

Church Calendar

Sunday, February 7

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 5:15 PM Men's Ensemble Rehearsal
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**

Monday, February 8

6:30 PM Session Meeting

Tuesday, February 9

10:00 AM WIC Circle 3 meets at the church
 2:30 PM WIC Circle 5 meets at the church
 4:30 PM I Mites Basketball practice
 5:30 PM Mites Basketball practice
 6:00 PM Evangelism Explosion Training
 6:30 PM Jr. High Boys' Basketball practice
 7:00 PM WIC Circle 2 meets at Tammy Loopers'
 7:00 PM WIC Circle 4 meets at the church

Wednesday, February 10

5:30 PM Missions Committee Meeting
 5:15 PM Youth Ensemble (7th-12th grades)
 5:30 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
 6:15 PM Hope Choir (4 & 5 year olds)
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir (1st-6th grades)
 6:45 PM WIC Circle 6
 6:45 PM Elder Training
 6:55 PM **PRAYER MEETING FOR ALL ADULTS**
 6:55 PM CAT/Covenant Kids
 6:55 PM Jr. and Sr. High Bible Studies
 7:25 PM **BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL ADULTS**
 7:25 PM College & 20's Bible Study
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 8:30 PM Sr. High Boys' Basketball practice

Friday, February 12

12:00 PM Men's Lunch and Bible Study
 6:30 PM Valentine's Banquet

Saturday, February 13

6:30 AM Senior Girls' Basketball practice
 Basketball games (see schedule in Herald)
 Tournaments are ongoing or will begin next week.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 3 WIC Council
 Feb. 3 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
 Feb. 4 Jessamines
 Feb. 5 WIC Game Night
 Feb. 7 Worship & Music Committee
 Feb. 8 Session Meeting
 Feb. 9-10 WIC Circles
 Feb. 10 Missions Committee
 Feb. 12 Valentine's Banquet
 Feb. 14 Membership Class begins
 Feb. 15 Young At Heart
 Feb. 17 Administration Committee
 Feb. 20 WIC Shower for Carrie Looper
 Feb. 21 The Lord's Supper at the evening service
 Feb. 24 CE Committee
 Feb. 24 Sports' Banquet
 Feb. 26 Senior High Bonfire at the Loopers'
 Feb. 27 WIC Prayer Breakfast
 Feb. 28 Communicants' Class begins
 Feb. 28 Evangelism/Church Growth Committee

Mark Your Calendars

Cajamarca, Peru Mission Trip	June 3-11
Vacation Bible School	June 13-17
Calvary Home Mission Service	week of June 16th
General Assembly in Mobile, AL	June 20-24
Sr. High Trip to Edisto Island	June 27-July 2
Jr. High Trip to Ridge Haven	July 25-29

Mark your calendars and plan early! www.spcgreenville.org

Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 8:3-5 (ESV)
*When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
 the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,
 what is man that you are mindful of him,
 and the son of man that you care for him?
 Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings
 and crowned him with glory and honor.*

Remembering One Another

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

Al and Anne Anderson
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 Greenville, SC 29607
 271-1835

Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

Marne Hall
Doug and Anna Maria Hanson
Leon and Susan Harmon

Missionary for the Week

Bill and Susan Carr
MTW - Northern Minnesota
Training leaders for the Native American Church

Prayer Requests:

1. Please continue to pray for spiritual growth of our students.
2. Pray for wisdom for Mokahum staff and instructors.
3. Pray for us as we travel to raise support.
4. Pray for the growth of Mokahum and that people will become more aware of the ministry that Mokahum offers.

Basketball Schedule for the Week

Feb. 6	9:30 AM	Jr. High Boys	Christ Church
Feb. 6	1:30 PM	Midget Boys	ARP
Feb. 6	2:00 PM	Mites	W. Pres. II
Feb. 13	9:30 AM	I-Mites	Finlay Hall


Missionary Speaker

Bill Carr, MTW missionary in Northern Minnesota, training leaders for the Native American Church will be our guest on Wednesday, February 3 to speak to us about his mission field.




Young At Heart

The Young At Heart will have a Valentine Luncheon this month at the Red Lobster on Feb. 15th at 11:45 am. Reservations must be in with Judy Brigman (242-2939) or Jenny Spears (430-7396) by Feb. 8th. If you would like to join us (Young At Heart is open to any age) please make your reservations today. We will meet at the Red Lobster, order from the menu and have a wonderful time of fellowship.




ANNUAL SPORTS BANQUET
Wednesday, February 24th
5:30 pm

Mark your calendars and join us as we honor our athletes and teams for their 2015-16 sports participation.




