

Church Calendar

Sunday, September 9

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
 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
 7:30 PM Youth/Families Taco Night

Monday, September 10

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

Tuesday, September 11

10:00 AM WIC Circle 2 meets at the church
 1:30 PM WIC Circle 5 meets at the church
 WIC Circle 3 meets at Tammy Loopers'
 6:30 pm-dinner; 7:00 pm-meeting
 7:00 PM WIC Circle 4 meets at Panera Bread

Wednesday, September 12

5:30 PM Missions Committee Meeting
 5:30 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
 6:15 PM Hope Choir
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir
 6:15 PM Youth Ensemble
 6:50 PM WIC Circle 1
 6:55 PM CAT/Covenant Kids
 6:55 PM Jr. & 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, September 13

9:30 AM WIC Precepts
 6:00 PM Mission to Main

Friday, September 14

12:00 PM Men's Lunch & Bible Study
 7:00 PM Young Adult Bowling Night

Upcoming Events

Sept. 5 WIC Council
 Sept. 5 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
 Sept. 9 Regular Adult SS Classes resume
 Sept. 9 Return to two Worship Services
 Sept. 9 Worship & Music Committee Meeting
 Sept. 9 Youth and Families Taco Dinner
 Sept. 10 Diaconate Meeting
 Sept. 10 Session Meeting
 Sept. 11-12 WIC Circles
 Sept. 12 Missions Committee Meeting
 Sept. 13 WIC Precepts begin
 Sept. 14 Young Adult Bowling Night
 Sept. 16 Membership Class begins
 Sept. 16 The Lord's Supper at the morning services
 Sept. 16 Deacon Training begins
 Sept. 18 WIC Bible Study resumes
 Sept. 18 LightBringers resume
 Sept. 19 Administration Committee Meeting
 Sept. 21 Youth Mission Impossible Night
 Sept. 22 Young Adult Hiking and Apple Picking
 Sept. 23 Evangelism Committee Meeting
 Sept. 26 CE Committee Meeting
 Sept. 28 WIC Movie Night

Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 63:1-3

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. (ESV)

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.

Ann Brand
Larry and Marsh Briggs
Don and Molly Bulla



PIEDMONT WOMEN'S CENTER

Missionary for the Week

Piedmont Women's Center

- Pray that PWC will influence abortion-minded women and men to see the baby they have been given as a gift from God.
- Pray the staff and volunteers will glorify God in all ways.
- Pray that God will encourage women who are quietly suffering from the repercussions of an abortion to seek help from our abortion recovery Bible study.
- Pray that God will work in the hearts of our leaders to put an end to abortion in our nation.
- Pray about how you can be more actively involved with your time, talents, and finances with the ministry of Piedmont Women's Center.
- Pray more people will support the ministry of PWC.

www.piedmontwomenscenter.org

Youth and Families Taco Dinner

Sunday, September 9
7:30 pm

SPC Fellowship Hall

For all youth and any family members
who wish to join

Save the Date:

Mission Impossible Night, Friday, Sept. 21, 6pm

**Diaconate Meeting has been moved
to Monday, September 10th.**

Truth for Life

Adult Sunday School classes will resume on Sept. 9th. Please refer to flyers located on bulletin boards throughout the church for available classes, teachers, and what the classes will be studying. We have a variety of classes with excellent teachers available for all ages. Look forward to seeing everyone at SS as we begin our new fall schedule.

WIC Circle 1 Bible Study

Ladies of all ages and seasons please join WIC Circle 1 on the second Wednesday of each month at 6:50 in the conference room as we begin a new bible study using Nancy Leigh DeMoss's book "Adorned". The book's goal is to scripturally teach the Titus 2 model of older women living out the gospel and training younger women, so that women of all ages and seasons are transformed by the gospel, displaying its beauty and truth. Our first meeting will be **Wednesday September 12th** following the Fellowship Supper. Books will be available August 19 online: spcgreen-ville.org/signups. Please contact Sharon Phillips: sharonps103@aol.com or 864-569-8765, with any questions or if you would like to be added to our e-mail list.

