



**Bibles & Bricks Youth Mission Team ending a day of service in the Dominican Republic with a game of softball. Read more on page 4.*

Pastor's Notes - George C. Anderson

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NEW PRESCHOOL DIRECTOR

Alice Light is already at work as the new director of Second Presbyterian Preschool. We are fortunate to have found someone so able to build on the progress that was made under the direction of Sally l'Anson. Alice is an education professional. She has a master's degree in the field from the College of Charleston and has taught full-time in the public schools for 12 years. She has many skills and experiences that will help her succeed. She is even excited about those areas in which she needs to develop to transition from teaching to directing a school. To use Alice's words, she feels "called to the learning curve."

We also are fortunate that Alice has a strong faith and loves her church. Our preschool is a faith-based program that is to be integrated into the larger life of the congregation. Alice is passionate about leading such a program.

Unfortunately, as a full-time employee, Alice will resign from the session where she has served on the Education Committee. The Nominating Committee, having recently received nominations for the class of 2026, is working on selecting someone to fill her term.



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The church occasionally uses photos of people and groups on the website and in publications. Those objecting to the use of their photos (or photos of their minor children) should so inform the church.

Enjoy listening to podcasts? Listen to our sermons on *Second on the Mount*, and our podcast for children and families, *Child of God with The Rev. Elizabeth Link!* www.spres.org/connect/podcasts/



MISSION BUILD CELEBRATION

The **Mission Build celebration on August 28** is shaping up to be a memorable Sunday in the history of Second Presbyterian Church. Joining us for worship will be representatives of the mission partners who most will benefit from the successfully completed Mission Build Campaign. We'll have representatives from the Dominican Republic and the offices of Solid Rock International in Indianapolis, from Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, from the Presbyterian Community Center, from Family Promise, as well as a representative of the Prison Visitation Ministry.

And, if that is not enough to make this service a celebration of God's grace, Camden Brannan, the son of our beloved Ben and Valerie, will be baptized.

So much thought is being given to this service of worship because it is important that we give thanks to God not only for the completion of the campaign but also for what will be worked through the ministries being supported. We will be remembered for putting the needs of mission partners first in conducting a campaign that is solely about the good work they do and we will have a transformative impact on lives and communities far beyond the span of our individual lives.

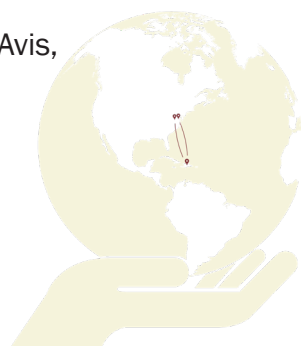
One last reminder. We will put together a donor recognition booklet bulletin insert and eventually mount a plaque of those who contributed to this campaign no matter the amount. A proof of the names and dedications included in the booklet was sent via churchwide email on July 22, and copies are available at the front desk. If you contributed to the campaign, please look over the proof to check your name and spelling. Corrections must be submitted to meredith@spres.org by Wednesday, August 3.

MISSION BUILD SERVICE OF CELEBRATION AUGUST 28, 2022

We invite you to join us for a **Worship Service of Celebration on Sunday, August 28 at 10:00 a.m. in the sanctuary**; a reception will follow in Fellowship Hall. We greatly look forward to this time of celebration and fellowship!

We thank the members of the Mission Build Committee for their dedication and efforts:

Kathy Stockburger (Chair), George Anderson, Jack Avis, Leslie Carter, George Cartledge, Lauren Ellerman, Bev Fitzpatrick, Jim Harkness, Mark Lawrence, Susan Levy, Charles Lunsford, Ken Potter
Treasurer: Joe Miller
Staff: Andrea Boone, Meredith Koliba



LETTER OF GRATITUDE FROM CINDY SOWERS

It has been a pleasure to serve you these past five and a half years. Thank you to the congregation for your support, patience and help over the years. A special thank you to Kelly Speas and Cecil Kelley for giving me the chance to work for such a great organization. Thanks to the church staff for your support and help. Last but not least, my thanks to George, Elizabeth and Ben for cheering me on, for your guidance, your confidence in my abilities and your friendship. I am eternally grateful for all of you. I will miss everyone but will take with me many friendships and memories!



