

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, July 20

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**  
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel  
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**  
 4:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel  
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**

### Monday, July 21

Jr. High Trip to Ridge Haven  
 (7/21-7/25)

### Tuesday, July 22

8:00 PM Summer RUF

### Wednesday, July 23

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study  
 5:00 PM CE Committee Meeting  
 5:45 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**  
 6:45 PM Musical CAT Kids  
 6:45 PM Youth Bible Study  
 6:45 PM **PRAYER MEETING & Mission Report**

### Thursday, July 24

11:30 AM Playdate: Field Day at the Johnsons'

### Friday, July 25

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

### Saturday, July 26

9:00 AM Calvary Presbytery at Mt. Calvary PCA,  
 Roebuck, SC

## Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 34:9-10

*Oh, fear the LORD, you His saints,  
 for those who fear Him have no lack!  
 The young lions suffer want and hunger;  
 but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing. (ESV)*

## Upcoming Events

July 20	The Lord's Supper at the morning services
July 21-25	Jr. High Trip to Ridge Haven
July 22	Summer RUF
July 23	CE Committee Meeting
July 24	Playdate: Field Day at the Johnsons'
July 26	Calvary Presbytery, Mt. Calvary, Roebuck
July 27	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee
July 27	Ice Cream Social & Farewell Reception for Jim, Jordan, and Ellie McCarthy
July 29	Playdate at Otter Creek Water Park
July 29	Summer RUF
August 3	Elder Fold Luncheon (Bill Watkins)
August 4-5	Girls' Basketball Camp
August 4	Diaconate Meeting
August 6	WIC Council
August 6	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
August 7	Playdate: Legacy Park Picnic
August 11	Session Meeting
August 12	WIC Circles
August 12	Playdate: Greenville Zoo
August 13	Missions' Committee Meeting
August 13	Musical CAT Kids Program
August 20	Administration Committee Meeting
August 20	Musical CAT Kids Fun Night
August 21	WIC Annual Meeting
August 22	Jr. High Fellowship
August 22	Sr. High Fellowship
August 27	CE Committee Meeting
August 27	Regular CAT Kids/Covenant Kids resumes
August 31	Rally Day
August 31	Ice Cream Social

**If you have a date for the August calendar  
 please contact the church office this week:  
 232-7621, ext. 10 or [jgrant@spcgreenville.org](mailto:jgrant@spcgreenville.org)**

## Mark Your Calendars

September 12-14	Missions' Conference
September 17	Evangelism Explosion Banquet
September 27	Fall Picnic at Herdklotz Park

## 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.

**Mamie Riggins**  
 The Haven, Room 311  
 355 Berkman's Lane  
 Greenville, SC 29605  
 232-5945

## Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

**Lewey and Marsha Hammett**  
**Elaine and Nathaniel**  
  
**Leon and Susan Harmon**  
  
**Roy and Edna Heath**

## Missionary for the Week

### CALVARY HOME FOR CHILDREN

The vision for Calvary Home for Children began in 1992. Members from several Upstate South Carolina churches participated in missions trips to a children's home in Columbus, Mississippi. After witnessing that work in Mississippi and being burdened by the increase in child abuse and abandonment incidences in South Carolina, this group of men and women had a vision to see similar work in the Upstate.

SPC Mission Project  
 Calvary Home for Children  
 July 14th - 18th

## Playdate: Field Day at the Johnsons'



Next Playdate:

Thursday, July 24  
Field Day at the Johnsons'  
@ 11:30 am

Everyone bring food to share.

Rebekah Johnson

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## Girls' Basketball Camp

Jr. and Sr. High Girls' Basketball Camp

August 4th & 5th

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Bring your lunch.

Any questions?

Call Vicky Rogers

270-1329



## Jr. High Ridge Haven Conference July 21 - 25, 2014

### Summer RUF Fellowship

(Tuesdays at 8pm - Second Pres. Sanctuary)

Anyone college age in the Greenville area welcome  
July 22 | Peter 4:1-11 | Jake Patton (Downtown)

### Calvary Presbytery

The 122nd Stated Meeting of Calvary Presbytery will be Saturday, July 26, 2014, at Mt. Calvary PCA in Roebuck, SC, beginning at 9:00 am. Visitors are welcome. Please be in prayer for the Commissioners that will be attending from Second Church: Pastor Phillips, Pastor Spears, RE Duncan, RE Player, and RE Safford.

