

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, August 23

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**  
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel  
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**  
 7:30 PM Evangelism/Church Growth Committee

### Wednesday, August 26 (NEW SCHEDULE)

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study  
 5:00 PM CE Committee Meeting  
 5:15 PM Youth Choir (7th-12th grades)  
 5:30 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**  
 6:15 PM Hope Choir (4 & 5 year olds)  
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir (1st-6th grades)  
 6:55 PM **PRAYER MEETING FOR ALL ADULTS**  
 6:55 PM CAT/Covenant Kids  
 6:55 PM Jr. High Bible Study  
 6:55 PM Sr. High Bible Study  
 7:25 PM **BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL ADULTS**  
 7:25 PM College & 20's Bible Study  
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, August 27

6:00 PM Parenting Seminar

### Friday, August 28

12:00 PM Men's Lunch and Bible Study

### Saturday, August 29

10:00 AM WIC Annual Meeting

## Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 46:1-3

*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.*  
 (ESV)

## Upcoming Events

August 19 Administration Committee Meeting  
 August 19 Musical CAT Kids Gathering of Hymns  
 August 19 Media Committee Meeting  
 August 20 Parenting Seminar  
 August 23 Evangelism/Church Growth Committee  
 August 26 CE Committee Meeting  
 August 26 Regular CAT Kids/Covenant Kids resumes  
 August 27 Parenting Seminar  
 August 29 WIC Annual Meeting  
 August 30 Rally Day  
 August 30 Installation of WIC Officers at pm service  
 August 30 Homemade Ice Cream Social and  
 Farewell Reception for Jeff & Mariah Windt  
 WIC Council  
 Sept. 2 Membership Class begins  
 Sept. 6 Deacon Nominations begin  
 Sept. 6 Regular Adult SS resumes  
 Sept. 7 Church Office closed for Labor Day  
 Sept. 8-9 WIC Circles  
 Sept. 9 Pastoral Care Committee  
 Sept. 9 Missions Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 13 Worship & Music Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 14 Diaconate Meeting  
 Sept. 14 Session Meeting  
 Sept. 15 WIC Bible Study resumes  
 Sept. 16 Administration Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 16 **EVANGELISM EXPLOSION BANQUET**  
 Sept. 17 WIC Precepts Bible Study begins  
 Sept. 17 "New" WIC Bible Study begins  
 Sept. 20 The Lord's Supper at the morning services  
 Sept. 21 **YOUNG AT HEART**  
 Sept. 23 CE Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 23 Called Session Meeting  
 Sept. 25-27 **WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE**  
 Sept. 27 Ice Cream Social  
 Sept. 30 Deacon Training begins

**The church office will be closed  
 Monday, September 7 for Labor Day.**

## Remembering One Another

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

**Lila Riggins**  
 801 Musgrove Street  
 Clinton, SC 29325

## Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

**Caleb and Frida Barbier**  
**Matt and Eliana**  
**Joel and Alice Barnett**  
**Geoffrey Barnett**

## Missionary for the Week

### Guillermo and Jennie Salinas - Mexico

PLEASE PRAY:

- We would like you to pray for the ministry/cell group that we have in La Puerta. The family that so graciously has opened their home week after week for us to have the cell group Bible Study is moving this week to Queretaro. They will be greatly missed. Please pray that God would raise up someone from among those that attend that would offer their home for us to meet. We need this to happen soon as we need continuity in the study.
- Please keep Sarah Grace, our oldest daughter, in your prayers. She is still working in Chicago but really wants to be here. She could do a very good job working with the families of the children that have been abused to see Christ transform their families. However, even though she did a tremendous job helping to raise funds for the home for these children, she was not able to raise enough funds for her own support. If she just had 20 people or churches that would seriously commit to \$50.00 dollars a month, she could come back from Chicago and I really believe God would use her to make a big difference in these desperate and hopeless families. She, also, is with Presbyterian Evangelistic Fellowship.

## PARENTING SEMINAR

**August 20 and 27**  
**Dr. Richard D. Phillips**

Begins at 6:00 pm with a catered dinner.  
Cost- \$10.00 per person/per session.  
A nursery will be provided.  
Registration can be made online  
[www.spcgreenville.org](http://www.spcgreenville.org)



## RALLY DAY

**Sunday, August 30**  
**10:00 am**  
**Church Sanctuary**

A special program is planned and new Sunday School teachers will be introduced.



