

Church Calendar

Sunday, June 21

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
 (All Adult Sunday School in sanctuary)
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 5:20 PM Women's Ensemble Rehearsal
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**

Monday, June 22

8:45 AM Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, June 23

8:45 AM Vacation Bible School
 7:30 PM Summer RUF

Wednesday, June 24

8:45 AM Vacation Bible School
NO Wednesday night activities

Thursday, June 25

8:45 AM Vacation Bible School

Friday, June 26

8:45 AM Vacation Bible School
 12:00 PM NO Men's Lunch and Bible Study

Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 34:1-2

*I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually
 be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the LORD;
 let the humble hear and be glad. (ESV)*

Upcoming Events

June 20 VBS Workday
 June 21 The Lord's Supper at the evening service
 June 22-26 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
 June 24 NO Wednesday night activities
 June 28 Evangelism/Church Growth Committee
 June 29-July 2 Gym Closed for Refinishing Floor
 June 30 Playdate: Jones Gap State Park
 July 1 NO Wednesday night activities
 July 3 Church Office Closed
 July 4 CHURCH PICNIC
 July 6-11 Sr. High Trip to Edisto Island
 July 8 WIC Council
 July 8 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
 July 8 Missions Committee Meeting
 July 8 WIC Circle 6
 July 10 Playdate: Fischer's Orchard
 July 12 Worship & Music Committee Meeting
 July 13 Joint Session/Diaconate Meeting
 July 13-17 Mission Trip to Calvary Children's Home
 July 14 WIC Circles 1-5
 July 14 Playdate: Falls Park Water Fountains
 July 15 Administration Committee Meeting
 July 17-25 Mission Trip to Cajamarca Peru
 July 18 WIC Bridal Shower
 July 19 The Lord's Supper at the morning services
 July 20-24 Jr. High Trip to Ridge Haven
 July 22 CE Committee Meeting
 July 24 Playdate: Field Trip at Johnsons
 July 25 Calvary Presbytery at Eastside PCA
 July 26 Evangelism/Church Growth Committee
 July 28 Playdate: Otter Creek Water Park

Upcoming Dates

August 9 Missions Emphasis Sunday
 August 30 Rally Day
 September 25-27 World Missions Conference

Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following shut-in members. Also, send them a note of encouragement and/or give them a call.

Marion and Iris Dillard
 320 LaBoone Road
 Easley, SC 29642
 295-2220

Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

Gail Whigham

Martin and Kathy Whigham
 Laura

Ramona White

Missionary for the Week

PRAY FOR JUNE MISSION TRIP

CHEROKEE, NC (June 13-20)
Team Roster

Jeff and Mariah Windt, Team Leaders
 Scott and Christina Cook, Chaperones

Ashley Crunk	Caleb Ecarma
Nathan Ecarma	Amelia Gray
Addison Maralit	Ethan Russell
Grace Schvaneveldt	Sam Styles
Catherine Upton	Lindsay Vanderwey

2015 Vacation Bible School



Ages K4 (completed) – 5th grade
June 22-26, 2015
8:45am-Noon

MISSIONS: FAITH IN MOTION

Register online at spcgreenville.org.
Call Jill Mann at 895-3351 or
Rebekah Johnson at 430-3408 for information.

VBS Workday

There will be a VBS Workday on Saturday, June 20th, 9 am-12 noon. We are asking all VBS volunteers and workers to help us prepare the church for VBS week. If you have any questions please contact Jill or Rebekah.

Wednesday Activities Cancelled

The Wednesday night activities for **June 24th** and **July 1st** have been cancelled. These cancellations are due to Vacation Bible School week and the annual church picnic on July 4th.

Nursery Help Needed

The SPC Nursery is in need of 4 more workers during the second service on Sunday mornings. Workers are scheduled every 6 weeks, so the time commitment is a little over an hour every 6 weeks. This is a great way to serve the Second Pres body in particular, and Christ's Kingdom! Let Lori Schvaneveldt know if you can fill this need. lorischvaneveldt@gmail.com or 404-6072.

Help Needed

Doug and Susan McDaniel are moving to Easley and need assistance on June 27th to load a truck at 9:30 am at 13 Waccamaw in Greenville and unload about 1:30-2:00 pm in Easley at 138 Red Maple Circle. If you can help on this date please contact Doug and Susan at 370-0008.

