

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**SYMPATHY**

Sympathy is extended to Manly Aylor and family on the death of his mother, Alice Gay Aylor of Gretna, VA, on Saturday, May 24.

Our sympathies extend to Laura McKaskel and John Stanley and family on the death of Susan "Sue" Stanley, on Thursday, May 29. Our prayers are also with Tanky Stephenson, Sue's sister.

**NEW ARRIVAL**

Congratulations to Barry and Ann Green on the birth of their granddaughter, Elaine Beth Shelton, born on Tuesday, May 27 to Meredith and Scotty Shelton.

**WELCOME SUMMER PASTORAL INTERN:** Second Presbyterian is excited to welcome Ramsay Reid as our Summer Pastoral Intern from May 27 through August 19. A native of Barboursville, VA, Ramsay just completed his first year at The College of William & Mary, where he plans to major in Religious Studies and is active in the Presbyterian campus ministry. He hopes to pursue an MDiv and eventually become a pastor. During his time with us, Ramsay will assist with summer activities, mission trips, VBS, and the Montreat Youth Conference. He looks forward to learning more about church leadership and sharing in conversations about faith. Please pray for, support, and warmly welcome Ramsay as he joins our church community this summer. Ramsay will be introduced to the congregation in worship next Sunday, June 1.



**REGISTER FOR EVENING VBS BY TOMORROW:** Join us next week for our annual Evening Vacation Bible School June 8-11! Evening lectures for adults and a fantastic children's theatre program will help us dive deeper in scripture and faith together. **Registration deadline is Monday, June 2. See insert for more details.**

**OPEN FLOWER DATES:** June 15, 22, & 29; July 27; August 3 & 24 are available for anyone who would like to sponsor flowers in the sanctuary. Please contact Denise Revercomb to reserve (588-5111; revercomb@cox.net).

**CALL FOR GRADUATES' NEWS:** We are collecting information on our church's graduates (high school, college, graduate school, technical training, etc.) which will be announced in the July issue of *The Second Sheet*. Please send your graduation information and future plans along with a senior photo (optional) to andrea@spres.org by Wednesday, June 11. Students may submit their own information if desired.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES THROUGH SUMMER:** Second Presbyterian's Men's Bible Study meets every Thursday morning from 7:15 to 8:15 a.m. Men are welcome to attend either in person or via Zoom. This week, the group will begin a thoughtful new study on Luke's *Sermon on the Plain* (Luke 6:20-23), where Jesus offers meaningful instructions for Christian living—paralleling the well-known *Sermon on the Mount* found in Matthew 5:1-12. It's a great opportunity for men to connect, reflect, and grow in faith together. All men are welcome and encouraged to join! Contact Dave Speno with questions (davidspeno@gmail.com).

**PCC URGENT NEED OF HYGIENE PRODUCTS:** Donations of hygiene items are incredibly slow right now, and the PCC currently does not have any soap, shampoo, laundry detergent, or dish soap. Any donations would be greatly appreciated! Items can be placed in the labeled box in the Coat Closet off Kirk Hall.

**THE WEEK AHEAD**

**Today, June 1**

10:00 am: Worship Service with Baptism of Shepherd Blaylock, Sanctuary/Live Stream

**Monday, June 2**

6:30 pm: Al Anon & Alateen, Trent Classroom, Reading Room, Library  
6:30 pm: Cub Scouts, Cafe  
6:45 pm: Scouts

**Tuesday, June 3**

9:30 am: Staff Meeting, Reading Room

**Wednesday, June 4**

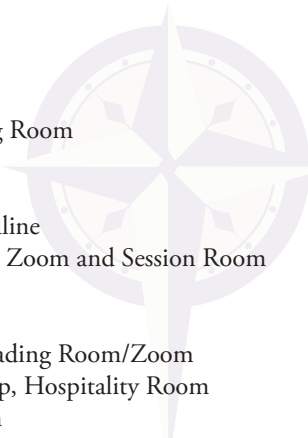
12:00 pm: Bulletin Article Deadline  
5:15 pm: Personnel Committee, Zoom and Session Room

**Thursday, June 5**

7:15 am: Men's Bible Study, Reading Room/Zoom  
10:00-11:00 am: Knitting Group, Hospitality Room  
12:00 pm: PCC, Reading Room  
4:00 pm: Christian Education Committee Meeting, Reading Room/Zoom  
5:00 pm: Property Committee Meeting, Session Room/Zoom

**Friday, June 6**

**Saturday, June 7**



**Staff**

*Administrator*  
Nathan Anderson  
*Choir Director*  
Dr. Jeffrey Sandborg  
*Organist*  
Marianne Sandborg  
*Engagement Coordinator*  
Connie Polly  
*Children's Ministry Coordinator*  
Maria Blackshaw  
*Parish Associate for Visitation*  
Nancy O. Gray  
*Pastors' Assistant*  
Meredith Koliba  
*Secretary*  
Stacy Moore  
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*Church Sexton*  
John Brady Anderson

**Trustees**

Ron Ayers  
Lauren Ellerman  
George A. McLean, Jr.

