Church Calendar		
Sunday, January 20		
	SPC MISSIONS CONFERENCE	
8:30 AM	MORNING WORSHIP	
9:50 AM	Children's Chapel	
10:00 AM	SUNDAY SCHOOL	
	(5th grade and under in regular classrooms)	
	(6th grade-adults meet in the sanctuary)	
11:00 AM	MORNING WORSHIP	
5:30 PM	Season of Prayer in the Chapel	
6:00 PM	EVENING WORSHIP	
Monday, January 21		
6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study	
Tuesday, January 22		
10:00 AM	WIC Bible Study	
6:00 PM	Evangelism Explosion	
Wednesday, January 23		
5:00 PM	CE Committee Meeting	
5:30 PM	FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER	
6:15 PM	Hope & Covenant Choirs/Youth Ensemble	
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, Ja	nuary 24	
6:00 PM	Mission to Main Street	
Friday, January 25		
12:00 PM	Men's Lunch & Bible Study	
Saturday, January 26		

### **Scripture Reading for the Week**

9:00 AM

Calvary Presbytery @ Roebuck PCA

### Psalm 1:3-4

He is like a tree planted by streams of water that yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither. In all that he does, he prospers. The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. (ESV)

### **Upcoming Events**

Jan. 16	No Wednesday Night Activities
Jan. 18-20	SPC Missions Conference
	~Men's Luncheon Friday @ Noon ~Friday Night Banquet @ 6pm ~Adult Sunday School @ 10am-sanctuary ~8:30 and 11:00 am Worship Services ~6:00 pm Evening Worship Service
Jan. 20	The Lord's Supper at the morning services
Jan. 23	CE Committee Meeting
Jan. 26	Calvary Presbytery @ Roebuck PCA
Jan. 27	Evangelism Committee Meeting
Feb. 4	Diaconate Meeting
Feb. 6	WIC Council
Feb. 6	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
Feb. 10	Worship & Music Committee Meeting
Feb. 11	Session Meeting
Feb. 12-13	WIC Circles
Feb. 16	WIC Day of Prayer
Feb. 17	The Lord's Supper at the evening service
Feb. 20	Administration Committee Meeting
Feb. 24	<b>Evangelism Committee Meeting</b>
Feb. 26	LightBringers
Feb. 27	CE Committee Meeting
Feb. 27	Sports Banquet

If you have a date for the February calendar please contact the church office this week. 232-7621, ext. 101/jgrant@spcgreenville.org

### **Mark Your Calendars**

Membership Class	March 3
Communicants Class	March 10

### **Remembering One Another**

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

Marian E. Wood Brookdale, Apt. 1206 12 Boyce Street Greenville, SC 29601

### **Praying For One Another**

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

Mark and Kathy Hoagland

Mark Holbrook

**Bob and Margaret Holman** 



### Missionary Of the Week

### **JANUARY IS SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE MONTH**

### Adoption:

Adoption is a beautiful way to grow your family. You can provide a loving, nurturing home for a vulnerable child. Bethany helps families welcome an infant, an older child, or a child from another country into their family.

### Pregnancy counseling:

Bethany is here to provide pregnant women with support and guidance as they seek to make the best choice for themselves and their unborn child. There is no cost for this service.

### **Temporary care:**

Through Bethany's Foster Care program and Safe Families ministry, Bethany seeks to provide temporary care for children. Their ultimate goal is to ensure that they have a safe, loving family through either reuniting them with their biological family or finding an adoptive family for those who cannot return to their biological parents. Thousands of children need a loving family who will walk with them during a time of crisis and welcome them unconditionally into a caring home.

Please pick up your 2019 Offering Envelopes this week. They are located on a table outside the library.

### The Lord's Supper Sunday, January 20th Morning Worship Services



Mark Your Calendars! LightBringers Tuesday, Feb. 26th 6:30 pm \* Fellowship Hall



### **Calvary Presbytery**

The one hundredth and forty first stated meeting of Calvary Presbytery will be Saturday, January 26th at 9:00 am at Roebuck PCA. Please be in prayer for the meeting and for the commissioners who will be attending from Second. Visitors are welcome.



Nursery Workers Are Needed!!

Please contact Olivia Angell (864-643-9042) if you can help with this important church ministry.

### **Precepts Bible Study**

Attention Ladies: Please join us for a Precepts Bible Study in the book of Nehemiah beginning Thursday, February 7, for 5 weeks on Thursdays from 9:30-11:30 am in the Conference Room. These lessons require approximately 5 hours of preparation each week. Please let Mary Settle know by Tuesday, January 29, if you plan to attend as books need to be ordered.

(864-329-1670 or erussell1670@charter.net)

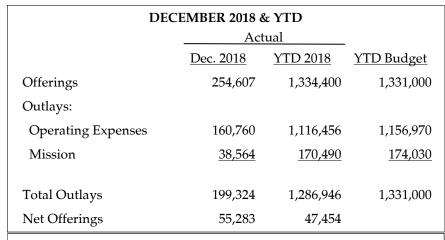
Volunteers are still needed for Wednesdays to serve or cleanup. Please contact Spencer Player (483-0682 or spencer.player@gmail.com).



