

The West End Herald

Second Presbyterian Church, Greenville, SC



An Update

A Time to Build



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The Long Range Planning Committee met in 2005, 2009, and then more recently in 2021. All had the same recommendations—Second Presbyterian needs a new Christian Education and Program Building for the expanding membership of the church.

A year ago, the Long Range Planning Committee was rechristened the Building Campaign Committee and it presented a \$14,000,000 Building Plan to the Church at a banquet on May 3, 2024. The congregation responded generously, but officers said we needed to scale down the size and scope.

The next revision received was a \$11,000,000 plan and the committee realized that was still too big. Then we received a third \$8,000,000 revision that was insufficient to meet some needs. Now, we have a fourth proposal of \$9,550,000 and the committee believes this is just right.

Below is a motion that will be presented to the congregation on **Sunday, June 1, 2025**, during the Sunday School hour in the Gym. If supported by the congregation, plans will move forward and building could begin within one year. Included in this newsletter are some of the architectural drawings for this project. ♦

Congregational and Corporation Meeting 6/1/25

Personal Motion from Floor, RE Melton L. Duncan

The Congregation & Corporation approves by standing count the revised *A Time to Build* architectural design and campaign program and promises to support, pray, and give towards this work and the overall general mission of Second Presbyterian Church to the best of their ability.

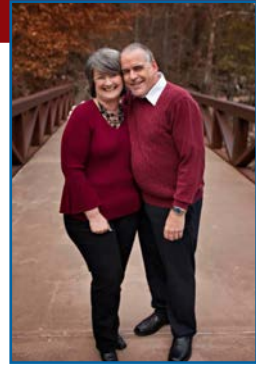
It authorizes the trustees to negotiate an (up to) \$5,000,000 loan for financing *A Time to Build* with To Be Determined Bank and any legal contracts with the builders and others according to their particular convention related to *A Time to Build*.

The Congregation approves the Diaconate plan to convert 225 South Academy Street into more parking for the benefit of Second Presbyterian Church.

Finally, the Congregation gives the final design decision authority related to *A Time To Build* to the judgment of the Building Campaign Committee.

CHRISTIAN WITNESS TO ISRAEL

*Stephen & Wendy
Atkinson*

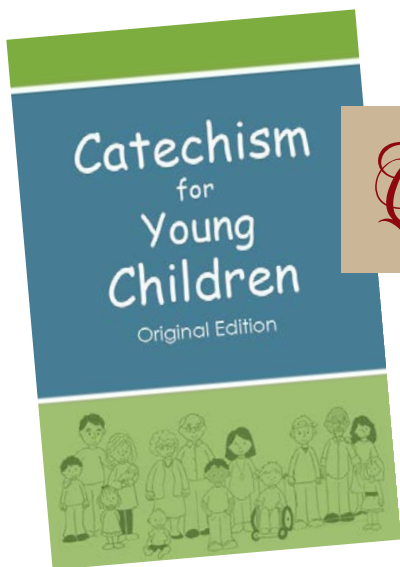


Rev Stephen Atkinson has been a preacher for 40 years, the first half of which was in regular pastoral ministry and now 20 years with Christian Witness to Israel (CWI). Initially Deputation Secretary for Ireland, Stephen moved to the USA in 2012 to head up CWI (North America). He is also a PCA pastor 'ministering out of bounds' full-time with CWI (North America).

His labors include preaching in churches and seminaries, developing the burden and support, raising up and training fulltime and volunteer missionaries, and producing resources for the Church in its own witness to the Jewish people.

Stephen has been married to Wendy 42 years and they have four grown up children and 15 grandchildren. ♦

CWI has colleagues worldwide reaching out to Jewish people in a range of different settings and environments. They conduct regular book-table outreach to Orthodox Jews, door-to-door work in Jewish areas, outreach to Jewish people involved in New Age practices, Bible studies with Jewish people and general relationship evangelism in efforts to take the good news of Messiah to Jewish people.



Question 131:

Does Christ care for little children?

Answer:

Yes; for he says, “Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not: for of such is the kingdom of God.”

