

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, June 3

- 8:45 AM Food and Fellowship in the Gym  
 9:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
 (6th grade and under regular classrooms)  
 9:00 AM **ALL ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
 (7th grade and up in the gym)  
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel (in the Chapel)  
 10:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE**  
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel  
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**

### Monday, June 4

- 6:30 AM Men's Bible Study  
 6:00 PM Diaconate Meeting

### Wednesday, June 5

- 5:00 PM WIC Council  
 5:00 PM Pastoral Care Committee Meeting  
 5:30 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**  
 6:30 PM Musical CAT 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

### Thursday, June 6

- 6:00 PM Mission to Main

### Friday, June 7

- 12:00 PM Men's Lunch & 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

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| May 30     | Blood Drive                              |
| June 1     | ACTS SS Class Barbeque @ Trautners'      |
| June 2-9   | Mission Trip to Cherokee                 |
| June 4     | Diaconate Meeting                        |
| June 6     | WIC Council                              |
| June 6     | Pastoral Care Committee Meeting          |
| June 10    | Worship & Music Committee                |
| June 11    | Session Meeting                          |
| June 11-15 | General Assembly in Atlanta, GA          |
| June 12-13 | WIC Circles                              |
| June 13    | Missions Committee Meeting               |
| June 13    | Missionary Speaker-Stephen Atkinson      |
| June 17    | Father's Day                             |
| June 17    | The Lord's Supper at the evening service |
| June 19    | WIC Ladies Night Out                     |
| June 20    | Administration Committee Meeting         |
| June 24    | Evangelism Committee Meeting             |
| June 24    | Ice Cream Social                         |
| June 25-30 | Sr. High Trip to Edisto Island           |
| June 27    | CE Committee Meeting                     |

## Mark Your Calendars

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| Church Picnic                   | July 4      |
| Vacation Bible School           | July 9-13   |
| WIC Fun Night @ Barnett's       | July 16     |
| Mission Trip to Cajamarca, Peru | July 20-29  |
| Jr. High Trip to Ridge Haven    | July 23-27  |
| Ice Cream Social                | July 29     |
| Homemade Ice Cream Social       | August 26   |
| Rally Day                       | September 2 |

*Mark your calendars and plan early!!  
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## Remembering One Another

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

**Mamie Riggins**  
 The Haven in the Village at Chanticleer, Room 214  
 355 Berkman's Lane  
 Greenville, SC 29605

## Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

**Bill and Evelyn Watkins**  
**Jeremy and Emily Weaver**  
**Tucker, Colin**  
**Brian and Nicole Welch**  
**Henry**

## Missionary for the Week



**Marc & Aline Mailloux**  
**MTW-International**

**Praise:**  
 -For answered prayer for an evangelical outreach to be started in our son's town in the Dominican Republic.

-For provisions for forthcoming trips to Africa and France and for French study Bibles for some students.  
 -For continued health.

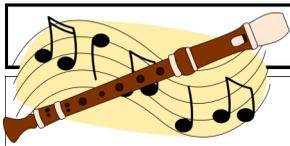
**Supplications:**

-For the struggling church in Quebec.  
 -For a forthcoming trip to Ivory Coast June 7-17.  
 -For the spiritual and physical welfare of our children and extended families.  
 -For wisdom and discernment for the best use of our time, energy and material resources.



**All Adult Summer SS**

Sunday, June 3 \* 9:00 am \* Gym  
 "Who Were The Puritans?" Part 2  
 Melton L. Duncan teaching



**Musical CAT Kids**

Musical Cat Kids got underway Wednesday evening, May 23 at 6:30 pm. Musical activities for ages 4 through 6th grade are offered the children of Second Church throughout the summer months, with a break for Independence Day and VBS, and all children are welcomed to attend. This will be the only activity for the children of our church offered on Wednesday evenings this summer so if your child is not involved they will need to accompany you to the prayer meeting. If you have any questions, please see Verlyn Smoker.

**ACTS SS Class Barbeque**

ACTS Sunday School Class Barbeque  
 Friday, June 1  
 6:00 pm  
 Home of Rob and Christian Trautner  
 102 Staghorn Lane, Greer, SC 29650  
 Contact Christian at 856-371-6183 for more info.

