

Our Men's Ministry is here for this very reason - to build up godly men, encouraging and equipping them to daily install Christ as King and Lord over every facet of their lives. It is a place for our men to not only grow with one another in genuine Christian and gospel fellowship, but also an opportunity for each of us to become personally involved in kingdom service and personal discipleship as brothers in Christ, regardless of what stage we may be in our Christian walk. Our goal is to exhort and equip men to be daily followers of King Jesus in marriage and family life, in work and financial life, in church and social life, etc. Men's Ministry at Second Presbyterian aims not only to point men to a recognition of and reflection upon Christ's Lordship, but also to a personal and faithful embracing of Him as Lord.

Today, we face many important decisions, which no doubt require us to seek God's face in prayer and in His Word. These may include, "Who should I vote for in the upcoming primary season?", "How should I educate my children?", "What eschatological doctrine should I embrace?", "Should we (and can we) as a church make particular present-day financial sacrifices for the sake of future generations?", and probably several others. As pressing as these matters may be, none are even close to being the most important. Instead, the most important question is this: As a confessor of the Lord Jesus Christ, do I understand that today and everyday is the time to bow down and submit myself to His rightful Kingship and Lordship over my life?

Would you be such a man this day? Tomorrow? The next day? Let's form ranks together under Christ for this single-minded kingdom purpose.

In Him,
Bill Hedgpeth
Men's Ministry, Second Presbyterian Church

Please plan to attend our Chili Cook-off and Kickoff this coming Friday, September 30, in the church gym from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. This event is for all men and teenage boys. Following dinner, Pastor Phillips will bring an encouraging and challenging message on "The Masculine Mandate". Looking forward to seeing you there!

Chili Cook-off and Kick-off Fellowship
Friday, September 30 * 6:00 - 8:00 pm
Second Pres Gym
Pastor Phillips will be speaking on "The Masculine Mandate".
We need brave "chefs" to sign up to bring their very best chili concoction.
Our judges will award the best chili a first place prize.
Contact Bill Hedgpeth at billhedge@bellsouth.net

CHURCH INFORMATION
Website: www.secondpca.org
Telephone: Office (864) 232-7621
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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Information Centers: Church Services information 1 * Directions 2
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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 - 5:45 PM * Prayer Meeting and Bible Study - 6:45 PM
Radio Broadcast: Sundays, 9:00 AM, Station WLFJ 660 AM

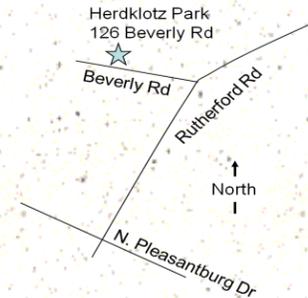
Upcoming Events

- Sept. 30 Men's Chili Cook-off and Kickoff Fellowship
- Oct. 2 Church-wide Fellowship Supper
- Oct. 5 WIC Council
- Oct. 5 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
- Oct. 6 Evangelism Explosion Training begins
- Oct. 9 Worship & Music Committee Meeting
- Oct. 10 Joint Session/Diaconate Meeting
- Oct. 11-12 WIC Circles
- Oct. 12 Blood Drive
- Oct. 15 Church Fall Picnic
- Oct. 16 The Lord's Supper - evening service
- Oct. 17 Young At Heart
- Oct. 19 CE Committee Meeting
- Oct. 21-22 WIC Fall Retreat
- Oct. 26 Reformation Party
- Oct. 27 Calvary Presbytery
- Oct. 30 Reformation Sunday
- Oct. 30 Hymn Sing

FALL CHURCH PICNIC

Saturday, October 15
9:30 AM - 2:00 PM (rain or shine)
Herdklotz Park
126 Beverly Road, Greenville
The Deacons will be smoking BBQ.
Everyone please bring salads, side dishes and desserts.
There will be a dessert contest!

