for the preaching of the Word.
4. Pray for the lost and under-churched.
5. Pray for a gifted musician to assist them in worship.
6. Pray for further financial support as they are in need of 3-5 year pledges.
7. Pray for Ross and Joanna Hodges who are joining their work in June. They are currently raising support.
8. Pray for the big transition in life and ministry for the Payne family.  
(Jon, Marla, Mary Hannah (9) and Hans (7))

## Missionary Report

Heather Waugh will be bringing the congregation a report on her mission work in Spain on Wednesday, April 24th, at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary.

## New Covenant Children

We rejoice with Jordan and Jeni Carter in the birth of their twins on Thursday, April 18, 2013. Edward Dean Carter, born at 7:20 am weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces, and Katherine Paige Carter, born at 7:28 am weighed 5 pounds, 3 ounces.

## Calvary Presbytery

The 118th Stated Meeting of Calvary Presbytery will be held on Thursday, April 25, 2013, at Downtown PCA in Greenville, SC. The meeting will begin at 9:00 am. Commissioners attending from Second are TE Phillips, TE Spears, TE Starkey, RE Duncan, RE Bragdon, and RE Safford. Please be in prayer for God's blessing on this meeting. Visitors are welcome.



## Rhett Street Public Parking Advisory

As of April 1, 2013 the new Rhett Street Parking Lot (located between our sanctuary and South Main Street) is a **pay-to-park** 24/7 parking lot on weeknights and Saturdays **but not Sundays**. If you have been using this off campus lot be advised that we have confirmed with the City of Greenville Traffic Enforcement Office that parking enforcement will occur on weeknights and Saturdays. *The city is not enforcing on Sundays* (as a courtesy to SPC) though they are not advertising this information. The good news is that parking may continue on Sundays at no charge and of course our own parking lot remains free and open to our members. Please talk with Mel Duncan or Ed Butler if you have any questions.

## CAT KIDS PROGRAM

**Wednesday, May 8**

**Supper: 5:45 PM \* Program: 7:00 PM**

## Annual Mother-Daughter Event

### It's Party Time!!

Ladies of All Ages

You are invited to the  
WIC Mother-Daughter Luncheon  
May 4, 2013

11:30 am

We are ALL daughters,  
so come and join the fellowship!!  
WIC will provide tea and coffee.  
Please bring something to share:  
sandwiches, cookies, brownies,  
fruit or vegetable tray.

Hats and gloves are optional.

Sign up @ [signupgenius.com](http://signupgenius.com)

or call Jenny Spears @ 430-7396.

## Worship at Perry

Second Pres will be leading a worship service at Perry Correctional on Saturday evening May 4th. If you are interested in attending and/or singing in a small choir, please contact Bill Watkins at 304-4737.

*Mr. and Mrs. Michael Morgan, Sr.  
and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Andrews, Jr.  
request the honor of your presence  
to witness and celebrate the marriage of their children*

**Alexandria Marie Morgan  
and**

**Samuel Robert Andrews**

*Saturday, May 18, 2013, 3:00 pm*

*Gap Creek Baptist Church*

*381 Gap Creek Road, Marietta, SC 29661*

*(nursery provided)*

*Reception immediately following outside*

*RSVP to Linda Morgan (254-8324 or [miklinda@bellsouth.net](mailto:miklinda@bellsouth.net))*

## Graduation Banquet

Wednesday, May 1, 2013

5:45 PM \* Church Gymnasium

Speaker: Dr. Derek Halvorson  
President of Covenant College

Join us as we honor our 2013 graduates:

David Caldwell

Natalie Carey

Laura Compton

John McDow Duncan, Jr.