### WIC Day of Prayer Saturday, February 16th @ 10:00 am



### **Treasurer's Report**



- Contributions in Dec. 2018 were \$254,607 versus budget of \$110,917.
- Contributions for Dec. 2017 were \$274,114. A decrease of \$19,507 versus Dec. 2018.
- Contributions for 2018 were \$1,334,400 compared to \$1,386,011 for 2017 for an annual decrease of \$51,611.
- The 2018 budget was \$1,331,000 so collections ended up \$3,400 ahead of the budget.
- Operating expenses for Dec. 2018 were \$160,760 versus the budget of \$96,414.
- For 2018, cash inflows exceeded outflows by \$47,454.
- Fourth quarter missionary and benevolence commitments were paid in December.
- 2018 was a good year financially for Second Church compared to the budget. The Lord blessed us richly. Thank you for your support during 2018.
- 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.



### For Christ in South Carolina and the World 2019 SPC WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE January 18-20, 2019

Speaker: Rev. Josh Rieger Evangelical Presbyterian Church, England

**Schedule:** 

Men's Luncheon - Friday @ noon Friday Night Banquet - 6:00 PM Sunday: Sunday School and Worship Services

Register today at spcgreenville.org

### **Mission Trip Meetings**

~There will be a Mission Trip Interest Meeting for the England Mission trip in May, 2019 on Sunday, January 20th, in the Chapel immediately following the evening worship service.

~There will be a Mission Trip Interest Meeting for the Peru Mission trip in July, 2019 on Sunday, January 27th, in the Chapel immediately following the evening worship service.

### **New Babies**

We rejoice with Kevin and Shannon Mobley and family on the adoption of Malachi Spurgeon Mobley. Malachi was born January 6, 2019.

We rejoice with William and Laura Fultz in the birth of their daughter, Melissa Marcia Fultz on January 8, 2019. Both mother and daughter are doing well.

If you would like to take a meal to the Fultz please go to:

www.takethemameal.com User Name: Fultz; Password: 1892

Everything you need to know will be posted on that site.

"Christian missions, properly understood, is the establishing and strengthening of visible, biblical churches by Christ's ordained ambassadors through Christ's appointed means. Those divinely chosen means are the Word, sacraments and prayer, 'all which are made effectual to the elect for their salvation.'"

We have a general impulse as the followers of Christ to see the gospel spread to the very ends of the earth. One such place the Lord has in His providence led us to is England. In May 2019 we have the opportunity to partner with and participate in the work of the Great Commission with several church plants in England such as Sheffield, Manchester, Lincoln, Oxford, as well as in Berlin, Germany. Again Jon Payne encouragingly writes:

"The spiritual pulse of Britain is faint at best. Fifty years ago over half of the UK would have been found attending a local parish church on any given Sunday. Today, however, only a small percentage of the population (less than 5%) are Biblebelieving churchgoers, and over thirty percent claim to be atheists or agnostics. What was once the most industrious and robust missionary sending nation in the world has now become itself the focus of foreign missions. Sadly, it is true that many churches in the United Kingdom are withering under the effects of liberalism and unbelief. It is true that scores of historic church buildings are being sold and used for alternative purposes. Nevertheless, churches like Sheffield Presbyterian Church, under the leadership of Rev. Dr. Kevin Bidwell, are boldly carrying out the Great Commission (Mt. 28:18-20) as well as reclaiming historic church buildings for the glory of God.

Over the past three years Sheffield Presbyterian purchased Hilltop Chapel, a building that was dedicated to the glory of God in 1629 under the pastoral leadership of Stanley Gower, a member of the Westminster Assembly! From Cambridge to Cardiff to Durham Christ is building his church through the faithful, Christ-trumpeting, Spirit-filled ministry of the EPCEW. May the Lord continue to cultivate a strong gospel partnership between our churches for the glory of God and the growth of the church. Let us pray for reformation and revival in the United Kingdom."

The Lord Jesus has made a promise to build His Church (Matthew 16:18) and has given us indeed a Great Commission, which we take to heart and go in full confidence of His sovereign authority and continual presence:

"And Jesus came and said to them, 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matthew 28:18–20)

Below are some details regarding the trip. Check the website for more details. Please plan to join in this great work through your prayers and support. And consider joining this year's mission trip. Space is limited so please let me know soon.