Please join us for food, fellowship and fun at the 2011 Fall Picnic. The Deacons will provide the meat and drinks. We request that you bring salads, side dishes, and desserts. Lunch will be served at 11:30 AM but come early. There are playgrounds and lots of room to run at the park, so bring your footballs and Frisbees.



Music Notes

The adult choir is holding its regular rehearsals at 4:00 pm and the Christmas Cantata rehearsals at 4:45 pm. If you are interested in joining the choir for the Christmas Cantata, please come! **We are especially in need of men, both tenors and basses. Please prayerfully consider serving the Lord in this way.**

The church history room will be closed until Sunday, November 6, for repairs and the installation of new displays.

Special Offering

The congregation approved the purchase of 225 South Academy at its 9/25 meeting. If you wish to contribute to the down payment please designate "225 South Academy" on your contribution. The church will make a special remittance envelope available for pledges/offerings in next week's West End Herald and throughout the church.

Pack a Shoe Box

**Operation Christmas Child
"The Power of A Simple Gift"**

Share God's love and the joy of Christmas by packing a gift-filled shoe box for a hurting child overseas. Your simple gift can make an eternal difference. Pamphlets on how to pack a shoe box and all other instructions are located throughout the church, on bulletin boards or in the church office. National Collection Week is November 14-21.

Cookies for Perry Correctional

Friends: On October 6-9, 2011, I will be going into Perry with a Kairos Ministry team. As most of you know, each night we give a bag of cookies and a Bible verse to every man in the prison (1000 men). That translates into a lot of cookies. If you are inclined to help by baking a couple of dozen (or more), I would appreciate it. Please bring the cookies (preferably in a sturdy box or container) to the kitchen at Second Church sometime on **Sunday, October 2**. I will pick these up after the evening service that night. Please pray as you bake that Christ's kingdom would expand in this prison environment. Thanks, Bill Watkins.

Jessamine Group Kick-off Celebration

Jessamine Group - Girls 5th - 8th grade and Moms
Kick-off Celebration
September 29 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall
Leslie Martin will speak to us on "Developing a Servant's Heart" which is our theme for the year.
Pot luck dinner is soup or salad. Please bring a dish to share.
The beverage will be provided.
Contact Cindy Duncan at 235-6907 or CindyADuncan@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Piedmont Women's Center Training

Have you felt that God was calling you to get involved in a ministry that would impact the lives of young women, the pre-born, and their families through the power of Jesus Christ? If so, Piedmont Women's Center needs you! They will be holding their fall training sessions October 10-11, 17-18 at Second Presbyterian Church from 6:30-9:30 pm and Oct. 29th and Nov. 5th from 9:30 am-12:30 pm at the Greer Center. Deadline for registration is October 3rd. Contact Tami at: tamih@piedmontwomenscenter.org or 244-1433, for more information.

WIC Fall Retreat

**The Great Escape 2011
October 21-22
Saluda, NC**

WIC is thrilled to announce this first-time-ever event. Located just 35 miles from our church, nestled in the Blue Ridge mountains, the quaint town of Saluda has unique shops along Main Street, nearby antique stores, hiking trails, and waterfalls, which will provide plenty of opportunities for enjoyment and beauty to complete this fabulous fall weekend. Our own Sharon Phillips will join us for this weekend, leading and teaching us from God's Word. There will be times of hymn-singing and prayer as we gather in the community room of the Saluda library. The price for the Great Escape, 2011 is \$65.00 per person, if paid by October 2 (\$75.00 for later registrations). This price includes lodging with a view at the Saluda Mountain Lodge, two meals, teaching sessions, and fellowship times. You will not want to miss this event. Space is limited, so be sure to make your reservation early. Registration envelopes are located on the counter outside the church library, or you can see Jill Mann with questions or for more information.

Church Calendar

Sunday, October 2

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:50 AM New Members' Class
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 4:00 PM Regular Adult Choir Rehearsal
 4:45 PM Christmas Cantata Rehearsal
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**
 6:00 PM Wee Worship Choir
 7:15 PM **CHURCH-WIDE FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
 A - J Main Course
 K - Z Side Dishes
Everyone please bring one 2-liter drink.

