The Vision of Second Presbyterian Is:
Through our faith in Jesus Christ we glorify God in worship and service, inviting others to join us in discipleship, mission and fellowship.
Food for Thought
Rae Epps

Wow! What a wonderful rally day we had this past Sunday. It was great to see so many people come out to celebrate the ministries in our church, and to get excited about our new Sunday school format that will be starting this coming Sunday, September 6! As a reminder everyone is welcome to join us for the Fellowship Hour in Price Hall 9:45-10:45 every Sunday morning. If you already have a Sunday school home, feel free to stop by, grab a cup of coffee, say hello and head on to your Sunday school class. If you don't yet have a Sunday school home, the Fellowship Hour is a time for you to enjoy your church family's company, get to know each other, and share a time of prayer together. Our Children's Choir begins this Sunday as well! All children are welcome to join the Children's Choir beginning at 10:00-10:30. It's sure to be a great time! We will also begin our Children's Church for all children 2-5 following the Children's Sermon. So many great things happening at Second Pres!

This past Sunday was also a day for us to rally around Steve and Judy as we send them off on their next journey in faith. Goodbyes are never easy, but we serve a mighty God who holds us all in the palm of his hand. I know you join me in praying for Steve and Judy, and I hope you are as excited as I am to see what God has in store for us at Second Pres! Let us pray for our congregation and especially our session as we begin the search process, and start praying for the next person who will come join us behind the pulpit! Great things are just ahead!

"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord. Plans to prosper you and not to harm you. Plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11
Youth Events for SEPTEMBER

September 6th
NO YOUTH

September 13th
Youth Movie Night
5:00 – 8:00

September 20th
Montreat Sunday Preparation
12:00 – 2:00

September 27th
Montreat Sunday Preparation

Remember your Creator in the days of your youth.

Ecclesiastes 12:1
**Family Fellowship Hour (9:45)**
Join your 2PC Family in Price Hall for coffee and light refreshments, fellowship, and prayer! We’ll gather together and enjoy each other’s company, find out what’s going on in each other’s lives, and pray with and for each other.

**Children’s Choir (10:00-10:30)**
Make a JOYFUL noise! All children are invited to join in the fun! At 10:00, our Choir leaders will take the children downstairs to learn about God and our faith through the gift of music! The Children’s Choir will share their music with the congregation periodically in worship.

**Children’s Church (Following the Children’s Sermon in Worship)**
Right after the Children’s Sermon, the children will head down to Children’s Church where they will learn the stories that will strengthen their growing faith.
Join the Children’s Choir and Children’s Church! They begin on September 6, 2015!!

See how many colors you can fit into Noah’s rainbow!

Noah

Noah thanked God for keeping them all safe. God said, “I will never flood the earth again.” Then God put a beautiful rainbow in the sky to show that He will always remember His promise.

*Genesis 8:18–22*
Ladies Monday Morning Bible Study will begin Monday, September 14 at 9 AM with a study of "The Call to Discipleship". (This is a two year weekly DVD 45 minute presentation by renowned Bible study leader, Erilynne Barnum), followed by a question and answer discussion. Prayer time and fellowship is an important part of this study. Cost for the first year's study material is $10.00. Please notify Jackie George (864) 590-0686, if you plan on attending this study.

Handbell rehearsals will resume on September 16th at 6:15 PM. If you are interested in joining this group or would like to learn to ring bells, please contact Jackie George at (864) 590-0686. For beginners, private instruction can be arranged before the regular rehearsals begin. Hope to see some new ringers in the group this coming season.

Dear Second Presbyterian Family,

We were overwhelmed with the many ways you made our last Sunday so special! Thank you for all the pleasant comments, cards, hugs, beautiful music, gifts and that wonderful, framed presentation during worship. Thank you to all who participated in the preparations for this unique day. Several women of the church even helped me with the Rally Day refreshments while preparing for the reception. That was a sweet gift right there!

We will miss you and pray for you. Thank you for making a difference in our lives and for always receiving the various members of our family with open arms. From what I heard today, it's okay for Steve and I to go but Jack has to stay! We will continue to pray for that special man or woman who will joyfully come to minister in your midst as Steve did many years ago. We know you will continue to support Rae and the rest of the staff during this time of transition.

It was bittersweet to leave the church this afternoon with Steve’s robe in one hand and his Bible in the other. Change awaits all of us. We go forward, trusting God to take care of us and all of you as well.

Thank you for your dedication and sacrifice and, most of all, your love. May you continue to be aware of God’s many blessings in your life and in the life of the extraordinary community at Second Presbyterian Church. God is great!

In His Name,

Judy Rhodes

(spouse of You Know Who!)
Thank You!

to EVERYONE who helped with the

Sunday School Kick-Off

SUNDAY SCHOOL
catch the Excitement!
Save the Date and join your church family for the Miracle Hill Hearts for the Homeless Walk! Sunday, September 20 at 2:00pm in Barnet Park. We will register as a team so please email Catherine Parler (catherine.parler@converse.edu), Youth Intern, for more information if you are interested in participating!

**Ministers For September**

**September 6th - Dottie Metropol**

Dottie has a special relationship with Second Presbyterian Church due to being been a past member, speaking in services many times, as well as working with PSA and then UKirk. She honorably retired this year but is still doing some teaching and continues to be involved in Presbytery life.

