

What's First

at
Second Presbyterian Church
July/August 2011

OUR VISION

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We grow in God's Word;
We serve in Jesus' name.*

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

Dear Saints at Second,
The session at its May 25 Meeting has approved the new Vision Statement for Second Presbyterian Church. It reads:

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We already have it printed on the bulletin cover, as well as on our web-site. We are in the process of putting it on the newsletter. I invite you to learn this Vision Statement and make it a part

of your everyday living as a member of Second Presbyterian Church.

Soon to come, the Vision Team plans to develop a Devotional Resource Center with resources that you may check out for assistance in your personal devotional life! That is one of our summer projects. It is our hope that the center will be incentive to help us all grow as Christians. Keep an eye out for this and I will update its progress when I can.

Grace and Peace,
Daniel E. Hale, D. Min.

PREACHING SCHEDULE: July – August, 2011

July 3, vacation, Elder Katharine Snavely leading worship/preaching.
July 10, vacation, Elder Russell Garrison preaching
July 17, Service of Wholeness, R-21, Romans 10:14-21, FAITH COMES FROM HEARING
July 24, R-22, Romans 11:1-10, ISRAEL'S REMNANT,
July 31, R-23, Romans 11:11-24, GRAFTED ON, **hymn sing.**

August 7 (vacation), Dr. Carroll Londoner preaching
August 14 (vacation), Elder Samuel Mattocks preaching
August 21, R-24, Romans 11:25-36, MERCY ON ALL
August 28, R-25, Romans 12:1-2, SACRIFICIAL LIVING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JULY 4TH HOLIDAY

The church office will be closed on Monday, July 4 to celebrate the July 4th holiday.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

If you are willing to help us save money by receiving your copy of “What’s First” by e-mail please send your e-mail address to Becky at secondpres1851@verizon.net by September 11, 2011. Thank you.

If you are receiving “What’s First” and no longer wish to, please contact the church: 804-732-6531 or secondpres1851@verizon.net

CONGREGATIONAL CARE COMMITTEE

Please continue to remember our sick and shut-ins in your prayers or with a card, call or visit.

Hunger Corner

The Monthly Food Offering will be received on Sunday, July 3 and Sunday, August 7. Recipients for these months are the Salvation Army Food Pantry and the St. Joseph’s Outreach Program.

Mark Your Calendar!

The Congregational Care Committee will meet on Tuesday, July 12, at 10:00 a.m.

Church Picnic

Our annual Church Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 11 at White Bank Park, Colonial Heights (same pavilion as last year). The committee will supply chicken and hot dogs. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert to share. Picnic begins at 4:30 p.m.
Dorothy Riggan

WITNESS & SERVICE COMMITTEE

Second Presbyterian Church sponsored the monthly luncheon meeting of Downtown Churches United on Wednesday, June 15, with 42 people present. Thank you to all those who helped make this a wonderful success. Special appreciation goes to Carl and Bettie Guthrie for preparing the delicious meal.

Dr. Beecher Watson and Sam Mattocks, Co-Chairs.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

Congratulations to the following graduates:

Derek Groux Matoaca High School

Bill Kropp Richard Bland College, Associate of Science Degree

THANK YOU

Dear Friends at Second,

The family of John W. Holt, Jr. wishes to thank you all for the love and support we have received. Words cannot express our gratefulness and appreciation.

Love, Betty Holt and Family

JULY Calendar		AUGUST Calendar
	1	Worship Committee, 11:30 a.m.
	2	
Church School, 9:45 a.m. Worship, 11:00 a.m. Monthly Food Offering received.	3	
Church Office Closed, July 4 th Holiday	4	Prayer Time, 9:30 a.m.
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	6	
Prayer Time, 9:30 a.m.	7	Church School, 9:45 a.m. Communion Sunday, 11:00 a.m. Monthly Food Offering received.
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Church School, 9:45 a.m./Worship: 11:00 am	10	
	11	
Congregational Care Comm., 10:00 a.m.	12	
	13	
Prayer Time, 9:30 a.m.	14	Church School, 9:45 a.m./Worship, 11:00 a.m.
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	16	
Church School, 9:45 a.m. Service of Healing, 11:00 a.m.	17	Session, 7:00 p.m.
	18	Prayer Time, 9:30 a.m. Reading Through The Bible, 11:00 a.m. “What’s First” for Sept. due before 12 noon.
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	20	
Prayer Time, 9:30 a.m. Reading Through The Bible, 11:00 a.m.	21	Church School, 9:45 a.m./Worship, 11:00 a.m.
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	23	
Church School 9:45 a.m./Worship, 11:00 am	24	
	25	Prayer Time, 9:30 a.m.
	26	
	27	
Prayer Time, 9:30 a.m.	28	Church School 9:45 a.m./Worship, 11:00 a.m.
	29	
	30	
Hymn Sing, 11:00 a.m.	31	