### 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.

July 20th & 27th; Aug. 31st;  
Oct. 12th; Nov. 2nd, 16th & 30th



Second Presbyterian Church  
All Adult Summer Sunday School, 2014

Sanctuary: 10am

July 20, 2014

Chapter 8 "The Evils of a Murmuring Spirit"

Jeff Windt teaching

### WIC Annual Meeting

**ATTENTION: ALL COLLEGE-AGE AND ABOVE LADIES!  
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Please join WIC Council on Thursday, August 21, 2014 at 7:00 pm for our Annual WIC Meeting in the Church Fellowship Hall. We will elect officers, give yearly reports of WIC activities and enjoy a time of fellowship. There will be light refreshments and a nursery will be provided. If you have any questions please contact Margaret Holman (963-9059).

### 2014 Missions Conference

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

The Missions Committee is planning a Missions Conference on the weekend of September 12-14. Dr. Jon Payne, Ross Hodges and Michael Giuliani from Christ Church Charleston and Rev. Al Lacour from RUF International are our invited guests. Please make plans to join us that weekend for Missions activities.

## Missionary Reports

Make plans on the following dates in July to hear reports from SPC Missionary & Summer Mission Teams.

Ramona White, July 16th

Calvary Home Team, July 23rd

Peru Team, July 30th

### Sympathy

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Monique Al-Rawi and her family in the death of her 17 year-old son, Aaron on July 9, 2014. We are thankful for Monique and her family and our prayers are with them during this time of grief and sadness.

### New Communicant Member

Sophia Jill Scott, 11 year-old covenant daughter of Stephen and Londa Scott was received into communicant membership by the Session on Sunday, July 13, 2014. Sophia is the granddaughter of David and Linda Bragdon. The Scotts reside at 1657 Vallea Street, El Cahn, CA 92019.

### Farewell Ice Cream Social

There will be an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, July 27th immediately following the evening worship service in the gymnasium. This will also be a farewell gathering for Jim, Jordan, and Ellie McCarthy. Members are asked to bring generous portions of finger foods for the reception. The Deacons will furnish the ice cream and toppings. We are thankful for the McCarthy family and the faithful servants they have been at Second. While we will miss them we rejoice with the Lord's calling for Jim to serve on the staff of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Jacksonville, Florida.

was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me... Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me" (Matt. 25:35-40).

So how do churches lead their members to recognize the necessity of merciful deeds? What causes Christians to act spontaneously in the kind of mercy Jesus commends? I want to offer three ways in which our churches can cultivate a spirit of mercy within its members.

First, we motivate mercy ministry by teaching the full biblical doctrine of salvation. We rightly emphasize repentance from sin, forgiveness of sin, and the hope of glory in heaven. Yet it is not merely our souls that are saved by God's grace. Our lifestyles are also redeemed. And God's saving grace within any community — a family, church, city, or nation — will result in increased mercy and justice. The Old Testament vision of salvation is replete with this emphasis. God frequently complained against the lack of justice and mercy among His people, and He continually urged the Israelites "to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God" (Mic. 6:8). The New Testament does not let up on this emphasis, as can easily be seen in the parables of Jesus and in Paul's pastoral epistles. So as we teach salvation, we must present the peace and love that God gives to His people, both of which are manifested in ministries of mercy and kindness to others.

Secondly, churches can accomplish much by modeling mercy within their own congregational life. Some of this involves targeted ministries to the surrounding communities. We should look around and see what types of needs are obvious. If there are homeless people, the church should have a homeless outreach. If there are elderly, there might be a visitation ministry. If there are internationals, the church might reach out with hospitality. But beyond this is the simple modeling of ordinary mercy. Do we notice the disabled in our midst and make provision for their participation? Do we care about the problems the elderly have in getting to church? Are we involved in ministry to the shut-ins? The church should not be a compartment in life where one participates in mercy ministry. Rather, the church should be a community in which the practice and habits of mercy are learned and trained.

Thirdly, we must always remember that the greatest mercy is that which brings the good news of Jesus Christ to the lost. Are we inspiring church members to personal evangelism? Many people think that the Reformed faith de-motivates Christians from sharing the Gospel. But when we realize the costly mercy by which God has saved us, the natural result is that we would look with mercy on the world. The Bible says that we love because God loved us, we forgive because God has forgiven us, and we give because of what God has given to us. If we understand the sovereign mercy that has saved our souls, we will be merciful to others by presenting a living and loving witness to the Gospel of Christ.

One of the strongest statements of God's sovereignty in salvation occurs in Jonah 2:9 where the prophet prays, "Salvation belongs to the Lord." But that great doctrinal statement is accompanied in the previous verse by a lament for the state of the lost, who by their idolatry "forsake their hope of steadfast love" (v. 8). Like Jonah, who cared little for the Gentiles until he understood his own salvation, it is when we truly appreciate the sovereign mercy by which we have been saved that we will no longer struggle to feel mercy for the dying world.

May the Lord bless you all this week.