With love,
Cindy

- NEWS & NOTES -

Flowers

June 12 - Given to the glory of God by Bill and Susan Blaylock in loving memory of their parents, Louise and Dick Wright and Frances and Frank Blaylock, and in honor of their sons, William, Jr. (Mackie) and Carter.....

June 19 & 26 - The simple greenery arrangement was given to the glory of God. There was no donor to sponsor flowers..... **July 3** - Given to the glory of God in loving memory of William and Jane Battle by the family.....

July 10 - Given to the glory of God in loving memory of Jack Stanley, Larry and Stu Stanley and Dot Stanley Hart by Lee, Laura and Kirby, Sarah, Tricia and Tommy.

Sympathy

Our sympathies extend to the family and loved ones of Kathryn Amick Walden, who passed away on Monday, May 30, 2022..... Sympathy is extended to Tish and Randall Mitchell on the death of Tish's mother, Adele Thornton-Lewis, on Tuesday, June 7, 2022. Our prayers are also with Reid and Lillie Mitchell, Adele's grandchildren.

Concerns

Cheryl Crowell, John Michael Flannagan, Christine Harkness, Ruth Harris, Betty Kulp, Gerrie Lamanna, Sara McGhee, Gene Richter, Carolyn Victorine, Hunter Beumer (Carol Worley's son), Dr. Tim Callis, David Tatem (Bob and Carol Widmeyer's son-in-law).

New Arrival

Congratulations to Gloria Staley on the birth of her great-grandson, Oliver, who joins his big brother Levi at home.

Baptism

During the worship service on Sunday, June 19, Kenna Virginia-Grace Kaufman was presented for the Sacrament of Infant Baptism by her parents, Laura Grace and Konrad Kaufman. Ann Lawson served as presiding elder.

YOUTH

BIBLES & BRICKS MISSION TRIP TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

God was at work in us, through us, and all around us as we journeyed in July to San Juan de la Maguana, DR to serve with our mission partner Solid Rock International. Throughout the week, we worshipped with over 300 local kids in Vacation Bible School—teaching the familiar stories of *The Prodigal Son* and *The Good Samaritan*—and we also helped with final touches to the newly constructed medical clinic.

Throughout the week, we:

- Learned a ton of information during Guesthouse orientation by SRI's on-site director.
- Enjoyed helping to cook meals and clean the dishes.
- Recited memory verses each day with the children at VBS.
- Learned it does not matter who you are: long hair is long hair.
- Enjoyed walking around the barrio (neighborhood) to play with local children—giving lots of piggyback rides, sharing smiles and laughter, playing games, and building connections regardless of language or cultural barriers.
- Were filled with joy, love, peace, gratitude, humility, and appreciation.
- Ended our final night like we did most nights... all together, enjoying each other, laughing, and playing cards.

A huge thank you to everyone who held us in prayer and who donated food and supplies to stock Solid Rock's guesthouse as groups are welcomed in and cared for throughout their mission stay. The SRI team was overwhelmed by your generosity!

We will carry with us the memories and experiences God gifted us on this mission trip throughout the rest of our lives. En el nombre de Jesus... Amen!