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

The 46th PCA General Assembly will be June 11-15 in Atlanta, GA. Pastor Phillips, Pastor Bailey, RE Duncan, RE Kee and RE Mobley will be attending from our church. You can log on live to the meetings and worship services from the floor of the Assembly by going to [www.byfaithonline.com](http://www.byfaithonline.com).

**Welcome to the Pulpit**



We welcome to the pulpit at our evening worship service, Dr. Robert Cathcart, Jr. Dr. Cathcart grew up in Aiken, SC and graduated from the University of South Carolina with a degree in Music Education. He received his Master of Divinity from Reformed Theological Seminary – Charlotte in 1998. Ordained in 1999, Robert served Hilton Head Presbyterian Church as Assistant Pastor for two and a half years. Robert is married to Sarah, who is the daughter, granddaughter, and great-granddaughter of Presbyterian ministers! The Cathcarts have four children: Robert (16), Sally (14), Margaret (12) and Charlie (4). While serving Friendship PCA in Laurens SC, Robert earned his Doctor of Ministry through Erskine Seminary's Institute of Reformed Worship. Robert enjoys reading, writing, playing basketball, and spending time with his family. He also writes new hymns that the congregation sings on occasion. The Cathcarts have thoroughly enjoyed ministering to the Friendship family the last 13 years.

**Missionary Speaker**

Stephen Atkinson  
 Chairman, Witness to Israel  
 Wednesday, June 13th

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**



Sunday, June 24th  
 Immediately following the evening worship service. Deacons will provide ice cream and toppings.  
**Summer Ice Cream Socials: July 29, August 26**

**Summer Missions Information**

**Cherokee Mission Trip: June 2-9, 2018**  
 LEADERS: Ken Pudjak/Pastor Jeff Windt

**Cajamarca Peru Mission Trip: July 20-29, 2018**  
 LEADER: Pastor Chad Bailey  
*Please support SPC Missions with your prayers and donations.*

**Information On Youth Trips**

**Sr. High Trip to Edisto Island: June 25-30, 2018**  
 LEADER: Pastor Jeff Windt

**Jr. High Trip to Ridge Haven: July 23-27, 2018**  
 LEADER: Pastor Jeff Windt

**Widow's Fund**

The Church established a Widows' fund for the substantial (and often on-going) needs that come upon some of those who are widowed and live to an old age. (This is different from the Sympathy and Service fund which meets the short-term needs of all of our members.) The reserve balance in this fund has been slowly but steadily declining over the past months. If you are able, above your tithe and other giving to the church, to give to rebuild this fund, please consider making a monthly gift to the widows' fund. We praise our God for His provision for those that look to Him.

**Installation Service**

*You are invited to the Installation Service for*  
**Rev. Jeffrey J. Windt**  
*Sunday, June 10, 2018*  
 6:00 pm \* Evening Worship Service  
 Reception to follow in the gymnasium.

## PURITANS ON CHRISTIAN LIFE (from A to Z)

### W is for Witness

The saints are to bear a threefold testimony to, and for Christ and His truths: Breath-testimony, Life-testimony, and Blood-testimony.

~Vavasor Powell

*“We Hold These Truths” article continued...*

freedom of worship. Freedom of worship and religious liberty are not the same thing.

The Declaration of Independence expressed the convictions of this nation in stating boldly that we hold these truths to be self-evident. We *hold* these *truths*. These *truths*, not mere opinions or beliefs. *Held*, not merely asserted or argued. To hold is to exercise a stewardship. We hold these truths, not merely for ourselves and for our time, but for our children, and our children’s children, and all those who will become a part of this grand experiment in self-government. But we also hold these truths for the world and before the world. Such a stewardship requires the defense of these truths, the careful definition of these truths; truths that should be, but often are not, recognized as self-evident.

The First Amendment will not save us. Without prior and enduring commitment, the text is only words on paper. As Christians, we give thanks to God alone, who made us in his image, gives us life, and endowed us with these rights. Only Jesus Christ can save, and he saves to the uttermost. That is the great Good News. The sacred freedoms we cherish secure our right to worship God in spirit and in truth, to tell the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ, and to teach the whole counsel of God.