Sympathy


We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Iris Dillard and family in the death of Marion on January 26, 2016. We are thankful for the life and service of Marion and pray for the family during this time of grief and loss.
"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."
 Psalm 116:15




WIC Game Night



Friday, February 5th @ 6:00 pm
 Church Fellowship Hall
 For females of all ages
 Supper will be provided
 Bring your favorite game!
 ? call Alice Barnett (906-0166)




Join us for this time of great fellowship, fun and good eating...come relax and have a "girls night out!"



ANNUAL VALENTINE BANQUET

"When I Fall in Love"
Friday, February 12, 2016
6:30 pm * Church Gym
Cost: \$10.00 per person
(12 years old and up)



Nursery provided for children under 12
 Please make reservations by Wednesday, Feb. 7 with Ken Safford or Robert Spears.
 You may also pay online or bring your check to the church office.
 Make checks payable to Second Presbyterian Church.



Showering with Love

WIC
cordially invites all ladies to a Bridal Shower for
Carrie Looper
Saturday, February 20, 2016
10:00 am - 11:30 am
Fellowship Hall


Please contact the church if you have a change of address, cell or home phone number, email, etc. (jgrant@spcgreenville.org) We are updating the data base for our new online church directory.

Membership Class

Begins Sunday, February 14 @ 9:45am
 Fellowship Hall taught by Pastor Phillips
 The class will meet each Sunday for 8 weeks.
 Attending the class does not obligate one to join the church, however, you are requested to take the class before joining the church.

Communicants Class Begins


A Communicants Class will be held beginning Sunday, February 28. The class will meet at 10:00 on Sunday mornings in classroom S-307. Parents who judge their child ready to meet with the Session for communicant membership should bring their child to the class. If you have any questions please contact Melton L. Duncan, 232-7621, ext. 14.



Ladies of Second Presbyterian

You are cordially invited to attend the

WIC Prayer Breakfast



"Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving." COLOSSIANS 4:2
 Saturday, February 27, 2016
 10:00 AM * Church Fellowship Hall
 Contact Laurie Farley (864-918-9186) with questions.

2016 PCA Women's Conference

"TRANSFORMED"
 Christ Covenant PCA in Matthews, NC
 October 28-29, 2016

Join us as we seek to be TRANSFORMED through studying Romans 11:33-12:2 together. The conference will feature keynote speaker, Nancy Guthrie, worship, workshops and other opportunities to connect. Early registration begins February 1st and is \$75.00. For group travel/hotel information please email Cindy Duncan.
 CindyADuncan@gmail.com
 For more information about the conference go to:
<http://www.pcadm.org/transformed2016/>



television talk shows, rock concerts, or sporting events—in short, to entertain. Therefore the demand for organs and organists have greatly declined, and in turn college and university music programs, which once had thriving organ programs, are barely surviving or have closed down altogether making organists more and more scarce.

However, I am deeply grateful that here at Second Presbyterian we have leadership and a congregation, who are more devoted to the Word of God and what He has to say than what our culture wants to communicate through the popular forms of music and entertainment. These forms demand nothing from us and leave us where we were before we encountered them, but great music and art are reflections of the character and creativity of God and challenge us to submit our own likes and opinions to more noble and beautiful patterns and designs. It is our delight and duty to conform to God’s Word and His patterns, not the other way round. This is one reason, by the way, why hymns and Psalms have also been abandoned by modern American churches—they require something of us. But they, in turn, have the ability, as they direct us to a great and majestic God, to elevate our thinking and help us worship in truth and in Spirit.

But what is so special about organs you might ask? The organ, because it makes sound very similarly to the human voice (a volume of air moving through a tube causing specific vibrations to resonate creating discernable timbre and pitch) is the perfect instrument to accompany, support, encourage and strengthen the singing of human beings—us! Up until recent history this has been the standard throughout the Western world and this is why the majority of the time in our worship we utilize the pipe organ for our congregational singing. The organ’s purpose for existence is to undergird and support the singing of people—God’s people! This is also why the vast majority of them are located in houses of worship.

And what type of singing are we speaking about? Hymn and Psalm singing of course. It just so happens that the organ is also ideally suited to accompany these kinds of songs because it has the ability to sustain sound and because all of the vocal parts, of which hymns and metrical Psalms are made up, can be played simultaneously and heard distinctly. We sing hymns and



Psalms here at Second Presbyterian because of the rich theology found within them, because of the way they tie us to believers throughout the ages, and because they have been tried and found true in the way they enable us to together engage in an activity of worship which requires mind, body, volition and spirit to work together. Hymns and organs were made for each other.