ON THE BLOG

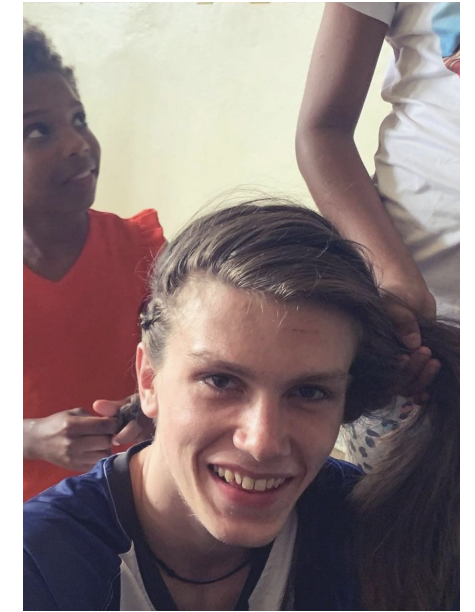
Many of our Bibles & Bricks participants wrote a blog entry throughout our week of service in the DR. To read their reflections and more, visit: www.spres.org/connect/blog/.

YOUTH SUMMER CALENDAR:

- July 31 – August 6 Montreat Youth Conference
- August 15 Mental Health Check-In
- August 17 Youth Night Out
- August 27 Saturday of Service – Intersection

YOUNG ADULTS

Young Adults in their 20s and 30s are invited to join us for fellowship, food, and fun! Upcoming events are in the works; subscribe to text alerts by texting "@2PCYA" to the number 81010 or contact Ben to be added to the email list (benb@spres.org). We hope you'll join us!



**2022 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
“WITH US IN THE WILDERNESS” JULY 25-28**

Thank you, VBS Volunteers!

We are so grateful for all of the volunteers, parents, and children who made Vacation Bible School such a wonderful week! It felt fantastic to have VBS back in our building again. None of this would have been possible without the energy, creativity, and flexibility of this congregation. Thank you, Second Pres.!

VBS Memory Verse:

*I am about to do a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.
– Isaiah 43:19*

Monday: God’s Covenant on Sinai – Exodus 20 & 24

God’s people were on a journey to find the Promised Land. God was with them in the wilderness, and the covenant God gave through Moses on Mt. Sinai was God’s promise to stay with them and never abandon them.

Tuesday: Elijah hears the voice of God – I Kings 19

Elijah went up on the mountain because God told Elijah that God would pass by that way. Elijah listened for God in the wind, the earthquake, and the fire, but God was not in the wind, earthquake, or fire. God was in the still, small voice.

Wednesday: The Magi Seek the King – Matthew 2

The Magi saw the star at its rising and followed it into the wilderness until they came to Bethlehem. God led them on their journey, and sent them home again through the wilderness, protecting the young baby Jesus.

Thursday: Jesus’ Baptism – Matthew 3

John the Baptist was at home in the wilderness, preaching and teaching about God’s Messiah to come. One day, Jesus appeared before John and asked to be baptized by his cousin. From the river, Jesus is driven by the Spirit out further into the wilderness to inaugurate his ministry.

VBS Mission Project: This year’s Morning VBS was proud to help support the Humble Hikes program. The Humble Hikes is a part of the Humble Hustle program here in Roanoke. The program aims to expose black youth to the outdoors, and provide education in environmental sciences, environmental activism, advocacy, and available resources in our community. We hope the donations raised will support this important initiative and help the youth in our city to remember that God is with them in the wilderness.



WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE TRENT GET-AWAY @ EAGLE EYRIE, AUGUST 19-21!

Guest Speaker: Dr. Ernie Thompson

Theme: “At the Crossroads”

SAVE THE DATE:

RALLY DAY, SEPTEMBER 11 – “BETTER TOGETHER”

“For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.” – Matthew 18:20

Join us for a special churchwide Rally Day breakfast in Fellowship Hall. At no cost to you and no RSVP’s required, we hope this will be a fun and meaningful way for the church to kick off our fall Christian education season. Pancakes, bacon, and fruit are on the menu, and all ages are invited to join us. Take some time meeting new friends and catching up with long-time friends you haven’t seen in a while. Hear about educational opportunities, tour classrooms, and signup for Sunday and midweek studies.

Christian education is a gift, and it is our prayer that this year may be the opportunity you’ve been searching for to grow deeper in faith and build connection within the Body of Christ.