In *Sammy and His Shepherd*, veteran children’s writer Dr. Susan Hunt takes youngsters on a delightful trip through Psalm 23 from the point of view of a sheep named Sammy.

Sammy lives happily under the care of his faithful shepherd. But one day he meets a sheep from another flock, one who lives in misery because her shepherd is not so caring. Eventually, to the delight of both of them, Sammy’s shepherd buys the needy little sheep for his flock and gives her a name—Precious. Thereafter, Sammy tells Precious all the wonderful things about their shepherd. At first, Precious has a hard time believing that the shepherd can be so good. But eventually, as she sees the shepherd pouring out his energies for the good of his flock, she comes to trust him, for she sees that he loves his sheep unconditionally and sacrificially. ♦





at the corner of

River & Rhett

Spring Masculine Mandate Sessions

May 24 | June 14

SPC Gymnasium @ 8:00 A.M.



Peter answers a question we all ought to ask when faced with Paul's teaching about a husband's ministry of God's Word: "What am I supposed to say to her? How am I supposed to know what will encourage my wife from Scripture?"

Peter answers in three ways.

- *First, he says, live in close communion with your wife.*
- *Second, pay attention to her and get to know what is going on inside her.*
- *Third, he insists, act in a way that says you cherish her deeply. (p. 113-114)*

May Birthdays



Have a Great Day!

18

Margaret Butler, Adam Enggasser, Ronda May,
Heidi Upton

19

Mary Duncan, Caleb Nguyen, Liz Nowak, Faith Raper,
Dustin Waldschmidt

20

Claire Brown, Tim Owens

21

Matthew Barbier

23

Susannah Farr



This Week

MORNING SERMON

Dr. Richard D. Phillips

THE COMING OF THE SON OF MAN
Daniel 7:13–28

EVENING SERMON

Rev. Brendon J. Branigin

THE LORD AND HIS BLOOD
1 Peter 1:1–2

Sunday, May 18

- 8:30 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP—*The Lord's Supper*
- 9:55 A.M. Children's Chapel (*Sanctuary*)
- 10:00 A.M. Sunday School
- 11:00 A.M. MORNING WORSHIP—*The Lord's Supper*
- 5:00 P.M. Missionary Prayer Band (*Chapel*)
- 5:30 P.M. Season of Prayer (*Chapel*)
- 6:00 P.M. EVENING WORSHIP
- 7:30 P.M. Informational Meeting (*Gym*)

Monday, May 19

- 6:30 A.M. Men's Bible Study (*Fellowship Hall*)

Tuesday, May 20

- 10:00 A.M. WIC Bible Study (*Fellowship Hall*)

Wednesday, May 21

- 12:00 P.M. Winsome Widows
- 5:30 P.M. Family Fellowship Supper (*Gym*)
- 6:30 P.M. Administration Committee (*Conference Room*)
- 7:00 P.M. CAT Kids Program (*Sanctuary*)

Friday, May 23

- 12:00 P.M. Men's Luncheon and Bible Study (*Gym*)
- 1:30 P.M. Mission to Main
- 6:30 P.M. CAT Kids Spring Fling (*Gym*)

Saturday, May 24

- 8:00 A.M. Masculine Mandate (*Gym*)

Upcoming Events

spcgreenville.org/calendar

May 21	CAT Kids Program
May 23	CAT Kids Spring Fling
May 24	Masculine Mandate
May 25	Baptism Sunday
May 28	Summer Children's Choir Begins
June 1	All Adult Summer Sunday School Begins
June 14	Masculine Mandate
June 15	Baptism Sunday
June 16-21	Sr. High Summer Conference (Pawleys Island, SC)
June 23-27	PCA General Assembly (Chattanooga, TN)
July 7-11	Vacation Bible School
July 21-25	Jr. High Summer Conference (Ridge Haven, NC)

Missionary Prayer Band

Come a little earlier on this Sunday night, May 18, and meet in the Chapel at 5:00 p.m. to hear updates about our missionaries and uphold them in prayer before the throne of grace.



Announcements

Informational Meeting

After the Evening Service, May 18, information from the Session and Building Committee will be shared in the Sanctuary.

