

Church Calendar

Sunday, October 19

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:45 AM Membership Class
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 10:00 AM Diaconate Training
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**
 6:00 PM Wee Worship

Monday, October 20

11:45 AM Young At Heart

Tuesday, October 21

10:00 AM WIC Bible Study
 6:00 PM Jr. High Boys' Basketball practice

Wednesday, October 22

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
 5:00 PM CE Committee Meeting
 5:45 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
 6:15 PM Children's Choir (1st-4th grade)
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir (5th-8th grade)
 6:15 PM Youth Ensemble (Sr. High & College)
 6:45 PM Diaconate Training (S-309)
 6:55 PM CAT Kids
 6:55 PM Covenant Kids
 6:55 PM Sr. High Bible Study
 6:55 PM **PRAYER MEETING FOR ALL ADULTS**
 7:25 PM College & 20's Class
 7:25 PM **ADULT BIBLE STUDY**
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, October 23

9:00 AM Calvary Presbytery @ Redeemer PCA
 9:30 AM WIC Bible Study
 4:00 PM Jr. High Girls' Basketball practice
 6:00 PM Evangelism Explosion Training

Friday, October 24

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

Saturday, October 25

Jr./Sr. High Workday
 10:30 AM Sr. High Girls' Basketball practice

Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 66:1

Shout for joy to God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; give to him glorious praise! (ESV)

Upcoming Events

Oct. 19 The Lord's Supper at the evening service
 Oct. 20 Young At Heart
 Oct. 22 CE Committee Meeting
 Oct. 23 Calvary Presbytery @ Redeemer PCA
 Oct. 25 Jr. & Sr. High Workday
 Oct. 26 REFORMATION SUNDAY
 Oct. 26 Evangelism/Church Growth Committee
 Oct. 29 REFORMATION PARTY
 Nov. 1 WIC Shower for Amy Stevens
 Nov. 1 Basketball games begin
 Nov. 2 Daylight Savings Time ends
 Nov. 3 Diaconate Meeting
 Nov. 5 WIC Council
 Nov. 5 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
 Nov. 9 High School Lunch and Fellowship
 Nov. 9 Called Session Meeting
 Nov. 9 Worship & Music Committee Meeting
 Nov. 10 Session Meeting
 Nov. 11-12 WIC Circles
 Nov. 12 Missions Committee Meeting
 Nov. 16 The Lord's Supper at the morning services
 Nov. 17 Young At Heart
 Nov. 19 Administration Committee Meeting
 Nov. 23 New Members' Reception and Luncheon
 Nov. 23 Evangelism & Church Growth Committee
 Nov. 26 CE Committee Meeting
 Nov. 26 Thanksgiving Supper and Service
 Nov. 27-28 Church Office Closed
 Nov. 29 WIC Decorating for Christmas

Mark Your Calendars!

⇒ Chancel Choir Christmas Music	Dec. 7
⇒ Churchwide Choir Reception	Dec. 7
⇒ Gingerbread House Contest	Dec. 10
⇒ Congregation Meeting-Deacon election	Dec. 14
⇒ Christmas Dinner/Program	Dec. 17
⇒ Lessons and Carols	Dec. 24
⇒ Christmas Hymn Sing	Dec. 28

Plan early and get your event on the church calendar!

We are asking that you get your event on the church calendar early as dates fill up fast. Call the church office (232-7621, ext. 10) or email: jgrant@spcgreenville.org.

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.

Betty McGoldrick
 627 Ashley Commons Court
 Greer, SC 29651
 968-0032

Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

Frank and Amy Mahon
Lauren and Allen

Ron Mahon

Dave Maney

Missionary for the Week

**EVANGELISM EXPLOSION TRAINING
 CLASSES: THURSDAYS, 6:00 PM
 CONFERENCE ROOM**

Please Pray:

- Greater zeal among our members to spread the Good News to our relatives, friends, co-workers, neighbors, and even our enemies.
- New trainees for the fall semester to be trained in the EE ministry.
- Pray for trainees as they study, learn, and memorize Scripture for witnessing.
- For the Holy Spirit to be working in the hearts of those who will be visited by EE-that they would receive the Gospel with joy.
- For Ken Safford as he trains and coaches the class in spreading the Good News.

