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Finding direction by following Jesus.

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PASTOR'S NOTES - DR. GEORGE C. ANDERSON.

Two Lenten Series

I'm excited about what has been planned for the Lenten season. Two complimentary series will be offered that focus on lessons of life. The first is a Lenten Video series. Members of the church who have lots of life experience will share their stories and insights. Each Wednesday, a new video will be released featuring one of the following members: Dick Guerrant, Nathan Goff, Agnes Reid Jenny, Dee Moore, Hayden Hollingsworth, and Sara Airheart.

Second, on Sundays during Lent, the preaching pastors will present a sermon series on something we are all hoping to gain in life: **Wisdom**. The preachers will have these questions in mind as they prepare their sermons:

- What is wisdom, and how does it come to us?
- How much is wisdom gained from it being passed down by our tradition and from our elders, or does most wisdom come from life experiences with lessons being learned the hard way?
- Does wisdom grow stale? When does the younger generation have more to say worth hearing?
- Is there anything distinctive about a wisdom that comes of faith?

I look forward to seeking wisdom with you this Lent.



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CONNECT WITH US

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/





PASTOR'S NOTES - DR. GEORGE C. ANDERSON

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THE TRENT SYMPOSIUM FOR NEWLY ORDAINED MINISTERS

The Kittye Susan Trent Symposium is a one-of-a-kind program with national recognition. Since its inception in 2008, the symposium has brought in promising newly ordained pastors from around the country to Second Presbyterian Church. Over six days, they go through seminars that focus on the practical areas of ministry—areas that are hard to teach in seminary but are essential for long and productive careers in parish ministry.

To date, 122 pastors have participated in the 15 symposiums with almost all of them continuing to serve churches faithfully and well. I keep hearing from past participants that the symposium was the best continuing education event they've had. Not only do they gain invaluable wisdom from seasoned practitioners, but they also form lifelong connections with their peers relationships that support them throughout their ministry journeys. This symposium is, without a doubt, **the most impactful ministry our church offers the denomination**.

The next symposium will be held April 25-30 and your presence is needed. One of the most meaningful aspects for participants is experiencing a vibrant and engaged congregation. You can play a vital role by being present in three key ways:

- 1. Attend Sunday School on April 27 Symposium participants will be visiting our Sunday School classes.
- 2. Join us for Sunday Worship Your presence helps create a welcoming and inspiring atmosphere.
- 3. Come to the Tuesday Night Dinner & Program on April 29 This is a special evening featuring David Zahl, a respected theologian, founder of Mockingbird Ministries, podcaster, and Episcopal priest. Not only has he authored seven acclaimed books, but his eighth book will officially launch that night at our church.

Mark your calendar and make plans to be part of these events. Let's come together to support and encourage these young ministers who have decades of ministry ahead of them.

TRENT SYMPOSIUM CONGREGATIONAL DINNER & PROGRAM

The Kittye Susan Trent Symposium for Newly Ordained Ministers is a congregation based continuing education event for newly ordained ministers. From April 25-30, we will welcome eight ministers from across the country to Roanoke to participate in this program. On Sunday, April 27, the participants will join us in worship and attend our Sunday school classes. While they are with us, please join us in welcoming them into our vibrant congregation as we worship and learn together. The participating ministers this year are:

- Ashley Mason Brown, St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church, New Orleans, LA
- Matt Cooper, Kirk of Kildaire Presbyterian Church, Cary, NC
- Jacob Kennedy, Fort Hill Presbyterian Church, Clemson, SC
- Hannah Miller, Faith Presbyterian Church, Colorado Springs, CO
- Maggie Johnson Phillips, Village Presbyterian Church, Prairie Village, KS
- Samuel Charles Phillips, Rolling Hills Presbyterian Church, Overland Park, KS
- Christópher Abreu Rosario (Ófe), Bethany Presbyterian Church, Tacoma, WA
- Hannah Trawick, Kirk of Kildaire Presbyterian Church, Cary, NC

CONGREGATIONAL DINNER & PROGRAM TUESDAY, APRIL 29 @ 6:00 P.M. | RSVP BY APRIL 13

On Tuesday, April 29 at 6:00 p.m., we will have our annual Trent Symposium Dinner. During this time, we will enjoy a meal together followed by a program offered by David Zahl titled, "The Urgency of Grace for a Worn-Out World."

