

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 23

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 12:30 PM New Member's Luncheon in Gym
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**

Tuesday, April 25

10:00 AM WIC Bible Study

Wednesday, April 26

5:00 PM CE Committee Meeting
 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. & 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

Thursday, April 27

9:00 AM Calvary Presbytery @ Clemson PCA
 6:00 PM Evangelism Explosion
 7:00 PM Spring Student Recital

Friday, April 28

12:00 PM Men's Lunch & Bible Study
 6:00 PM High School/Middle School Light House

Saturday, April 29

11:30 AM WIC Spring Luncheon

Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 30: 10-12

*Hear, O LORD, and be merciful to me! O LORD, be my helper!
 You have turned for me my mourning into dancing;
 you have loosed my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,
 that my glory may sing your praise and not be silent.
 O LORD my God, I will give thanks to you forever! (ESV)*

Upcoming Events

April 19 Administration Committee Meeting
 April 23 New Members' Reception & Luncheon
 April 23 The Lord's Supper at the evening service
 April 26 CE Committee Meeting
 April 27 Calvary Presbytery @ Clemson PCA
 April 28 HS/Middle School Lighthouse @ church
 April 29 WIC Spring Luncheon
 April 30 Evangelism & Discipleship Committee
 May 1 Diaconate Meeting
 May 3 WIC Council
 May 3 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
 May 3 Graduation Banquet
 May 4 National Day of Prayer
 May 7 Elder Vow Renewal
 May 7 Worship & Music Committee Meeting
 May 8 Session Meeting
 May 9 WIC Circles
 May 10 Missions Committee Meeting
 May 10 CAT Kids Program
 May 13 WIC Bridal Shower
 (Kailyn Elliott/Robert Pennington)
 May 14 Mother's Day
 May 15 Young At Heart Spring Picnic
 May 17 Administration Committee Meeting
 May 17 CAT Kids Spring Fling
 May 21 The Lord's Supper at the morning services
 May 24 CE Committee Meeting
 May 24 Musical CAT Kids begins
 May 28 Safety Sunday
 May 28 Youth Fellowship Lunch in Fellowship Hall
 May 29 Church Office Closed for Memorial Day
 May 31 Missionary Speaker: Guillermo Salinas

**If you have a date for the May calendar
 please contact the church office this week.**

232-7621, ext. 101

jgrant@spcgreenville.org

Remembering One Another

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

Vera Lane Griffin
 Shepherd's Care, Room 115
 2100 N. Pleasantburg Drive
 Greenville, SC 29609
 864-270-7384

Praying For One Another

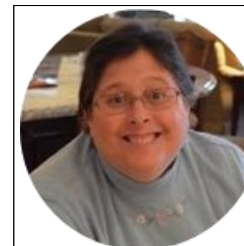
Remember in prayer this week the following members.

John and Linda Carrick
 Avi

Jordan and Jeni Carter
 JP, Charles, Addis, Edward, Katherine

Randy and Nancy Carter

Missionary for the Week



JUNE GALLMAN
Presbyterian Evangelistic
Fellowship
Costa Rica

June has been an educator at a women's prison in San Jose for 20 years teaching English. She also teaches 7th-9th grade English. She also owns a half-way house that will house several of the women inmates and their children once they are released. She is working to increase that number and eventually own another home.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- Salvation of Inmates
- Her health and ability to work
- The half-way house "Casa Eleos"
- Finances to purchase the necessary items for the classes being taught in the prison



New Members' Luncheon

All members and visitors are cordially invited to a luncheon honoring our new members, **Sunday, April 23, 2017** immediately following the 11:00 morning worship service in the church gymnasium.

Meat and drinks will be provided. **Church members are asked to bring generous portions of side dishes (vegetables, salads, breads) and desserts.**

New Members will be introduced at the 11:00 am worship service on April 23, 2017.

Directory Pictures

Pictures of our new members will be taken at the luncheon on April 23 for the church directory and the online directory. If you would like to update your picture in the directory please plan to do so at this time.

SPC Spring Student Recital

Come join us for our first annual Spring Student Recital to be held in the sanctuary of Second Presbyterian Church on Thursday, April 27, at 7:00 pm. This free program will present an opportunity to hear several of our Junior and Senior High youth share their musical abilities on the piano, violin, cello and bagpipe. A reception will follow and all are welcome to attend.

