

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, May 12

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  
 7:15 PM Worship & Music Committee Meeting

### Monday, May 13

6:30 PM Session Meeting

### Tuesday, May 14

10:00 AM WIC Circles 1 & 3 meet at the church  
 2:30 PM WIC Circle 5 meets at the church  
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 828  
 6:00 PM Evangelism Explosion Training  
 7:00 PM WIC Circle 2 meets at Tammy Loopers'  
 7:00 PM WIC Circle 4 meets at the church

### Wednesday, May 15

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study  
 5:30 PM Peru Missions' Team Meeting  
 5:45 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**  
 6:15 PM Administration Committee Meeting  
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir  
 6:15 PM Youth Choir  
 6:45 PM CAT KIDS Spring Fling  
 6:45 PM Youth Bible Study  
 6:45 PM WIC Circle 6  
 6:45 PM **PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY**

### Friday, May 17

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

### Saturday, May 18

10:00 AM WIC Shower for Rebekah Evans

## Upcoming Events

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 BLOOD DRIVE  
 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

## Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 119: 11-12; 15-16

*"Your word I have hidden in my heart, that I might not sin against You. Blessed are You, O LORD! Teach me Your statutes. I will meditate on Your precepts, and contemplate Your ways. I will delight myself in Your statutes; I will not forget Your word."*

## Remembering One Another

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

**Mildred Holcomb**  
 National Health Care Center  
 850 E. Butler Road, Room 337  
 Greenville, SC 29607

## Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

**Joseph and Ashley Maralit**  
**Noah, Addison, Isaac, Elisha, Opal**


**Henry and Deborah Martin**

**Sam Martin**

## Missionary of the Week



### Our Support Missionaries

1. For faithfulness and fruitfulness
2. For God's provision and support
3. For wisdom and guidance in decision making
4. For good health
5. For perseverance in all situations
6. For safety
7. For good relationships with their friends and neighbors
8. For open doors for the Gospel
9. For souls to be won to Christ
10. For the Lord of the Harvest to send workers into the field that comes from Him.




### CAT Kids Program

Wednesday, May 8, 2013  
7:00 PM in the Church Sanctuary  
(Immediately following the Family Night supper)  
Come see what our covenant children have learned  
this year in CAT Kids.

### CAT Kids Spring Fling

Wednesday, May 15, 2013  
6:45 PM  
At the church





*Showering with Love*  
WIC  
cordially invites you to a  
Miscellaneous Wedding Shower  
for  
**Rebekah Evans**  
Saturday, May 18, 2013  
10:00 am - 11:30 am  
Fellowship Hall



### Young At Heart

The May Young At Heart Luncheon will be Monday, May 20, at 11:45 am in the Church Fellowship Hall. Cost of the catered meal is \$7.00 per person, payable at the door. This month Ernest Ray Outz will entertain us with his ventriloquist friend, Eddie Einstein. Come join us for good fellowship, delicious food, and a very fun and entertaining program. This will be our last luncheon until the fall.



### Congratulations Graduates

Second Presbyterian extends its best wishes to our 2013 graduates.  
We thank Dr. Derek Halvorson, President of Covenant College who spoke at our annual Graduation Banquet last Wednesday night.


### Praise for Christian Mothers

*Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain:  
But a woman that feareth the Lord, she shall be praised.  
Give her of the fruit of her hands  
and let her own works praise her in the gates.*  
Proverbs 30:30-31

### BLOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, May 22, 2013  
5:00 - 8:00 pm \* Church Gym  
Please watch for sign-up sheets in your SS classes  
and give the gift of life.

### KINGDOM CHRONICLES Vacation Bible School June 24-28, 2013 Mark Your Calendars!



### Seminary Spring Book Sale

May 10-11, 2013  
Greenville Theological Seminary campus.  
A variety of books will be on sale to benefit the seminary.  
Thank you for your generous donations. Come join us at the sale.

*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)

### Treasurer's Report

#### APRIL 2013 & YTD Financial Status

	Actual		
	April 2013	YTD 2013	YTD Budget
Offerings	80,253	329,326	354,575
Outlays:			
Operating Expenses	76,632	274,491	309,748
Mission Disbursements	0	35,886	44,827
Total Outlays	76,632	310,377	354,575
Net Offerings	3,621	18,949	

- ⇒ Contributions in April 2013 were \$80,253 versus budget of \$88,644.
- ⇒ Contributions in April 2012 were \$102,027. 2013 YTD contributions are behind budget by \$25,249 and \$482 behind YTD contributions in 2012.
- ⇒ Operating expenses for April 2013 were \$76,632 versus the budget of \$77,437.
- ⇒ Missions and Benevolences for the 2nd Quarter 2013 will be paid in May 2013.
- ⇒ 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, Jeremy Weaver, or David Rainey.

