

Church Calendar

Sunday, August 18

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**

Wednesday, August 21

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
5:45 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
6:15 PM Administration Committee Meeting
6:45 PM Musical CAT Kids Fun Night
6:45 PM Youth Bible Study
6:45 PM **PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY**

Thursday, August 22

7:00 PM WIC Annual Meeting

Friday, August 23

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

Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 119: 137-140

"Righteous are You, O LORD, and upright are Your judgments. Your testimonies, which You have commanded, are righteous and very faithful. My zeal has consumed me, because my enemies have forgotten Your words. Your word is very pure; therefore Your servant loves it."

Upcoming Events

Aug. 15 Playdate: Greenville Zoo
Aug. 18 The Lord's Supper at the evening service
Aug. 21 Administration Committee Meeting
Aug. 21 Musical CAT Kids Fun Night
Aug. 22 WIC Annual Meeting
Aug. 25 WIC Installation of Officers
Aug. 25 Evangelism/Church Growth Meeting
Aug. 28 CE Committee Meeting
Aug. 28 Regular CAT Kids/Covenant Kids resume
Sept. 1 Rally Day
Sept. 1 Deacon Nominations begin
Sept. 1 Wee Worship Choir resumes
Sept. 1 Churchwide Fellowship Supper
Sept. 2 Church Office Closed
Sept. 4 WIC Council
Sept. 4 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
Sept. 8 New Members' Class begins
Sept. 8 Worship & Music Committee Meeting
Sept. 10-11 WIC Circles
Sept. 11 Missions' Committee Meeting
Sept. 15 The Lord's Supper at the morning services
Sept. 15 Deacon nominations end
Sept. 16 Young At Heart resumes
Sept. 17 WIC Bible Study resumes
Sept. 18 Evangelism Explosion Banquet
Sept. 18 Called Session Meeting
Sept. 19 WIC Precepts Bible Study begins
Sept. 22 Deacon Training begins
Sept. 22 Evangelism/Church Growth Committee
Sept. 25 CE Committee Meeting

**If you have a date for the September calendar please contact the church office this week:
232-7621, ext. 10
jgrant@spcgreenville.org**

Remembering One Another

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

Sara Edwards
3 Ila Court
Greenville, SC 29611

Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

Mamie Riggins
Reed and Vicky Rogers
Anna and Reed, Jr.
Mary Russell

Missionary of the Week

JOSH MARTIN
RUF-LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

PRAY FOR:

- Outreach to new students, especially freshmen: Pray the RUF team will be able to connect with many students and help them feel at home in RUF.
- Fellowship Groups: Pray for the small groups spread all around campus to be places for students to explore what the Bible says and to learn how to live in Christian fellowship with one another.
- Conversions to Christ: Pray for the RUF students to have the heart, desire, and courage to talk to their friends about Christ. Pray for the staff as they seek to equip the students to do this and share the love of Christ with other students. (There are literally thousands of students on the LSU campus who do not know the Lord.)

All Adult Summer SS Class
Sunday, August 18, 10:00 am, sanctuary
John Duncan
“Wait for the Verdict of God”

Deacon Nominations

Deacon nominations will begin on Sunday, September 1 and end on Sunday, September 15. Please be in prayer for godly men called by God to serve as an officer of the church. Watch for more information on dates, procedures and a list of eligible men in upcoming Heralds.

**RALLY DAY**
Sunday, September 1
10:00 am
Church Sanctuary

Fellowship Hall Closed

The Fellowship Hall will be closed Monday, August 26 through Thursday, August 29 for re-painting. If you have a scheduled meeting during those dates please make arrangements to meet in another room. Thank You.

**Basketball Sign-ups**
Church League Basketball signups for the 2013-2014 season are now open through the month of August.

Signups will be done through our church website at spcgreenville.org. On the Home page is a link for Basketball information that will take you to an online form to register for basketball and pay the fees. **Please sign up early to help us with planning!** Games will begin in November and run through February. Contact Kevin Worley or Joseph Maralit for more information.

Good News Clubs

Volunteers are needed to continue our ministry to local elementary school children. Good News Clubs will begin the week of September 16th. If you are available on Tuesday or Friday afternoons from 2-4 pm, please prayerfully consider how the Lord would have you serve Him as we teach and encourage the children. Volunteers are needed to teach, to shepherd the children weekly (sit with them during club, encourage, listen to verses, be a friend), provide snacks, and pray. You will be trained to do any job you are willing to try. A training class is scheduled for Saturday, August 17, 9 am to 2 pm at Brushy Creek Baptist Church. Contact Cyndi Player (963-8633) to volunteer or for more information.