Yours in Christ. Chad

When: May 10-20, 2019

Where: Sheffield, Manchester, Oxford, Lincoln, Berlin

What: Encouragement, Edification, Evangelism, Envisioning

### Goals:

Encouragement — Mutual encouragement as partners in the gospel Edification — Healthy edification from the Word of God Evangelism — Biblical evangelism for the glory of Christ and good of **England** Envisioning — Greater exposure to the work of church planting

### Cost

\$2500 (price may vary)

### **Itinerary**

May 10......Fly (fly on 9th) to Manchester, travel to Sheffield (rest; meal)

May 11......Lincoln (see area; new church plant; Bible study)

May 12-13....Sheffield (Lord's Day; evangelism; pregnancy advice center)

May 14-15....Berlin (Bible study; evangelism; prayer; encouragement) May 16-17....Salford/Manchester (Bible study; evangelism; prayer; encouragement)

May 18-19....Oxford (new church plant; encouragement; preaching; evangelism)

May 20......Fly home from Manchester

For more information go to: www.spcgreenville.org

### Letter from Dr. Kevin Bidwell

Dear all,

We have just completed a wonderful 2019 Reformation Bible Conference at the newly extended Hill Top Chapel. Rick Phillips joined us and Andy Young our EPCEW minister in Oxford gave talks and it was a "taste of heaven on earth". The chapel was packed with many young people under the age of 24, though all ages came. A river of Reformed literature went out and O. Palmer Robertson encouraged us as he came and joined us as well. As Rick left to return to the USA, my heart was warmed with the American friendships I have in the Southern part of the USA. Here is the web link to listen to the talks from the conference: http://sheffieldpres.org.uk/sermons

As 2019 begins, I am more hungry than ever for the challenges that are before us. Your prayer and support is needed more than ever. Let me explain some headlines for prayer and do consider support for these matters as well.

### Sheffield, Pregnancy Advice Centre

This is not directly connected to the church, but we have spent 3 years preparing for accreditation. We have the regulatory authorities coming to meet us next month. We have a long list of matters to attend to, not least acquiring insurance. These costs have increased and we need to get the right insurance deal to progress. So much to pray for and we need more fund-raising for the center in the midst of many balls to juggle. Our simple aim is to save the lives of babies and to minimize regret among women while presenting a Christian worldview.

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### CHURCH INFORMATION

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### **Corner of River and Rhett**

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### Lincoln Presbyterian Church

Following church planting Bible studies during 2018, we are at the point of moving to the next stage of church planting. The key element is gaining momentum and then moving forward at the right time: Lincoln is just under one hour from our home. Ben and Heidi Thomas moved to Sheffield in and around April or May 2019 following a short break at Midway in NW Georgia. They will move over here for at least 5 years to live in Lincoln and Ben will be the church planting minister.

### Salford and Berlin Presbyterian Church

Both works continue to develop and grow and we do not want them off the radar for prayer or financial support. Neither, and understandably so, are fully self-supporting yet, though that is the trajectory they are on. Both works need to be bases for further church planting. Do pray for Rev. Johannes and Rev. Chris Statter and pray for elders and deacons to be raised up in both places.

### **Sheffield Presbyterian Church**

Things are never static and more work is needed. We need to build an outbuilding for equipment, garden tools and so on, but because the chapel is historic, we need extra zoning consent. Further we are about to double the size of the parking lot and have gained permission for this to proceed, though we are praying for the funds and the right quotation. A couple who have recently retired, Jim and Connie Woolf are moving over from January to May to encourage us in the work. Jim is an elder at Midway and we are thankful for their church loaning them to us. Do pray for them both that their time over here will be a "game-changer" for them. Do pray for more elders and deacons.

Warmly as ever, Kevin Bidwell

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Rev. Josh Rieger preaching ymns: 369, 26, 378 God So Loved the

THE GLORY OF THE LORD Hymns: 442, 337, 263 Psalm 96

**EVENING WORSHIP** 

Rev. Josh Rieger preaching

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### **Letter from the Assistant Minister England Mission Trip**

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." (Acts 1:8)

Throughout Scripture the Lord declares His great plan to spread the good news of the gospel to the very ends of the earth. This would be foretold and reiterated by psalmists and prophets alike at various times. The promise and result of the work of Christ on the cross would be that "All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, and all the families of the nations shall worship before you" (Psalm 22:27). The prayer and desire of the saints in every age and nation is that Jesus might "have dominion from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth! May all kings fall down before him, all nations serve him!" (Psalm 72:8, 11). The saints in time of exile have always been sustained and encouraged by such an assurance (Daniel 2:44-45; 4:34 -35; 7:1-27; Lk. 1:33; Heb. 1:8; Rev. 11:15). The continual assurance and work of the Servant of the Lord, which the apostles considered as a command to them from the Lord (Acts 1:8; 13:47), was and is the spread of the gospel to the world:

"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth." (Isaiah 49:6)

This translates into our concern for the planting of Biblical churches. The promise of our Lord and the work of the apostles set both a standard and pattern for the church today to see churches planted or built (Mt. 16:18; 28:18-20; Acts). Sometimes there is confusion over the work of missions. Jon Payne gives a helpful description of what it means when we say "missions":