

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, February 12

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**  
 9:45 AM Membership Class  
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel  
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
 10:00 AM Finance Committee Meeting  
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**  
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel  
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**  
 7:30 PM Worship & Music Committee Meeting

### Monday, February 13

6:30 PM Session Meeting

### Tuesday, February 14

10:00 AM WIC Circle 3 meets at the church  
 1:30 PM WIC Circle 5 meets at the church  
 5:30 PM Mites Basketball practice  
 6:30 PM I-Mites Basketball practice  
 7:00 PM WIC Circle 2 meets at Tammy Loopers'

### Wednesday, February 15

5:30 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**  
 6:15 PM Administration Committee Meeting  
 6:15 PM Hope Choir (4 & 5 year olds)  
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir (1st-6th grades)  
 6:15 PM Youth Choir (7th-12th grades)  
 6:50 PM WIC Circle 6  
 6:55 PM CAT Kids/Covenant Kids  
 6:55 PM Jr. and Sr. High Bible Studies  
 6:55 PM **PRAYER MEETING FOR ALL ADULTS**  
 7:25 PM **BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL ADULTS**  
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal  
 8:15 PM Sr. High Boys Basketball practice

### Thursday, February 16

4:00 PM Minors Basketball practice  
 5:00 PM Jr. High Boys Basketball practice  
 6:00 PM Evangelism Explosion Training

### Friday, February 17

12:00 PM Men's Lunch and Bible Study

### Saturday, February 18

9:00 AM WIC Prayer Breakfast  
 2:30 PM Sr. High Girls' Basketball practice

## Upcoming Events

Feb. 8 Pastoral Care Committee  
 Feb. 8 Missions Committee  
 Feb. 11 WIC Shower for Rebekah McDaniel  
 Feb. 12 Finance Committee Meeting  
 Feb. 12 Worship & Music Committee  
 Feb. 12 Membership Class begins  
 Feb. 13 Session Meeting  
 Feb. 14-15 WIC Circles  
 Feb. 15 Administration Committee Meeting  
 Feb. 18 WIC Prayer Breakfast  
 Feb. 19 The Lord's Supper at the evening service  
 Feb. 20 Young At Heart  
 Feb. 21 Young Adult Bible Study  
 Feb. 22 CE Committee Meeting  
 Feb. 22 Sports Banquet  
 Feb. 28 Young Adult Bible Study  
 March 1 WIC Council  
 March 5 Communicants' Class begins  
 March 6 Diaconate Meeting  
 March 8 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting  
 March 8 Missions Committee Meeting  
 March 12 Finance Committee Meeting  
 March 12 Worship & Music Committee Meeting  
 March 13 Session Meeting  
 March 14-15 WIC Circles  
 March 15 Administration Committee Meeting  
 March 19 The Lord's Supper at the morning services  
 March 20 Young At Heart  
 March 22 CE Committee Meeting  
 March 25 WIC Shower for Sarah Spinnenweber

## Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 9:1-2 (ESV)  
*I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;  
 I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.  
 I will be glad and exult in you;  
 I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.*

## 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.

**Caroline Ryer**  
 The Willows, Room 301  
 105 Willow Place  
 Easley, SC 29640  
 423-5876

## Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

**Aaron and Olivia Angell**  
**Caroline Elizabeth**  
**John and Margaret Atwood**  
**Audra**  
**Lee Axley**

## Missionary for the Week



### Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels of Greenville delivers a hot meal Monday through Friday to nearly 1,500 homebound residents of Greenville County who have no means to prepare a nutritious meal for themselves and little or no support system to help them on a daily basis.

For variety, menus are prepared on a 4 week rotation and vary based on a client's diet restrictions, including vegetarian, renal, chopped, diabetic and pureed.

Volunteer your time. Attend an event. Refer a neighbor in need. Make a gift. No matter how you support Meals on Wheels of Greenville County, you are enhancing the lives of our community's homebound residents. Together we can make a difference. [www.mealsonwheelsgreenville.org](http://www.mealsonwheelsgreenville.org)

**Basketball Schedule for the Week**

Feb. 11	12:15 pm	I-Mites	Christ Church-Finlay
Feb. 11	12:30 pm	Jr. High Boys	St. Matthew

**Young Adult Bible Study**

February 21st and February 28th  
 Come enjoy a time of food, fellowship, and study with other young adults at Second. Time and location to be determined. If you have any questions please see Stephen Spinnenweber.

**ANNUAL SPORTS BANQUET**  
**Wednesday, February 22nd**  
**5:30 pm**  
**Speaker: Rev. Chad Bailey**  
*Mark your calendars and join us as we honor our athletes and teams for their 2015-16 sports participation.*

**Communicants Class Begins**

A Communicants Class will be held beginning Sunday, March 5th. The class will meet at 10:00 on Sunday mornings in classroom S-307. Parents who judge their child ready to meet with the Session for communicant membership should bring their child to the class. If you have any questions please contact Scott Cook at 232-7621, ext. 106 or scook@spcgreenville.org.

