Church Calendar				
Sunday, January 29				
8:30 AM	MORNING WORSHIP			
9:50 AM	Children's Chapel			
10:00 AM	SUNDAY SCHOOL			
11:00 AM	MORNING WORSHIP			
5:30 PM	Season of Prayer in the Chapel			
6:00 PM	EVENING WORSHIP			
7:30 PM	Missions Interest Meeting			
Tuesday, January 31				
10:00 AM	WIC Bible Study			
5:30 PM	Mites Basketball practice			
6:30 PM	I-Mites Basketball practice			
Wednesday, February 1				
5:00 PM	WIC Council			
5:30 PM	FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER			
6:15 PM	Hope Choir (4 & 5 year olds)			
6:15 PM	Covenant Choir (1st-6th grades)			
6:15 PM	Youth Choir (7th-12th grades)			
6:55 PM	CAT Kids/Covenant Kids			
6:55 PM	Jr. and 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			
8:15 PM	Sr. High Boys Basketball practice			
Thursday, February 2				
4:00 PM	Minors Basketball practice			
5:00 PM	Jr. High Boys Basketball practice			
6:00 PM	Evangelism Explosion Training			
Friday, February 3				
12:00 PM	Men's Lunch and Bible Study			

Upcoming Events

Jan. 25	CE Committee Meeting
Jan. 28	Calvary Presbytery at Bailey Manor
Feb. 1	WIC Council
Feb. 6	Diaconate Meeting
Feb. 8	Pastoral Care Committee
Feb. 8	Missions Committee
Feb. 11	WIC Shower for Rebekah McDaniel
Feb. 12	Finance Committee Meeting
Feb. 12	Worship & Music Committee
Feb. 12	Membership Class begins
Feb. 13	Session Meeting
Feb. 14-15	WIC Circles
Feb. 15	Administration Committee Meeting
Feb. 18	WIC Prayer Breakfast
Feb. 19	The Lord's Supper at the evening service
Feb. 20	Young At Heart
Feb. 21	Young Adult Bible Study
Feb. 22	CE Committee Meeting
Feb. 22	Sports Banquet
Feb. 26	Communicants' Class begins
Feb. 28	Young Adult Bible Study

Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 8:1-2

O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babies and infants, you have established strength because of your foes, to still the enemy and the avenger. (ESV)

Remembering One Another

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

Lila Riggins

801 Musgrove Street Clinton, SC 29325

Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

Dennis and Chris Zimmerman

Kye Zimmerman

Mark and Gloria Abate

Missionary for the Week

Child Evangelism Fellowship (CEF)





Through December 2016
8,278 Children
488 Salvations
1,617 Volunteers
114 School Clubs in 94 Schools
13 Community Clubs

Second Pres sponsors two Good News Clubs: Augusta Circle Elementary and the Kroc Center. Pray for the leaders, volunteers, teachers, and children. If you would like to become involved please see Cyndi Player.



Basketball Schedule for the Week



Jan. 26	7:00 pm	Men	W. Pres. 1
Jan. 26	8:00 pm	Women	St. Matthew
Jan. 28	9:20 am	Mites	AYMC/FBC 1
Jan. 28	10:00 am	I-Mites	Christ Church- Finlay
Jan. 28	12:00 pm	Minors	W. Pres. 1
Jan. 28	12:30 pm	Jr. High Boys	St. George

Calvary Presbytery

The one hundredth and thirty third stated meeting of Calvary Presbytery will be Saturday, January 28th at 9:00 am at Bailey Manor. Please be in prayer for the meeting and for the commissioners who will be attending from Second. Visitors are welcome.

Missions Interest Meeting

There will be a Missions Interest Meeting in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the evening worship service, January 29th. If you are interested in one of the SPC mission trips or would just like to find out more information please plan on attending this meeting.

Young At Heart

The February Young At Heart luncheon will be on Monday, February 20 at 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. The cost of the meal is \$7.50 payable at the door. This month our own Sharon Phillips will share with us the powerful message of "Loving One Another". Mark your calendars and don't miss this special time of delicious food, great fellowship and wonderful speakers.

NIC

cordially invites all ladies to a Baby Shower for

Rebekah McDaniel

Saturday, February 11, 2017
10:00 am - 11:30 pm
Church Fellowship Hall
Rebekah is registered at Target and Buy Buy Baby.



Young Adult Bible Study

February 21st and February 28th
Come enjoy a time of food, fellowship,
and study with other young adults at Second.
Time and location to be determined.
If you have any questions
please see Stephen Spinnenweber.



ANNUAL SPORTS BANQUET Wednesday, February 22nd 5:30 pm

Speaker: Rev. Chad Bailey

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

Communicants' Class begins February 28th.

If any parents believes their child is ready for Communicant membership at Second please plan on attending this class. If you have any questions please see Scott Cook or Chad Bailey.

Membership Class

Begins Sunday, February 12 @ 9:45am Fellowship Hall taught by Pastor Phillips The class will meet each Sunday for 8 weeks (except Easter Sunday).

Attending the class does not obligate one to join the church, however, you are requested to take the class before joining the church.



"Pancakęs and Prayer"

ANNUAL WIC PRAYER BREAKFAST Saturday, February 18, 2017 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Please join us for a delicious pancake breakfast and a structured time of prayer and hymn singing led by our WIC Council. It is always a wonderful time of fellowship as we gather together to pray for our church, community and nation. We hope you will make plans to attend! Please RSVP to Laurie Farley at laurelfarley@ymail.com.

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 online and pictorial directories.

