



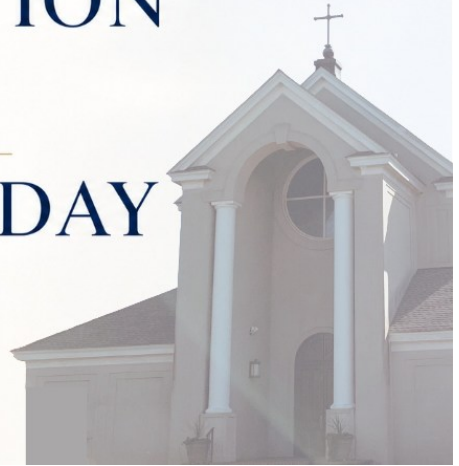
SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026

Worship services are livestreamed.



CONFIRMATION
Sunday
AND
FOUNDERS' DAY

We are a community of sinners saved by the grace of God through Jesus Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit. We seek to glorify God, nurture one another and express the love of God in word and deed.



Traditional Service at 10:30AM in the Sanctuary

ASSEMBLING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE "SCOTLAND, THE BRAVE" GLEN ADAMS, BAGPIPES; BILL JOHNS, ORGAN

**Those who are able, please stand*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS KEN MCMANUS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Lord, you have been our refuge

People: From one generation to another

Leader: Before the mountains were brought forth or the land and the sea were born

People: From age to age you are God.

Leader: For this place and this particular body in which we have gathered, heard your Word, prayed, and from which we have served each other and our community and world

All: We give you thanks, O Lord.

Leader: For all who have been baptized here, married here, ordained and served here, had celebrations of life here

All: We give you thanks, O Lord.

Leader: For all who have given and sacrificed time for you here, and all the saints who have stood among us - whose memory enlivens our witness - and for all whose lives have been touched by them.

All: We give you thanks, O Lord. Receive our gratitude, Holy God, for the years through which you have led us, and open us to the future you promise. Give us grace to grow in worship, community, welcome, discipleship, service and hope. For Christ's sake and name we pray, Amen.

*** HYMN 442**....."THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION"

* CALL TO CONFESSION KEN McMANUS

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION KEN McMANUS

Lord, you love the church and gave yourself up for her to make her holy. Forgive us, Lord, when we are not grateful for the gift of the church that is formed by your death for all of us. Lord, your desire is that we be One - that there is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female- forgive us when we separate from each other rather than be gracious toward each other and grow in love. Forgive us, when we do not work together for your glory. You are the head of your body, the church. Help us to long to be a part of what you are doing in our midst today. Give us grace to love each other as you love us.

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON KEN McMANUS

Leader: As far as the east is from the west- so far has He removed our sins from us. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

SUNG RESPONSE "DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND" p.345 v.1

DEAR LORD AND FATHER OF MANKIND, FORGIVE OUR FOOLISH WAYS;

RE-CLOTHE US IN OUR RIGHTFUL MIND, IN PURER LIVES THY SERVICE FIND, IN DEEPER REVERENCE, PRAISE.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES REV. DR. J. BEN SLOAN

CONFIRMATION CLASS LIAM BAILEY, CLAIRE CAMPBELL, EMERSON CLARK,
GEORGE CLARK, ANNA COFFEY, PARKER McNEICE

* GREET YOUR NEIGHBOR

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

CHOIR ANTHEM "JESUS THE LIVING BREAD"

JESUS THE LIVING BREAD, GUIDING THE PATH WE TREAD, GIVING US HOPE TO KNOW YOU'RE NEAR. AND ALL WHO LOVE YOU AND BELIEVE YOUR WORD IS TRUE, MAY COME TO THE TABLE AND RECEIVE THE BREAD, YOUR GIFT OF LOVE. JESUS, THE CUP OF WINE. YOU ARE THE LIVING VINE. YOUR LOVE ENTWINES US AS WE PRAY. AND ALL WHO LOVE YOU AND BELIEVE YOUR WORD IS TRUE, MAY COME TO THE TABLE AND RECEIVE THE CUP, YOUR GIFT OF LOVE. JESUS THE HOLY ONE, YOU GAVE TO US COMMUNION ON THAT DARKEST NIGHT OF GRIEF SO LONG AGO. WHEN YOU BROKE THE BREAD, WHEN YOU POURED THE WINE, WHEN YOU BLESSED IT TO OUR COMFORT, IN YOUR SACRIFICE, YOU SHOWED YOU LOVED US SO. COME HOLY JESUS, LORD OF THE SACRAMENT. STAND HERE AMONG US AS WE PRAY. AND ALL WHO LOVE YOU, AND BELIEVE YOUR WORD IS TRUE, MAY COME TO THE TABLE AND RECEIVE TODAY YOUR GIFT OF LOVE. YOUR GIFT OF LOVE. YOUR GIFT OF LOVE. YOUR GIFT OF LOVE.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON DEUTERONOMY 8:11-19 PG. 165,159