Details (Menu from Lib & Amy Catering):

- Mixed Garden Salad with Balsamic and Ranch Dressings, Pork Tenderloin with grapes, Mashed Sweet Potatoes, Mixed Vegetables, and Cornbread.
- Cost: \$15 per person. \$7 for children ages 5-12.
- RSVP by Sunday, April 13 using the QR code on the right or at spres.org!

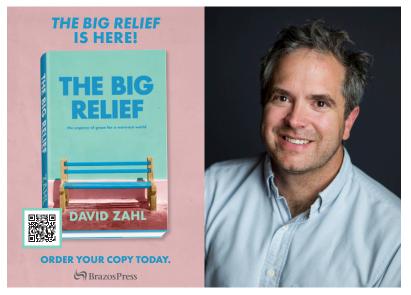
If you cannot attend dinner but still want to attend the program, please join us at 6:45 p.m. in the sanctuary.

About the program: "The Urgency of Grace for a Worn-Out World" | 6:45 p.m. | Sanctuary

Join author David Zahl as he explores the beauty and depth of God's grace afresh, outlining how it provides deep relief from the accelerating demands that characterize so much of modern life. To do so, he'll draw on personal stories, cultural examples, and the witness of Scripture. Just don't forget to bring your sense of humor!

About the speaker:

David Zahl is the founder and director of Mockingbird Ministries, editor-in-chief of the Mockingbird website (www.mbird.com), and co-host of both *The Mockingcast* and *The Brothers Zahl* podcasts. He and his family live in Charlottesville, Virginia, where he also serves on the staff of Christ Episcopal Church. Zahl is the author of *Seculosity: How Career, Parenting, Technology, Food, Politics, and Romance Became Our New Religion and What To Do About It and Low Anthropology: The Unlikely Key to a Gracious View of Others (and Yourself)*. His next book, *The Big Relief: The Urgency of Grace for a Worn-Out World* comes out in April 2025 from Brazos Press. His writing has been featured in The Washington Post, Christianity Today, and The Guardian, among other venues.







POP-UP SUNDAY SCHOOL

The March 2 Pop-Up Sunday School class has been postponed until April 6. There will <u>not</u> be a Pop-Up class for March.

APRIL 6 @ 9:45 a.m., Chapel: 2PC Green Team & Star City Compost



SUNDAY

Davey Stewards of Star City Compost as our guest speaker for this engaging class, hosted by Second's Green Team. Davey is a father, husband, musician, ecological educator,

We welcome

and compassionate earth worker. He has maintained a steady ethic leading, working on, and educating about ecosystem restoration since graduating from the University of Maryland, College Park in 2009 with a degree in Environmental Science and Policy. Notably, Davey co-founded Pick Up America, where he spent 3 years coordinating the nation's only coast-tocoast roadside litter pickup to promote a zero-waste future. He also has worked as a cook, house painter, bread baker, invasive species removal specialist, ecological educator, and carpenter's assistant. Since moving to Roanoke City, Davey has worked supporting and initiating various community garden agriculture projects. He has carried the effort to pursue the legal permitting and conversation around a compost facility project at Heritage Point Farm in NE since 2018.

THE BIBLE IN BLACK & WHITE | WEDNESDAYS IN MARCH | NOON | FELLOWSHIP HALL "What Are THEY Doing Here?"

Some books in the Bible are about a specific person. What makes these stories so compelling is that they often center on individuals who live on the

margins—people whose lives seem insignificant in the eyes of the powerful, yet matter deeply to God. These are the stories of God's powerful work among the powerless. During the noon hour on March Wednesdays, The Bible in Black & White class will explore four of these narratives, seeking to understand what God sees in these individuals-and in all of us. Drs. Bill Lee and George Anderson, along with ministers from other sponsoring churches, will guide the discussion. Schedule: Mar. 5: Ruth, Mar. 12: Esther, Mar. 19: Daniel, Mar. 26: Philemon. New - April 2: Fellowship Luncheon provided by a grant from the Presbytery of the Peaks.

KAIROS: LENT 2025

The church year's cyclical rhythm reminds us of time's passage and God's presence in it. Lent, like Advent, is a time of waiting and preparation, but here we wait not for Jesus' arrival, but for his death and resurrection. It's a season of reflection as we evaluate our lives in light of Christ's call. Years ago, we named our Lenten evening worship "Kairos," a Greek word for "the right or opportune moment," describing time for spiritual reflection or "God's time." This spring, we offer a blended Kairos Lenten worship experience, with opportunities for worship in person and online. We pray this time of quiet and reflection will help connect us to the Holy during this season of change.