**Clerk of Session**

Bill Durham  
Ken Lyons (Asst. Clerk)

**Treasurers**

Joe Miller  
Bob Martin (Vice Treasurer)

**Missionaries**

*National:*  
Beth-El Farmworker  
Ministry; Wimauma, FL  
*Local:*  
Presbyterian Community  
Center, Roanoke, VA

**Preschool**

Alice Light, *Director*  
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**Sunday Morning Worship**  
June 1, 2025

*Recessed cross located in the  
stonework of the chapel.*



**PASTORAL STAFF**

*Dr. George C. Anderson, Senior Pastor*  
*The Rev. Elizabeth N.H. Link, Executive Pastor*  
*The Rev. Benjamin S. Brannan, Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Adults*

*Large-print copies of services may be requested from an usher.*

**MEMBERS OF THE SESSION OF SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Elders - Class of 2025**

Ginger Avis  
Susan Carter  
John Caudill  
Kandy Elliott  
Lucinda Hancock  
Mark Lawrence  
Megan Moore  
Darin Pearson

**Elders - Class of 2026**

Mary Airheart  
Margaret Ashburn  
Chasity Fitzpatrick  
Barry Green  
Sally T'Anson  
Drew Kepley  
Randy Rhea  
Ken Sizemore

**Elders - Class of 2027**

Mia Copeland  
Rebekah Gunn  
Beth Vaught Jenkins  
John Jessee  
Patty Lemon  
Jim Pickens  
Dave Speno  
Maria Ward



JUNE 1, 2025

WORSHIP ON SITE & ONLINE AT 10:00 A.M.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Gathering Music	<i>Trumpet Voluntary</i>	John Bennett
>Welcome and Announcements		
Introduction of Summer Pastoral Intern, Ramsay Reid		
Minute for Mission	<i>Pack a Snack</i>	Ann Seddon
Prelude	<i>In Christ There Is No East or West</i>	Gilbert M. Martin

\*Call to Worship

The sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.

**We come with hope, trusting that God is not finished.**

All creation waits with eager longing for redemption.

**We, too, groan inwardly, waiting for what we do not yet see.**

But we do not wait alone or without purpose.

**For in hope we were saved—**

**and we wait with patience, trusting God’s promise.**

So come, people of God—

bring your longing, your weariness, your restless hearts.

**We gather to worship the God who gives strength to wait, courage to endure, and joy in the hope of what is to come.**

\*Hymn No. 279<sup>1</sup>      *Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God of all hope, You have taught us that suffering can give birth to endurance, and that patience is the soil where hope takes root. But we confess how easily we give up—on ourselves, on others, even on You. We grow impatient when the world does not change quickly enough. We grow weary when healing takes time. We settle for resignation instead of waiting in trust. We forget that Your Spirit groans with us and that Your love will not let us go. Forgive us, Lord, for the ways we despair too soon and love too little. Teach us again to wait with faith, to endure with courage, and to hope with joy.

*Be patient as we struggle to confess what we individually need to confess.*

Assurance of Pardon

\*Response of Praise No. 581      *Gloria Patri*

Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer      *Glory to God*, p. 35 (using debts, debtors)

Prayer for Illumination

Sacrament of Infant Baptism - Shepherd Graham Blaylock

Presiding Elder: Mark Lawrence

\*Hymn of Preparation No. 486      *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise* (v. 1)

\*Affirmation of Faith      The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Scripture Reading      Romans 8:18-25      New Testament p. 915

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon      *How Is Patience a Virtue?*      Dr. George C. Anderson

A Moment for Reflection

Call to Discipleship

Offering<sup>2\*\*</sup>

Offertory      *Just As I Am*      Dale Wood

Ritual of Friendship

*(Please sign the Friendship Pad, pass it along to others in your pew, then return it to center.)*

\*Doxology (Hymn No. 606)

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn No. 542      *God Be with You Till We Meet Again*

\*Charge and Benediction

Postlude      *Ricercare on "St. Anne"*      Gordon Young

*\*Please stand in body or spirit.*



BULLETIN NOTES

<sup>1</sup> ***COME, HOLY SPIRIT, HEAVENLY DOVE*** is a prayerful hymn written by Isaac Watts in the early 18th century. While many of Watts’ hymns express joyful praise, this one is marked by a tone of spiritual longing. It invites the Holy Spirit to awaken dry hearts, rekindle love for God, and stir a deeper faith within us. As we sing, we join in a centuries-old plea: that God's Spirit would move among us, reviving hope, deepening love, and renewing our patience in the waiting.