Playdates for SPC Elementary/Preschool Kids



June 30	Jones Gap State Park
July 10	Fischer's Orchard
July 14	Water Fountains @ Falls Park/Spill the Beans
July 24	Field Day at Johnson Home
July 28	Otter Creek Water Park
August 7	Legacy Park for picnic
August 11	Cleveland Park

Contact Rebekah Johnson
(864-430-3408)
rebekah@natejohnson.biz

All Adult Summer Sunday School



10 am on Sundays
All Adults (9th grade and up)
meet in the Sanctuary
SUNDAY, JUNE 21ST
Satan's Devices (Chapter 1 & 2)
Nathan Sasser teaching

Thank You

Dear Church Family,
I cannot begin to express the gratitude of my heart for all you did for Spencer and me in the past several years. Thank you for your attentiveness to all of Spencer's needs –physical and emotional and spiritual. Thank you for your compassion and concern. A special thank you to those of you who sacrificed your time by writing letters of encouragement, making phone calls, offering up prayers, and making visits. Spencer and I have both been blessed by you in so many ways. My children and I have already experienced the Lord's tender care and comfort as we now depend upon Him all the more as our Father and Husband in ways that we had never done before. His mercies are so very real as He upholds us when in our great weakness we buckle under the weight of our sorrows in missing Spencer. The Lord is truly good and loving, and He continues to sustain us. Prayers are appreciated for all of my children and me as we face the days to come, that we give Him the glory and thanks in spite of our sadness.

Love in Him, Lora Evans

Church Picnic - July 4, 2015



Church Lawn and Gym
Good Food * Great fellowship
(Bring a lawn chair and stick around for the Greenville fireworks.)

Deacons will provide
hot dogs, hamburgers,
all the fixings and ice cream.

Families are asked to bring generous portions
of side dishes and/or desserts.

Look forward to seeing you on July 4th, rain or shine!

Summer RUF @ Second



SUMMER RUF FELLOWSHIP UPDATE!

Refreshments will be served in the
Church Fellowship Hall
beginning at 7:30pm

NEXT MEETINGS

Tuesday, June 16 @ 7:30 pm

Rev. J. R. Foster, RUF Area Coordinator

Psalm 13

Tuesday, June 23 @ 7:30 pm

Rev. Tim Udouj, Asst. Minister @ Downtown Pres.

Psalm 32

Thank You

Donald and Molly Bulla express heartfelt gratitude to the Second Church family for the prayer support, words of encouragement, and loving cards received during the recent death of Donald's mother, Marginell Bulla. God continues to walk beside us in our sorrow while His Word is ministering comfort and peace to our souls. Ours is a hope beyond the grave-face to face with our Living and Loving God.

Gym Closed
June 29 - July 2 for floor refinishing.



each presbytery and met for 3 days (before and) during GA to give Assembly its recommendations. Along with TE Richard Thomas from Spartanburg I served on this committee.

Overture 1 established the possibility of a new judicial commission on the presbytery level. The Committee recommended a **rejection** of this and that recommendation was upheld by the Assembly. Too much centralization of authority on the presbytery is not needed.

Overtures 2 and 9 requested a national study committee regarding "recreation on the Sabbath." The Committee recommended a **rejection** of that overture. That recommendation was upheld by the Assembly. While there is diversity of principle and practice with regard to *Sabbath observance* by PCA office-bearers, study committees tend to normalize existing views and sometimes broaden them in practice. In this case the Assembly said it is happy where everything now stands.

Overture 3 requested a change in the wording of PCA baptismal vows. The Committee recommended a **rejection** of that overture. That recommendation was upheld by the Assembly. The current baptismal vow uses the word "dedicate" (often a term found in Baptist formulas for baby dedications). Assembly by rejecting this change was affirming the existing 125 year old Presbyterian vow and in the context of debate / discussion reminded ministers to explain how baptism in a reformed context is not merely a ritual, but a sign and seal of the covenant of grace.

Overtures 4-6 created new presbytery boundaries (including 3 new presbyteries in the South Carolina Lowcountry). Those overtures were assigned to the Mission to North America Committee. Growth in the PCA means growth in the apparatus of regional government. After this Assembly we will have almost 90 Presbyteries. We began the denomination with 8 presbyteries, primarily in the Southeast in 1973!

Overture 7 asked for stronger language that would compel church officers to testify in judicial cases related to doctrine/heresy. The Committee recommended that this overture be approved. This recommendation was, after some debate, **rejected** by the Assembly. Clearly more work needs to be done here for the purity and peace of the church.

Overture 8 dealt with the issue of men who have been approved for ministry but do not have calls (jobs) for many years and yet remain on the rolls of a presbytery. The Committee recommended a **rejection** of that overture. That recommendation was upheld by the Assembly. The thinking was each presbytery should govern itself in these matters and one size does not fit all.

Overture 10 established a provisional presbytery in Paraguay and was sent to the Mission to the World Committee.



Lastly TEs Sean Michael Lucas of Grace Presbytery and J. Ligon Duncan III of Mississippi Valley Presbytery sent a **personal resolution** relating to the *sin of indifference* by churches that helped form the PCA with regard to the plight of the African American community during the Civil Rights era. The motion challenged individual congregations and presbyteries to look into their own histories and search out incidents of racism and bigotry that are an offense to the Gospel of Christ, and called on the PCA in a general way to confess its denominational sins.

Overtures Committee spent almost 10 hours deliberating on the matter and after hearing from African American Ministers *who cautioned the committee to move slowly in response* recommended that the resolution be referred to the next GA.

