

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 & Jay Stevens

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God in memory of Paul Burke, father of Martha Lackey, from Jean and John Feldman.

Open flower dates are: Dec. 4. Please call Nancy Bryant at 723-9237 if you would like to give flowers. Cost is \$50.

Have you read the newsletter lately? Check out a copy on our website www.secondpresbyterianchurch.org Newsletter articles are to be sent to nbryant@secondpresbyterianchurch.org . Please note newsletter in subject line.

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Remembering in Prayer: Erin Mellen, Bobby Jordan, Ann Andrus, Pam Latham, James Huff-Miller, Susanne McLaughlin, Rev. Dr. Layton Mauze, Lillian Gale, Charlotte Harlow, John McDonald, DeWitt King, William Wimberly, Larry McLaughlin, Anne Bumgardner, Barbara Wigger, Claude & Mary Burkhead, Martha Fox, Dr. Roy Howell, Evelyn King, Mac Erwin, Robena Medbery, Earl Singletary, Mary Hicks, Kathy & James Tindal, Ruth Palassis, Nancy Watts, Lucas Aimar, Harriet Likes, Rachel Howe, Carter Leslie, Mary Lou Cochran, Our soldiers: Luke Gratz (Ethel Nepveux's nephew), John Garrett (Erma Grooms' grandson-in-law), Daniel Lowe (Jessica Lowe's brother).

Do you have someone you would like added to the prayer list? Please contact Nancy Bryant at 723-9237.

THIS WEEK AT SECOND PRESBYTERIAN

<p><u>Sunday, Oct. 23</u> 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship</p>	<p><u>Monday, Oct. 24</u> James Island Co-ed Life Group, 6 p.m. @ 829 Mikell Dr.</p>	<p><u>Tuesday, Oct. 25</u> Staff meeting, 9:15 CSO Gospel Choir, 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p><u>Wed. Oct. 26</u> Women's Bible Study, 6 p.m. Alpha @ First(Scots), 6 p.m. Bell Choir, 6 p.m. Adult Choir, 7 p.m. West Ashley Young Adults Life Group, 7:30 p.m. call Jeremy Jones (828-243-8815) for location.</p>
<p><u>Thursday, Oct. 27</u> Downtown Young Adults Life Group, 7 p.m. @ 122 Beaufain St., Apt. A</p>	<p><u>Friday, Oct. 28</u> Shelter Night, 7 pm</p>	<p><u>Saturday, Oct. 29</u></p>	<p><u>Sunday, Oct. 30</u> 10 a.m. Sunday School 11:15 a.m. Worship Commitment Sunday CE/SS Teachers Meeting, 12:30 pm</p>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 31 Community of I'on Artist workshop, 8:30 a.m.
- Nov. 1 Agenda
- Nov. 2 First Wednesday Men's Lunch at St. Philip's
- Nov. 3 No Kindergarten – Teachers work day
- Nov. 4-6 Celebration at St. Christopher
- Nov. 5 Presbytery Cluster Meeting 10 a.m. - noon
- Nov. 6 Communion Sunday
- Young Life Leaders
- Nov. 8 Kindergarten Parents Guild Session
- Nov. 11 Shelter Night
- Wedding rehearsal & dinner
- Nov. 12 King/Thomas Wedding
- Nov. 13 Kindergarten Sunday
- Operation Christmas Child Packing Party
- Youth Alliance
- Young Life Leaders
- Nov. 15 Charleston Bible Society
- Nov. 18 -20 CAP High School Retreat
- Nov. 19 Young Life Turkey Bowl in Fellowship Hall
- Nov. 22 Community Thanksgiving Service at Second
- Nov. 24 & 25 Church office closed for holiday
- Nov. 27 First Sunday of Advent

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Giving is now available on line! Check out our website
www.secondpresbyterianchurch.org

Talks on Tap -7:45 pm, Tuesday, October 25th East Bay Meeting House -160 East Bay Street, Downtown

A Talks on Tap Great Debate

Blind Men and an Elephant: Does Religious Pluralism Make Sense?

Are all religions, at their core, essentially the same? There is a growing belief among Generation X and Millennials that though religions may have different practices, at the end of the day, they all lead to the divine in their own way. To explore this viewpoint we've invited a number of diverse religious leaders from Charleston to speak on whether they believe or not in religious pluralism, how this belief affects the religious community they serve, and how it ultimately affects relationships with people of other faiths. Join us for what promises to be a fascinating panel discussion with a Q&A session afterwards at the East Bay Meeting House.

Mingles Social Gathering: All members and guests of 2nd Presbyterian Church are invited to come to the Mingles Social Gathering on Friday evening, October 28, 6:00 p.m. until. This activity for this evening has two parts: (1) dinner as Muse Restaurant (82 Society Street in downtown Charleston) and (2) attending the play *The Crucible* at the new Threshold Repertory Theatre (84 1/2 Society Street - two doors down from the restaurant). You may choose to do either or both. For dinner we will have a separate group dining room. Tickets for the theatre are \$20 (\$15 for seniors). If you are interested in attending the play, please contact me by phone or e-mail (see below) for more detailed information. Please RSVP to Charlie Watts at 843- 901-3366 by noon on Wednesday, 10/26. Certainly you may RSVP for dinner by simply replying with a "YES" or "NO" to this e-mail. Naturally if you talk to me personally, you do not need to respond. I must confirm our number with the restaurant by Wed. afternoon, 10/26 THANKS!
Websites: Muse Restaurant - www.opentable.com/res
Threshold Repertory Theater - www.thresholdrepertorytheatre.org

A Presbytery Cluster Meeting: will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2011; 10:00 AM here at Second Presbyterian Church. This meeting is open to anyone who wishes to find out information about recent changes in the Presbyterian Church.

