

cuisine for years. This is a special holiday treat provided by Christ's servants here at Second Church.

Of course, some of you might even question why we would spend time and effort on a group of men who have been convicted in courts of breaking our laws. Undoubtedly, the civil magistrate must wield the sword and rightly punish those who, for example, steal or murder. Punishment is proper. However, before we clamor too loudly for justice, we ought to remember what our lot would be with God if we received what our deeds have earned. Criminal conviction does not automatically bar a man from receiving God's gift of salvation. We are to share the Gospel of Christ in all corners of the world—prisons included.

How can you help with this outreach? There are several ways. First, pray that God will use the preaching of his Word to change hearts of stone to hearts of flesh. (Ezekiel 11:19) This Christmas program is not just for Christians, but all inmates in the dormitory. One of our pastors will preach a gospel message. There will likely be Muslims, pagans, and others at the program. This will be a chance for many non-believers to hear about the Light of the World and their need for Christ. Second, we need approximately 10-15 people to participate in the music portion of the program. If you can play an instrument or enjoy singing hymns of praise, please consider joining us. Third, you can give sacrificially. This mission opportunity is not included in the budget. The cost of this program will be approximately \$2,500. During the last hymn at each morning worship service on Sunday, December 4, 2011, we will be taking up a special offering for this event. If you are able, please generously support this outreach ministry.

May God use this Christmas program at Perry to draw men to Christ.

If you have any questions about this event, please see Bill Watkins (286-0147) or Mike Carey (322-9407).

In His Service,  
Bill Watkins  
Vice Chairman, Diaconate  
Prison Ministry Coordinator

### Congregational Meetings

- The Session has called an Informational Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 27th, immediately following the evening worship service. David Rainey, Church Treasurer will present the 2012 budget.
- The Session has called a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, Dec. 4th, at 9:55 am to elect Deacons and to receive and support the 2012 budget.

### Thank You

*Dear Second Pres. Family,*  
*We are so humbled by your kindness to us in helping get our yard work caught up over the summer. The Lord has blessed us greatly through the work of your hands. Thank you to John Atwood for arranging the work and the many generous people who helped.*  
*In Christ, Bill and Diane Detmer*

### CHURCH INFORMATION

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### Upcoming Events

Nov. 20	The Lord's Supper at the morning services
Nov. 23	Thanksgiving Dinner and Service
Nov. 24-25	Church Office Closed
Nov. 27	Informational Congregational Meeting for Budget
Nov. 27	Evangelism/Church Growth Meeting
Nov. 30	CE Committee Meeting
Dec. 1	WIC Wreath-Making Party
Dec. 4	Congregational Meeting to elect Deacons and receive and support the 2012 budget
Dec. 4	Missionary Speaker - David Cross
Dec. 4	Deacon Ordination/Installation
Dec. 4	Fellowship Supper and Reception for new Deacons
Dec. 5	Diaconate Meeting
Dec. 7	WIC Council
Dec. 7	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
Dec. 11	Christmas Cantata at the Evening Worship Service
Dec. 12	Young At Heart Christmas Luncheon
Dec. 12	Session Meeting
Dec. 13-14	WIC Circles
Dec. 15	Jessamines "Christmas Cookie Exchange"
Dec. 16	Jr. High Christmas Party
Dec. 18	The Lord's Supper at the Evening Service
Dec. 19	College Class Christmas Party
Dec. 21	No Wednesday activities
Dec. 23-26	Church Office Closed
Dec. 24	Lessons and Carols
Dec. 28	No Wednesday activities
Dec. 30	Church Office Closed

### December Calendar

Please call the church office this coming week if you have a December date for the calendar. We encourage Sunday School classes and other church groups to be sure and let us know the date if you are planning a Christmas party. Due to the Thanksgiving holidays, and this busy time of year, we would like to have all dates on the church calendar before Thanksgiving Day. **The office will be closed Thursday and Friday of that week.**

### WIC Jessamines

The WIC Jessamine Group (5th-8th grade girls and their moms) will meet Thursday, November 17, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The program this month is "Serving Through Hospitality, Table of Thanksgiving" led by Mrs. Pat Shuford. The dinner is Thanksgiving Pot Luck. Please bring a dish to share.

### Deacon Work Day For Members

**Saturday, November 19th**

If anyone is interested in doing some light house work or yard work for members needing help, or would like to have their name added to the list of work to be done, please contact John Atwood (275-9821) or [atwood.jm@gmail.com](mailto:atwood.jm@gmail.com). The scheduled work day will be Saturday, November 19.

**Thanksgiving Dinner & Service**  
**Wednesday, November 23**  
**Supper - 5:45 PM - Gymnasium**  
**Service - 7:00 PM - Sanctuary**

### Pledge/Contribution Report

225 South Academy Street Report for 11/13/11  
Pledges Received: **\$64,044**  
Contributions Received: **\$37,314**

### Nursery

Additional volunteers are needed for the nursery, especially during Sunday morning early church services. If you are willing would you please let Karen Gray know you will step in and help.

### Men's Ministry Cookout and Fellowship

**Clemson-USC Cookout and Fellowship**  
(for all men, fathers/sons, etc.)  
Saturday, November 26 \* Time: TBA  
At the home of Jacob Gamble  
6 Westminster Drive, Greenville, SC 29605  
More details to follow shortly  
If you are not going to the game,  
make plans to join us and watch it at the Gambles.