### Gospel Reformation Network

Pre-Assembly Conference  
June 17-18  
at PCA General Assembly  
"What Grace Does: Reclaiming the Whole Gospel for the Whole Man"  
Speakers: Richard D. Phillips, Ligon Duncan, Jon Payne, Al Baker  
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**  
You can learn more at [gospelreformation.net](http://gospelreformation.net)  
If you are interested in volunteering to help at this event  
please see Mel Duncan.



Sir William Jones, and General Washington, among the illustrious of the world; with St. Augustine, Jonathan Edwards, Dr. Doddridge, Dr. Dwight, Mr. Newton, Mr. Cecil, Leigh Richmond, and many others among the good; all of them blessed with pious or eminently judicious mothers, to whom they owed their eminence in the church or in the world...

"At a pastoral conference, held not long since, at which about one hundred and twenty American clergymen united in the bonds of a common faith, were assembled, each was invited to state the human instrumentality to which, under the Divine blessing, he attributed a change of heart. How many of these, think you, gave the honour of it to their mother? Of one hundred and twenty, above one hundred! Here then are facts, which are only selected from myriads of others, to prove a mother's power, and to demonstrate at the same time her responsibility. But how shall we account for his? What gives her this influence? What is the secret of her power? Several things.

"First, there is no doubt the ordinance of God. He that created us, and formed the ties of social life, and who gave all the sweet influences and tender susceptibilities of our various relationships, appointed that a mother's power over the soul of her children should be thus mighty... God has made the child to be peculiarly susceptible of this power over his nature.

"Then comes a mother's love, which is stronger, at any rate more tender, than a father's. She has had more to do with the physical being of her child, having borne him in her womb, and fed him from her breast, and watched him in his cradle: all this naturally and necessarily generates a feeling which nothing else can produce. Now love is the great motive power in, and for, human conduct... Human nature is made to be moved and governed by love: to be drawn with the cords of affection, rather than to be dragged with the chains of severity. And woman's heart is made to love; and love is exerted more gently, sweetly, and constringingly upon her child, by her than by the other sex. It makes her more patient, and more ingenious, and therefore, more influential...

"The earliest exercises of thought, emotion, will, and conscience, are all carried on under her eye. She has to do not only with the body in its infancy, but with the soul in its childhood. Both mind and heart are in her hands at that

period, when they take their first start for good or for evil. The children learn to lisp their first words, and to form their first ideas, under her teaching. They are almost always in her company, and insensibly to themselves and imperceptibly to her, receiving a right or wrong bias from her. She is the first model of character they witness; the first exhibitions of right and wrong in practice are what they see in her...

"Mothers, such is your dignity, such your exalted honour. Feel and value your rich distinction in being called to educate the sons and daughters of the Lord God Almighty, and to prepare the holy family who are to dwell in those many mansions of his Father's house which the Lord Jesus is gone to prepare. Give yourselves up to this glorious work. But be judicious in all you do... Let your warmest affection, your greatest cheerfulness, your most engaging smiles, be put on when you teach religion to your children. Bear your religion in all its beauty, loveliness, sanctity, and ineffable sweetness... Let them see in you, that piety, if in one respect it is a strait and narrow path, is in another, a way of pleasantness and a path of peace."

What a blessing are all the godly women of Second Presbyterian Church, and especially its mothers! We praise God for you, and pray for God's blessing to give you the desires of your heart in the salvation and godliness of your children.

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

### Artisphere

The annual signature event showcasing the arts in Greenville is this coming weekend in downtown.

Please be advised that our own Boy Scout Troop #828 will be managing the SPC parking lot on Friday and Saturday. If you are coming to the church on church business just let one of the Scouts know.

### Boy Scouts

Be in prayer for Boy Scouts nationwide as the organization is facing pressure to normalize homosexuality in its membership requirements. The National Council will hold a vote on May 20<sup>th</sup> to allow local option on ignoring the ban on "non-morally straight" scouts. This exclusionary ban was recently upheld to be a constitutional right by the Supreme Court. The vote has the potential to change troop affiliations with local churches and to impede scouting's mission.