30 Days of Prayer for World Missions

The 30 Days of Prayer for World Missions calendars are now available on the counter outside the library. This November calendar is put out by MTW and is a tool for you to use to pray for MTW missionaries and ministries throughout the month, particularly for those in restricted-access countries where believers are often persecuted for their faith. The calendar also highlights the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church on November 2, giving you the opportunity to join the worldwide body of Christ in prayer for the persecuted Church. Be sure and pick up one of these calendars as we join together during the month of November in prayer for World Missions.



Showering with Love

WIC
cordially invites all ladies to a
Wedding Shower
for

Amy Stevens

Saturday, November 1, 2014

10:00 am - 11:30 am

Fellowship Hall

Amy is registered at Target, Belk, Sears, and
Bed, Bath, and Beyond.



Evangelism Explosion Training

Have you ever wanted to tell a friend or relative about Jesus, but did not know how to start or what to say? Evangelism Explosion is an evangelistic training program designed to equip you to tell others the good news about Jesus Christ. The fall semester will begin Thursday, October 16, at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room. Please call or see Ken Safford (419-8267) to sign up, or if you have any questions.



REFORMATION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 26, 2014



REFORMATION PARTY
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 29TH

*We need booths, prizes, and candy.
If you would like to sponsor a booth see or call Scott (ext. 25).
If you would like to donate candy and/or prizes,
please mark and leave in the gym.*

Calvary Presbytery

The one hundred and twenty fourth Stated Meeting of Calvary Presbytery will be held Thursday, October 23rd at Redeemer PCA, beginning at 9:00 am. Please be in prayer for this meeting and for the Commissioners who will be attending from Second. Visitors are welcome.

Memorial Flowers

If you would like to donate your Memorial Flowers to the Koinonia Committee please call Barnetta Stephens (414-7313). They would be happy to distribute these flowers to our shut-in members.
~Flower Committee

Camping Trip Invitation

If you would like to go camping at Orchard Lakes Campground in Saluda, NC on October 30th and 31st please contact Tammy Looper (855-8423). Seven sites have been reserved. Check-in is 1pm everyday and the cost is \$35 for tents and \$45 for RVs. Also you may call 828-749-3901 and/or check out their website www.orchardlakecampground.com.

Christian Sympathy

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Florence Dickerson and her family in the death of Larry on Monday, October 6, 2014. We are thankful for the life and service of Larry and we pray for Florence and her family during this time of grief and loss.

New Members

The Session received into communicant membership the following members at a called Session meeting on September 24, 2014.

Stan and Barbara Woodward
1815 Cleveland Street Ext.
Greenville, SC 29607
Home Phone: 297-5162

Stan and Barbara were received by reaffirmation of faith pending transfer of letter from 1st Presbyterian Church in Greenville.

The Woodwards will be introduced to the congregation in November with members joining in the Membership Class.

Pack a Shoe Box

Operation Christmas Child "The Power of A Simple Gift"

Share God's love and the joy of Christmas by packing a gift-filled shoe box for a hurting child overseas. Your simple gift can make an eternal difference. Shoe boxes with instructions on how to pack a shoe box are located throughout the church. If you have any questions contact Pat Tyner (244-5688). Boxes need to be in the church office by Nov. 16th.

Young At Heart

The October Young At Heart Luncheon will be Monday, **October 20th** at 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. The cost of the catered lunch is \$7.00 per person payable at the door. Our own Hannah Phillips will be giving a voice concert. Hannah is a very talented and recognized vocalist in SC. She has been honored with many recognitions for the talent the Lord has given her. Mark your calendars and be sure not to miss this time of fellowship together.

Membership Class

Sunday, October 19th * 9:45 am
Classroom C-209
"Reformed Worship"
Pastor Phillips



Letters of Clement of Rome (late 1st century A.D.) and Polycarp of Smyrna (early 2nd century A.D.).

We know that Trinitarian doxologies, like the two that we use, played a role in early baptismal services since Jesus instituted baptism “in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit” (Mt. 28:19).