Memorial Flowers

The following dates are available for placing flowers in the church in honor or memory of someone special. Please call the church office or see Judy Bishop if you would like to sign up.

Oct. 13; Nov. 3 and 17

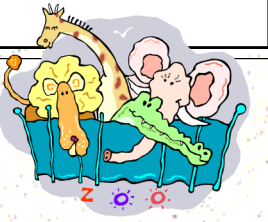
Chapel Sunday School Class

Dr. Jim McGoldrick will be teaching the Chapel Sunday School Class beginning September 8th. The subject of the study will be “Law-Abiding Christians.” Using the ten Commandments as a framework, this series will emphasize the role of God’s law in Christian living.

Christian Sympathy

We offer our Christian love and sympathy to David and Jane Rainey and family in the death of Jane’s mother, Mrs. Judy Pibbs. We are thankful for the life and service of Judy at Second Presbyterian Church and our prayers are with the family during this time of loss and grief.

Playdate: Greenville Zoo



Thursday, August 15
Greenville Zoo
Meet at the front entrance
@ 10:30 AM

We will tour the zoo and maybe take a playtime breather at the small play area inside the zoo. When we are done we will gather in the park outside the zoo for a picnic lunch and playground time.

Music Notes

Please mark your calendars with upcoming dates:
Musical CAT Kids Program: Wed., Aug. 14
Musical CAT Kids Fun Night: Wed., Aug. 21
Reg. CAT Kids/Covenant Kids resume: Wed., Aug. 28

WIC Annual Meeting



All women in the church are invited and encouraged to attend the meeting.

Thursday, August 22, 2013
Fellowship Hall
7:00 PM

Agenda:
Election of Officers
Recognition of New Members
Refreshments will be served.

WIC Precepts

Attention Ladies: The Precepts Bible Study, on the book of James, will begin Thursday, September 19 at 9:30 am in the Conference Room. We will meet each Thursday, from 9:30-11:30 am for 15 weeks. Please notify Mary Russell by August 23 if you plan to attend these classes as books need to be ordered. Join us as we learn more about how to have “a faith that is real.”

and mercy, Jesus rebuked them for their hypocrisy but nonetheless endorsed their tithing (Mt. 23:23). Proverbs 3:9-10 gives us this wisdom: "Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first fruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine." This is not a legalistic program for self-interest. Rather, it expresses the biblical principle that those who rely on the Lord for their needs will always find God's provision – and the tithe is the Bible's tangible expression of our reliance on God for our needs.

So what happens if we don't? The church will not likely close down, and a modest budget will likely be met. But these are not the standards that God would have us set! The question is not what we can get by with without tithing, but what we can attempt for God's sake if we do. What worthy missions projects might we add? What outreach or important ministry might we attempt if we tithed? The biblical plan for church finances does not involve clever motivational schemes and fund-raisers, but a God-reliant people who honor the Lord with their tithes, and above them with their offerings. Haggai warned the Israelites of old: "You looked for much, and behold, it came to little... Why?... Because of my house that lies in ruins, while each of you busies himself with his own house. Therefore the heavens above you have withheld the dew, and the earth has withheld its produce" (Hag. 1:9-10).

We don't witness? The Bible plainly teaches that God has an elect people, predestined for salvation in His grace (Eph. 1:4-5). So what difference does it make if we don't witness? The answer is that people we know and love will not be saved. God does His will through His grace at work in his people. So Paul asks, "How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have not heard?" (Rom. 10:14). Moreover, while God will have His harvest, we will not have the joy of playing our part. Nothing is more fulfilling than being used by the Lord to bring a perishing sinner to saving faith! Lastly, we have the burden of knowing that we did not take an interest in the eternal destiny of those around us.

Let's not be a church that asks what difference it makes if we don't. Instead, let's be Christians who seek the difference it will make if we do. Let's commit to determined lives of prayer and see how God displays His power in response. Let's honor the Lord with our money, giving Him the first fruits of His harvest and joyfully contributing to the Lord's work in the church, and see how he will multiply our offerings in eternal blessings. And let's take a fervent interest in the eternal condition of the people around us, telling them the good news of the Savior who has come, and see for ourselves the power of God to save. In short, let's respond to the wonderful grace we have received in Christ by living to the full for Him, and let's make our lives count for the things that will never pass away.

What happens if we don't? Precious opportunities will pass us by. But we if we do, we can be sure that God will not fail us. So let's do, all because of our thanks to God for His wonderful gift in sending us His Son.