## ICE CREAM SOCIAL



Sunday, August 30  
Immediately following the evening worship service.  
"Bring your favorite homemade ice cream to share."  
Don't miss our last Ice Cream Social of the summer.

## FAREWELL RECEPTION

This will also be a Farewell Reception for  
Jeff, Mariah, Jonah and Elijah Windt.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

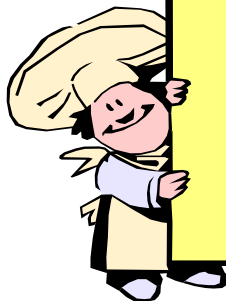
**Young At Heart resumes September 21st**

Watch for exciting details in upcoming Heralds.

### Mark Your Calendars!

## Evangelism Explosion Banquet

Wednesday, September 16  
Dinner: 5:30 PM  
Program: 6:45 PM  
Watch upcoming Heralds for  
further information.



## WIC Annual Meeting



Saturday, August 29  
Fellowship Hall @ 10:00 am

Questions-Contact Rebekah Johnson (430-3408)  
New WIC Officers will be installed at  
the evening worship service August 30th.

All college-age and above ladies in the church are invited and  
encouraged to attend the meeting.

*You are invited to a wedding ceremony joining the lives of*  
*Mary Aiken Russell and Paul Gunter Settle*  
*Saturday, the fifth of September, two thousand and fifteen*  
*at half past eleven in the morning.*  
*Second Presbyterian Church*  
*Reception to follow*

*~~No gifts please, your presence is all we request.~~*



*Ladies, you are invited to a*  
*Bridal Brunch*  
*to celebrate Mary Russell's upcoming marriage*  
*Saturday, August 22 at 10:00 am*  
*Church Fellowship Hall*  
*~~No Gifts please~~*

## 2015 World Missions Conference

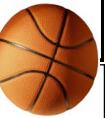
September 25-27, 2015  
Theme: Peru Missions  
Speakers: Wes Baker, Alonzo & Esther Ramirez  
and Rev. Stacey Mills

**The 10:00 am Tuesday morning**  
**WIC Bible Study resumes Sept. 15th.**

## Basketball Sign-ups



Church League Basketball sign-ups for the 2015-2016 season are now open through the month of August. Please sign up early to help us with planning at [www.spcgreenville.org](http://www.spcgreenville.org).



## Men's Chorus

On Sunday evening, August 30, a men's ensemble will be singing for the evening service. We will be rehearsing on Sunday August 23rd from 5:15 to 5:45 p.m. Please call, text or email Verlyn Smoker if you would like to be a part of this vocal ensemble. 864-979-9378 or [vsmoker@spcgreenville.org](mailto:vsmoker@spcgreenville.org).

## WIC Bible Studies

**Attention Ladies:** Two new Bible Studies will begin Thursday, September 17 at 9:30 am.

~**Precepts Bible Study in Philippians** will meet in the Conference Room of the church each Thursday for 9 weeks from 9:30-11:30 am. If you would like to join this group please let Mary Russell (329-1670 or [erussell1670@charter.net](mailto:erussell1670@charter.net)) know by September 2 as books need to be ordered.

~**The Lamb of God**, seeing Jesus in the Old Testament, by Nancy Guthrie, will be taught each Thursday for 10 weeks from 9:30-11:30 am and will meet in the choir room. If you would like to join this group, please contact Gail Whigham (242-1583 or [gwhighams@charter.net](mailto:gwhighams@charter.net)) as books need to be ordered.

## Membership Class

You are invited to the Pastor's Membership Class. This class will begin Sunday, September 6th at 9:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. It will be taught by Pastor Phillips and will last for eight weeks. The purpose of the class is to give you an opportunity to get to know our Pastor and to learn about Second Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church in America. We request that any who are interested in becoming a member of Second attend this class, but attending the class does not obligate you to become a member of this church. For further information contact the church office, 232-7621, ext. 10 or Pastor Spears. Come and meet other visitors. The coffee pot will be on.

**Deacon Nominations**  
**September 6 - September 20, 2015**



As our bodies express discomfort we embody our humiliation before God and are prompted to pray for his mercy and aid. We realize that some members should not fast for medical reasons and we urge them not to do so, but we ask them still to join us in praying. We will conclude the day of fasting and prayer by devoting our weekly prayer meeting to this call for repentance and grace.