So as you sing in worship remember that this activity should not be seen as merely a time to stand up and stretch before and after the sermon. Sing with a mind toward heaven for the glory of the Lord, Jesus Christ. As was written in the prologue of an 18th century hymnal, “Sing spiritually – have an eye to God in every word you sing. Aim at pleasing Him more than yourself, or any other creature.”

If you have been a member of this church the past few years you will well know that the manner in which hymns are played differ with every organist. I would ask that, as we get used to Dr. Coleman and as he gets to know us, you will be patient as he and I develop a ministry relationship which, I pray, will continue for many years. I would also ask you, as Pastor Spears was encouraging last Sunday evening, to get involved in the music ministry of our church. There are many of you who have the ability to sing in our choir but for one reason or another have not yet gotten involved. Let this new beginning in our church’s ministry of music be a time of new beginnings for you—join the choir! And let us all, as we gather in worship each Lord’s day, join our voices with the voices of the heavenly host singing praises to Him who lives and reigns forever and ever. To Him be the glory alone!

In Christ,
Verlyn Smoker
Director of Music



SPC Bible Reading Plan

Each week in the Herald we will provide the upcoming week’s schedule for the SPC Bible Reading Plan taught during the Sunday School hour by Pastor Spears. We invite all members to participate in this exciting adventure of reading through the Bible in one year. The complete schedule is available from Pastor Spears or from the church office.

February 7	Exodus 25-27
February 8	Exodus 28-29
February 9	Exodus 30-32
February 10	Exodus 33-35
February 11	Exodus 36-38
February 12	Exodus 39-40
February 13	Leviticus 1-4



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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 - 6:55 PM *
Adult Bible Study - 7:25 PM

Corner of River and Rhett

ON GREETING VISITORS

1. Approach people, welcome them, don't wait for them to come to you.
2. Show new people to their seats. If you're worried about it ask them, 'Would you like me to show you to your seat?'
3. If you can, sit them next to someone who will talk to them and turn to them after the service.
4. There are people in every church who are great at giving up their seats and making room for others. Get in the habit of being inconvenienced for others. That will be a great help particularly with latecomers who are often visitors.
5. Pay attention to older visitors and people with special needs.
6. Ask folks if they need a lift somewhere after the service.
7. Some people want to practice hospitality each Sunday. Let your elders know if you would be open to sharing a meal with visitors.
8. Realize that greeting doesn't end with the call to worship.
9. Look out for outsiders after the service and aim to speak with them.
10. Try and speak with new families and get the minister or an elder to welcome them and explain about our church service.

Some good words on church hospitality towards visitors adapted from Reformation21.org

~The Editor 

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WORSHIP AT SECOND
THE LORD'S DAY
February 7, 2016

MORNING WORSHIP
8:30 & 11:00

THE SABBATH REST
Genesis 2:1-3
Anthem: How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

EVENING WORSHIP
6:00 PM

I AM THE BREAD OF LIFE
John 6:25-35
Hymns: 342, 279, 301
Psalm 102 (verses 23-28)
Rev. Scott C. Cook preaching



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Letter from the Director of Music

This Sunday is significant in the musical life of our church as we will be welcoming a new staff member to our ministry of music. Dr. David Coleman will be starting his duties as our permanent organist this week and I am most grateful to God for answering our prayers. David is not only an outstanding musician, he is a devoted Christian and has been a practicing church musician beginning in his teen years, throughout his studies at Erskine College and Indiana University, and even while in optometry school in Memphis, Tennessee. He is delighted to be joining us to use his gifts and abilities for the glory of God by providing inspiring offerings of music and supporting the worship of God and the singing of His people in the context of the gathering of the saints.

Since we arrived at Second church in June of 2014, securing a permanent organist has been at the top of my priority list. In the interim we have nineteen different substitutes play for us and during that time I have asked you to pray for God's direction and provision. Now, my prayer request is that we would be a blessing to Dr. Coleman and that he would be a blessing to us as well.

Obviously, it took this long to locate the right organist for our congregation because we needed to wait on God's timing, but there are less conspicuous reasons this was so. The organ has fallen on tough times in the evangelical church in America. Many organs have been replaced by the ubiquitous "praise band," jazz combo, or keyboard/guitar combination, even in many PCA and reformed churches. The reasons for this are myriad but primarily it boils down to what I call worship-tainment. Worship services are seen as needing to imitate