The Lord's Supper February 19, 2017 Evening Worship Service



until we get buried under a multitude of superstitions" Calvin warned. The experience in evangelical churches today confirms Calvin's concern and warning.

Following these convictions, our church adheres to the Reformation approach known as the "regulative principle" of worship. The Westminster Confession of Faith, explains this principle:

The acceptable way of worshipping the true God is instituted by Himself, and so limited by His own revealed will, that He may not be worshipped according to the imaginations and devices of men, or the suggestions of Satan, under any visible representation, or any other way not prescribed in the Holy Scripture (WCF 21.1).

This states that God has told us how He desires to be worshiped and that we are to worship in obedience to the commands and relevant examples of the Bible concerning worship. Key to this approach is an emphasis on biblical "elements" in worship. Our worship service is to be made up of elements – activities – that all have biblical warrant through explicit commands or examples. These biblical elements include the reading of Scripture, the sound preaching of God's Word, corporate prayer, the faithful administration of the sacraments, the giving of tithes and sacrifices, and the singing of praise to God. You will note that these are the primary elements in our worship service at Second Church. Indeed, from start to finish, every element in our worship service is based on a biblical command or example, since we desire to worship the Lord in a way that is acceptable to Him.

Let me suggest how this approach should shape our attitude to worship together. First, this reminds us that we approach a sovereign deity who calls us to obey His Word. He says, "To obey is better than sacrifice" (1 Sam. 15:22). We do not come to God demanding to have things our way, but submitting to His good and perfect, sovereign will. Second, when we worship biblically, we have a great cause to rejoice, since God's way of worship directs us to the saving work of Jesus Christ. God wants us to draw near to Him through faith in Christ's blood,



to praise Him, to pray to Him, to learn from Him, and to meet with Him. What good news this is for us! Third, and perhaps most importantly, we come for the purpose of worshiping God and not ourselves or our felt needs. Worship always has an object, and the object – the recipient – of our worship – is not the congregation, nor the visitors, but the God whose name we praise. To put it a bit differently, we do not come to church "to get something for ourselves," but to give our praise to God: worship is for Him, and not for us. The beauty of biblical worship is, however, that when we worship in such a God-centered and God-glorifying way, we get so much out of it! He has designed it that the best thing for us is to give ourselves wholly to God, so that biblical, God-centered worship is the most evangelistic and most edifying worship possible. To Him be the glory as we worship Him today!

May the Lord bless you this week.

In Christ's Love, Pastor Rick Phillips

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Morning Worship - 8:30 and 11:00 AM * Evening Worship - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: Supper - 5:30 PM * Prayer Meeting - 6:55 PM

Adult Bible Study - 7:25 PM



Reading Through the Bible in 2017

Below is the new schedule for reading through the Bible in 2017. We invite all members to participate in this exciting adventure of reading through the Bible in one year. The amount of reading is balanced each day, rotating from OT to NT and using Sundays as "catch-up" days.

Jan. 30	Exodus 1-4
Jan. 31	Exodus 5-7
Feb. 1	Exodus 8-10
Feb. 2	Exodus 11-13
Feb. 3	Exodus 14-17
Feb. 4	Exodus 18-2



REMINDERS

- There are still 2017 offering envelopes on the table outside the library. If you have not picked up your envelopes please do so this week. The Deacons are asking everyone to use the 2017 envelopes for accurate accounting purposes.
- There are still dates available to put Memorial Flowers in the church sanctuary for our Sunday worship services. If you would like to reserve a date please contact Judy Bishop (246-0951).
- If you would like to volunteer to help with the Good News Clubs beginning mid-January, please contact Cyndi Player (864-483-4644).
- If you are interested in being a part of our vibrant ministry of singing and worship leadership, please contact Verlyn Smoker (864-979-9378).

Corner of River and Rhett

2017 Mission Dates

Missions Interest Meeting January 29, 2017 (following evening service) **Fellowship Hall**

> Mission Trip to Cajamarca, Peru July 21-29, 2017 **Team Leader: Chad Bailey**

Mission Trip to Cherokee Reservation July 22-29, 2017 Team Leader: Ken Pujdak

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Hugh Player, Chairman David Bragdon Melton L. Duncan Sarah George Sarah Grubbs Elizabeth Madrid Ken Pujdak Richard D. Phillips

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: 19, 20 (ESV)



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Letter from the Senior Minister Biblical "Acceptable" Worship

In reflecting on the great blessings God has given us through His Son, the writer of Hebrews urged us, "Let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire" (Heb. 12:28-29). Worship should be, according to Hebrews, acceptable to God, offered in a reverent way, by those who approach God with amazement and wonder.

This raises an essential question, namely, what is worship that is acceptable to God? Many people believe that as long as our worship is sincere and well-meant, then God must surely accept it. But according to the Bible, we are to worship God in accordance with His Word. That is, God has told us what kind of worship is acceptable to Him. The way for us to offer acceptable worship, then, is to worship in accordance with Holy Scripture.

This emphasis on biblical worship stems from the Protestant Reformation. Having returned to biblical doctrine, it was inevitable that the Reformed churches would insist on biblical worship. Two concerns motivated this conservative approach to worship. The first was a desire to exalt God's sovereignty over His church. The second was a humble belief that we, as the creatures, simply lack the competence to devise means for worshiping our holy God, especially given our tendency to sin and folly. As John Calvin wrote, "it tends greatly to establish God's authority that we do not follow our own pleasure." Meanwhile, he reminded us that we simply are not spiritually competent to devise our own means for worship: "once we have turned from the right path, there is no end to our wanderings,