Mark Your Calendars

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| June 4 | All Adult Sunday School begins |
| June 12-16 | General Assembly, Greensboro NC |
| June 26-July 1 | Sr. High Beach Trip to Edisto Island |
| July 1 | Church Picnic |
| July 10-14 | Vacation Bible School <i>www.spcgreenville.org</i> |



WIC Ladies Spring Luncheon

Saturday, April 29th
11:30 am - 1:00 pm
Fellowship Hall

Ruthie Delk, speaker and author (*cravinggrace.org*)

During our time together, Ruthie Delk, author of "Craving Grace" will give us a fresh look at the gospel and how it can bring healing and hope to our weary hearts.

"It is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace."

Hebrews 13:9

Please RSVP to Laurie Farley
laurelfarley@ymail.com
Nursery provided.

Men's Chorus Singing in May

A men's chorus will be singing for the evening worship service on Sunday, May 7, and all men of the church are welcome to participate. Rehearsals will take place in the choir room on Sunday afternoons April 23, 30, and May 7, from 5:20 to 5:45 pm. Hope to see you there!

Congratulations to Bill Watkins

His book, **Crossroads for Liberty** won IBPA's Benjamin Franklin Gold Award for Political & Current Events at the 29th annual Benjamin Franklin Awards recognizing excellence in books published during the calendar year 2016. From close to 1,400 entries, three or four finalists were named in each of fifty-five categories for a total of 169 finalists. The winner was announced during IBPA's annual ceremony, Friday, April 7th in San Francisco. For nearly 30 years, IBPA's Benjamin Franklin Awards have been regarded as one of the highest national honors for small and independent publishers.

Elders' Vow Renewal

The Elders will renew their vows at the evening worship service on May 7, 2017.



Graduation Banquet



Wednesday, May 3, 2017
5:30 PM * Church Gymnasium

Join us as we honor our 2017 graduates:
If you are graduating in May or December 2017, and have not contacted the church office please do so this week.
232-7621, ext. 101 or jgrant@spcgreenville.org



CAT Kids Program



Wednesday, May 10
Supper: 5:30 PM
Program: 7:00 PM

Come and see what our covenant children have learned this year in CAT Kids.
Musical CAT Kids will begin May 24th.

It's Time to Join the Choir

Following Easter is a great time to join the Chancel Choir! On Wednesday evening, April 26, the choir will resume rehearsals and will begin to prepare our musical offerings for the late spring and summer months. This presents an excellent time to join our ranks since we will be starting afresh following our Holy Week services. There is a need for additional singers, especially ladies, and NOW is a great time to jump in. Please call me if you have any questions. Verlyn Smoker, 232-7621, x 105.



Showering with Love

WIC
cordially invites all ladies to a
Bridal Shower for

Kaifyn Elliott (Robert Pennington)

Saturday, May 13, 2017
10:00 am - 11:30 am
Fellowship Hall





Church membership also involves supporting the church in its work. Under normal circumstances, each member should be actively involved in some form of service, whether it is teaching children's Sunday School or helping in the nursery, ushering, visiting the sick, and inviting friends and neighbors to church. We all have spiritual gifts, and they belong not to us but to one another, and our gifts are to be employed in the church for the work of the gospel. We are "individually members one of another." (Rom. 12:5) Moreover, we should all be faithful in evangelism and fervent in personal and corporate prayer.

Church membership involves financial support of the church. God's Word teaches us to support the Lord's work by giving regularly, proportionately and joyfully: "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income." (1 Cor. 16:2) Our regular pattern should be to tithe, which means giving a tenth of our gross income to support the church. But many of us will be able to give more, "for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9:7)

Submit. God has ordained elders and shepherds to oversee the church, and this requires that church members submit to this spiritual authority. "Obey your leaders and submit to them," says the Bible, "for they are keeping watch over your souls, as those who will have to give an account." (Heb. 13:17) This surely implies that you should be praying for your pastors, elders, and deacons, who have a heavy obligation and are subject to spiritual attack. I especially want to echo Paul's request that you pray "also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel... that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak." (Eph. 6:19-20)

Study: Our church membership vows include the promise to "study the purity and peace" of the church. This means that members are called to lead lives that will honor our Lord Jesus Christ, and that will encourage our brothers and sisters to mature in their faith. It is important how you live! Moreover, we are to study – that is, to actively cultivate – the peace of the church. Paul writes that we must bear with one another, "eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." (Eph. 4:3) We should loathe few things more than that



should gladly suffer all manner of personal loss for the sake of the spiritual well-being of the church and its members.

None of these vows involve a special or onerous obligation. These are the normal commitments every Christian should happily make. And we will not find any of this burdensome. Rather, as we live together in Christ, thinking more highly of others than ourselves and being zealous for the gospel, God will bless us all together with righteousness, peace, and joy, and he will use our church for things that will last forever.