When this issue was debated on the floor of GA there were many emotional speeches about the need to take some action for the sake of unity. After 90 minutes of debate, which was extended several times so that more Commissioners could speak, the Assembly approved the Committee's recommendation. Several hundred commissioners formally protested this (in)action. However in the language of the motion itself (to refer) it was acknowledged that work *must and will be done* on this issue next year. I am confident that the PCA will move forward in the years to come. This issue being finished the Moderator called for a lengthy and frankly lovely time of corporate prayer that lasted until almost midnight.

The General Assembly ended with your humble Church Administrator reading a Resolution of Thanks to the highest Court of the Church, something I have been privileged to do now several times, acknowledging God's goodness and sovereignty over the Presbyterian Church in America.

Good summaries of PCAGA can be found at:

By Faith Magazine <http://byfaithonline.com/>

Aquila Report <http://theaquilareport.com/>

Ben Shaw <http://gptsrabbi.blogspot.com/>

Green Baggins <https://greenbaggins.wordpress.com/>

Your Friend,

Church Administrator



Magna Carta and Religious Freedom

Our written Constitution harkens back 800 years to the signing of the Magna Carta. But unlike the Magna Carta, our Constitution has now lasted so long as to be the longest serving written Constitution in human history. It's a remarkable document, but the 800th anniversary of the Magna Carta, as humbling as that historical moment is, reminds us that as Benjamin Franklin famously said, we have a constitutional Republic if we can keep it. It is up to us to keep it. And when we look at religious liberty and when we look at every other liberty, respected and enshrined in the U.S. Constitution, those liberties are secure only so far and only for so long as the American people make certain that they are secured. And when it comes to the U.S. Constitution, we need to be reminded that the framers of the Constitution do not believe they were inventing new rights, they were merely respecting rights that had been given to every American citizen by God.

Albert Mohler

"The Briefing-June 15th"

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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

Sympathy and Service Committee

The deacons oversee our ministry to the physical needs of our congregation. They provide for temporary, short-term or one-time needs among our congregation when the individual and/or family cannot meet those needs. If financial assistance is needed, the deacons maintain a "Sympathy and Service Fund" to meet such needs. This fund is replenished by communion offerings and a small contribution from the general fund each month. In the past month there have been unusual and high demands upon this fund. The fund is almost depleted. Would you consider and pray about giving to this fund, above and beyond your normal tithe and giving? Please designate your gift for the Sympathy and Service Fund.

"He who is generous will be blessed, for he gives some of his food to the poor." Prov. 22:9

The Lord's Supper will be observed at the evening worship service this Lord's Day. There will be an offering taken during the last hymn for the Sympathy and Service Committee of the Diaconate.

Remembering Our Fathers

We thank our Heavenly Father for godly, faithful, loving, honest earthly fathers.

*The father of the righteous will greatly rejoice,
And he who begets a wise child will delight in him.*

*Let your father and your mother be glad,
And let her who bore you rejoice.*

Proverbs 23:24, 25

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Return Service Requested

WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY

June 21, 2015

MORNING WORSHIP
8:30 & 11:00 AM

SEXUAL PURITY

Ephesians 5:3-7

Hymns: 88, 78, 518

Anthem: E'en So Lord, Jesus, Quickly Come
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP
6:00 PM

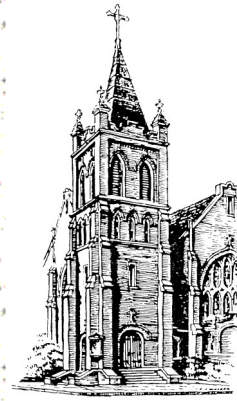
IF THE DEAD ARE NOT RAISED

1 Corinthians 15:12-19

Hymns: 6, 267, 420

Psalter: Psalm 79 (verses 1-7)
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

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Letter from the Church Administrator General Assembly Report

This past week Second Presbyterian *Commissioners* TE Richard Phillips, TE Robert Spears, RE David Bragdon, RE Ken Safford and RE Melton Duncan attended the 43rd PCA General Assembly in Chattanooga. The theme of the week was: "Anchored in Christ, Active in Culture."

"GA," a yearly meeting of the denomination attracted over 1300 commissioners (roughly 1000 "teaching elders" and 300 "ruling elders") from all over the world. GA is many things; a business meeting, prayer meeting, missions conference, theology conference, networking event and a trade show all packaged for PCA people.

The name the PCA gives its representatives is "Commissioner" and reminds a watching world that the PCA is a denomination that cares deeply about the work of the Great Commission. By God's grace the PCA is a growing church that combines a high view of Scripture, reformed theology and a robust commitment to missions and evangelism.

There were a smaller number of business items before the church court this year, and I would characterize the response from the highest court of the church as essentially "NO" to most requests.

The "Overtures" Committee reviews most of the issues properly "brought" to GA by a presbytery or a local session and gives a recommendation to the Assembly as a whole. The Assembly can *accept* the recommendation, they can *reject*, they can *send back* the overture to be reconsidered, or they can *postpone* the overture to the next year's General Assembly. There were 10 overtures from presbyteries and some additional personal resolutions. The PCA is a "grass roots" denomination and is committed to giving its churches and elders access to the church courts.

The Overtures Committee is made up of two representatives from