ASH WEDNESDAY:

- Mar 5, 7:30-9:30 a.m.: "Ashes and Prayer To-Go" in the parking lot
- Mar 5, 6:00 p.m.: Ash Wednesday Worship, Kirk Hall

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS ONLINE:

 Mar 12-Apr 16 (Wednesdays): Weekly Kairos Reflections via YouTube and Facebook, featuring Second Presbyterian members sharing the important and spiritual gift of wisdom.

MAUNDY THURSDAY:

• Apr 17, 6:00 p.m.: Maundy Thursday Worship, Kirk Hall

Women's Bible Study | Spring 2025 | Thursdays,

10:30-11:30 A.M. From Wilderness to Glory: Lent and Easter for Everyone

The church has always known, intuitively even, that the best way for us to be shaped into the people God wants us to be-the people whose difference from the world around is vital to our witness—is to think and pray slowly and carefully through the stories of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. In From Wilderness to Glory, beloved author N. T. Wright encourages readers to do just that throughout the seasons of Lent and Easter. The books the church had in stock have been purchased. Copies can be ordered from the PC(U-SA) Store. To register for the class, contact Meredith Koliba (meredith@ spres.org). Schedule, Spring 2025:

- Mar 6 (NO MEETING)
- Mar 13, 20, 27, Apr 3, 10, 17

3rd-5th Grade Communicants' Class: March 30 |

12-1:30 P.M. (LUNCH PROVIDED)

Parents & Children Invited to Attend Together. RSVP by March 23. Children and parents are invited to

explore the meaning of the sacrament of communion together. As baptized members of Christ's Church, children are always welcome at the Lord's Table. This learning opportunity is offered to help children understand more fully what happens when we celebrate communion and why. We will meet on Sunday March 30 in the Session Room, following the late worship service. This is just ahead of the April 6 worship services (8:45 & 11:00 a.m.) when communion will be served. It's a wonderful opportunity to learn about and then partake in this sacrament together. Contact Meredith Koliba to RSVP by March 23 so we may have an accurate count for lunch, and indicate whether you will need childcare for any younger children (meredith@spres.org).

SAVE THE DATES FOR SUMMER @ SECOND

Evening Vacation Bible School – June 8-11 (Sun-Wed)

"Navigating the Wilderness" with Guest Speaker, Dr. Ed McLeod

Adults are invited to join us for Evening VBS, kicking off the week with dinner and program on June 8. Our guest speaker, Dr. Ed McLeod, will help us dive deeper in scripture and faith together. Children (Pre-k – 5th grade) will enjoy a special parallel theatre camp, and childcare will be available for any younger children attending. <u>Registration details will be out soon.</u>

Schedule: Sunday, June 8: 6-8 p.m. with dinner | Monday-Wednesday, June 9-11: 6:30-7:45 p.m. with refreshments

"Navigating the Wilderness"

The concept of wilderness can be a metaphor for the time when we move from old certainties to new certainties. During
these four nights together, we will consider the wilderness experience of the children of Israel, the experience of Job, and the
writings of Brian McLaren (Faith After Doubt), Sarah Bessey (Field Notes for the Wilderness), and others to suggest that a
dynamic and maturing faith will always have seasons that feel like wilderness wandering. Through it all, we can trust in God,
our "very present help," and discover a new place of deepening trust.

Guest Speaker: Dr. Ed McLeod

 We welcome long-time friend of Second, Dr. Edward A. McLeod, Jr. (Ed) as our guest speaker for Evening Adult VBS this June. Ed is a graduate of the College of William and Mary and Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA. He has served churches in South and North Carolina, most recently retired from First Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, NC in 2023. Ed is married to Jenny, they have two children, and adore spending time with their five grandchildren. In his free time, Ed enjoys crossword puzzles, movies, exercise, over-tipping at restaurants, and beating Dr. George Anderson at golf.

For 4 Year-Olds-Middle School: Children's Theatre Camp

• This summer, we are thrilled to welcome Meghan Griffith as the leader for our Evening VBS Children's Theatre Camp leader! Children are welcome to bring friends.