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

Did you know you as a member you have a critical role to play in the outreach of our congregation meeting and incorporating new people into the body of Christ. Next time you see a visitor, tell them one of the many good things we want them to know about Second Church...

**Welcome!** We are so glad you have visited and are thankful for your interest in our congregation. As our name indicates we are the Second-Presbyterian Church in the city of Greenville, South Carolina, and since 1892 we have sought to be biblically faithful and gospel-driven as we minister from our home in the historic West End.

**We love the Bible.** We are unashamedly committed to the Bible, believing the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be inerrant and infallible and our only rule for faith and practice. Our officers affirm the theology of the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms as the best understanding of Holy Scripture.

**We are Presbyterian,** being governed by elders according to the New Testament example. We are also a founding congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America, the largest Bible-believing Presbyterian denomination in the English speaking world.

**We are a family** and we are committed to one another. We believe in the biblical principle of the communion of the saints. As such we are deliberately not "program-driven" but intentionally seek to foster genuine community through Christian love, service and fellowship.

-The Editor



**Dr Jon Payne on Motivations  
in the Christian Life**

*This recent article on the Heidelberg Catechism (HC) appeared on Reformation21.*

Paul writes that church discipline is not only intended for the censure (and potential restoration) of the offender (I Tim. 5:20; cf. Q.85), it is also meant to foster godly fear in the hearts of on-looking believers-- to encourage them, by God's grace and Spirit, to walk more circumspectly according to God's Word. In addition, the Scripture provides sober warnings to believers throughout, in part, to motivate them unto obedience. Isn't the book of Hebrews full of such solemn warnings (e.g. Heb. 2:1-4; 3:7- 4:13; 10:19-39)?

It is precisely because God loves his children that he provides "useful and necessary" warnings for "the faithful discharge of their duty." For both Scripture and the Heidelberg Catechism, then, these warnings are biblical motivations for godliness (cf. Q.102).

In addition to gratitude, these three key motivations, namely, the glory of God, a desire to be holy, and the Father's sober warnings, are legitimate motivations for Christian obedience found in the HC. Of course, there are many others. Other motivations include the fostering of God's praise, the deep and growing assurance of faith, and the hope that "others may be gained to Christ" as our lives show forth the fruit of the gospel (Q.86). Once again, gratitude is without a doubt the chief motivation for Christian obedience in the HC. However, it's not the only one.

The *Gospel Reformation Network's* Article V rightly states:

"We affirm that gratitude for justification is a powerful motivation for growth in holiness .... but deny that gratitude for justification is the only valid motivation for holiness, making all other motivations illegitimate or legalistic" (See GRN Affirmations and Denials at [www.gospelreformation.net](http://www.gospelreformation.net)).

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**WORSHIP AT SECOND  
THE LORD'S DAY  
July 20, 2014**

**MORNING WORSHIP**  
8:30 & 11:00 AM

**CHRIST EXALTED**  
Ephesians 1:20-23  
Hymns: 498, 295, 378

Anthem: As We Gather at Your Table  
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

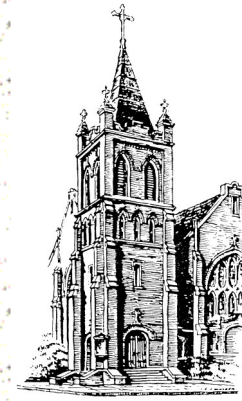
**EVENING WORSHIP**  
6:00 PM

**WHY, O GOD?**  
Psalm 74

Hymns: 81, 128, 602  
Psalter: Psalm 54

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**Letter from the Senior Minister  
What the Needy Need**

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Since we live in a fallen world, our greatest strengths have a way of giving birth to our greatest weaknesses. This is why some churches that emphasize a strong Bible-preaching pulpit are less vigorous in ministries of mercy. One inner city Presbyterian church participated in a study regarding mercy ministries. The study commended the church for its vigorous efforts to minister to the needy and the lost. But the study report expressed this approval in telling language: it said that the church "is deeply committed to teaching and preaching biblical doctrine; however, it also has a heart for mercy ministry."

This is how many people have learned to think: they are surprised that a church that is strong in the Word would also be strong in good deeds. When the pastor of this particular church received the report, he requested one significant revision. It should be changed to say that because they are deeply committed to biblical doctrine, therefore they have a heart for mercy ministry! And this is how it should be in all our churches!

The reality is that any church that fails to minister the merciful love of God is failing in its witness to the merciful heart of God. Jesus said, "Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matt. 5:16). Likewise, a church that is little interested in works of mercy is not pleasing to our Lord. The Christians that Jesus will commend on the Last Day are those to whom He will say, "I was hungry and you gave me food, I