Join us for Rally Day in Fellowship Hall at 9:45 a.m. on Sunday, September 11!





DID YOU KNOW. . . WE HAVE A FLOWER MINISTRY AT SECOND PRES?!

Each Sunday after the last worship service, a dedicated group of volunteers take the flowers used during the service and break them down into smaller bunches. The flowers are then put into small vases and delivered to our shut-in members.

Homebound members receive flowers every several weeks. Taking the flowers each time is done to let our church members who are not able to get to worship know that our church...Second Presbyterian...misses them and that they are not forgotten.

Flowers are also delivered to church member who have been hospitalized.

And, church families who have a death in their immediate family receive flowers.

Our dedicated volunteers deliver flowers about every five to six weeks. Flower deliveries are done to let our congregation know their church cares. To quote a volunteer, "Delivering the flowers to our shut-ins has been such a rewarding experience for me. I love getting to meet members that I had not known before. It brings a smile to both our faces!"

And...George, Elizabeth and Ben each deliver flowers *once every month!*

If you would like to be a part of this very special ministry...or learn more about it...please let Linda Shiner (pshiner@aol.com) or Meredith Koliba, Pastors' Assistant (meredith@spres.org), know.

We welcome you!

PCC TRAIN TUG RETURNS SEPT. 24

The Big Lick and PCC Train Tug returns this year on Saturday, September 24 at the Virginia Museum of Transportation!

Second Presbyterian will again enter one to two teams, so please mark your calendars and stay tuned for further information on registering!

The day will be full of community and fun with all proceeds benefiting the PCC. For more details, visit <http://biglicktraintug.com/>



CHOIR/VOICE/MUSICIANSHIP WORKSHOPS

- August 4, 18
- August 25 (rehearsal for Sunday, Aug. 28)

Develop your musical-vocal skills!

1. Learn, review and practice basic sight-reading skills.
2. Build your singing voice.
3. Apply your new skills in a sacred choral work or two, to be sung in worship (not required).

All are welcome to attend one or all of the upcoming musicianship workshops here at Second Presbyterian Church, led by instructors Marianne and Jeff Sandborg. Workshops will be held in the Church Choir Room downstairs; please enter via the main portico entrance.

RSVP to Jeff Sandborg: sandborg@roanoke.edu.

COMMUNICATION PREFERENCES FORM

We invite you to take a few minutes to complete the new Communication Preferences Form online (www.spres.org/communication-preferences/) where you can specify the ways you prefer to receive regular communications, i.e. by print, email, or both. As mentioned in the form description, certain documents will continue to be sent via mail or email, but where possible, we hope to cater to your preferences, allowing a more intentional use of the church's resources and increased member satisfaction. Thank you!

GALS GATHERING NOVEMBER 11-12, 2022

We hope you'll save the date for this year's Gals Gathering retreat! The event will take place the weekend of Nov 11-12 (Fri-Sat) at Eagle Eyrie Conference Center in Lynchburg. We are thrilled to welcome Jen Brothers as our guest speaker! The theme for the weekend will be "Midwives of a New Creation," and we'll be studying Exodus 1:8-2:10.

Brochures with registration information will be made available soon. If you would like to know more about this women's retreat, contact Chasity Fitzpatrick at iamblessed3@cox.net or 540-525-6569.



SUSTAINABILITY SPOTLIGHT

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

The logo above is commonly used to denote the three "R's" of Recycling: **Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle**. The three arrows denote the three "R's" and the circular configuration signifies that it is a **closed loop system**. What's a closed loop system you ask? Paraphrasing from multiple sources, it is described as follows:

"Put simply, closed-loop manufacturing means that the materials used in production can be reused. Closing the loop entails that any post-consumer waste is recollected and reused to start the process all over again. Under a closed-loop system, the same materials are reused over and over again to create new products for purchase. It's a way to conserve natural resources and divert waste from the landfill."

