

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, April 24

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**  
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel  
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**  
 12:30 PM New Members Luncheon  
 4:30 PM Peru Mission Team Meeting  
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel  
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**  
 Elders' Vows Renewal

### Tuesday, April 26

10:00 AM WIC Bible Study

### Wednesday, April 27

5:00 PM CE Committee Meeting  
 5:15 PM Youth Ensemble (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)  
 6:45 PM Elder Training  
 6:55 PM CAT/Covenant Kids  
 6:55 PM Jr. and Sr. High Bible Studies  
 6:55 PM **PRAYER MEETING FOR ALL ADULTS**  
 7:25 PM College & 20's Class  
 7:25 PM **BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL ADULTS**  
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, April 28

9:00 AM Calvary Presbytery at Fellowship PCA

### Friday, April 29

12:00 PM Men's Lunch and Bible Study

## Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 30: 10-12

*Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me! O LORD, be my helper!  
 You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;  
 you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,  
 that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.  
 O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever! (ESV)*

## Upcoming Events

April 20 Administration Committee Meeting  
 April 23 WIC Ladies' Tea  
 April 24 New Members Reception and Luncheon  
 April 24 Elders' Vows Renewal  
 April 24 Peru Mission Team Meeting  
 April 27 CE Committee Meeting  
 April 28 Calvary Presbytery @ Fellowship PCA  
 May 2 Diaconate Meeting  
 May 4 WIC Council  
 May 4 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting  
 May 4 Graduation Banquet  
 May 8 Worship & Music Committee Meeting  
 May 9 Session Meeting  
 May 10-11 WIC Circles  
 May 11 Missions Committee Meeting  
 May 11 CAT Kids Program  
 May 15 The Lord's Supper at the morning services  
 May 16 Young At Heart  
 May 18 Administration Committee Meeting  
 May 18 CAT Kids Spring Fling  
 May 25 CE Committee Meeting  
 May 25 Musical CAT Kids begins  
 May 29 Safety Sunday  
 May 30 Church Office Closed

## Upcoming Dates

June 5 All Adult Sunday School begins  
 June 19 Ice Cream Social  
 June 20-24 General Assembly-Mobile, AL  
 June 27-July 2 Sr. High trip to Edisto Island  
 July 2 Annual Church Picnic  
 July 11-15 Vacation Bible School  
 July 18-22 Jr. High trip to Ridge Haven  
 July 29-Aug. 6 Peru Mission Trip  
 August 10 Musical CAT Kids Program  
 August 28 Rally Day  
*Mark Your Calendars and Plan Early!! [www.spcgreenville.org](http://www.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.

**Laura Lizak**  
**Hanna**  
**Jimmy and Tammy Looper**  
**Grant and Amy**  
**Sam and Rhoda Lowry**

## Missionary for the Week

### Westminster Theological Seminary

Report on Seminary Mission Conference:  
 Global missions is at the heart of the Westminster community. Our faculty, alumni, and students diligently labor to spread the gospel across the globe and train disciples in Christ. Each year, we set aside time to gather and focus on this community value during our Missions Conference. This year the Westminster community had the special privilege of hearing from Tim Keese, Executive Director of **Frontline Missions International** and Executive Producer of the acclaimed **Dispatches from the Front** film series. Keese spoke on "Taking Risks for the Gospel," expositing Matthew 7:7-11. That evening, faculty, students, and friends of the seminary watched the world premiere of *Dispatches from the Front, Episode 9: Every Tribe* at the Ambler Theatre.

## Thank You

*Praise to God, our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. With much thanksgiving to all the congregation of Second for the many, many cards, flowers, food, but most of all for your continual prayers during my double knee surgery and the rotator cuff surgery and for ongoing rehabilitation of both. With sincere love and thanks to all of you,*

*Evelyn Watkins*

## Elders' Vows Renewal

The Elders will renew their vows at the evening worship service on April 24, 2016.

## Peru Mission Team Meeting Sunday, April 24th, 4:30pm, Fellowship Hall

## Vacation Bible School

If you are interested in helping with VBS this year (July 11-15), please notify Jill Mann at [bjmhmanna@att.net](mailto:bjmhmanna@att.net). We need teachers/helpers in all areas. Come enjoy this week with our covenant children!

## Directory Pictures

Pictures of our new members will be taken at the luncheon on April 24 for the church directory and the online directory. If any other members need to have their picture taken or would like to update their picture in the directory please plan to do so at this time.

## Calvary Presbytery

The 130th Stated Meeting of Calvary Presbytery will be held on Thursday, April 28th at Fellowship PCA. The meeting will begin at 9:00 am. Please be in prayer for God's blessing on this meeting and for the commissioners attending from Second. Visitors are welcome.