Josiah Ecarma

Rebekah Fields

Jack Gray

Carrie Looper

Grant Looper

Carrie Ann Mann

Hudson Mann

Benjamin Maycock

Daniel Maycock

Samuel Maycock

Bill McDaniel

Michael Morgan

Robert Pennington

Maria Player

Brice Pratt

Josh Sparkman

Robert Therrell

Bryan Worley

Limestone College

Greenville Tech Charter HS

Home School

Greenville Sr. High Academy

Home School

Christ Church

Shannon Forest Christian

Thomas Edison State College

Home School

North Greenville University

North Greenville University

Clemson University

St. Johns College

Home School

Clemson University

Home School

Greer Middle College Charter

Greenville Technical College

Bob Jones University

Greenville Seminary

Greenville Tech Charter &

Fine Arts Center

North Greenville University

*If you are graduating in May or December, 2013, and have not contacted the church office please do so this week.*

*232-7621, ext. 10 or [jgrant@spcgreenville.org](mailto:jgrant@spcgreenville.org)*



VACATION  
BIBLE SCHOOL  
JUNE 24-28

Mark your calendars  
and save the date.

## Seminary Spring Book Sale

GPTS will be holding their annual book sale on May 10-11, 2013 at the Taylors campus. You are welcome to contribute books (in good condition) on any subject matter for this event which benefits the Seminary. Donation boxes will be placed near the library entrance.

1, the first thing a believer needs to do in order to flourish spiritually is to take a *negative* stance towards worldly thinking: “Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked, nor stands in the way of sinners, nor sits in the seat of scoffers; but his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night” (Ps. 1:1-2).

Let’s be clear on what this is *not* saying. Psalm 1 does not say that we as Christians should absent ourselves from the world. We are not to follow Jonah’s example in setting up little booths outside the Nineveh of this world, maniacally awaiting God’s wrath to zap our culture-war enemies. God sent Jonah to Nineveh with a gospel call to repent and believe for salvation. Likewise, Jesus has sent us *into* the culture of the unbelieving world today: “As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you” (Jn. 20:21).

Psalm 1 also does not assert that Christians should treat non-believers as those who have nothing to offer us. It is not by accident that Jesus began His witness to the woman by the well by asking her to perform a service for Him, thereby communicating to her an affirmation of her value and human dignity: “Jesus said to her, “Give me a drink”” (Jn. 4:7). We likewise should act in a way that will often grant to unbelievers more value and dignity than they accept for themselves.

While all this is true, Christians still can and must uphold the Bible’s *No* towards the world. We say *Yes* to the unbelievers’ personal worth and *Yes* to God’s gospel mission to the world. But we must yet say *No* to the counsel of the ungodly. The spiritual reality of Psalm 1 says that a wholesome, fruitful spiritual life and ministry never results from walking “in the counsel of the wicked” (Ps. 1:1). Worldly psychology will posit values to which we must say *No*. Worldly science will advance theories against which we must insist *No*. Worldly

marketing and entertainment will advise church-growth schemes to which we must reply *No*. On what basis do we say *No* to the counsel of the world? On the basis of the clear teaching of the Bible, which offers truth and life from God. How do we know when to say *No*? When the counsel of the world collides with the precepts, commands, and promises of Holy Scripture (as it often will).

In fact, the only true *Yes* religion is that which knows when firmly to say *No* to the world. The only way for us to say *Yes* to God, *Yes* to life and godliness, and even *Yes* to God’s call to love and serve the world, is to also resolve to say *No* to the message, standards, and values of the world in its unbelief, sin, and scoffing of God’s revealed truth. Let us never be surprised by the need to say *No*, and let’s make sure that our *No*’s involve a genuine *Yes* to the lordship of Jesus and the gracious truth of our loving God.

In Christ’s Love,  
Pastor Rick Phillips



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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

**At the Corner of River and Rhett**

At this year’s PCA General Assembly being held in Greenville, Second Presbyterian Church will host a “Pre-Assembly Conference” on June 17-18 for an organization known as the *Gospel Reformation Network*. The GRN was founded in part by our own Dr. Phillips and is interested in fostering a more biblical understanding of sanctification within the teaching of the PCA.

The discussion about the place of God’s law and God’s grace, legalism and antinomianism are as old as church history, with just about every generation of the church wrestling with them, and is now a present reality in this generation.

One of the goals of the GRN meeting was a desire to clarify the nature of the discussion as it has been taught and written about over the last decade. One member of the organizing committee noted, “We want to deal with the issue pastorally and theologically, not polemically; this is a time to educate the church on this topic so we can all grow up into maturity in Christ.