Similarly, since Jesus added that he will reign “until the end of the age” (Mt. 28:20), it is common for doxologies to include a reference to the eternal extent of God’s glory (“world without end,” etc.). Amidst the Trinitarian heresies of the 4th century A.D., the *Gloria Patri* itself became popular among the doctrinally sound churches as a protest against the heretic Arius. “As it was in the beginning,” is an allusion to John 1:1, where John says that Jesus was “with God” and that Jesus “was God” in the beginning. Cassian (died 425 A.D.) cites the use of this doxology as already traditional in the West. According to the late 4th century church leader, Basil the Great, the *Gloria Patri* played a standard role in the worship of Trinitarian churches during this time. In 529, the Second Synod of Vasio observes that the *Gloria Patri* is used in all the churches in the West, the East, and Africa, and directs the same to happen in the churches of Gaul.

This background shows that by singing the *Gloria Patri*, we are following a very ancient practice of the church in keeping with biblical principles of worship. Moreover, this hymn is one of the few practices that links us with Christians around the globe, including the Eastern Orthodox Churches. I think this alone is important, but the *Gloria Patri* also serves an important liturgical function. Following immediately upon the invocation – our prayer for God’s blessing on our worship – we as a church give praise to God in His triune being, ascribing glory to him that will never end.

The *Gloria Patria* was originally composed in Greek. After ascribing glory to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, it adds that this glory is “always, now, and forever, unto the ages of ages. Amen.” This was translated into Latin by the Roman Catholic Church (*Gloria Patri* is the Latin, “Glory be to the Father”) and then into English by Thomas Cranmer, the first leader of the reformation Church of England. It is Cranmer who gives us



the words, “world without end,” as his translation of “forever and ever, unto the ages of ages.” Literally, the Greek reads, “now, and always, and forever and ever.”

The second of our doxologies is simply called *The Doxology*: “Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.” Since this particular doxology praises God for His provision of blessings, we follow the long tradition of singing these verses after receiving tithes and offerings for the provision of the church. I confess to having a special love for this doxology, and I always sing it to my children after prayers each night when they are tucked into bed. I also like for us to sing *The Doxology* after our prayer meetings. The point is that we ascribe praise to God as the source of all our goods, calling on heaven and earth to join us in praise to Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This doxology also has ancient roots, stretching back at least to the 7th century A.D. By singing these words we unite ourselves with believers of long ages and of all places.

I hope this brief description helps you to enter more fully into our worship as we sing these great hymns of praise. May the Lord bless you all this week.

In Christ’s Love,
Pastor Rick Phillips

How to Pray for SPC Missionaries

Dale Ellison: Peru

Dale Writes: “As a mission we are in a planning phase right now, since our short term team season has almost ended, and we are thinking about our future projects and such. We would appreciate prayers for God’s guidance and blessings on our planning and for God to raise up more leaders and helpers for our ministries and projects.”

Becky White: Christ College-Taiwan

Becky Writes: “1. 103 new freshmen arrived at CC. Pray for their adjustment to life at CC, for open hearts, for healthy relationships, for growth in grace and in their academic studies 2. Pray for work projects on campus, our new computer system, preparation for MOE (Ministry of Education) evaluation next year. Pray for wisdom, energy, and creativity for admin staff. 3. New Missionaries arriving at CC. Please pray for adjustments to Taiwan and work at Christ’s College.”

June Gallman: Costa Rica

June Writes: “On Sunday, I’m going to be running in a 5K cancer race in honor of a few of my little buddies down here who have cancer or are sick. This will be a huge opportunity to evangelize, too! I’m excited, but I’ve never run a race before, so maybe pray for me on Sunday? I’m racer # 4010, so as you can see, there are many racers, too! Thanks. I know this is strange to be doing, but I’ve been evangelizing children in my neighborhood, too, and this is a good way to show God’s love to the little ones and my 16 year old leukemia neighbor who lost all his hair. Oh, ask God to stop the torrential rains in the afternoons and evenings. We have had enough! 10 inches an hour is sufficient!”