## Ladies Spring Tea & Brunch

*(Ladies of all ages are invited)  
April 23rd \* 10am-12pm*

*Speaker: Kathy Karr*

*"The Sweet TEAS of Christian Service"*

*Exciting Program \* Great Speaker*

*Wonderful Fellowship*

*Don't Miss This Special Event!!*



## Graduation Banquet



Wednesday, May 4, 2016

5:30 PM \* Church Gymnasium

Speaker: Mr. Ike Reeder, Covenant College

Join us as we honor our 2016 graduates:

Blair Duncan	Wade Hampton High School
Amy Looper	Home School
Noah Maralit	Home School
Sarah Martin	Upstate Home School Co-op
Matthew Phillips	Upstate Home School Co-op
Sam Styles	Upstate Home School Co-op
Deanna Worley	Winthrop University

*If you are graduating in May or December, 2016, and have not contacted the church office please do so **ASAP**.*



## CAT Kids Program



Wednesday, May 11

Supper: 5:30 PM

Program: 7:00 PM

*Come and see what our covenant children  
have learned this year in CAT Kids.*

## CAT Kids Spring Fling - May 18th



## National Day of Prayer



65th Annual National Day of Prayer

## WAKE UP AMERICA

Join Family and Friends

May 5, 2016

11:45 am

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SANCTUARY  
200 West Washington St., Downtown Greenville

Music starts at 11:45 am

with Stephen Eager, singer/songwriter.

We are joining an army of thousands across the land  
praying for our country, and for peace around the globe.

## Good News Club 12th Annual Golf Classic

How You Can Be Involved:

Be a Sponsor \* Form a Team/Teams  
Enter as a Player \* Donate/Solicit Prizes  
Be a volunteer (set-up/hospitality/witness)

There are 3 dates at 3 different locations:

The Cliffs Valley—April 26th

The Cliffs at Keowee Vineyards—June 6

The Cliffs at Mountain Park—October 5

Visit [www.cefgreenville.com](http://www.cefgreenville.com) for more information  
or call the church office for a brochure.



## The Big Tent Event

Calvary Home for Children Presents...

## The Big Tent Event

Celebrating over 500 children served

Thursday, April 21 at 6:30 PM

110 Calvary Home Circle, Anderson, SC.

Testimonies, videos of the children, and new ministry strategies to care for more children at Calvary Home in 2016

RSVP to [info@calvaryhome.org](mailto:info@calvaryhome.org) / 864-296-5437



suggestions of Satan, under any visible representation, or any other way not prescribed in the holy Scripture" (WCF 21.1).

How does the Bible regulate worship? Scripture shows us how to worship God through its commands and examples. Most essentially, this pertains to the elements of worship (the things we do as parts of the worship service). There should be a Scriptural command for everything we do and how we do it. Thus it is for our worship service, in which we are called to worship by God's Word, invoke God's blessing in prayer, sing praise to God, confess the faith, confess our sins and receive God's word of pardon, offer tithes and offerings, pray corporately, read God's Word and preach God's Word, administer the sacraments, and depart with God's benediction, all of which have biblical commands or precedents. Examples of elements that are popular today but are not authorized by Scripture (and conflict with biblical teaching) include comedy routines, sacred dance, video clips, and skits.

Our worship should be *biblical* not only in its rationale, but also in its content. The worship service should be pouring forth Bible. God loves to hear His own Word, and it is God's Word that brings life to His people. Therefore, we read the Scriptures, preach the Scriptures, sing the Scriptures, pray the Scriptures, and visualize the Scriptures through the authorized portrait of the sacraments.

Secondly, Reformed worship aims to be *God-centered*. The focus of our attention is on the One to whom we have come to worship. Therefore, we want to sing about God, read about God, give to God, preach about God, and meet with God in worship. To be sure, God has gifted and appointed human servants to lead in worship. But the job of the minister, or anyone else who plays a public role in worship, is to direct God's people to Himself. This, by the way, is why our ministers wear robes: we want to highlight not the person and the personality, but the office and its function of leading the people in worship of God.

A third principle of Reformed worship is that it is *redemptive* in its orientation. This means that we come as sinners into the presence of the holy God through the blood of His Son. This is why the confession of sin and receipt of pardon is so important: we are coming into God's presence as redeemed sinners through the blood of the Lamb. Moreover, we come not to get a spiritual high arising from our own worship, but we come to meet with God as His people, to receive grace through His own authorized means



of the Word, prayer, and the sacraments.

A fourth principle is that Reformed worship is *historically rooted*. We love old things and we admit it. We see ourselves as members of a covenant people going back to Bible times, and we want to celebrate the ancientness of the Christian church, the culture of the Christian church, and the unity of the Christian church that spans time and space. In this way, we hope to transcend the divisions that often result when worship is shaped by a particular cultural style of music. Instead, we seek to unite people of varying cultural preferences by sharing together the musical culture of the Reformed church tradition. Our hymnal spans centuries, nationalities, historical movements, and spiritual experiences. Thus, when I travel to Africa and worship with Christians there, I can always join in because they sing the old hymns (not the latest form of consumer music from America). When we begin our worship as a church, we want to know that we are stepping out of the world's culture and entering the society of the people of God.

