

## Church Calendar

### Sunday, September 3

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**  
 9:45 AM Membership Class  
 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**

### Monday, September 4

**Church Office Closed**

6:30 AM Men's Bible Study

### Tuesday, September 5

6:00 PM Young Adult Bible Study

### Wednesday, September 6

5:00 PM WIC Council  
 5:00 PM Pastoral Care Committee Meeting  
 5:30 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**  
 6:15 PM Hope Choir (4 & 5 year olds)  
 6:15 PM Covenant Choir (grades 1-6)  
 6:15 PM Youth Ensemble (grades 7-12)  
 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, September 7

6:00 PM Mission to Main

### Friday, September 8

12:00 PM Men's Lunch and Bible Study

## Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 48:1-3

*Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised in the city of our God! His holy mountain, beautiful in elevation, is the joy of all the earth, Mount Zion, in the far north, the city of the great King. Within her citadels God has made himself known as a fortress. (ESV)*

## Upcoming Events

Sept. 3 Membership Class Begins  
 Sept. 3 Adult Sunday School resumes  
 Sept. 3-10 Deacon Nominations  
 Sept. 4 Church Office Closed  
 Sept. 5 & 19 Young Adult Bible Study  
 Sept. 6 WIC Council  
 Sept. 6 Pastoral Care Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 10 Finance Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 10 Worship & Music Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 10 Reception for Scott and Christina Cook  
 Sept. 11 Diaconate Meeting  
 Sept. 11 Session Meeting  
 Sept. 12-13 WIC Circles  
 Sept. 13 Missions Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 13 Mission Team Reports  
 Sept. 17 The Lord's Supper at the morning services  
 Sept. 17 Deacon Training Begins  
 Sept. 18 Young At Heart resumes  
 Sept. 19 WIC Bible Study resumes  
 Sept. 20 Administration Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 22 Youth Trip to Gravitopia  
 Sept. 27 CE Committee Meeting  
 Sept. 29 WIC Fun Night

**—The church office will be closed  
 Monday, September 4 for Labor Day.  
 —Diaconate Meeting has been moved  
 to Monday, September 11th.**

## Mark Your Calendars

Oct. 13-15 Greenville Conference on Reformed Theology  
 Oct. 21 Church Picnic  
 Oct. 25 Reformation Party  
 Oct. 29 Reformation Sunday

## Remembering One Another

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

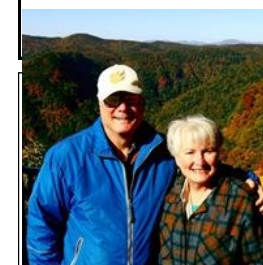
**Henry Montgomery**  
 564 S. Buckhorn Road  
 Greenville, SC 29609  
 864-244-4542

## Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

**Timothy Johnson**  
  
**Mary Jones**  
  
**Kathy Karr**

## Missions for the Week



**Rev. & Mrs. Rick Brawner**  
**RUF International**  
**Clemson University**

Rick Brawner seeks to pastor the international university community at Clemson University through Biblical hospitality by building relationships. His goal is to reach and equip these internationals by providing RUF International activities and regular outings. These venues open opportunities for internationals to meet fellow American Christians who volunteer and creates an environment for natural evangelism, investigative Bible study, discipleship, and also fellowship within the local PCA church.

[www.ruf.org/ministry/clemson-university-ruf-international](http://www.ruf.org/ministry/clemson-university-ruf-international)

## Truth for Life

Adult Sunday School classes will resume Sunday, Sept. 3rd. Please refer to flyers located on bulletin boards throughout the church for available classes, teachers, and what the classes will be studying. We have a variety of classes with excellent teachers available for all ages. Look forward to seeing everyone at SS as we begin our new fall schedule.

## Fall Basketball



**Church League Basketball sign-ups  
for the 2017-2018 season**  
[www.spcgreenville.org/signups](http://www.spcgreenville.org/signups)



Basketball sign-ups will run Aug. 28th-Sept. 18th. On the Home page will be a link for Basketball information that will take you to an online form to register for basketball and pay the fees. **Please sign up early to help us with planning.** Games will begin in Nov. and run through Feb. Contact Chad Scoggins for more information.