Our church and preschool have been recycling paper for several years and are now exploring ways to include other items such as cardboard, glass, metal, and plastic. You may have noticed blue and green recycling bins scattered throughout the church, especially at the Tower entrance where worship bulletins are collected following Sunday morning worship. The Green Team has recently offered recommendations for including other items.

Returning to the recycling logo above, "in true circular fashion", please remember to first **Reduce** and **Reuse** before **Recycling** an item. For more information see a one-minute video at https://youtu.be/2R3_McgSM11.

– 2PC Green Team

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In memory of **Marilyn Williams** by
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George and Millie Anderson

Other funds are available for your contributions. Please contact Nathan Anderson, Church Administrator, at 540-343-3659 or email: admin@spres.org. This list includes donations received between June 1-30, 2022.

**We sincerely regret any errors or omissions in this list. Please contact the Church Administrator, 540-343-3659, to help us get it corrected.*

AMAZONSMILE REWARDS

Did you know that Second Presbyterian Church is registered with AmazonSmile? The AmazonSmile program allows you to shop on Amazon all while helping support charitable organizations like Second Presbyterian as you shop. With Second Presbyterian Church selected as your charity of choice, the AmazonSmile foundation will donate the equivalent of 0.5% of your purchase price when you check out on smile.amazon.com.

To date, 15 Amazon shoppers are supporting our organization, and the church has earned \$65.34!

Want to link your account? Registering is easy. Visit our website at www.spres.org/give/amazonsmile/ and click the Amazon button where you will designate Second Presbyterian Church (Roanoke, VA) as your charity. Click “start shopping” and you will be prompted to sign in. Once you complete your order, Amazon will donate 0.5% of eligible purchases to Second Presbyterian with no fees, and no extra cost. Future shopping can be initiated by going straight to smile.amazon.com and logging in. This will be your new way to access Amazon shopping in order for Second Presbyterian to be supported. So remember to always log on to smile.amazon.com or bookmark the site on your browser.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity with all your future orders from AmazonSmile!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Montreat High School Youth Conference 6:30pm Al Anon & Alateen, Trent Classroom, Reading Room, Library	2 Montreat High School Youth Conference	3 Montreat High School Youth Conference 12:00pm Bulletin Article Deadline 5:15pm Personnel Committee, Hybrid	4 Montreat High School Youth Conference 7:15am Men's Bible Study, Hybrid 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal	5 Montreat High School Youth Conference	6 Montreat High School Youth Conference
7 10:00am Worship Service, Sanctuary/Live Stream	8 5:30pm Service and Outreach Meeting, Hybrid 6:30pm Al Anon & Alateen, Trent Classroom, Reading Room, Library	9 9:30am Staff Meeting 5:00pm Congregational Life Meeting, Zoom 6:00pm Trent Fund Subcommittee, Zoom	10 12:00pm Bulletin Article Deadline 12:00pm Second Sheet Article Deadline 5:15pm Worship & Music Committee, Hybrid	11 7:15am Men's Bible Study, Session Room/Zoom	12 12:00pm Stewardship Meeting, Hybrid	13
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28 10:00am Worship Service with Two Cents a Meal Offering, Sanctuary/Live Stream 11:00am Mission Build Celebration Reception, Fellowship Hall	29 6:30pm Al Anon & Alateen, Trent Classroom, Reading Room, Library	30 9:30am Staff Meeting	31 12:00pm Bulletin Article Deadline	<div style="border: 1px solid black; background-color: #FFD700; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p>TWO CENTS-A-MEAL</p> <p>We would like to thank Jamie Lewis who collected the Two Cents-a-Meal offering on Sunday, June 26 during the 10:00 a.m. worship service. His parents are Chris and April Lewis.</p> </div>		

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7:30 p.m. | Church Choir Room
Enter via main portico entrance.

RSVP: sandborg@roanoke.edu