I hope these brief comments help you to understand our approach to worship and, more importantly, help you to worship. I praise God for the heritage of sacred worship at Second Church. By these means, we desire to worship God in spirit and in truth, through the blood of His precious Son and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

In Christ's Love,  
Pastor Rick Phillips

#### 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



### SPC Bible Reading Plan

Below is the upcoming week's schedule for the SPC Bible Reading Plan. We invite all members to participate in this exciting adventure of reading through the Bible in one year.

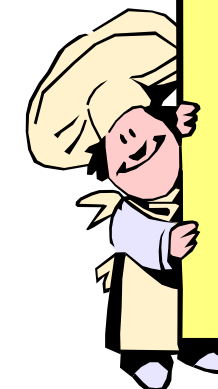
April 25	1 Chr. 3-5
April 26	Psalms 73, 77-78
April 27	1 Chr. 6
April 28	Psalms 81, 88, 92-93
April 29	1 Chr. 7-10
April 30	Psalms 102-104
May 1	2 Sam. 5:1-10; 1 Chr. 11-12



#### New Members' Luncheon

All members and visitors are cordially invited to a luncheon honoring our new members, **Sunday, April 24, 2016** Immediately following the 11:00 morning worship service in the church gymnasium.

**Meat and drinks will be provided. Church members are asked to bring generous portions of side dishes (vegetables, salads, breads) and desserts.**



New Members will be introduced at the 11:00 am worship service on April 24, 2016.

## Corner of River and Rhett

### REGISTER TODAY FOR NEW SPC PARKING TAGS

Due to changes in managing the church parking lot, the church will be issuing new parking tags and it is very important that any vehicle parked in the church lot have a new tag. Please register online at [spcgreenville.org](http://spcgreenville.org) under the sign-ups section or fill out a paper form found outside the church library. There will be **no charge** for the new parking tags.

### Narnia Book Club

Beginning Tuesday, May 17, 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall, Alice Barnett will lead a book reading of "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" and will continue on most Tuesdays throughout the summer (with the exception of Circle Tuesdays and the week of VBS). The last day of reading will be on September 6. "We'll get as far as we get although I don't believe we will make it through all 7 books of the Narnia series. Keep in mind that this won't be anything fancy.....no radio drama, no special effects, no serious discussions, etc. Just a pretty straightforward reading like Story-hour at the library. Anyone is welcome to attend regardless of age or gender." Coffee will be served and maybe some cookies or muffins on occasion.

### Peru Mission Giving

Support Peru Mission Team by giving to the church team or individual team members. You can go to [spcgreenville.org](http://spcgreenville.org) / Signups / Give 2016 Summer Missions. You can also write your check to Second Presbyterian Church, ATTN Summer Missions (if making an individual donation please include name.)

#### Second Presbyterian Team

Elizabeth Madrid (Leader)

Steve Moore (Co-Leader)

John Smoker

Olivia Angell

Aaron Angell

Christina Bianchi

John Atwood

Audra Atwood

~The Editor



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### WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY

April 24, 2016

#### MORNING WORSHIP

8:30 & 11:00

#### THE FALL OF ADAM

Genesis 3:6-7

Hymns: 6, (149/359), 486

Anthem: Bring Low Our Ancient Adam

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

#### EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 PM

#### THE MUSTARD SEED AND YEAST

Luke 13:18-21

Hymns: 32, 347, 465

Psalm 107 (verses 1-16)

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching



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April 18, 2016

### Letter from the Senior Minister Reformed Worship

In the April 10th Membership Class I explained the convictions and practices that produce Reformed worship as we experience it at Second Presbyterian Church. I thought it would be good to share these thoughts with the congregation as well.

The most important conviction that undergirds our approach to worship is this: *our worship is directed to God Himself*. That is, our primary concern is not what people think – visitors, unchurched, or even the members – but what God thinks. As I like to say it, we are committed to consumer-driven worship, and we believe the consumer of our worship is the thrice holy Triune God. It is commonly believed today that God is sure to be pleased with any worship that is sincerely offered. To be sure, the sincerity of our hearts in worship is of great concern to God (see Isa. 29:13). But the Bible also says we are to "offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe" (Heb. 12:28). This says that our worship must have the heart quality of sincere reverence and awe, and also that the worship we offer to God must be acceptable to Him.

This raises a question: Does God tell us how He wants to be worshiped? The answer is: Yes, and He tells us this in the Bible. This expresses what is known in our theological jargon as *The Regulative Principle of Worship*. In other words, we believe that God's Word regulates worship. The Westminster Confession details this principle in classic language:

*The acceptable way of worshiping the true God is instituted by Himself, and so limited by His own revealed will, that He may not be worshiped according to the imaginations and devices of men, or the*