## Young At Heart

The first fall monthly luncheon of the Young At Heart will be Monday, September 18, 11:45 am in the Fellowship Hall. Cost of the catered lunch is \$7.50 per person payable at the door. Pastor Chad Bailey will speak to us on "A Testimony of Faithfulness." Mark your calendars so you won't miss out on this opportunity of fellowship and ministry.

## Good News Clubs



Second Presbyterian congregation is again privileged to be able to participate in spreading the gospel to public school children through the Good News Clubs. We have sponsored a club at Augusta Circle Elementary for 14 years, and for several years have been involved in the program at the Kroc Center. We are in need of volunteers. Clubs will begin in mid-late September. Pray for plans, preparations, teachers and volunteers for this new school year. Please contact Cyndi Player if you are interested at [864-483-4644](tel:864-483-4644).

## Deacon Nominations: Aug. 27-Sept. 10

### Men Eligible for Nomination to the Office of Deacon

Angell, Aaron	DuBose-Schmitt, Heinrich	Hoopes, Rainey	McKenney, Ray	Siemen, Remington
Babb, Larry	Early, Gordon	Hu, Carl	McMillian, John	Slayton, David
Barbier, Caleb	Eller, David	Hughes, Dave	McNeil, Dan	Spell, Jeffrey
Baxa, Mark	Farley, Alan	Icard, Randy	Moore, Steve	Strickland, Mark
Bianchi, Joe	Fields, Chuck	Johnson, Nate	Myers, Barry	Styles, Gregg
Bishop, Jim	George, David	King, Fitz	O'Brien, Bill	Upton, Nathan
Bouchillon, Aaron	Godwin, Roger	King, John	Owens, Tim	Wagner, Richard
Briggs, Larry	Gray, John	Korol, Jason	Pitts, Larry	Walton, Todd
Bulla, Don	Griffin, John	Leathers, Jim	Plourde, Garison	Welch, Brian
Butler, Ed	Griffin, Matt	Looper, Grant	Pratt, Brice	Welker, Don
Carmichael, Stu	Grubbs, Scott	Looper, Jimmy	Pratt, James	Whigham, Martin
Carter, Jordan	Guy, Larry	Mahon, Ron	Price, Sonny	Wright, Lloyd
Carter, Randy	Hanson, Doug	Mann, Hudson	Reese, William	Zimmerman, Dennis
Chivers, Mike	Holbrook, Mark	Maralit, Joseph	Savidge, Dale	
Chivers, Richard	Holman, Bob	Martin, Henry	Schvaneveldt, Steve	
Cumbus, George		Maycock, Dan	Senn, Byron	

The above adult men are eligible because they have been a resident member in good standing (attendance, Biblical ability to serve, and good health) of Second Presbyterian Church for 2 or more years. Members may choose up to 6 (at this time) qualified men from this list for nomination. If you have any questions about this list please contact the Administration Committee Chairman, Kevin Mobley.

## Youth and Children's Choirs

The youth and children's choirs of our church began rehearsals last Wednesday evening, but any child or youth still wishing to join are most welcome! All choirs meet from 6:15 to 7:00 p.m. each Wednesday, and the grade divisions, directors, and meeting places are as follows:

- Hope Choir, 4 & 5 year olds, Fellowship Hall  
Sue O'Brien, director
- Covenant Choir, 1 - 6 grades, Choir Room  
Kelli Smoker, director
- Youth Ensemble, 7-12 grades, Sanctuary  
Verlyn Smoker, director

## Wednesday Night Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are **still needed** to help at the Wednesday Night Fellowship Supper. There are two positions: Serve and Clean-up. If you are willing to help please contact Chad Scoggins: [864-884-3987](tel:864-884-3987)/[chadscoggins@charter.net](mailto:chadscoggins@charter.net)

## Singing of Psalms

With the intent to more effectively and clearly sing the Psalms of the Old Testament in our evening gathered worship, the Session has determined that we will begin to utilize Psalm settings with musical notation found in the Trinity Hymnal and other reformed sources. Our copies of the Trinity Psalter will be made available for home or personal use.