**WIC Bible Study resumes
Tuesday, Sept. 18th @ 10:00 am
Fellowship Hall**

Church Fall Basketball



Fall will soon be here and so will church basketball! This year, we would like to get teams lined up a little earlier to help with everyone's busy fall schedule. We need coaches for each team. If you are interested in being a head coach or an assistant coach for one of our teams (ages K4-12th grade), please contact Bill McDaniel at wdm6713@gmail.com or 864-979-3492. If we don't have enough coaches, we will have to limit the number of teams.



Registration Dates:

Regular registration: 8/1-9/2

Late registration: 9/3-9/9

Deacon Nominations: **Sept. 9 (last Sunday)**

Men Eligible for Nomination to the Office of Deacon

Abate, Mark	Cumbus, George	Holman, Bob	McKenney, Ray	Siemen, Remington
Altman, Kip	Dillard, Mike	Hu, Carl	McMillian, John	Slayton, David
Angell, Aaron	DuBose-Schmitt,	Huber, Ray	Moore, Steve	Smoker, John
Babb, Larry	Heinrich	Hughes, Dave	Myers, Barry	Spell, Jeffrey
Barbier, Caleb	Eller, David	Icard, Randy	O'Brien, Bill	Strickland, Mark
Barringer, Andy	Enggasser,	Johnson, Nate	Ouzts, Ernie Ray	Styles, Gregg
Batzig, Art	Edward	Johnson, Tim	Owens, Tim	Therrell, Billy
Bianchi, Joe	Farley, Alan	King, Fitz	Pitts, Larry	Tingle, Jacks S.
Bishop, Jim	Fields, Chuck	King, John	Plourde, Garison	Trautner, Rob
Bouchillon, Aaron	Gaulden, Travis	Kirk, Wayne	Pratt, Brice	Upton, Nathan
Briggs, Larry	George, David	Korol, Jason	Pratt, James	Wagner, Richard
Bulla, Don	Gray, John	Leathers, Jim	Price, Sonny	Weiland, Dave
Burman, David	Griffin, John	Looper, Jimmy	Reese, William	Welch, Brian
Butler, Ed	Griffin, Matt	Mahon, Frank	Roberts, Chris	Welker, Don
Carmichael, Stu	Grubbs, Daniel	Mann, Hudson	Robertson, Mark	Whigham, Martin
Carter, Jordan	Guy, Larry	Maralit, Joseph	Savidge, Dale	Woodward, Stan
Chivers, Mike	Hanson, Doug	Martin, Henry	Schvaneveldt, Steve	Zimmerman, Dennis
Chivers, Richard	Holbrook, Mark	McCall, Rich	Senn, Byron	

The above adult men are eligible because they have been a resident member in good standing (attendance, Biblical ability to serve, and good health) of Second Presbyterian Church for 2 or more years. Members may choose up to 6 (at this time) qualified men from this list for nomination. If you have any questions about this list please contact the Administration Committee Chairman, Kevin Mobley.

Good News Clubs



Since school has started this is a reminder to remember to contribute "self-prep" foods (oatmeal, grits, crackers, applesauce, fruit, etc.) for students at Augusta Circle who need weekend food. Leave in church office.

Membership Class

You are invited to the Pastor's Membership Class. This class will begin Sunday, Sept. 16th at 9:45 am in Classroom C-209. It will be taught by Pastor Phillips and Pastor Bailey and will last for eight weeks. The purpose of the class is to give you an opportunity to get to know our Pastors 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. 101. Come and meet other visitors. The coffee pot will be on.

LightBringers

First Gathering
Tuesday, September 18th @ 6:00 pm
Fellowship Hall
Watch the Herald for further details

The Lord's Supper
Sunday, September 16th
Morning Worship Services

Christian Sympathy

Our Christian love and sympathy go out to the family of Rev. E. Crowell (Midge) Cooley. Midge went home to be with the Lord on Friday, August 31, 2018. We are thankful for the life and service of Midge and pray for Grace and the family during this time of loss and grief.

"Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints."