### Parking

If you have not registered for a parking decal (or if you need to replace or update your information), you can do so by emailing [mduncan@spcgreenville.org](mailto:mduncan@spcgreenville.org). The church needs make/model car information, license tag #, your contact info including phone/email address. Suggested donation is \$4 per tag. You can leave that in the church office to the administrator's attention.

### Sunday School

All Adult Sunday will begin June 2<sup>nd</sup> and will continue until September 1<sup>st</sup> meeting in the sanctuary. Topics and speakers to be announced soon.

### VBS

It's not too early to get involved with VBS at Second Presbyterian! See Jill Mann.

### Missions Giving

Summer Missions Trip to Peru has collected \$21,658.72 in giving towards the endeavor. Total costs are \$42,000.00. Please contribute now or finish making your pledge to team members by sending your check designated "Peru Missions/team member" or "Peru/General" as soon as you are able. Envelopes are available in the sanctuary if needed.

-The Editor



## Thought for the Day

### SANCTIFICATION

Gospel Reformation Network Conference  
"What Grace Does:  
Reclaiming the Whole Gospel for the Whole Man"  
June 17-18, 2013  
gospelreformation.net

In sanctification faith is an agent, employing Christ as the Lord our strength, to enable us to manifest our love to, him.

-Ralph Erskine

The soul after regeneration continues dependent upon the constant gracious operations of the Holy Spirit, but is, through grace, able to co-operate with them.

-B.B. Warfield, Sanctification

The believer cooperates with God the spirit in the use of the means of sanctification. Sanctification is both a grace and duty.

-Shedd, Systematic Theology in One Volume, 804.

In sanctification: "Man can and is in duty bound to strive after ever-increasing sanctification by using the means which God has placed at his disposal. Activity associated with Sanctification comprises not only having faith, but also being holy and sanctifying one's self.

-Van Genderen and Velema, 645

Sanctification: The operation of the Holy Spirit by which He delivers the justified sinner from pollution of sin, renews his whole nature in the image of God, and enables him to perform good works.

-Berkoff, Systematic Theology

The condition of the believer in this life is not one of a static status quo. There is abundant evidence to show that it is one of progression, a progression both negative and positive in character; it embraces both mortification and sanctification.

-Murray, Collected Works, Volume I

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#### WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY

MAY 12, 2013

MORNING WORSHIP  
8:30 & 11:00 AM

#### SINGING A NEW SONG

Revelation 14:1-5

Anthem: Seek Ye the Lord

Hymns: 16, 302/131, 547

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP  
6:00 PM

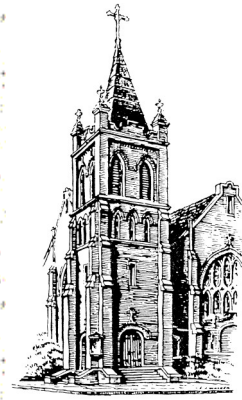
#### OUR FAITHFUL FRIEND

Psalms 41

Hymns: 4, 189, 308

Psalter: Psalm 21

Rev. Robert E. Spears preaching



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Greenville, South Carolina

May 6, 2013

## Pastoral Letter Puritan Praise for Christian Mothers

"Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her" (Prov. 31:28).

Wherever the Bible is honored, feminine virtue is admired and praised. This was certainly true of our Puritan forefathers, with their very high view of the importance of Christian women. Here is an example from John Angell James, in his book *Female Piety*. James was a Puritan preacher in England during the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. His words of praise and appreciation for mothers speak for us all as America honors its mothers this Lord's Day.

"What associations with all that is lovely are connected with that blissful word, a mother! To that sound the tenderest emotions of the human heart, whether in the bosom of the savage or the sage, wake up. The beauty of that term is seen, and its power felt, alike by the prince and the peasant, the rustic and the philosopher. It is one of the words which infant lips are first taught to lisp, and the charm of which the infant heart is first to feel..."

"It is universally admitted that scarcely any great man has appeared in our world who did not owe much, if not most, in the formation of his character, to his mother's influence. In a very useful little volume, by Dr. Jabez Burns, entitled 'The Mothers of the Wise and Good,' there is a series of biographical memorials of eminent sons of pious and judicious mothers, amounting to about fifty, among whom are included Alfred the Great, Lord Bacon, Sir Isaac Newton, Dr. Samuel Johnson,