

Welcome

Are you looking for a church home, a place where you will be known, nurtured, challenged – where you can make a difference for the God we serve? Consider becoming a part of our “2nd” family. Call Pastor Cress Darwin at 723-9237.

**Nursery is provided in Room 105 of the Education Building
Children's Church is provided in Room 108 of the Education Building.
Please sign your children in and out of the nursery and Children's Church.**

Head Usher of the month: Clyde Mizzell & Gary Jaffe

Flowers in the Sanctuary are given each Sunday in memory of in honor of someone. We have 21 dates open as of this week, please see the calendar located on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall or call the church office at 723-9237.

Have you read the newsletter lately? It comes out every two months. Hard copies are in the church and online copies on our website www.secondpresbyterianchurch.org! Our thanks to member, Lynn Mitchell Lind, our volunteer newsletter publisher. Please send your articles to lynn.squared@live.com.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Remembering in Prayer: Mary Hicks, Elaine Haugabook Rose H. Green, Tina & Bobby Jordan, Leon Hughes, Margaret Stevenson, Don, Dorothy & Paige McEachern, Erma Grooms, David Hinson, Greg Carr, Felix Nepveux, Cindy Hogman, Harper Drolet, Noah Sowder, Shirley Smoak, Kai Dutton, Robena Medbery, William Wimberly, Kristen Wright, Lollie Quarterman, James Crosby Jr., James Crosby Sr., T. Allen Legare', Kathy Tindal, Ruth Palassis, Nancy Watts, John Nave, Alice Schwab, Charlie Edgemon, Edna Yeattes, Lucas Aimar, Harriet Likes, Rachel Howe, Mary Hicks, Dorothy & Carter Leslie, Mary Lou Cochran, Our soldiers: LCPL Jimmy Spaulding (George & Dorie Spaulding's grandson), Ryan Lear (Mary Lou Cochran's grandson), John Ensley(Leslie Hucks's step-brother) Judson Woodard in Haiti (David Woodard's son), Lt. Seth Sanders(Ben & Virginia Street's friend). Our expecting mother: Liz McNulty.

March 31

Committee Night, 5:30 p.m.
Halo Eclectic, 6 p.m.
Women's Beth Moore Bible Study, 7:15 p.m.
Caviar & Bibles, noon
PSA, 5:00 p.m.
Bell Choir, 6 p.m.
Adult Choir, 7 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Charleston Atlantic Presbytery has been working with the Haitian non-profit organization known as **FHADACOR a project to provide low-interest, small loans to the Haitian women in the rural farming areas of Mirebalais and l'Artibonite.** The loan pool has been financed by churches in CAP. When the need for capital exceeded our capabilities, Creations of Hope was set up as a way to raise more money. Haitian arts and crafts are purchased from artisans and shipped to the Charleston area for sale. Profits from the sale of products fund the micro-finance loan pool. Today there are nearly 200 women with small loans, all of whom are earning enough money to feed their children and send them to school. There are several thousand more women waiting for loans. At the same time, Haitian artisans are able to introduce their products into the US market and develop economically sustainable businesses. Mrs. Dottie Kelly will be with us today to speak to this during our minute for mission, and to display these arts and crafts in the fellowship hall . Stop by and see this wonderful outreach opportunity.

UPCOMING CONCERT: Sunday, March 21, 7:00 p.m. First (Scots) Presbyterian Church. A 325th Birthday Concert for J.S. Bach - featuring a complete performance of his Clavieruebung, Part III. Eight area organists and harpsichordists will perform sections of of the two-hour work. Free. For more information contact Dr. Julia Harlow, jharlow@secondpresbyterianchurch.org

2nd Edition Book Club: We have decided on a change of pace for our next book, recommended by Peggy Hay and endorsed by Larry Gale. It's [The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo](#) by Steir Larsson. We will meet for good eats and interesting discussion on Tuesday, March 16th at 6:00 PM, again at Robena Medbery's. Her address is 1604 Carterett Ave., West Ashley. For speciic directions, her home phone is: 556-9069. A possible book for the future is a funny novel suggested by Ann Abel, called Straight Man by Richard Russo. Check it out and let us know what you think next month.

Do couples with great marriages get there by luck? We don't think so. We believe anyone can have a loving, healthy marriage. You just need certain

tools. Second Pres and First Scots will be hosting a **Marriage Enrichment class beginning Tuesday, March 16th**. The material is based off the Alpha Marriage Course and the Five Love Languages. It will be taught by the warm and witty Dr. Sally Schuh. Make your marriage the best it can be. You *can* deepen your relationship. You *can* move from dull to dynamic. Others have done it. You can do it, too.

Please email DCE Colin at ckerr@secondpresbyterianchurch.org to make your reservation before Tuesday, March 2nd.

When: Tuesdays, 6:00-7:30 pm

Where: Second Presbyterian Church, Conference Room

How Much: \$20 per couple

Length: 8 Weeks, March 9th-April 27th

Talks on Tap - 8:15 pm, Tuesday, March 23

The Value of Home Schooling
Andolinis Pizza, 82 Wentworth Street

Home schooling is in some ways a unique American tradition, as the goal of developing nations is to create public education and laws of most European nations forbid home schooling. Yet, in recent years this countercultural educational practice has become simultaneously more popular and more under attack in some parts of the country. Is home schooling a healthy alternative to public education or does it ultimately hinder children's intellectual and emotional growth? Should it be protected, promoted, or eroded?

Dinner and Discussion Nights

At Second Church, we have Dinner and Discussion Nights for every age that meet every month in rotating host homes. These are wonderful opportunities to grow in your faith, invite non-Christian friends to something less "churchy", and get to know you Second Family better. Find out when your group meets below at contact DCE Colin at ckerr@secondpresbyterianchurch.org for location and directions.