Young Adult Events

Friday, Sept. 14 ~ Bowling (AMF Bowling)
Saturday, Sept. 22 ~ AM Hike, PM Apple Picking
For more information email Judith Campbell
at Campbell.judithm@gmail.com or request to join
"Greenville Journey Group" on Facebook.

the biblical text was incomprehensible to us, since we were, at the time, a King James Version-only church (not out of some theological conviction but because we didn't know about other translations).

And yet, Sunday school transformed my life.

What I needed was the slow repetition, over years and years, of the Word of God. What I sometimes find among Christians is knowledge of systematic theology in one tribe or of biblical moral principles in another—without knowing the narrative of the text itself. Some Christians know how to argue their view of whether Romans 7 describes pre- or post-conversion experience but don't know the difference between Rehoboam and Jeroboam, between Abigail and Michal. We would all—as gospel Christians—affirm the entirety of the Bible as necessary and profitable but still might, if we're honest, think that knowledge of the text's details—rather than the theology or life principles arising from it—is more about Bible trivia than the Christian life. If so, we are wrong.

Love the Lord Your God with All Your . . . Intuitions

We can sometimes assume the Bible is profitable to us since we know how to search it for the right passages at the right moment. Someone in the church is teaching that sinless perfection is possible? Well, we know how to get to 1 John 1. We feel guilty for sin? We know how to find Psalm 51. We are depressed and discouraged? We can go to Jesus in Gethsemane. That's all good and valuable, but it's not as important as having our *intuitions* shaped by the whole Bible.

When Jesus is tempted by the Devil in the wilderness, his response—with biblical texts—isn't a matter of proof-texting. His biblical responses aren't just propositional but narrative. When Jesus responds to the temptation to turn stones into bread with "Man shall not live by bread alone," he's doing more than finding an applicable truth to counter an error. He recognizes he's standing where Israel had stood before him, in the wilderness, tempted to question God's fidelity to his people. When Jesus cries out from the cross "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" he isn't merely quoting an

isolated text on vicarious atoning suffering. He sees himself in the warp and woof of Psalm 22. So it isn't just a cry of dereliction but ultimately a cry of victory too: "For kinship belongs to the LORD, and he rules over the nations" (Ps. 22:28).

It's good to find a word from God when we need it. But God usually prepares us with his Word before we know we need it. Jesus tells his disciples ahead of time he will be crucified. He tells them ahead of time they will experience persecution, "that when their hour comes you may remember that I told [these things] to you" (John 16:4). What a blessing to have a conscience shaped by the story of Peter's restoration years before you wonder after a terrible sin if Jesus will receive you back. What a blessing to know how to inhabit the story of Elijah years before you wonder if you're alone and abandoned.

If you're walking through a time of fear and anxiety, you may scan the whole Bible to find relevant words, but I've found the best way is to have intuitions so shaped by the rhythm and flow of the text that most of it lies there submerged, poised to rise to the forefront at just the right time.

That's why children's Sunday school is not just another program. It can be a matter of life and death.

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Church Services: Sunday: Sunday School - 9:00 AM

Morning Worship - 10:00 AM * Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: Supper - 5:30 PM * Prayer Meeting - 6:55 PM

Treasury of Scripture Knowledge

L is for Levites

Lowest of the three orders in Israel's priesthood. In the earliest biblical records, sacrifices were offered by the chief of a tribe, the head of a family (Gen. 12:7-8; 31:54) or possibly by a priest at a temple (Gen. 14:18). Originally, Israel's priests and temple personnel were to be drawn from the firstborn of every family in Israel (Exod. 13:11-15). Later God chose the tribe of Levi to carry out this responsibility for Israel (Num. 3:11-13). The tribe of Levi was appointed because it was the only tribe that stood with Moses against the people who worshiped the golden calf (Exod. 32:25-29).