Birthdays

JULY

5 Mrs. Martha Churn	Mrs. Wendy Stevens
7 Mrs. Sandra Dupuy	17 Mrs. Peggy Lobaugh
8 Lorenzo B. Harvell	L. L. Parker, Jr.
10 Timothy Pittman	21 Cameron L. Crew
11 Albert L. West	22 Nick Nichols
12 Harry D. Baird, III	Timothy C. Smith
13 Samuel E. Hargrave, III	23 Mrs. Nancy Fitts
Mrs. Elizabeth Schoeb	Mrs. Marguerite Giesecke
14 Mrs. Sharon Allgood	25 Mrs. Evelyn Peebles
16 John W. Schoeb	

AUGUST

1 Mrs. Betsy Tart	18 Ms. Diana Hollars
7 Mrs. Cherie Autrey	19 Mrs. Betty Holt
11 George Grutchfield	22 Mrs. Gloria Rose
15 Linwood Davis, Jr.	Ms. CarolynneAnn Vann
Madison D. Gill	30 S. Guy Sturt, III
17 Mrs. Anne Godfrey	31 Sammy Kirkland, III

SCHEDULES

Greeters	Closing/Security
JULY	
3 Dick Peterson Ethel Peterson	Jack Schoeb
10 Jack Peterson Barbara Peterson	Bill Rose
17 Peggy Baird Shirley Laffoon	Carl Guthrie, Jr.
24 Liz Schoeb Jack Schoeb	Tim Smith
31 Kay Snavelly Keith Snavelly	Mark Stevens

Greeters	Closing/Security
AUGUST	
7 Alice Martin Brandon Martin	Carl Guthrie, Sr.
14 Cynthia Smith Martha Possnack	Michael Wright
21 Emily Martin Robin Hines	Keith Snavelly
28 Wayne Tucker Janet Haskins	Carl Guthrie, Sr.

SESSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:
April 20, 2011 7:00 p.m.

Word-Share-Prayer - Session members were divided into 2 groups to discuss II Chronicles 5:11-14.

- Approved the treasurer's report.
- Approved request from Dorothy Riggan to use McIlwaine Hall for a family event on Sunday, June 26, 3:30 – 6:30 p.m.
- Approved the change of session meeting for May to Wednesday, May 25.
- The Moderator appointed Alice Martin and Bettie Guthrie to draft a resolution to honor Bob Pryor for his service as Director of Camp Hanover.

VISION TEAM NOTES

June 6, 2011

Present: Karen Wright, Pattie Bonham, Kay Snavely, Dan Hale

1. Prayer
2. Report on Discussion.
 - a. Alice and Kay – will continue to investigate in-house pictorial directory.
 - b. Kay reported that efforts have begun to collect as many email addresses as possible of church members. The goal is to have them in by Rally Day Sunday.
 - c. Brainstormed about how to use the Vision Statement in Second's ministry.
 - i. Considered having a flag/banner with the new logo (under development) on it.
 - ii. Considered having the logo on front of bulletin. This would have to go through Worship committee and then approved by session. Dan will talk with Dorothy so that this won't be a surprise for her.
 - iii. Considered having t-shirts made out with the name of the mission (when one is undertaken) and have the logo in the back.
3. Further discussion about the Devotional Resource center.
 - a. Challenge to getting resources out to the members. One suggestion was to set up a table in the fellowship hall when things are going on in the church.
 - b. Discussed about adding a children's message resource for the center.
4. Discussed taking the southwest sign down and putting a hanging sign on the street (like St. Paul's)
5. Discussed using name tags for members and guests.

Next meeting date: **Monday, June 20 at 6 pm.**