For College Students

MANNA Dinner and Discussion Night

When: Saturday, the 20th of March, 7:00 pm – 10:00 pm

Why: To invite non-Christians into a friendly environment for discussion about life questions and interfaith dialogue.

Extra: Please bring a non-alcoholic beverage, dinner dish, or dessert. If you're a Christian, please bring at least one non-Christian with you!!!

This is dinner with a missional mindset. Manna is designed for inviting and dialoguing with students of different belief systems over decent food and good cheese. Our goal is to have

at least 50% non-Christians participating at every gathering. Check out the blog at www.CofCmanna@blogspot.com

For Young Adults Ages 22-35

KOINONIA Dinner and Discussion Night

When: Friday, 26th of March, 8:00 pm – 11:00 pm

Why: To build healthy relationships with other young professionals in the Charleston area and develop our understanding of the interconnectedness of theology and life.

Extra: Please bring a beverage, dinner dish, or dessert.

Tired of the same old bar scene? So are we. Check out Koinonia, Charleston best Friday night alternative event and an ancient Greek word that means “sharing things in common.” Young adults from across Charleston gather on a Friday night to eat good food, have a glass of wine, and discuss questions created by the group. It’s an amazing way of practicing spiritual community and expanding your Christ-centered worldview.

Weekly Bible Studies during Lent

Dig your spiritual roots in deep and grow in one of our many weekly Bible studies. Check them out. There’s something for everyone.

Mondays at 6 pm

James Island Women’s Bible Study

Where: 829 Mikell Drive

For Who: Women anywhere

What: Bible study, currently on the Gospel of Matthew.

Tuesdays at 6 pm

Halo Eclectic

Where: Hope & Union Coffee Shop, 199 St. Philips Street

For Who: MUSC students & staff, law students, young adults, and anyone else!

What: An hour-long study that teaches basic methods for interpreting the Bible.

Tuesdays at 7:15 pm

Women’s Beth Moore Study

Where: Different homes. Contact Sara at sarahharbin@yahoo.com for location.

For Who: Women

What: An in-home Beth Moore study series, currently on the “Fruits of the Spirit”

Wednesdays at 12 pm

Caviar and Bibles, 51 George St

Where: Caviar and Bananas

For Who: College Students

What: A 50-minute lunch break study that teaches basic methods for interpreting the Bible.

Wednesdays at 12 pm

Lenten Sermon Discussion

Where: The sanctuary of the church

For Who: Everyone

What: A discussion based on the previous Sunday sermon, as part of our “Stop Going to Church: 6 Ways to Actually Be the Church” series.

Wednesdays at 5:30 pm

Lenten Sermon Discussion and Meal

Where: Fellowship Hall

For Who: Everyone

What: A discussion based on the previous Sunday sermon, as part of our “*Stop Going to Church: 6 Ways to Actually Be the Church*” series. Dinner served at 5:30 pm. Discussion begins at 6 pm.

If you need information or wish to become involved in a Bible Study or small group experience, please contact Colin Kerr at 723-9237.

2010 Lenten Season at Second Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 21st - Sunday, March 21st

10:00 am Sunday School

11:15 am Worship Services

Sermon Series: “Stop GOING TO Church –Six Ways to Actually BE the Church”

Come join us on Sunday mornings to explore scripture together and see how we can become the force for God that God is shaping us to be!

Lenten “No Excuse” Seminar Series

“The Great Ends of the Church”

“Look out for yourself and you will find in the long run only hatred, loneliness, despair, rage, ruin and decay. But keep a look out for Christ and you will find him, and with him everything else thrown in!” --

Charles Spurgeon

What is the Church, and what are we called to do? We the assembled body of believers, are given instruction in both testaments, but how are we to live out our purposes together in obedience and joy, pointing to Jesus God? The historic constitution of our denomination offers, to the surprise of most, a compelling, holistic vision of the church’s life. Join us midweek for Study and Sunday morning for Sermon on the church’s “How To.”

Offered twice a day on Wednesdays during Lent at 12 noon and 6:00 pm

(Light supper will be served at 5:30 pm)

Wednesday, February 24th – The Proclamation of the Gospel For the Salvation of Humankind

(Isaiah 55:10-13; Romans 10:1-15)

Wednesday, March 3rd – The Shelter, Nurture, and Spiritual Fellowship of the Children of God

(Deuteronomy 6:4-9; 1 John 1:1-4)

Wednesday, March 10th – The Maintenance of Divine Worship (Psalm 95; 1 Corinthians 14:23-33)

Wednesday, March 17th – The Preservation of the Truth (Isaiah 45:18-19; John 14:1-17; 18:37-38)

Wednesday, March 24th – The Promotion of Social Righteousness (Isaiah 58:6-11; 1 John 3:11-24)

Invite a friend, colleague or family member to come with you!

Sunday, March 28th – Palm Sunday

Liturgy of the Passion

Thursday, April 1st – Maundy Thursday

Community Service @ New Tabernacle Fourth Baptist Church

Friday, April 2nd – Good Friday

Dramatic readings of the Passion and portions of The Messiah

Sunday, April 4th – Easter Worship Service

“Why It Matters”

*Special choruses and solos from Movements of the “Messiah” presented on
Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter*

Easter Decorating Fund

(suggested donation \$15.00 each)

The Music and Worship Committee is ready and willing to receive your donations to the Easter Decorating Fund. Your \$15 will purchase the sanctuary lilies and other necessary items. Please indicate any names you would like your gifts to be in honor of or in memory of.

In Memory of: _____

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