MORNING VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - JULY 21-24 (MON-TH)

"Fish Tales" July 21-24 (Mon-Th), 8:30am-12noon

- Members and friends (Pre-k 5th grade) are invited to join us for Morning Vacation Bible School July 21-24, as we explore stories from scripture. We'll learn about Jonah's story, and how God used a giant fish to turn him around. We'll hear about the call of the disciples by the lakeshore, how Jesus fed a multitude, and a special breakfast on the beach. This creative and engaging week will have children and volunteers singing, dancing, creating, and learning together.
- Youth and adult volunteers are a great part of what makes VBS so special. Please consider volunteering and joining the fun! Contact Maria Blackshaw (maria@spres.org) or Meredith Koliba (meredith@spres.org) to volunteer. Registration for Morning VBS will open on our website later this month.

TRENT GETAWAY RETREAT - AUGUST 8-10 (FRI-SUN)

At Eagle Eyrie with Guest Speaker, Dr. Robert McClellan

- Join us August 8-10 at Eagle Eyrie in Lynchburg for our annual church-wide retreat! <u>Registration begins</u> <u>March 30</u>—you won't want to miss this intergenerational opportunity for spiritual growth and renewal. The retreat begins with dinner on Friday, and ends following mid-morning worship on Sunday.
- Our guest speaker for the retreat is the Rev. Dr. Robert (Rob) McClellan, Pastor and Head of Staff of Westminster Presbyterian Church in Tiburon, CA. He views pastoral ministry as a chance to help people uncover or recover a faith that is relevant and alive. He aims to offer a refreshing expression of Christ to those who have had negative or unfulfilling experiences with religion. He believes faith is a whole-self endeavor, engaging the mind, body, and spirit. Rob has a passion for Celtic Christianity, and like so many, Rob finds God in nature, too. Rob is happily married to Sherri Hausser, also an ordained Presbyterian minister, and they have a son named Liam, born in 2012. In his spare time, Rob enjoys the outdoors, music (both listening and playing), reading, writing, and cherishing moments with his family.









CONGREGATIONAL LIFE_

Fellowship Luncheon for Members 80 and Over | April 6 | RSVP by March 21

Second Presbyterian Church joyfully invites members ages 80 and over to a Fellowship Luncheon following the 11:00 o'clock worship service on Sunday, April 6. Join us for a time of fellowship, a brief program and a catered meal. You should receive a formal invitation in the mail (if your birth date is in the church database). If you are in this age range and do not receive an invitation by mail, please contact the church. RSVP by Friday, March 21 to Meredith Koliba at the church office (540-343-3659; meredith@ spres.org).

MISSION FAIR SUNDAY, MARCH 30

On March 30, the Service and Outreach Committee will host a "Mission Fair" in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. It is our hope that this Mission Fair will provide space for conversations and moments of learning. Our mission partners will each have a booth set up for you to visit and learn about all the ways they are serving our community and all the ways you can join in their work, especially as we prepare for our Great Day of Service on April 26. There will be food to share thanks to Congregational Life, and many connections to share as well! We look forward to what this day may provide for us and for our partners.

PRESCHOOL HIRING INFANT TEACHERS

The preschool is hiring for Infant Lead and Assistant Teacher positions. Applicants should have experience working with babies and toddlers. Please reach out to Preschool Director Alice Light, alight@spres.org, with interest.

PARENTING SEMINAR | MARCH 30 | 5:00-6:30 P.M. | SESSION ROOM | RSVP BY MARCH 25 "ScreenStrong: Kids' Brains & Screens" ft. Guest Speaker Emily Harrison

Parents/grandparents/guardians are invited to join us for a Screen-Strong presentation with speaker Emily Harrison. ScreenStrong empowers parents to prevent and reverse childhood screen dependency. The seminar will provide practical solutions to free children from toxic screen habits.

Childcare will be available. Please indicate need on your registration form.





SPEAKER: EMILY HARRISON Emily is a writer and speaker on digital media and family. She is a Fellow with the Colson Center for Christian Worldview, Ambassador for the Phone Free Schools Movement, and ScreenStrong, and member of Fairplay's Screen Time Action Network. She biogs weekly at <u>DearChristianParent.Substack.com</u>.

Emily believes children must develop an understanding of what it means to be human, critical thinking skills, perseverance and hard work to best be prepared for the digital age.

This presentation will teach you, the parent, about Healthy Brain Development and how to best prepare your children for this current age.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE_

Welcome Paul and Trish Booton

We happily welcome Paul and Trish Booton to Second Presbyterian Church! They joined the church by reaffirmation of faith and letter of transfer on October 27, 2024.