**September 13th - Steve Mays**

- Native of Kingsport, Tennessee
- Married to the former Brenda Lynne Nelson of Jacksonville, Florida
- Father of two children Amanda and Megan Mays of Charleston, South Carolina

**Schools**

- Graduate of Southeastern University in Lakeland, Florida with BA Degree 1972
- Graduate of Erskine Theological Seminary in Due West, South Carolina with Master of Divinity Degree 1975
- Graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, George with Doctorate of Ministry Degree 1989

**Work**

- Pastor of the Lisbon and Mountville Presbyterian Churches 1975-1978
- Pastor of the McCullough and Whitmire Presbyterian Churches 1978-1993
- Pastor of the Fountain Inn Presbyterian Church 1994-2013
-Commissioned Officer and Chaplain in the United States Air Force Reserve from 1986 to 2008
- Recruiter for United States Air Force Reserve Component for Chaplains
- Honorably Retired USAF July 26, 2008
- Honorably Retired PCUSA April 1, 2013

**September 20th – Beryl Rosenberger – Information to Follow**

**September 27th – Beth Hoskins**

Rev. Beth Hoskins aka (Pastor Beth), grew up in Rock Hill, SC as a child of Oakland Avenue Presbyterian Church. She has a degree from Clemson University, Columbia Theological Seminary and The Iron Yard school of computer coding in Greenville, SC. Beth has served churches in Ormond Beach, Fl and Woodruff, SC where she currently resides. She loves computer coding, cooking and rocking on her porch with a fresh cup of mint green tea.
This Fundraiser will be held at 805 Spartan Blvd
Spartanburg, SC 29301
1-864-699-7872 or 1-877-477-0477

God is doing a wonderful work through JumpStart...as we have seen for ourselves as some of the men have attended services at Second Pres and even a few have joined our membership.

If you can attend this event, you will receive a blessing from God for helping a very worthy cause!
Stephen Ministry training classes will begin on Monday, September 21st at 2nd Presbyterian Church. We will meet on Mondays from 6:00pm-8:00pm through March 14th.

Anyone planning to join the Stephen Ministries training classes should let me know by Wednesday September 9th so we can order the training books and materials - there is a $50 charge per person for class training materials - this should be paid to 2nd Presbyterian by Sept. 9th. Classes start Monday September 21st at 6:00pm. Please contact March Moody at marchjohnmoody@gmail.com to register for this class!

Please use the following link to look further into the details of the Stephen Ministry https://www.stephenministries.org/stephenministry/default.cfm/1596

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**Family Fun Talent Nite**

**Sunday, Oct 4th**

**6:00 pm**

We will start with a Homemade Ice Cream Contest. We will have a panel of judges looking for best recipe. Could it be yours?? Then everyone can join the FUN of eating Ice Cream!! After filling our tummies it is time for Talent Nite!! We are looking for FAMILY talent, group talent or individual talent. Is there anyone who wants to try a drama scene, tell a story, tell a joke, dance, play an instrument or sing? There will be prizes for Ice Cream and Talent Show Winners.

Please contact: Jeanette Reeves at jreev@charter.net

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**Circles**

**Tuesday Morning Circle**

September 8th - 10:30

Price Hall

**Tuesday Evening Circle**

September 8th - 7:00

Mary Lee Hayes Residence

541 Lucerne Drive

Spartanburg, SC  29302

**Saturday Morning Circle**

September 12th - 9:30

Barbara Darwin’s Residence

495 Webber Road

Spartanburg, SC  29307
SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
At Home and Nursing Home Members

**Roy Hall**
6 Fort Prince Court
Wellford, SC  29385
864-949-6749
*(Lives with his daughter Candy Hendrix. 497-4076)*

**Marjorie Allison**
326 Lowndes Drive
Spartanburg, SC  29307

**Martha Wharton**
Eden Terrace, K-201
2780 E. Main Street
Spartanburg, SC  29307
864-579-9770

**Fay Tillotson**
Eden Terrace
2780 East Main Street
Spartanburg, SC 29307
Apartment C-104
864-576-8630

**Christine Fowler**
585 El Paso Street
Spartanburg, SC  29303
864-583-5561

**Marlene Towery**
White Oak Manor(Rehab)
295 E. Pearl Street
Spartanburg, SC  29303
864-585-0241

**Ellen Davis**
66 Arbors West Lane
Moore, SC  29369
864-595-1537

**Buck and Edna Joyner**
900 Patterson Road
Spartanburg, SC  29307
864-463-4396

**Bob and Ruby Haynie**
36 Angela Circle
Inman, SC  29349
864-439-2908

**Buck Joyner**
Eden Terrace
2780 E. Main Street
C-101
Spartanburg, SC  29307

**Alice Helms**
Eden Terrace
2780 East Main Street
S202
Spartanburg, SC 29307

**Everett Tillotson**
Eden Terrace
2780 E. Main Street
R201
Spartanburg, SC  29307

**Pat Stephens**
Eden Terrace
2780 E. Main Street
Apt. R206
Spartanburg, SC  29307

**Pat Miller**
104 Pine Forest Road
Spartanburg, SC  29303

**Loree George**
Rosecrest Retirement Community
200 Fortress Drive
Inman, SC  29349
864-599-8600

“So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the Gospel of God but our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.”

1 Thessalonians 2:8
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Pray for the following people:
Payton Dominick, Margie Goodwin, Pat Miller, Ava & Garrison Williams (grandchildren of JoAnn & Roy Bishop), Loree George, Marlene Towery, Ellen Davis, Fay Tillotson, Marjorie Goodwin, Jimmy Turnage, Carole Tillotson, Roy Hall, David Matthews, Everett Tillotson, Mark, Sheila and Caleb Cowen, Pat Stephens, Christine Fowler, Marjorie Allison, Katie Wall, Margaret Ann Sippola, Janice Greene, Joanne Turnage, Alexis Deal, Jeanette and Bryant Reeves, Steve and Judy Rhodes

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. Philippians 4:6
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