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Phillips



New Members

Jeff and Bethany Gearhart
 Non-communicating children: Clara, Adeline, Eleanor
 Louise McAlister
 Brian and Sarah Moore
 Sam and Jingle Robinson

Communicants

Hannah Bailey, Benton George, Nate Johnson
 Lauren Laughter, Cole Owens, Owen Reese, Reese Scoggins

CHURCH INFORMATION

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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 - 5:30 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.

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| Apr. 24 | Romans 5-8 |
| Apr. 25 | Romans 9-12 |
| Apr. 26 | Romans 13-16 |
| Apr. 27 | Joshua 1-4 |
| Apr. 28 | Joshua 5-8 |
| Apr. 29 | Joshua 9-11 |

SPC Mission Trips

Mission Trip to Trujillo, Peru
 July 21-29, 2017
 Team Leader: Chad Bailey
cbailey@spcgreenville.org
 Commitment Deadline:
April 30, 2017 * \$850 Deposit due

Mission Trip to Cherokee Reservation
 July 22-29, 2017
 Team Leader: Ken Pujdak
AgentK@OrionRealtyBroker.com
 Commitment Deadline:
April 30, 2017 * \$300 Deposit due

The Second Presbyterian Church summer mission trip to Trujillo, Peru will be July 21-29. Please consider joining us for a time of mutual encouragement and spiritual blessing as we seek to serve the church. April 24 is the deadline for the deposit in the amount of \$850.00. The deposit is for travel within Peru (flight, shuttle, hotel) and the deadline is due to the time it takes to secure the related accommodations. If you would like to go on this trip, please contact Chad Bailey by next week.

Corner of River and Rhett

Good News From The Good News Clubs

According to Child Evangelism Fellowship coordinator Cyndi Player, the Good News Club at Augusta Circle School has ended for the semester, but numerous reports have been received from parents of children who participated. Several said how much their children enjoyed the club and looked forward to it every week. Cyndi says that one parent mentioned using the club's weekly "homework" page brought home by their child in their family devotional time each day of the following week.

Cyndi will be attending a C.E.F. Coordinator Briefing on May 2 to find out what new things may be on tap for next year. Please pray for the continuing Kroc Center Club ministry and keep bringing in easily prepared, non-perishable food items to the church office for the Augusta Circle Backpack Blessings program until the actual end of the school year. If you have questions about C.E.F. and the Good News Clubs, ask Cyndi Player, or RE Al Wills, who is on the C.E.F. Board.



NEW ADDRESSES

Robert and Christian Trautner
102 N. Staghorn Lane
Greer, SC 29650-4066

Remington and Irene Siemen
104 Lincoln Street
Greenville, SC 29601

Mark and Kathy Hoagland
10 Manly Street
Greenville, SC 29605

Please make these changes in your church directory.

The Second Presbyterian Church

105 River Street
Greenville, South Carolina 29601-2537

Return Service Requested

WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY
April 23, 2017
MORNING WORSHIP
8:30 am & 11:00 am
GOD OF THE IMPOSSIBLE
Genesis 17:15-27
Hymns: 62, (141/359) 602
Anthem: Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching
EVENING WORSHIP
6:00 pm
FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH
Acts 7:54-60
Hymns: 298, 546, 420
Psalm 136
Rev. Chad T. Bailey preaching

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Letter from the Senior Minister
Membership Vows

This Lord's Day we are delighted to introduce new members into our congregation. It is my prayer that all those who have joined will be greatly blessed through this church and that they will be a blessing to us and a help to the work of the gospel here.

Married couples find that it is helpful to attend weddings, since they are reminded of the vows they gave one another. In a similar way, I hope all church members pay attention to the vows taken by the new members this Sunday. We sometimes are tempted to think that it is the new members who will take our church forward in ministry, but the reality is that it is the faithfulness of all members – old and new – that enables us to be effective in serving God. Let me therefore remind us all of our membership vows, solemn promises that are most fitting for Christians to make.

Support: The first promise is to support the church in its worship and work. Members support the church in its worship by attending regularly and participating in a spiritual and wholehearted manner. The Bible tells us not "to give up meeting together." (Heb. 10:25) I can tell you that it encourages the preacher to have the members present and actively participating! But it encourages everyone to see their brothers and sisters faithfully gathering as a church. Allowing for illness or works of necessity and mercy, Christians ought to support the morning and evening worship services on the Lord's Day, as well as activities that occur throughout the week whenever possible. Our attitude should be, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." (Ps. 122:10)