In Christ's Love,  
Pastor Phillips

**CALVARY PRESBYTERY RESOLUTION**

**Whereas**, the June 26, 2015 decision of the Supreme Court of the United States of America opposes God's creation mandate of marriage established in Genesis 2:18-24 and thereby greatly dishonors our Creator and Redeemer; and,

**Whereas**, this decision establishes as constitutional right a perversion of God's biblical pattern of marriage and human sexuality and places the church at odds with the laws of the civil magistrate of our land; and,

**Whereas**, the biblical position of marriage may cause the civil magistrate to spurn the church's name as evil, on account of the Son of Man (Cf. Luke 6:22); and,

**Whereas**, the *Westminster Confession of Faith* teaches that prayer and solemn fastings upon special occasions are an appropriate expression of corporate worship to our Lord and God (WCF 21.5); and,

**Whereas**, the decision by the Supreme Court of the United States will have a significant impact on the moral climate of our nation and, potentially, the freedom of the church and thereby should be considered a special occasion; and,

**Whereas**, the Directory for Worship of our *Book of Church Order* recommends that Presbyteries should determine the propriety of observing special days of prayer and fasting for larger districts (BCO 62-3); and,

**Whereas**, the BCO further recommends public notice should be given a sufficient time "before the appointed day of fasting...", that persons may so order their affairs as to allow them to attend properly to the duties of the day" (BCO 62-4),



**Therefore**, Calvary Presbytery declares Wednesday, August 26, 2015 as a special day of fasting and prayer for the congregations within her bounds to be used, among other things, to:

express our shame and contrition for our nation's embracing perverse and rebellious marital relations in our land; and,

implore our God for the protection of his church in our nation; and,

confess our failure fully to embrace the covenant of marriage as expounded in Scripture and recommit ourselves to marital fidelity and love as an example to our culture; and,

express our thanks to our gracious God for his providential ordering of all history including the sinful decision of our Supreme Court on June 26, 2015; and,

ask the Lord to instill a fervent spirit of prayer in the hearts of his people; and,

plead with God to make effective our feeble efforts in personal and corporate evangelism, that he would be pleased to draw many sinners to himself through his Holy Spirit that thereby our churches and rulers would rightly honor and glorify him.



**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



**Friendship Dinners**



**Sign-up NOW to participate in SPC's exciting FRIENDSHIP DINNERS**

Sign-up deadline is August 23rd.

Objective: To initiate and deepen relationships within the Second Presbyterian Church Family.

Groups of 6-8 people (singles and couples) will share a meal together once a month for consecutive months.

Information sheets and sign-up cards are available throughout the church.

Questions? Contact Alice Barnett, 864-906-0166.

**Second's Music Ministry**

Fall is an excellent time for fresh starts, and the music ministry of Second Church is preparing to make a vigorous fresh start very shortly. If you have been waiting for an opportune moment to join, or encourage your child to participate, then-NOW IS THE TIME!!!

Next Wednesday evening, August 26, the Hope Choir (K-4 to Pre-school), Covenant Choir (grades 1-6), Youth Choir (grades 7-12), and Chancel Choir (Junior High-Adult) will all be embarking on a new year of music ministry in our church. I emphasize the aspect of "ministry" because I truly believe this is what music in the church should primarily be about. Our weekly goal will be to teach the musicians, young and old, their role in ministering the teachings of God's word through the avenue of music and song, while leading the congregation in the worship of His glorious name. It should not be seen as sanctified entertainment.

All choirs rehearse on Wednesday evenings with the Youth Choir from 5:15 to 6:00, the Hope Choir and Covenant Choir meeting from 6:15 to 6:55, and the Chancel Choir from 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Please contact me at the church office, on my cell phone (864-979-9378), or by email (vsmoker@spcgreenville.org) if you have any questions or comments regarding the music ministry or the rehearsal schedule. I look forward to speaking with you.