**If you have a date for the March Calendar please contact the church office this week. 232-7621, ext. 101 or jgrant@spcgreenville.org**

WIC  
 cordially invites all ladies to a  
 Baby Shower for  
**Rebekah McDaniel**  
 Saturday, February 11, 2017  
 10:00 am - 11:30 pm  
 Church Fellowship Hall  
 Rebekah is registered at Target and Buy Buy Baby.



**Treasurer's Report**

	JANUARY 2017 & YTD		
	Jan. 2017	YTD 2017	YTD Budget
Offerings	87,830	87,830	115,917
Outlays:			
Operating Expenses	87,622	87,622	100,981
Mission	<u>1,708</u>	<u>1,708</u>	<u>14,936</u>
Total Outlays	89,330	89,330	115,917
Net Offerings	(1,500)	(1,500)	

- Contributions in Jan. 2017 were \$87,830 versus budget of \$115,917.
- Contributions for Jan. 2016 were \$94,989.
- Operating expenses for Jan. 2017 were \$87,622 versus the budget of \$100,981.
- Missions and Benevolences were not paid in January. We plan to pay 3 months of Missionary commitments in February **if funds are available**. 3 months of Missionary commitments are \$31,600.
- Please continue to pray that the Lord will provide the financial resources necessary for the programs and ministry of SPC.
- If you have any questions, please contact Doug McDaniel or David Rainey.

**Young At Heart**

The February Young At Heart luncheon will be on Monday, February 20 at 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. The cost of the meal is \$7.50 payable at the door. This month our own Sharon Phillips will share with us the powerful message of "Loving One Another". Mark your calendars and don't miss this special time of delicious food, great fellowship and wonderful speakers.

**Pancake Breakfast** "Pancakes and Prayer"



**ANNUAL WIC PRAYER BREAKFAST**  
 Saturday, February 18, 2017  
 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Please join us for a delicious pancake breakfast and a structured time of prayer and hymn singing led by our WIC Council. It is always a wonderful time of fellowship as we gather together to pray for our church, community and nation. We hope you will make plans to attend! Please RSVP to Laurie Farley at laurelfarley@gmail.com.

**\*\*Please bring a food item to donate to the Backpack Blessing Ministry of CEF.**

**Lost and Found Cleanout**

This Wednesday (February 8) we will be cleaning out the lost and found. All items in the lost and found will be put out on tables in the gym to be claimed. All unclaimed items will be donated to Miracle Hill. If you have lost an item please check out these tables.

**The Lord's Supper**  
**February 19, 2017**  
**Evening Worship Service**



2. In Hebrews 10:25, God commands Christians not to neglect meeting together but to encourage one another, “and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” This teaches at least 3 things: 1) Christians are commanded by God to gather together corporately for the purpose of encouraging one another; 2) Christians gathering together is not to be an infrequent thing, but rather it is to be a regular occurrence; 3) Christians are to encourage one another, which requires knowing one another; and knowing one another implies regular commitment to the same local body of Christians – which again is what church membership signifies.

3. In Philippians 1:1, Paul states that he is writing “to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons.” This implies that “all” the Christians (“saints” means those who have believed in Christ and are set apart for holiness) are committed to gathering together regularly in a church with officers (elders and deacons, cf. 1 Tim. 3) appointed or elected to oversee their affairs. When Paul writes to the church in Philippi, he writes to the Christians who have committed to one another there and to their leaders.

4. In Hebrews 13:7, Christians are commanded, “Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls.” This clearly assumes what we know as church membership, since this command can only be fulfilled by believers who are under the authority of elders in a local church body. Hebrews 13:7 tells believers to “remember your leaders... and imitate their faith.” Living as believers under godly shepherd-leaders, especially those who are “keeping watch over your souls,” is one of the chief biblical provisions for your perseverance and growth in faith.

In short, just as salvation involves a covenant relationship with God, the life of faith also involves a covenant relationship with other believers under Christ’s authority in the church. To this end, my constant prayer is that Second Presbyterian Church would not only be a place where God’s Word is faithfully taught but also where God’s people are faithfully shepherded. The more I grow in experience, the more I see how important the second of these is, together with the first. If you have been attending Second Church regularly, I would therefore ask you to consider your calling to join the church. The schedule of the



upcoming Membership Class, meeting in Classroom C-209 at 9:45 am, is as follows:

- Feb. 12: The “Solas” of the Reformation (Pastor Phillips)
- Feb. 19: The Doctrines of Grace (Pastor Phillips)
- Feb. 26: Law and the Gospel (Pastor Phillips)
- Mar. 5: Covenant Theology (Pastor Phillips)
- Mar. 12: Reformed Worship (Pastor Phillips)
- Mar. 19: Membership Vows (Pastor Bailey)
- Mar. 26: Presbyterian History (RE Duncan)
- April 2: Finding Your Place at SPC (RE Duncan)
- April 2 & 9: Session interviews for membership
- Apr. 23: Reception of New Members and New Members’ Luncheon

*(Membership Class will not meet April 16 due to Easter Sunday.)*

If you have any questions about our church or church membership, I am simply delighted to answer them. I look forward to getting to know many of our recent visitors better during this class, with thanks to God for the way He is increasing the numbers at our church.