### WIC Wreath-Making Party

WIC invites women and girls of all ages to our Annual Wreath-Making Party on Thursday, December 1, 6:00 PM, in the church gymnasium. An evening of fellowship and fun will be had by all as we make Christmas wreaths. Please bring a simple dessert (cookies, etc.) to add to our festive party. The cost is \$10.00 per person. Cost is \$7.00 if you bring your own PVC wreath from a previous wreath-making party. **Please sign up** on the church bulletin boards or in your Sunday School Class. Also, bring enough greenery/berries, etc. to fill your wreath and share with others. Also, please bring your own clippers/gloves. If you have any questions please call Leslie Martin at 271-2022.

### Retiring Offering

The Sympathy and Service Committee is asking the church family to prayerfully consider giving toward the retiring offering this coming Lord's Day. There are some great financial needs within the congregation, and the fund is running low.

### From the Church Historian

The History Room is now open Sunday mornings following the first worship service until it is closed at 10:55 am for the second service. Please visit the room and see the new display of six editions of church newsletters, 1913-1988.

### Christmas Poinsettias

It's time to order the Christmas Poinsettias for the sanctuary. This year you may purchase a Poinsettia for \$10.00. **Please consider being a part of making our church beautiful for Christmas.** If you would like to purchase a Poinsettia in memory or honor of someone, please fill out the form below and leave it in the church office. **(Please do not put in the offering plate.)**

I would like to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ Poinsettia (s) at \$10.00 ea. Total: \_\_\_\_\_  
In honor of: \_\_\_\_\_  
In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_  
Given by: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name) \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_



## Church Calendar

### Sunday, November 20

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**  
 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

### Monday, November 21

4:45 PM I-Mites Basketball Practice  
 6:00 PM Senior High Girls' Basketball game at John Knox  
 8:00 PM Senior High Boys' Basketball game at ARP

### Tuesday, November 22

10:00 AM WIC Bible Study  
 12:00 PM Men's Bible Luncheon at Tommy's Ham House  
 6:00 PM Jr. High Girls' Basketball Practice  
 6:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 828  
 7:00 PM 5th and 6th grade Boys' Basketball Practice

### Wednesday, November 23

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study  
 5:45 PM **THANKSGIVING DINNER AND SERVICE**  
 7:30 PM Jr. High Boys' Basketball Practice  
 8:30 PM Senior High Boys' Basketball Practice

### Thursday, November 24

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**



*Happy Thanksgiving from the Church Staff*

### Friday, November 25

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

### Saturday, November 26

No Basketball Games  
 Men's Ministry Cookout and Fellowship

## New in the Library

Two books from Voice of the Martyrs now in the library are: *Tortured for Christ* by Pastor Richard Wurmbrand, who was imprisoned in communist Romania for his fervent belief in Jesus Christ and his public witness for his faith and *The Pastor's Wife*, by Sabina Wurmbrand, which tells of her imprisonment for efforts to release her husband. It led to her unceasing efforts to establish Christian Underground Churches. In daily devotions, refer to the Nov./Dec. Missionary Calendar which has a page about the Voice of the Martyrs.

## Music Notes

**Attention: Wee Worship - 8th grade parents:** Please note that we will be singing at our Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday, November 23rd. No special attire is required as we will wear robes.

## Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following member.  
 Also, send her a note of encouragement.  
**Mildred Holcomb**  
 National Health Care Center  
 850 E. Butler Road, Room 312-A  
 Greenville, SC 29607

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### WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY NOVEMBER 20, 2011

MORNING WORSHIP  
 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

### SOVEREIGNTY AND SANCTIFICATION

1<sup>st</sup> Thessalonians 4:1-8

Anthem:

Saviour Again To Thy Dear Name

Hymns: 22, 606, 378

Rev. Richard D. Phillips preaching

### EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 PM

### SUSTAINED IN THE HEAT OF BATTLE

Isaiah 46:1-13

Hymns: 175, 655, 598

Psalter: Psalm 119 (verses 81-88)

Rev. Seth T. Starkey preaching

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# The West End Herald

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## Letter from the Diaconate Perry Correctional Ministry

“Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see *You* hungry and feed *You*, or thirsty and give *You* drink? When did we see *You* a stranger and take *You* in, or naked and clothe *You*? Or when did we see *You* sick, or in prison, and come to *You*?’ And the King will answer and say to them, “Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did *it* to one of the least of these My brethren, you did *it* to Me.’ Matthew 25:37-40

When the risen Lord met the eleven disciples in Galilee, he explained to them that all authority had been given to him and that they were to “go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.” (Matt. 28:19-20) In John’s Gospel we are promised that through the power of the Holy Spirit Christians “will do even greater things than these” as God uses us to build His church. (John 14:12) What a privilege we have to be part of this kingdom work.

During early December, Second Church has a unique missions opportunity right here in our own Judea. Perry Correctional Institution is a maximum security state prison located in Pelzer, South Carolina—approximately 25 minutes south of Greenville. Second Church has agreed to sponsor a dormitory (220 inmates) for Christmas. Sponsoring a dormitory consists of the following: (1) holding a Christmas program in the gym of the prison for 220 inmates, (2) presenting each inmate with a hygiene bag containing soap, deodorant, and similar items, and (3) presenting each inmate with a sandwich bag containing a sub, chips, cookie, and a drink. This is an excellent opportunity to share the Gospel and show the love of Christ to a group of men that, for the most part, our society has written off.

Many of you might be wondering why we are supplying hygiene bags for the men. Isn’t this something that the facility supplies? No. Inmates are required to purchase from the prison commissary items such as soap, socks, deodorant, and toothpaste. If an inmate does not have a family willing to fund these purchases, he goes without or depends on the kindness of fellow prisoners or donations given to the Chaplain’s office. The bags we are providing contain necessary items that many men lack.

This gift bag is a tangible expression of Christian love. The food bag is a special treat for the inmates. Many have not eaten anything but prison