CAT Kids Closing Program

The church family is invited to this special program on Wednesday, May 21, at 7:00 P.M. in the Sanctuary. Special thanks to Jill Mann and her many helpers who work diligently throughout the year to provide meaningful teaching to our Covenant Children.

Men's Meeting, Saturday, May 24

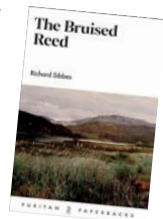
All men (high school age and above) are invited to this important time of teaching with Pastor Richard Phillips. Enjoy breakfast together at 8:00 A.M. in the Gym followed by a lesson from Pastor Phillips' book, *The Masculine Mandate*. Books can be purchased in the church bookstore. There is no need to register and food will be provided.

Called Congregational Meeting

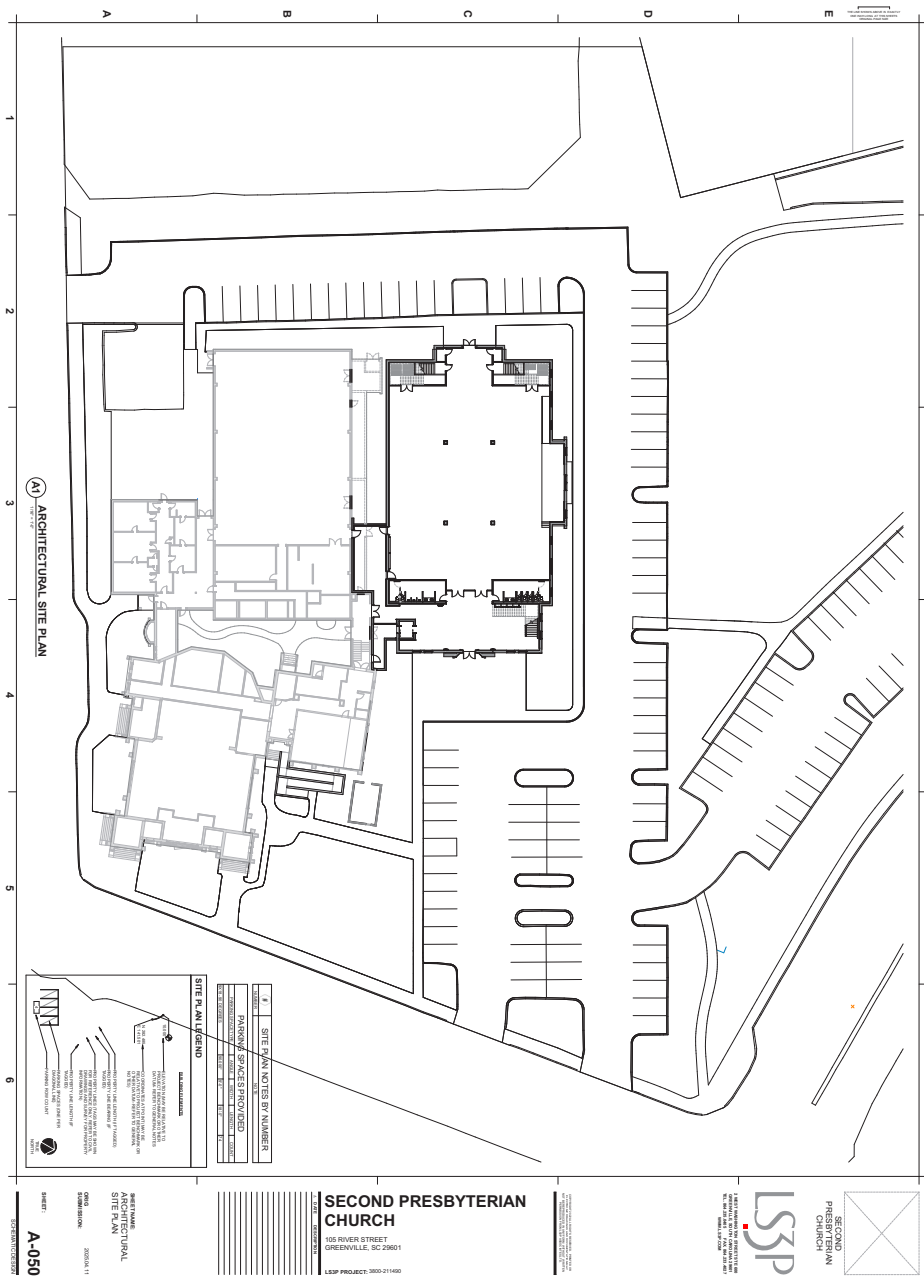
All communing members will meet in the Gym at the 10:00 hour on June 1 to approve and support the new projections for *A Time to Build*.