Discussion Topics for Cluster Meeting

1. Changes to CAP Manual of Administrative Operations
2. Questions about new Form of Government from congregations: what do congregations need to be doing?
3. State of the presbytery/CAP budget challenges: past, present and future (PowerPoint)
4. Open Forum

Helpful documents have been placed on the Charleston Atlantic Presbytery website for your information and use. Go to www.capresbytery.org and access the documents under the Council Information section.

Annual Charleston Prayer Breakfast

Date: Thursday, November 10, 2011

Time: Seating at 7:00 a.m., Welcome at 7:15 a.m.

Place: Charleston Area Convention Center

Speaker: H. Wayne Huizenga, Jr. is the President of Huizenga Holdings, Inc. a diversified company that manages the Huizenga Family owned private businesses and real estate. Huizenga's family has the unique distinction of founding three Fortune 500 companies. He is also Chairman of the Board of Rybovich, a super yacht marina and refit facility based in West Palm Beach, Fl. He graduated from the University of Tampa with a degree in business in 1985. He is also a member of the board for the Luis Palau Evangelistic Association and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Broward County. He is founder and member of the Christian Community Foundation of South Florida.

We have reserved a table seating 10 people. Cost is \$35/person. If you are interested in attending, please contact Caitlin Binda at cbinda@secondpresbyterianchurch.org. First come, first serve!

Who: High Schoolers

What: *Celebration Retreat*

When: November 4th-6th

Where: Camp St. Christopher, Seabrook Island

Why: This is a phenomenal opportunity to enjoy a weekend of fellowship led by high schoolers from the Charleston area!

Cost: \$130

No set in stone deadline, but please contact Caitlin Binda ASAP with interest. \$50 fee upon registration, remaining \$80 to be paid at Retreat.

Who: High Schoolers

What: *Charleston Atlantic Presbytery (CAP) High School Retreat*

When: November 18th-20th

Where: Bethelwoods Camp and Conference Center

Why: Another phenomenal opportunity to enjoy a weekend of fellowship led by high schoolers from the Charleston area!

Cost: \$70 if registered before November 1st. \$85 if registered before Nov. 14th.

Please contact Caitlin Binda ASAP with interest. We will need to register as a group!

Mark your calendars, **November 13th is Kindergarten Sunday!!** Prepare to be delighted during the 11:15 worship service by many of the children currently enrolled in Second Presbyterian Kindergarten. SPK has been a mission of Second Church since September 1977, serving families from the Charleston peninsula, West Ashley, James Island, Johns Island, Mt. Pleasant, Seabrook Island, and Folly Beach. The purpose of the school is to provide a safe and joyful environment for the education of young children in an atmosphere of Christian love. Kindergarten Sunday is the day set aside every year to directly celebrate the joy we have in the work God does within SPK day in and day out. We look forward to supporting the students as well as the teachers of this wonderful program on this special day in the church.

Operation Christmas Child Service Project/Capture the Flag!

Sunday, November 13th is going to be an awesome day! Not only will it be Kindergarten Sunday, but we will be having an **Operation Christmas Child Packing Party** at the church after the 11:15 worship service, followed by a **Youth Alliance game of Capture the Flag** in Marion Square! Anyone and everyone is invited to be a part of the packing party, which will last from approximately 12:30-2. The recreation in Marion Square is for middle and high schoolers, and will be from approximately 2-3:30.

Gifts for Operation Christmas Child can be dropped off at the church in the Fellowship Hall anytime between now and November 20th, as National Collection Week is November 14th-21st. For ideas on what gifts to bring, visit: http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/OCC/Pack_A_Shoe_Box/ or simply make a donation to help cover the shipping and handling fees. FYI – shipping and handling is \$7 per box, please consider including money to cover this cost along with your gift.

Last year we filled over 100 shoeboxes with Christmas gifts for boys and girls overseas who otherwise would likely have received nothing. What a joy to be a part of the ways God touches lives through this ministry! Hoping for all hands on deck this year so that everyone can share in the blessing the Lord brings from it.

Sunday School Opportunities!

All classes begin at 10 a.m. in the Education Building

Pre-School – (Ages 2-3) – Room 109

- Kate Stanton

Kindergarten – (Ages 4-6 if not in first grade yet) – Room 108

- Betty Aimar
- Cathy Oyer

BIG HOUSE – (Grades 1st-2nd – Room 207 and Grades 3rd-5th – Room 205)

Notice that two classes will be taught in BIG House this year- this is new. Of the teachers listed here, some will be teaching 1st and 2nd graders, and others will be teaching 3rd-5th graders.

- Robbie Staubes
- Laura McElwaine
- Cassie Jaffe
- Melody Taylor
- Laura Tucker
- Hydie Burroughs

Middle School – Going through Confirmation Fall '11 & Spring '12 – Room 214

- Craig Baumer
- Caitlin Binda

High School – Room 212

- Gary Jaffe
- Fran Hughes
- Mike Partain
- Gus Smythe

The Well (Adults) – Room 210

- Don McLaurin

Mixed Adults – Room 103

- Dingle Howe

Men's Bible Study – Room 101

- Clyde Mizzell

New Members Class – Conference Room

- Cress Darwin
- Colin Kerr