Paul was raised in Oklahoma City, OK. He earned a BS and MS in Mathematics from Oklahoma State University, and an MBA from Long Island University. Paul served in the U.S. Army from 1965 to 1988 before teaching at Georgia Southern University from 1988 to 1992. He later worked as an information management consultant from 1992 to 2008. In his free time, Paul enjoys computers, golf, and travel.

Trish grew up in Shreveport, LA, with two brothers. She graduated with a BS in Secondary Education from Oklahoma State University. Trish shared that she was blessed to stay at home to raise her and Paul's two daughters. Later in life, she worked as an association executive for a board of realtors and as the office manager for her husband's business. In her spare time, Trish enjoys reading and playing duplicate bridge.

Paul and Trish have two daughters, two sons-in-law, and nine grandchildren. They are grateful for the close-knit family they have built over the years.

The couple's lives have been marked by hard work, education, and family. Today, they enjoy their retirement, staying active with their hobbies and spending time with their children and nine grandchildren.

We are ecstatic to have them become part of our family of faith. Please join me in giving Paul and Trish a warm welcome!

Submitted by Connie Polly, Engagement Coordinator.



– NEWS & NOTES –

Flowers | Jan. 12 - Given in loving memory of Dr. Leigh Hamilton Stockstill by the Stockstill family....... Jan. 19 - Given in memory of Laura Pickard Richards, David Edwin Pickard, Richard Carey Pickard, and Dick Richards by Patti and Charlie Palmer....... Jan. 26 - Given in memory of Chip and Lee Lazarus by their daughter, Susan Bailey....... Feb. 2 - Given in loving memory of Jean Glontz by her son, Michael Glontz....... Feb. 9 - Given by Nick, Alison, Laura and Nicholas in memory of Elena Conte.

Open Flower Date: May 18 is available for anyone who would like to sponsor flowers in the sanctuary. Please contact Denise Revercomb with interest (540-588-5111; revercomb@cox. net).

Sympathy | Our sympathies extend to Bill and Susan Lancaster on the death of Bill's brother, Leitch Lancaster of Richmond, VA, on Saturday, January 18, 2025. Our prayers are also with the extended families of Connor Fralin, Pierce Lancaster, and Al McLean....... Sympathy is extended to Ellen Stanley Booth on the death of her uncle, Richard Cocke, on Thursday, January 23, 2025....... Our sympathies extend to the family and loved ones of Vernelle Walker, who died on Saturday January 25, 2025.

Concerns | Anne Macfarlane, Cindy Reilly.

New Arrivals | Congratulations to Bob and Carol Cole on the birth of their grandson, Lincoln Robert Cole, on Monday, December 30, 2024 to parents Taylor and Catherine Cole...... Congratulations to Drew and Anne Tyler Howell who welcomed their daughter, Elizabeth James "Lettie" Howell, in the midst of a Charleston, SC snowstorm on Tuesday, January 21, 2025. Proud grandparents are David and Glo Howell.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS_



Photos rows 1 & 2 from Youth Sunday. Photos row 3 from the youth "Our Whole Lives" retreat.

YOUTH

I can say, with undeniable certainty, that **Youth Sunday** was a special and meaningful worship service for the entire church youth, parents, members, guests, and whoever was blessed to watch. I am still receiving wonderful words of praise and gratitude for the ways in which our Youth witnessed to the good news of the gospel through song, sacrament, and sermon! Each year the Youth amaze everyone with their beautiful liturgy, music, and leadership. DEEP DIVE 2025! All glory to God!

The 9th and 10th Grade retreat, **Our Whole Lives: Faith & Human Sexuality**, was a success! We had 10 youth from Raleigh Court and Second gathered to explore the intersection between faith and the decisions we make as we hope to better live out our call to love ourselves and others as image-bearers in the world! I feel so blessed to serve a church like Second that values educational opportunities for all ages!

March is a transition into the Lenten season. This season will provide our youth time to reflect, ask deep questions of faith, and consider how God's grace meets us where we are and extends love to us in all our brokenness. Come join **Youth Group** Sunday nights from 5:00 until 6:30 at the Intersection as we grow together in body, mind, and soul!

– Ben Brannan

March Youth Dates

- March 2 High School Sunday School Visits 5th Avenue PC
- March 2 Youth Group: Comprehending Christ's Love Pt.1
- March 9 Youth Group: Comprehending Christ's Love Pt.2
- March 16 Youth Group: Love of Self

- March 23 Youth Group: Love of Others
- March 30 Mission Fair during Sunday School
- March 30 Railyard Dawgs Game @ 3 p.m.