May the Lord bless you all this week.

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Rick Phillips



## Reading Through the Bible in 2017

Below is the new schedule for reading through the Bible in 2017. We invite all members to participate in this exciting adventure of reading through the Bible in one year. The amount of reading is balanced each day, rotating from OT to NT and using Sundays as “catch-up” days.

Feb. 13	Mark 1-3
Feb. 14	Mark 4-6
Feb. 15	Mark 7-9
Feb. 16	Mark 10-11
Feb. 17	Mark 12-13
Feb. 18	Mark 14-16



## Live Webcast Trouble

Many of you have experienced issues watching SPC services online over the past many weeks. There were issues with the SPC network as well as SermonAudio’s servers being overloaded with the growing demand on their infrastructure. We have installed a second, dedicated internet circuit for the live webcast and SermonAudio has just increased their capacity by 30% to accommodate the increased load. The live webcast should be much more stable going forward. The live webcast service is an increasing part of SPC’s ministry, reaching hundreds of folks each month who are unable to attend services. Please let Nate Johnson (njohnson@spcgreenville.org) know if you have any trouble watching the services online.

Also, remember you may view the live webcast directly from the SPC website (spcgreenville.org), from the SPC facebook page (facebook.com/SPCGreenville), by downloading the SermonAudio app from your phone’s app store, or on your Roku device by installing the SermonAudio Channel.

### 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 - 5:30 PM \* Prayer Meeting - 6:55 PM  
Adult Bible Study - 7:25 PM

**Why Church Membership is Important?**

**What is it?**

According to the Bible, church membership is a commitment every Christian should make to attend, love, serve, and submit to a local church.

**Where is it in the Bible?**

Throughout Old Testament history, God made a clear distinction between his people and the world. (see Lev. 13:46, Num. 5:3, Deut. 7:3)

Christ says that entering the kingdom of God means being bound to the church "on earth." (Matt. 16:16-19; 18:17-19)

**Where do we see the church on earth?**

The local church.

The New Testament explicitly refers to some people being inside the church and some people being outside. This is much more than a casual association. (1 Cor. 5:12-13)

The church in Corinth consisted of a definite number of believers, such that Paul could speak of a punishment inflicted by the majority. (2 Cor. 2:6)

Not only does the New Testament speak of the reality of church membership, but its dozens of "one anothers" are written to local churches, which fill out our understanding of what church membership should practically look like.

**Why is it important?**

Biblical church membership is important because the church presents God's witness to himself in the world. It displays his glory. In the church's membership, then, non-Christians should see in the lives of God's changed people that God is holy and gracious and that his gospel is powerful for saving and transforming sinners.

*~From 9 Marks Ministry*

The Editor



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**Return Service Requested**

**WORSHIP AT SECOND  
THE LORD'S DAY**

February 12, 2017

**MORNING WORSHIP**

8:30 & 11:00 am

**THE CHOICE OF LOT**

Genesis 13:1-18

Hymns: 7, 3, 678

Anthem: O Love, How Deep  
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

**EVENING WORSHIP**

6:00 pm

**WITH INTEGRITY OF HEART**

Psalms 101

Hymns: 100, 505, 335

Psalms 126

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

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February 6, 2017

**Letter from the Senior Minister  
2017 Spring Membership Class**

On February 12, we will begin our Membership Class for the spring. The purpose for this class is to provide information on the key beliefs of Second Presbyterian Church and to provide an opportunity for visitors to enter into our church membership. We ask that those seeking to join attend the class not only so that they can learn about our church but also so that we can get to know them and begin to incorporate them into our church life. Attending the class does not obligate you to join, and some may wish to attend simply to learn about the Reformed faith and Second Church. At the end of the class the Session will be available to meet with prospective members, who join by presenting a credible profession of faith in Jesus Christ and agreeing to fulfill the membership vows as stipulated by the Presbyterian Church in America.

In recent years, I find that many Christians have underestimated the importance of church matters. Many may not understand the biblical basis and calling for Christians to enter into covenant relationship with a local congregation of believers. Let me give some reasons why it is important for you to be a member of a faithful church and perhaps why you should consider joining our congregation:

1. The very first thing we see after Pentecost in Acts 2:42ff is that Christians immediately began to gather together. They "devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of the bread and the prayers." The early Christians did not stay at home and say, "I can be a Christian by myself," but they committed themselves to a local body of fellow Christians.