The First Amendment will not save us, but it now falls to us to save the First Amendment.

We hold these truths. May God gave us wisdom as we hold these precious truths in perilous times.

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*This is the full text of the keynote address delivered by R. Albert Mohler Jr. at the First Amendment Lunch, hosted by the National Religious Broadcasters and the National Day of Prayer on Thursday on May 3, 2018 at the Capitol Hill Club in Washington, D.C.*

Now, things are falling apart as Christian cake bakers, florists, and photographers face coercion or even expulsion from their livelihoods. In the oral arguments for the *Obergefell* case, Donald Verrilli, then Solicitor General of the United States, was asked if the legalization of same-sex marriage would mean that religious colleges and universities would have to offer same-sex marital housing. Verrilli infamously answered, “It will be an issue.”

Indeed. It will be an issue. It is an inevitable issue.

Last month, the California Assembly passed legislation under the guise of consumer protection that would outlaw any transaction that might be related to any claim that sexual orientation or gender identity might be changed. The legislation would explicitly ban the sale of books and other materials that would represent orthodox biblical Christianity—the consensus of the Christian church wherever and whenever it has been found for two millennia. Assembly Bill 2943, as it is known, is blatantly unconstitutional, but it passed overwhelmingly in the California Assembly, a sign of the times.

Europe, especially in the west and the north, has followed a faster trajectory of secularization as compared to the United States, but the velocity of secular change in our own nation is increasing. The distance between Europe and the United States as measured by secularization is shortening. Keep that ominous reality in mind when you consider that just last week an Advocate General for the European Court of Justice advised that religious employers in Europe would see their right to discriminate on grounds of religious belief curtailed. One again, a legal authority spoke openly of *balancing* religious liberty and modern individual liberty and he found that religious liberty must give way. *The Economist*, hardly a fringe publication, ran the headline: “A Court Ruling Makes it Harder for Faith-Based Employers to Discriminate.”

The magazine opened the report with these words:

“It is a problem that arises in every liberal democracy that upholds religious belief (and hence, the freedom of religious bodies to manage their own affairs) while also aiming to defend citizens, including job-seekers, from unfair discrimination. As part of their entitlement to run their own show, faith groups often claim some exemption from equality laws when they are recruiting people.”

Then:

“To take an extreme case, it would run counter to common sense if a church were judicially obliged to appoint a militant atheist as a priest, even if that candidate is well qualified on paper. But how generous should those exemptions be?”

Note the language of the report — an *extreme* case, counter to *common sense*, *judicially obliged*, *militant atheist*, *well qualified on paper*, how *generous*?

We are now down to the question of generosity. How generous will a secular society committed to worship at the altar of sexual liberty be, when deciding whether or to what extent religious liberty is to be respected and recognized?

Just ask the California Assembly, or the European Court of Justice, or the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights, or Commissioner Chai Feldblum of the E.E.O.C..

When a sexual revolution like this happens, it is always followed, not by persuasion but by coercion. And we see that coercion arriving right now. I often cite Theo Hobson about the reality of the moral revolution. He argued that for a moral revolution to take place, three conditions have to be met. The first condition is that what is condemned must be celebrated. The second is that what was celebrated must be condemned. But that is not enough. In order for a moral revolution to be complete, those who will not celebrate must be condemned. And that’s what we see here. It is the coercion of those who will not, cannot, celebrate.

Our constitutional order roots every successive right in the priority of religious liberty. The religious liberty clauses of the Constitution are more basic than any other among the enumerated rights. But, we would expect, when the most basic of all rights is threatened, so eventually are all others.

Furthermore, we find a basic moral and realistic logic of liberty within the First Amendment. We also find an interdependence of liberties. Thus, we should not be surprised that the freedom of speech and freedom of the press are also at risk. Americans are often shocked, and even offended by the claims that free speech is often denied, but on many of our most elite college and university campuses, free speech is dismissed as a bourgeois value. The University of California at Berkeley, — the very campus where the Free Speech Movement was born in the 1960s — has now grown hostile to free speech, with many students and faculty arguing that freedom speech renders the campus “unsafe.”