**Conference Schedule @ SPC Greenville**  
**“What Grace Does:**  
**Reclaiming the Whole Gospel for the Whole Man”**

Monday, June 17, 2013	
4:00pm – 10:00pm	Bookstore & Hospitality
7:00pm	Plenary Session 1: Grace Regenerates (Ligon Duncan, FPC Jackson)
Tuesday, June 18, 2013	
8:00am – 5:00p.m.	Bookstore & Hospitality
9:00am	Plenary Session 2: Grace Liberates (Jon Payne, Christ Church Charleston)
10:00am,	Breakout Sessions
11:15am	Plenary Session 3: Grace Recreates (Richard Phillips)
12:30pm – 2:00pm	Lunch
2:30pm – 4:00pm	Plenary Session 4: Grace Consumates (Al Baker)

You can learn more at [gospelrefomation.net](http://gospelrefomation.net). If you’re interested in volunteering to help at the event please see the Administrator.

-The Editor 

## Thought for the Day

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY  
PaulSettle.Blogspot.com

### SLANDER

"No one," says Jerome, "loves to tell a tale of scandal except to him who loves to hear it." Learn, then, to rebuke and check the detracting tongue by showing that you do not listen to it with pleasure. Never make your ear the grave of another's good name. Richard Sheridan.

You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people... (Leviticus 19:16a).

A hymn to read, sing, hum or whistle to the glory of the God of truth: GRACIOUS SPIRIT DWELL WITH ME.

### NO LITTLE THINGS

Sometimes when I consider what tremendous consequences come from little things --- a chance word, a tap on the shoulder, or a penny dropped on a newstand --- I am tempted to think...there are no little things. Bruce Barton.

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head above all. Both riches and honor come from You, and You rule over all. In Your hand are power and might, and in Your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all. And now we Thank You, our God, and praise Your glorious name. But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly. For all things come from You, and of Your own have we given You. (I Chronicles 29:12-14).

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God (I Corinthians 10:13).

And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him (Colossians 3:17).

A hymn to read, sing, hum, or whistle to the glory of the God of all things, big or little: FATHER, I KNOW THAT ALL MY LIFE.

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### WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY

APRIL 28, 2013

MORNING WORSHIP  
8:30 & 11:00 AM

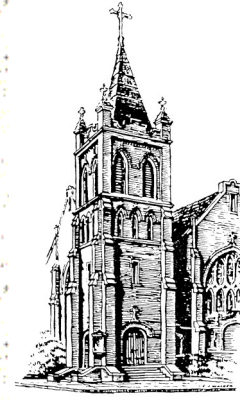
### THE RISING OF THE BEAST

Revelation 13:1-10  
Anthem: A Prayer for Strength  
Hymns: 528, 580, 520  
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP  
6:00 PM

### A BETTER HOPE

Hebrews 7:11-19  
Hymns: 77, 305, 690  
Psalter: Psalm 19 (vs. 7-14)  
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching



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## Pastoral Letter

### A No and Yes Religion

The longer I live as a Christian, the more impressed I am with the wisdom, beauty, and usefulness of the book of Psalms. Of all the psalms, perhaps the most important is the very first: Psalm 1. The reason for this is that Psalm 1 serves as a gateway to the spirituality of the book that follows. The first psalm invites us to begin a life of blessing through the life that flows from God's Word. The one who devotes himself or herself to God's living Word, constantly meditating on the Scriptures, will be established in rich blessing: "He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers" (Ps. 1:3). That is the farthest thing from a worldly "prosperity" gospel that promises earthly riches. Instead, Psalm 1 promises spiritual life in every earthly circumstance, through the life that comes from God's Word.

Most Christians know and agree with what I have said so far, at least in principle. Yet it seems to me that increasing numbers of Christians are tempted to lose sight of the full picture given in Psalm 1. The blessed one not only embraces the *Yes* of God's Word but also wisely recognizes the need to say *No* to the counsel of the world. Psalm 1 sets an antithesis before the believer and as a prerequisite to fruitful spirituality. According to Psalm