A FIRST FOR THE CHURCH'S ANNUAL REPORT

The Annual Report gives a complete and transparent accounting of the health and profile of the church—how the past year unfolded and what the church and congregation have accomplished working together. It is a remarkable document that inspires, informs, and invites members to recognize what we are doing as a family of faith—both within the walls of the church, and equally important, outside the walls of the church. The Annual Report reflects how Second Presbyterian is *"Finding Direction by Following Jesus."*

In reading last year's report and learning how the congregation, staff, committees, and preschool activities were "Blooming," the Green Team and Property Committee wanted to contribute and share something of how our church is living into its call to care for God's creation.

For the first time in church history, the Green Team and Property Committee are pleased to be included in the 2024 Annual Report detailing what we are doing to incorporate energy-saving and creation-care measures into the life of the church. You will learn about the church's energy and CO_2 emissions from 2019-2024, measures taken to make the church more energy efficient, and educational offerings focused on the care for God's creation.

As you have read in the Spotlight several times over the years, "As a faith community, we can be a model to the larger community and a witness to the faith we profess by taking visible concrete actions that express what we believe about creation and our role in caring for it." We hope that our message in the Annual Report will enlighten you and serve as an inspiration to support and join the church's efforts to become more sustainable and resilient.

LOOKING AHEAD:



Lent begins Wednesday, March 5. The Green Team encourages members to print out a copy of the PC(USA) **"Tread Lightly for Lent"** devotional calendar at 2025 Lent Calendar.pdf.

As people of faith, we seek to "serve and preserve" God's world. Lent is a time to reflect on Christ's ministry, death, and resurrection. We slow down, take time, and examine our internal spiritual lives and the way we live out our Christian faith in the world around us. -PC(USA).

POP-UP Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Sun, April 6 in the Chapel. The Green Team welcomes Davey Stewards, Co-founder and Co-Owner of **Star City Compost**. Join us as we learn the importance of 1) replenishing soil, 2) diverting waste from the landfill, and 3) reducing methane emissions. Caring for God's creation doesn't get any easier than this simple act of stewardship.

Sustainability Spotlight. Just a reminder that the Spotlight is being published in *The Second Sheet* every other month to better serve the congregation. Grace and peace this Lenten season!



Contributions to Second Presbyterian Church – January 2025

Property Maintenance and Repair Fund In memory of Vernelle Walker by George and Millie Anderson In memory of Sara McGhee by Betty and Ed Lesko

General Fund

In memory of **Sara McGhee** by Tom and Peggy Strong

Other funds are available for your contributions. Please contact Nathan Anderson, Church Administrator, at 540-343-3659 or admin@spres.org. This list includes donations received between Jan. 1-31, 2025.

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

LEGACY CORNER

Did you know there are over a dozen funds that are available for legacy gifts?

When I had the pleasure to serve as Church administrator I was so thankful that so many opportunities had been set up by those members who came before us. They saw the needs facing our church long ago. As it says on our website, "They started this, our home for worship, for fellowship, and for doing ministry."

Once, during my tenure, after a routine fire inspection, it was recommended that we add another exit to the outside in the preschool. Thanks to legacy it was funded and installed over the summer without any interruption to the school year.

Your legacy matters here at Second Presbyterian If you have been considering a gift of assets or would like to learn more please contact us.

- Mark Wigginton, Legacy Committee



CALENDAR - MARCH 2025_

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MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION FOR PCC: The food items for the month of March are **pasta**, **spaghetti**, **macaroni**, **and sauces**. A donation bin is in the coat closet (please check the expiration date before donating). As the PCC prepares to move into their new building this summer, they also appreciate donations of packing materials, boxes, packing tape, bubble wrap, etc. to assist with the move.

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EASTER FLOWERS 2025 - ORDER ONLINE BY APRIL 7

If you would like to give memorial or celebration flowers for the April 20 Easter services, please complete the **ONLINE ORDER FORM** found at <u>www.spres.org</u>. We encourage you to complete the online form to ensure spelling accuracy.



Alternatively, you may use this order form and return it to the church <u>via mail or email (meredith@spres.</u> <u>org)</u>, along with a check for \$12.50 per plant. **The deadline for receiving orders is Monday, April 7.** Return or mail early to Second Presbyterian Church; 214 Mountain Ave, SW; Roanoke,VA 24016. Please note "Easter Flowers" in the item line of your check.

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