And for far too many, freedom of the press means freedom for the press they like, an impulse that can appear on both the Right and the Left. But freedom of the press means the freedom to print, publish, broadcast, post, and communicate as a logical and necessary extension of freedom of speech. Without freedom of the press, the populace is force fed and misled, increasingly unable even to recognize the truth, and freedom of speech disappears.

Frank Bruni, columnist for the New York Times, said that religious people need to understand that freedom of worship means the freedom to hold whatever position you believe and to teach whatever you want to teach in your homes, in your hearts, and in your pews. President Obama would restrict this as did the State Department to

**Corner of River and Rhett**

**CALLING ALL PCA RISING FRESHMAN**

Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) exists to reach college students with the gospel & equip them to serve Christ. As ordained ministers of the Good News here in Calvary Presbytery, it is our privilege to pastor these college students on our campuses here in Calvary and give them a vision for following Jesus as members of the local church all the days of their lives.

Because we value being a bridge from the local church to the college campus and vice versa, we would be greatly aided in our work of outreach and discipleship if our Calvary churches could take a moment & send us your freshmen (!) who are going to the following 4 campuses:

- Anderson University** (Rev. John Boyte; [john.boyte@ruf.org](mailto:john.boyte@ruf.org); 864-934-4080)
- Clemson University** (Rev. Reid Jones; [reid.jones@ruf.org](mailto:reid.jones@ruf.org); 256-425-6369)
- Furman University** (Rev. David Ely; [david.ely@ruf.org](mailto:david.ely@ruf.org); 706-524-3571)
- Wofford College** (Rev. Matt Patrick; [matt.patrick@ruf.org](mailto:matt.patrick@ruf.org); 256-682-1364)

It would be helpful for us to get at least their name & contact information, but also anything else that would help us to faithfully pastor them well as we begin the process of getting to know them & enfold them into our groups. We cannot emphasize how much we appreciate your help in gathering our Covenant children from PCA churches, as well as those young men & women who may not come from believing homes but by God's grace have been in your lives in some way! It would be MOST helpful to receive this information by Saturday, July 28 (next stated Presbytery meeting). That will help us to be proactive & not reactive in reaching out. Thank you!

Your fellow servants of Christ,  
John, Reid, David, Matt



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

June 3, 2018

**MORNING WORSHIP**

10:00 am

**THE BLESSED LIFE: MEEK & HUNGRY**

Matthew 5:4-6

Hymns: 115, 88, 252

Anthem: Come Away to the Skies

Rev. Chad T. Bailey preaching

**EVENING WORSHIP**

6:00 pm

**THE DISTINGUISHING MARK**

Matthew 5:43-48

Hymns: 2, 164, 604

Psalms 22:27-31

Dr. Robert Cathcart, Jr. preaching



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**We Hold These Truths:  
Defending Liberty in a Perilous Age Part 2**

We are now witnessing a great and inevitable collision between religious liberty and newly declared and invented sexual liberties. The advocates of same-sex marriage saw this coming, as did the opponents of this legal and moral revolution. Judges and legal scholars also knew the collision was coming. Judge Michael McConnell, formerly a judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit and now director of Stanford University's Constitutional Law Center, suggested many years ago that the coming conflict would "feature a seemingly irreconcilable clash between those who believe that homosexual conduct is immoral and those who believe that it is a natural and morally unobjectionable manifestation of human sexuality." Accordingly, he called for a spirit of tolerance and respect, much like what society expects of religious believers and atheists — what he called "civil toleration."

But the advocates of same-sex marriage are not friendly to the idea of toleration. One prominent gay rights lawyer predicted just this kind of controversy almost a decade ago when she admitted that violations of conscience would be inevitable as same-sex marriage is legalized. Chai Feldblum, then a professor at the Yale Law School, also admitted that her acknowledgement of a violated conscience might be "cold comfort" to those whose consciences are violated.

"I'm having a hard time coming up with any case in which religious liberty should win.... Sexual liberty should win in most cases. There can be a conflict between religious liberty and sexual liberty, but in almost all cases sexual liberty should win because that's the only way that the dignity of gay people can be affirmed in any realistic manner."

Chai Feldblum was then a law professor at Yale. She is now a commissioner of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission of the United States, and she was just recently renominated.