## Membership Class

You are invited to the Pastor's Membership Class. This class will begin Sunday, September 3rd at 9:45 am in Classroom C-209. It will be taught by Pastor Phillips and will last for eight weeks. The purpose of the class is to give you an opportunity to get to know our Pastor and to learn about Second Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church in America. We request that any who are interested in becoming a member of Second attend this class, but attending the class does not obligate you to become a member of this church. For further information contact the church office, 232-7621. Come and meet other visitors. The coffee pot will be on.

**WIC Bible Study resumes  
Tuesday, Sept. 19th @ 10:00 am  
Fellowship Hall**

## Service Opportunity



Ten new nursery volunteers are needed to serve in our nursery. If you have ever rocked a baby, read a story to a toddler, or worked a puzzle with a three-year-old, you are just who we are looking for. Nursery volunteers range in age from 11 to 99 and work once every six to seven weeks during one of the Sunday worship services (morning or evening) or Sunday School. If you are willing to serve the Lord in this way, please contact Olivia Angell: [oliviamangell@gmail.com](mailto:oliviamangell@gmail.com)



2. In Hebrews 10:25, God commands Christians not to neglect meeting together but to encourage one another, “and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” This teaches at least 3 things: 1) Christians are commanded by God to gather together corporately for the purpose of encouraging one another; 2) Christians gathering together is not to be an infrequent thing, but rather it is to be a regular occurrence; 3) Christians are to encourage one another, which requires knowing one another; and knowing one another implies regular commitment to the same local body of Christians – which again is what church membership signifies.

3. In Philippians 1:1, Paul states that he is writing “to all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons.” This implies that “all” the Christians (“saints” means those who have believed in Christ and are set apart for holiness) are committed to gathering together regularly in a church with officers (elders and deacons, cf. 1 Tim. 3) appointed or elected to oversee their affairs. When Paul writes to the church in Philippi, he writes to the Christians who have committed to one another there and to their leaders.

4. In Hebrews 13:7, Christians are commanded, “Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they are keeping watch over your souls.” This clearly assumes what we know as church membership, since this command can only be fulfilled by believers who are under the authority of elders in a local church body. Hebrews 13:7 tells believers to “remember your leaders... and imitate their faith.” Living as believers under godly shepherd-leaders, especially those who are “keeping watch over your souls,” is one of the chief biblical provisions for your perseverance and growth in faith.

In short, just as salvation involves a covenant relationship with God, the life of faith also involves a covenant relationship with other believers under Christ’s authority in the church. To this end, my constant prayer is that Second Presbyterian Church would not only be a place where God’s Word is faithfully taught but also where God’s people are faithfully shepherded. The more I grow in experience, the more I see how important the second of these is, together with the first. If you have been attending Second Church regularly, I would therefore ask you to consider your calling to join the church. The schedule of the upcoming



Membership Class, meeting in Classroom C-209 at 9:45 am, is as follows:

- Sept. 3: The “Solas” of the Reformation (Pastor Phillips)
- Sept. 10: The Doctrines of Grace (Pastor Phillips)
- Sept. 17: Law and the Gospel (Pastor Phillips)
- Sept. 24: Covenant Theology (Pastor Phillips)
- Oct. 1: Reformed Worship (Pastor Phillips)
- Oct. 8: Membership Vows (Pastor Bailey)
- Oct. 15: Presbyterian History in the sanctuary
- Oct. 22: Finding Your Place at SPC (RE Duncan)
- Oct. 29: Session interviews for membership
- Nov. 5: Session interviews for membership
- Nov. 12: Reception of New Members and New Members’ Luncheon

If you have any questions about our church or church membership, I am simply delighted to answer them. I look forward to getting to know many of our recent visitors better during this class, with thanks to God for the way He is increasing the numbers at our church.

May the Lord bless you all this week.

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Rick Phillips

#### CHURCH INFORMATION

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**Office Hours:** Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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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.