Treasurer's Report

AUGUST 2018 & YTD

	Actual		
	Aug. 2018	YTD 2018	YTD Budget
Offerings	77,128	794,468	887,333
Outlays:			
Operating Expenses	86,616	686,396	771,313
Mission	<u>37,245</u>	<u>122,968</u>	<u>116,020</u>
Total Outlays	123,861	809,364	887,333
Net Offerings	(46,733)	(14,896)	

- Contributions in August 2018 were \$77,128 vs. budget of \$110,917.
- Contributions for August 2017 were \$85,350.
- Contributions YTD August 2018 were \$794,468 compared to YTD August 2017 of \$787,084. Net increase of \$7,385.
- Operating expenses for August 2018 were \$86,616 versus the budget of \$96,414.
- Missions and Benevolences for the 3rd quarter, 2018 were paid in August.
- 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.

TRUTH FOR LIFE
10:00 AM Sunday School At Second

FALL 2018

ADULT CLASSES

The Chapel Class, Winn Chapel
Dr. James McGoldrick, *The Nicene Creed*
Westminster Class, S-304
Mr. Jason Korol, *Apologetics in the Gospel of John*
ACTS Class, Fellowship Hall
Dr. Kevin Mobley, *The Hole in Our Holiness*
Fellowship Class, Gresham Conference Room
Mr. Ron Vanderwey, *Nehemiah*

SPECIAL TEACHING

Membership Class, C-209
Dr. Richard D. Phillips teaching, *Basics of the Faith*
Deacon Training, C-210
RE Melton L. Duncan teaching Deacon Nominees

YOUTH CLASSES

Senior High Class (Grades 9-12), Scout Hut
Rev. Jeffrey J. Windt, *Devoted to God*
Middle School (Grades 6-8), S-309,
Mr. Andy Barringer, *1st Peter*

PRIMARY AGE CLASSES

5th & 6th Grade Class, S-308, Mr. Jeremy Weaver
3rd & 4th Grade Class, C-211, Mr. and Mrs. Rainey Hoopes
1st & 2nd Grade Class, C-212, Mrs. Cindy Mann
4 & 5 Year Olds Class, C-213, Mrs. Cyndi Player
King's Kids (3 year-olds), C-112, Dr. Steve Schvaneveldt
Sunbeams (2 year-olds), C-111, Mrs. Karissa Spell

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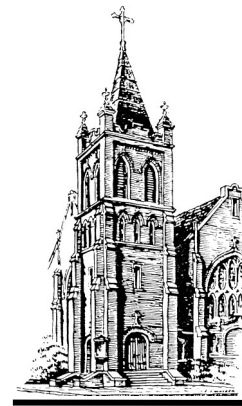
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**WORSHIP AT SECOND
THE LORD'S DAY
September 9, 2018**

MORNING WORSHIP
8:30 am & 11:00 am
SINCE I HAVE SEEN YOUR FACE
Genesis 46:28-34
Hymns: 469, 15, 546
Anthem: O Come, Let Us Worship
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP
6:00 pm
CHRISTIAN WOMANHOOD
Titus 2:3-7
Hymns: 348, 529, 606
Psalm 31:9-18
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching



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**The Cosmic Importance
of Children's Sunday School
By Russell Moore**

A friend of mine, an amazingly effective Bible teacher, once told me that he was turned down by his church to teach children's Sunday school. The reason, he said, wasn't that the church didn't think he was gifted to teach but that he was too gifted. They wanted him to teach adult discipleship classes, so they didn't want to "waste" him on children's Sunday school.

That statement was one of the saddest and most self-destructive things I've ever heard from a church.

How Sunday School Transformed Me

I've often said that I wouldn't want to have to choose between my seminary education and my childhood years in Sunday school, but if forced I would choose Sunday school each time. Now that's saying something since I believe so strongly in seminary education, and gave most of my ministry to it. I'd never want to give that up. But as important as theological education was for me, Sunday school was more so.

There was nothing about my Sunday school experience that would be commended by a seminar on children's development or Bible teaching. My teachers weren't theologically trained, and probably not one of them could have explained the hypostatic union or the Pauline doctrine of election. They also weren't pedagogically equipped. Some just had us go around the room taking turns reading, monotone, from the curriculum shipped from the denominational publishing house. Sometimes