Tuesday, October 4

10:00 AM WIC Bible Study
 5:30 PM Jr. High Girls' Basketball Practice
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 828
 6:45 PM 5th and 6th grade Boys' Basketball Practice

Wednesday, October 5

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study
 5:00 PM WIC Council
 5:00 PM Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
 5:45 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir
 6:45 PM CAT Kids and Covenant Kids
 6:45 PM Youth Bible Study
 6:45 PM **PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY**
 8:30 PM Senior High Boys' Basketball Practice

Thursday, October 6

9:30 AM WIC Precepts Bible Study
 6:00 PM Evangelism Explosion Training

Saturday, October 8

10:30 AM Senior High Girls' basketball practice

Evangelism Explosion Training

Have you ever wanted to tell a friend or relative about Jesus, but did not know how to start or what to say? Evangelism Explosion is an evangelistic training program designed to equip you to tell others the good news about Jesus Christ. The fall semester will begin Thursday, October 6, at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room. Please call or see Ken Safford (419-8267) to sign up, or if you have any questions.

Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.
 Also, send them a note of encouragement and/or give them a call.

Rev. and Mrs. John Crawford
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WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY OCTOBER 2, 2011

MORNING WORSHIP
 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

TO PLEASE GOD

¹Thessalonians 2:1-8

Anthem:

The Lord Is My Shepherd

Hymns: 482, 537, 585

Rev. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP
 6:00 PM

SINS OF THE FATHER

²Samuel 13:1-22

Hymns: 307, 303, 308

Psalter: Psalm 119 (verses 25-32)

Rev. Richard D. Phillips preaching



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Letter From The Ministerial Intern Men's Ministry at Second Presbyterian Church

In the second part of I Chronicles 12 are listed the numbers of troops from each tribe of Israel which joined forces with David and swore allegiance to him after a prolonged civil war between the house of David and the house of Saul, following Saul's death and the eventual assassination of his son, Ishbosheth (II Samuel 4). Several of these tribal troops numbered in the tens of thousands, and most were experienced in and prepared for warfare. However, one tribe of a much smaller number was particularly noted for who they were and what they offered. The Bible says that the men of Issachar "had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do" (I Chronicles 12:32). When you look at the context of the passage, it becomes clear that what these men recognized and understood was that the son of Jesse was the rightful king over all of Israel, politically and spiritually. In view of the the times, they understood which dynasty to support and the steps needed to establish national unity under that kingship in the presence of their national enemy, Philistia. More importantly, it is worth noting that these men of Issachar were not merely men of reflection, but men of action; accordingly, they knew that the expedient and necessary thing to do was to ally themselves with David, install him as king, and subject themselves to his rightful authority as king.

Today, as the Scriptures teach us, we also live in times which demand spiritual understanding and godly wisdom. We live in times of *godless perspective* - one in which the majority of the culture rejects the God of the Bible and His truth about sin and righteousness and salvation for its own self-driven and morally relevant ideals. We live in times of *godless pursuits* - one filled in growing measure with people who are lovers of self, lovers of money, etc. Additionally, we live in times of *godless passions* - one in which multiple forms of sexual immoralities lie in wait for spiritual ambush, as close as an internet click of a computer button. In the midst of such times, now as much as ever our churches need men who - like the men of Issachar of old - understand the current times and know what needs to be done. We need men who understand that the most important thing that each must intentionally and proactively do is to faithfully embrace Christ as King, and to know how to do it on a daily basis. We need men who prioritize the guarding of their hearts against the reign of sin (Romans 6:11-12), against vain pursuits (I Timothy 6:6-11), and against a worldly double-mindedness in regard to spiritual matters (James 1:8, 4:7-8), fully trusting in and depending upon the Lord. We need men who are growing in their recognition of and commitment to Christ's rightful kingship over their lives.