<sup>2</sup> **THE OUTREACH OFFERING** for June will benefit *Pack-a-Snack Weekend Snacks for Hungry Children*. 150 children benefited from the Pack a Snack programs at Highland Park and Morningside Elementary Schools during this past school year. Second Presbyterian and its partner churches of the Old Southwest Congregations in Action provided Highland Park with about 55 bags every week of the school year. Along with Greene Memorial UMC, Second Pres packed 90 bags for Morningside School every week. The cost of this ministry continues to rise and it takes \$1,000 a month to send home six items to tide the children over the weekend. Your generosity will ensure this most needed food program continues in 2025-26.

The Outreach Offering for the month of May supported *House of Bread*. **As of Thursday, May 22, \$3,660 was collected.**

**Monthly Food Collection for PCC:** The food items for the month of June are canned fruit, tuna, and chicken. A donation bin is in the coat closet (please check the expiration date before donating).

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**THIS SUNDAY**

**Baptism:** During the worship service this morning, Ben and Tabby Blaylock will present their son, Shepherd "Shep" Graham Blaylock, for the Sacrament of Infant Baptism. Mark Lawrence will serve as the presiding elder.

**Flowers:** The flowers are given to the glory of God by Cayce Myers in memory of Linda Cayce Myers and Edna R. Myers. *Arranged by Denise Revercomb.*

**Ushers:** Barry Green (Head Usher), Susan Carter, Bonnie and Pegram Johnson, Cecil Kelley.

**Greeters:** Patsy Chaney, Martha Mikkelson.

**AV Technicians:** Miranda Moore, Doug Settles.

## SUMMER DISCIPLESHIP & FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



**EVENING VBS FOR ALL AGES "NAVIGATING THE WILDERNESS" | JUNE 8-11:** All are invited to join us for Evening VBS, kicking off the week with a dinner and program on June 8. Our guest speaker, Dr. Ed McLeod, will help adults 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. **Learn more & register by TOMORROW, June 2 online or by scanning the QR code!**



### MORNING VBS "FISH TALES" & AFTER CARE CAMPS | JULY 21-24 | 8:30 A.M.-12:00 P.M. & 12:00-4:00P.M:



Members and friends (Pre-K–5th grade) are invited to join us for Morning Vacation Bible School July 21–24 from 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 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. Contact Maria Blackshaw (maria@spres.org) or Meredith Koliba (meredith@spres.org) with questions. **Register today via the QR code.**



- **After care camps are available from 12:00–4:00 p.m.**—but spaces are limited, and there is an associated fee for this afternoon care. Each afternoon will include lunch and playground time, staffed by church volunteers. From 1-4 p.m., programming will be led by outside organizations hosted here at the church including Super Kicks, Katherine Divine's Art, Soccer Shots, and Bricks4Kidz! *Note: Pre-K is not included in After Care Camps.*



- **Morning VBS Youth Volunteers:** Youth volunteers, mark your calendars! After the final day of VBS on Thursday, July 24, we'll celebrate together with a special gathering from 12:30–2:30 p.m. Please plan to stay and join us!

**TRENT GETAWAY RETREAT | "OUR SACRED HOME" | AUGUST 8–10 (FRI–SUN):** Join us August 8-10 at Eagle Eyrie in Lynchburg for our annual church-wide retreat! 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. Brochures and a table are set up in Kirk Hall for more info. Please come check out the display and pick up a brochure. **Register by Monday, June 23 online or by scanning the QR code!**



**SAVE THE DATE | RALLY DAY PICNIC | SUNDAY, AUGUST 24 @ 10:00 A.M.:** Plan to join your church family for our very exciting Rally Day Picnic at Braeloch (the farm of Nancy and Al Hammond) at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, August 24! We look forward to this time of worship and fellowship outdoors with a picnic buffet-style meal. Our menu with items from Three Li'l Pigs Barbeque includes (Options will be available for dietary restrictions—i.e. gluten free, vegan.): • Vinegar pulled pork, chicken (sauces on the side) • Potato salad, baked beans, coleslaw, watermelon • Green salad with dressings • Ice cream bar (toppings on the side) • Homemade desserts • Lemonade and water. This year we will have a fabulous bounce house, balloon art, face painting, and other fun activities! Congregants are invited to bring outdoor games for entertainment, including fishing poles and bait for those who wish to fish from the dock. Additionally, Commonwealth Coach and Trolley is pleased to provide transportation for those wanting a ride to Braeloch from the church. **Register by Sunday, Aug. 10 online by scanning the QR code or by calling the church office (540)343-3659.**