Roger and Laura Dye: Latin America

Laura writes: “1) Support is coming along and we remain encouraged. We still need your prayers for the last 30%. 2) Be sure to watch for prayer letter coming in the next day or so for great news from our ministry partners in Juarez, Mexico and Chile. 3) I have a long list of couples’ names that we pray for but one in particular could use the full prayer force of Second Pres. Please pray for Horacio and Ariela. Pray that God would preserve and heal their marriage. There are many others but I ask for these dear ones.”

~Sharon Phillips

WIC MTW Missions Chairman

CHURCH INFORMATION

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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 - 6:55 PM
Adult Bible Study - 7:25 PM

At the Corner of River and Rhett

COFFEE, FOOD, CELL PHONES IN THE SANCTUARY

A friendly reminder that Second Presbyterian requests that food and coffee not be brought into the sanctuary and cell phones be turned off during the duration of the worship services. Help create a God-honoring worship space that is free from world distractions -sights, sounds and smells- that inevitably draw our mind away from the most important hour of our week.

BASKETBALL, GYM AND USE OF BUILDING

Church Basketball at SPC has begun. There are practices several nights a week and league competition begins in November. Please help us keep the gym free from clutter by retrieving lost items. Use of the gym is scheduled through the church office and approved by the diaconate. Please "Check In" at the In & Out Board by the nursery when using the church. This will help others know when folks are in the building and reduce the number of false alarms (which costs the church \$ for each event). As a general rule don't assume outside doors have been locked and lights have been turned off if you are the last one in the building. Please help us Turn Off, Lock Up, Alarm the Building when you leave.

Christianity 101

I is for Irresistible Grace

In Acts 7:51 Stephen says to the Jewish leaders, "You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit as your fathers did." And Paul speaks of grieving and quenching the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 4:30; 1 Thessalonians 5:19). God gives many entreaties and promptings which are resisted. In fact the whole history of Israel in the Old Testament is one protracted story of resistance, as the parable of the wicked tenants shows (Matthew 21:33-43; cf. Romans 10:21).

The doctrine of **irresistible grace** means that God is sovereign and can overcome all resistance when he wills. "He does according to his will in the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth; and none can stay his hand!" (Daniel 4:35). "Our God is in the heavens; he does whatever he pleases" (Psalm 115:3). When God undertakes to fulfill his sovereign purpose, no one can successfully resist him.

~By John Piper

The Editor



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Return Service Requested

WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY

October 19, 2014

MORNING WORSHIP

8:30 & 11:00 AM

WITHOUT CHRIST

Ephesians 2:11-12

Hymns: 6, 141, 695

Anthem: Call to Remembrance
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 PM

THE VINE OF GOD'S BLESSING

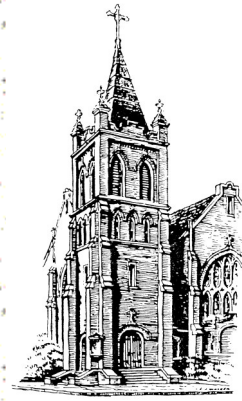
Psalm 80

Hymns: 87, 349, 420

Psalter: Psalm 63

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Letter from the Senior Minister Two of My Favorite Songs

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be;
World without end, Amen. Amen.*

Like many churches whose roots stretch back into the 19th century, our worship here at Second includes the weekly singing of both the *Gloria Patri* and the *Doxology*. Some of you may have wondered why we do this, what is the meaning of these traditional songs, and what role they have in our worship service. I think these are good questions and I am happy to provide answers.

The *Gloria Patri* and the *Doxology* are both doxologies: that is, short verses beginning with the Greek word *doxa*, translated into Latin as *Gloria*, and into English as either *glory* or *praise*. The practice of beginning or ending worship with such a short verse praising God is both ancient and biblical. The Jewish *Prayer of Manasseh*, a Jewish apocryphal book dating from well before the time of Jesus concludes with the doxology, "thine is the glory for ever and ever. Amen." The apostle Paul made constant use of doxologies, such as the conclusion to his doctrinal teaching in Romans: "For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen" (Rom. 11:36). Likewise, Paul concludes the opening greetings of Galatians by writing, "to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen" (Gal. 1:5). We may reasonably assume that this practice reflects the worship of the earliest Christians as well, and we see the use of doxologies in the