Sept. 4	Proverbs 16-20
Sept. 5	Proverbs 21-24
Sept. 6	Proverbs 25-28
Sept. 7	Proverbs 29-31
Sept. 8	1 Thessalonians 1-5
Sept. 9	2 Thessalonians 1-3



### *Justification by Faith Alone*

October 13-15, 2017

Second Presbyterian Church

#### Speakers:

J. Ligon Duncan III

Harry Reeder

Richard D. Phillips

Learn more at [HereWeStandGreenville.org](http://HereWeStandGreenville.org)  
Register online today: [www.spcgreenville.org](http://www.spcgreenville.org)

## Corner of River and Rhett

### Congregation Announcement – August 27, 2017

As Administration Chairman and on behalf of the session of Second Presbyterian Church, I want to inform you that Rev. Scott Cook, minister of youth and families will be leaving us to pursue a call to teach at Erskine College. The session has a plan in place, using current ministry resources, to cover our short term needs for youth ministry, and is diligently working on long term coverage as well. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Cook family as the Lord directs their path to serve in a new capacity. We will honor Scott and Christina's ministry to our church with a reception the evening of September 10th. Families are asked to bring a dessert. – Dr. Kevin Mobley

### From Scott Cook's Resignation Letter

"It is with a sad and heavy heart that I wish to formally tender my resignation to you, the Session of Second Presbyterian Church. I would like to express my sincere, heartfelt appreciation on behalf of my wife and myself for the years we have been able to serve at Second. This congregation of dear saints has been such a blessing, encouragement, and grace of the Lord in our lives. We could never adequately express how much you and the rest of the church mean to us. We shall always remember you in our prayers with much joy and thanksgiving to the Lord.

Those of you who know me well know that I am a graduate of Erskine College. I have, over the years in various ways, prayed and fought for a Reformation at Erskine... I have accepted the position of Coordinator of Student Retention and Adjunct Professor of Bible. As my title suggests, I will be helping with the administration of the school as well as teaching college level Bible courses. I consider the opportunity to teach at the college level at my alma mater too great an opportunity to pass by; and I feel a strong sense of call to return to my Alma Mater and help build up the only conservative Presbyterian college in the state of South Carolina."

## The Second Presbyterian Church

105 River Street  
Greenville, South Carolina 29601-2537

Return Service Requested

### WORSHIP AT SECOND THE LORD'S DAY September 3, 2017

MORNING WORSHIP  
8:30 am & 11:00 am

#### ABRAHAM'S GREAT TEST

Genesis 22:1-6

Hymns: 32, 657, 528

Anthem: Oh! For a Closer Walk with God

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

#### EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 pm

#### FATHER TO SON

2 Timothy 1:1-2

Hymns: 642, 645, 460

Psalm 2

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

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### The Second Presbyterian Church

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Greenville, South Carolina

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### Letter from the Senior Minister Fall Membership Class

On September 3, we will begin our Membership Class for the fall. The purpose for this class is to provide information on the key beliefs of Second Presbyterian Church and to provide an opportunity for visitors to enter into our church membership. We ask that those seeking to join attend the class not only so that they can learn about our church but also so that we can get to know them and begin to incorporate them into our church life. Attending the class does not obligate you to join, and some may wish to attend simply to learn about the Reformed faith and Second Church. At the end of the class the Session will be available to meet with prospective members, who join by presenting a credible profession of faith in Jesus Christ and agreeing to fulfill the membership vows as stipulated by the Presbyterian Church in America.

In recent years, I find that many Christians have underestimated the importance of church matters. Many may not understand the biblical basis and calling for Christians to enter into covenant relationship with a local congregation of believers. Let me give some reasons why it is important for you to be a member of a faithful church and perhaps why you should consider joining our congregation:

1. The very first thing we see after Pentecost in Acts 2:42ff is that Christians immediately began to gather together. They "devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of the bread and the prayers." The early Christians did not stay at home and say, "I can be a Christian by myself," but they committed themselves to a local body of fellow Christians.