~Verlyn Smoker

**TRUTH FOR LIFE**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL @ SECOND: 10:00 AM**

**YOUNG ADULT & PRIMARY AGE CLASSES**

~Senior High Class, Grades 9-12 - S-308  
 Mr. Scott Cook teaching "OT Prophets Survey"

~Jr. High Class, Grades 7-8 - S-307  
 Mr. Caleb Evans teaching "Let's Study a N.T. Book"

*SPC Greenville uses Great Commission Publications Curriculum (PCA) for the following classes:*

~5th & 6th Grade - C-211 (Dr. Kevin Mobley)

~3rd & 4th Grade - C-210 (Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Maycock)

~1st & 2nd Grade - C-212 (Mrs. Cindy Mann)

~4 & 5 Year Olds - C-213 (Mrs. Cyndi Player)

~3 Year Olds - King's Kids Class, C-112  
 (Mr. and Mrs. Doug McDaniel)

~2 Year Olds - Sunbeams Class, C-111 (Mrs. Debbie Martin)

**ADULTS**

~ACTS Class - *Intergenerational*  
 C-209, Rev. Robert Spears teaching "The Temple of God"

~Chapel Class - *Intergenerational*  
 Winn Chapel, Dr. James McGoldrick teaching Pastoral Epistles

~Fellowship Class - *Intergenerational*  
 Gresham Conference Room, Mr. Kirby Kee teaching Luke

~Westminster Class - *Intergenerational*  
 S-304, Mr. Jason Korol teaching James

~College & 20's Class - *Intended for those in their 20's & 30's*  
 Scout Hut, Mr. Nathan Sasser teaching "Doctrine of God"

**SPECIAL TEACHING**

~Membership Class - *Anyone*  
 Fellowship Hall, Dr. Richard D. Phillips teaching  
 Basics of the Faith

~Deacon Training - *Deacon Nominees*  
 S-309, Melton L. Duncan teaching  
 Westminster Confession of Faith

**The Second Presbyterian Church**

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**Return Service Requested**

**WORSHIP AT SECOND**  
**THE LORD'S DAY**  
 August 23, 2015

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

**BEARING ONE ANOTHER'S BURDENS**

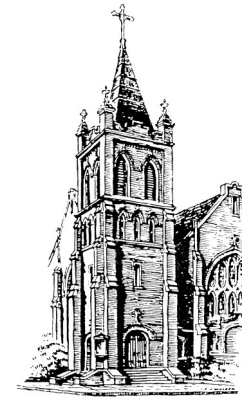
Galatians 6:2  
 Hymns: 382, 14, 384  
 Anthem: We Lift Up Our Hearts and Voices  
 Rev. Robert E. Spears preaching

**EVENING WORSHIP**  
 6:00 PM

**THE IMAGE OF THE MAN OF HEAVEN**

1 Corinthians 15:44-49  
 Hymns: 44, 379, 321  
 Psalter: Psalm 87  
 Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

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**Pastoral Letter from the Senior Minister**  
**A Presbytery Call to Fasting and Prayer**

At its most recent meeting, Calvary Presbytery, which includes all PCA churches in the Upstate region, issued a call for a day of fasting and prayer in light of the recent Supreme Court decision to establish homosexual marriage as a constitutional right within our nation. This day of fasting and prayer will take place Wednesday, August 26. The Bible contains numerous examples of this practice when people realized that they had greatly sinned against the Lord, which our nation has most surely done in this matter. The presbytery resolution, printed below, explains the reason for this call to fasting and prayer. This practice takes place in the Bible when people realize that they have erred grievously and that they stand under the wrath of God. According to Romans 1:24-28, the societal embrace of homosexuality is not only a cause but is also a result of divine judgment on a nation. Examples of such prayer fasts are found in Daniel 9, when the prophet sought God's mercy for Israel's sins, and Jonah 3:5-10, where the people of wicked Nineveh realized their peril of judgment and abased themselves in seeking mercy from God. There is little doubt that America has placed itself in similar peril, so that God's people should employ every spiritual resource in calling forth His gracious aid.

The Session of Second Presbyterian Church thus joins our presbytery in calling for our members to devote, as possible, Wednesday, August 26, 2015 as a day of fasting and prayer in seeking God's mercy for our nation. Fasting is not a way of gaining leverage on God in our prayers, but rather honors God and humbles ourselves through the abasement of our spirits in response to great sin. In light of the corruption of our national moral life, it is right that Christians should engage in fasting so as to humble ourselves, express our humiliation, and stir ourselves to prayer. Our plan is to ask members who are physically and circumstantially able to fast from the time they wake up until the weekly congregational dinner, when we will break our fast. Fasting normally involves abstention from food and drinks other than water.