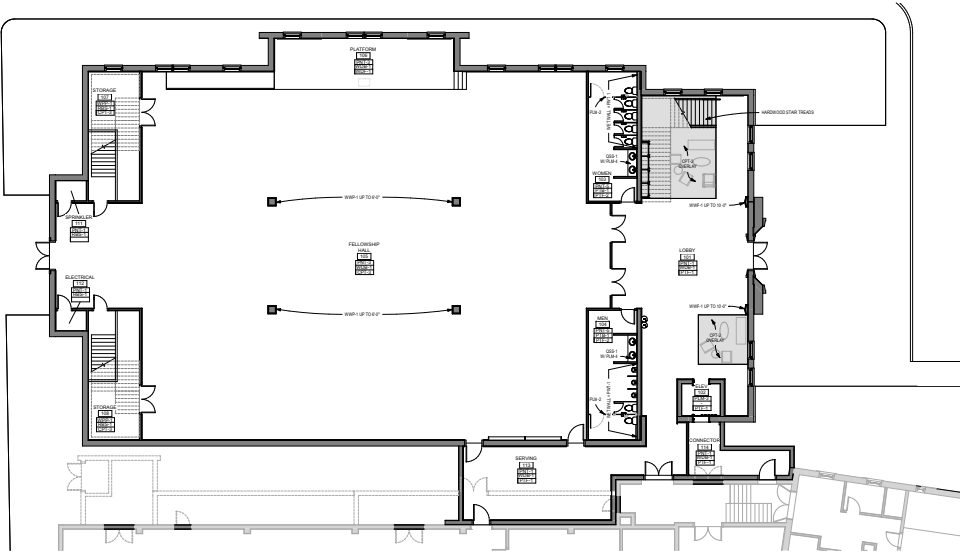
All-Adult Summer Sunday School

All-Adult Sunday School begins on June 8 in the Gym. Books are available for purchase in the Church Bookstore (located in the hallway outside the Chapel) for \$8. See the schedule below for each week's lesson and teacher.

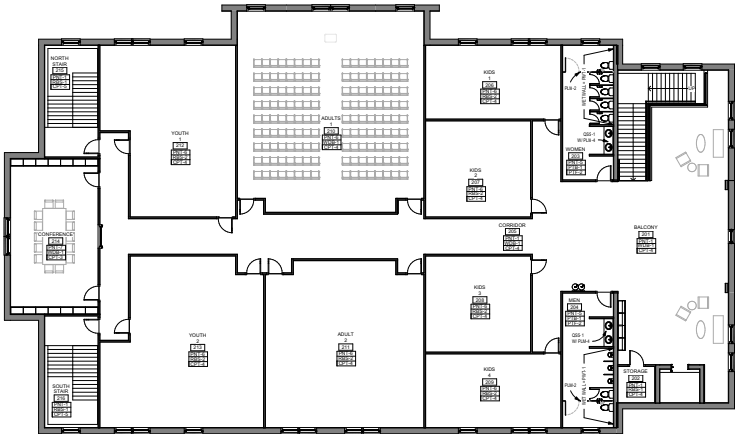


Date	Chapter	Chapter Title	Teacher
May 28	Intro./1	The Reed and the Bruising	VanDoodewaard
June 8	2	Christ Will Not Break the Bruised Reed	Bianchi
June 15	3/4	The Smoking Flax/ Christ Will Not Quench the Smoking Flax	Early
June 22	5	The Spirit of Mercy Should Not Move Us	Zimmerman
June 29	6	Marks of the Smoking Flax	Cortial





Level 1



Level 2