May the Lord bless you all this week.

In Christ's Love,

Pastor 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

PARTNER MINISTRY GROUPS AT SPC

The following is a list of Christian and Community organizations that the Session has approved use of our facility/campus for the upcoming church/school year. The work and ministry of these organizations complement the mission and purpose of Second Church. While these groups are not official ministries of SPC we encourage you to be aware to them and commend each of them to you and their leadership for prayer. You will note we listed Lanier Parking Systems, SPC is delighted to be going into our 2nd year of professional partnership in the management of our parking lots. We are appreciative of their assistance to our congregation in the stewardship of our church.

BACH Choir	Jonathan Doyel, Director
Boy Scouts Troup #828	Troop Leaders: Duane Bargar Frank Mahon, Mike Morgan
Church League Basketball	Kevin Worley, Coordinator
Classical Conversations	Amanda Kouvolov, Director
Creation Study Group	Al Anderson, Johnny Mann Stuart Patterson
Homeschool Debaters	Dawn Rose
Lanier Parking Systems-Parking Lots	Tina Reid, Manager
Master Flue Camp	Amanda Barrett
Miracle Hill Orphan Care	Miracle Hill Staff
Music Club of Greenville	Pat Shuford, Facilitator
Piedmont Women's Center Training	PWC Staff
Presbytery Meetings	Ministers/Elders within Presbytery
Rivertree Singers Rehearsal/Concerts	Warren Cook, Director
Volleyball Camp	Janet Wheeler Dorneker, Coordinator

*The list does not contain official SPC Ministry Events or Related Ministries.

-The Editor



Thought for the Day

“Follow”

As the soldier follows his general, as the servant follows his master, as the scholar follows his teacher, as the sheep follows its shepherd, just so ought the professing Christian to follow Christ. ---- J. C. Ryle

I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me....and the sheep follow [me] for they know [my] voice (John 10:14, 4).

“Unbelief”

All unbelief is the belief of a lie. Horatius Bonar (Scottish pastor, 1808-1889). Therefore God sends them a strong delusion so that they may believe what is false, in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness (1 Thessalonians 2:11).

A hymn to read, sing, hum, or whistle to the glory of God: O Wherefore Do the Nations Rage (Psalm 2).

“Trust”

Trust God where you cannot trace Him. Do not try to penetrate the cloud He brings over you; rather look to the bow that is in it. The mystery is God's; the promise is yours. -- John Macduff, Scottish pastor, 1818-1895.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns (Psalm 46:1-5).

A hymn to read, sing, hum, or whistle to the glory of God: Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground, (Ralph Wardlaw, 1817).

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WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY

August 18, 2013

MORNING WORSHIP
8:30 & 11:00 AM

CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURE

Revelation 18:1-8
Hymns: 100, 347, 472
Anthem: Praise the Lord

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP
6:00 PM

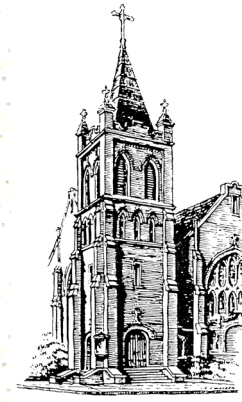
A GREAT CONCLUSION

Hebrews 10:11-18
Hymns: 88, 35, 420
Psalter: Psalm 30

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Pastoral Letter

What Happens When We Don't

Ours is a church that firmly believes in the sovereignty of God. Yet we also know that believers have responsibilities that really matter. So what happens if...

We don't pray? The Bible's answer is clear. Our prayers really matter. Prayer changes things. We and others receive blessings through prayer which we otherwise would not receive. James 5:16 says, "The prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up... The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working." So what if we don't pray? James gives the answer to this, saying, "You do not have, because you do not ask" (Ja. 4:2). This suggests that one of the most important factors in our life is whether or not we pray – privately in the home and corporately in the church. Charles Haddon Spurgeon wrote: "Prayer is the ship which bringeth home the richest freight. It is the soil which yields the most abundant harvest... The reason we have not more true religion now, is because we have not more prayer."

We don't tithe? Everything we have is from the Lord, and in recognition of this Christians are called by God to tithe of our income (tithing means giving 10%). We see this from the earliest times among God's people. When Abraham returned from the spoils of victorious war, he gave a tenth of his gains to the Lord (Gen. 14:20). Jacob practiced the tithe as his obligation to God (Gen. 28:22). Jesus also endorsed the tithe. When the Pharisees emphasized tithing but neglected justice