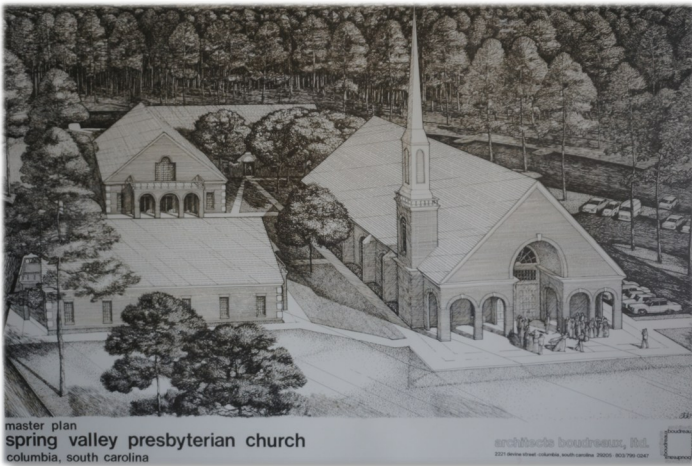
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1 CORINTHIANS 11:24-25; 2 TIMOTHY 2:8 PG. 173, 163; PG. 212, 200

SERMON "ALZHEIMER'S OF THE SOUL - OR DON'T FORGET TO REMEMBER" REV. DR. J. BEN SLOAN

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* APOSTLES' CREED HYMNAL, PG 14

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



A Celebration of 49 Years of Faith and Fellowship Spring Valley Presbyterian Church | 1977–2026

This Founders' Day, we joyfully celebrate 49 years of God's faithfulness to Spring Valley Presbyterian Church. Since our organization in the spring of 1977, God has guided and sustained our congregation every step of the way. Our very first worship service was held on May 1, 1977, at Wildewood School (now St. John Neumann School), marking the humble beginnings of a vibrant and growing faith community.

By 1979, our first church building was completed, now part of our Christian Education facility. A new chapter began on Easter Sunday in March 1989, when we gathered for the first time in our current Sanctuary. Continued growth led to the expansion of our Christian Education facilities in 2001, including the addition of the Atrium, Outreach Room, and Potts Fellowship Hall.

For nearly five decades, Spring Valley Presbyterian Church has sought to be a shining light for Christ in our community and beyond. Our mission outreach has been a vital part of who we are, from helping launch the Souper Bowl of Caring in 1990, to building lasting relationships with Port Loyola Baptist Church in Belize through mission trips and partnership. We are grateful to serve alongside Thornwell, host Meals on Wheels for Northeast Columbia, support the Richland 2 Backpack Program, and participate in ministries such as the Migrant Ministry dinner and many others throughout the year.

Our life together is strengthened through fellowship and shared experiences, whether through Jubilee Luncheons, the Montreat Fall Retreat, Vacation Bible School, Bible studies, Circle Groups, Sunday School/Faith Formation, or weekly worship. These moments continue to deepen our bonds of friendship and love in Christ.

On this special day, we give thanks for the faithful stewardship and dedication of those who came before us, whose vision and commitment laid the strong foundation we stand on today. With gratitude for the past and faith in God's promises, we look forward with hope and confidence to the years ahead.



Today marks an exciting milestone in the life of our church. We are officially beginning the final countdown toward becoming debt-free!

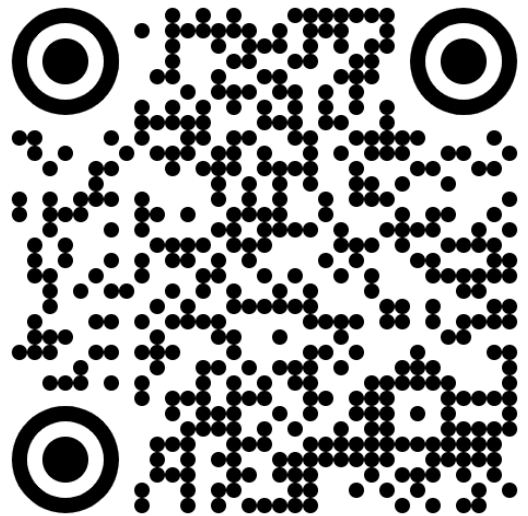
Since taking on a loan of \$2,430,000 in May 2013, we have faithfully worked together to reduce that balance to just \$213,216. With God's provision and your continued generosity, our final payment is projected just before our 50th anniversary next year. We look forward to celebrating that moment in a special way, by ceremonially

burning the mortgage as a testament to God's faithfulness.

The finish line is in sight. To reach it, we believe we need to raise approximately \$50,000 more. If you are a newer member or were not able to participate in the original campaign, we warmly invite you to join us in this final effort.

You can give by visiting www.svpc.org/giving or by scanning this QR code. Once there, select the down arrow next to "Reg Offering," then choose "Debt Free/Last Campaign," and give as God leads you.

We are deeply grateful for the generosity and faithfulness of the saints of SVPC, who have already contributed more than \$2.2 million to enhance and strengthen our facilities. Together, we look ahead with hope and anticipation as we complete this journey.



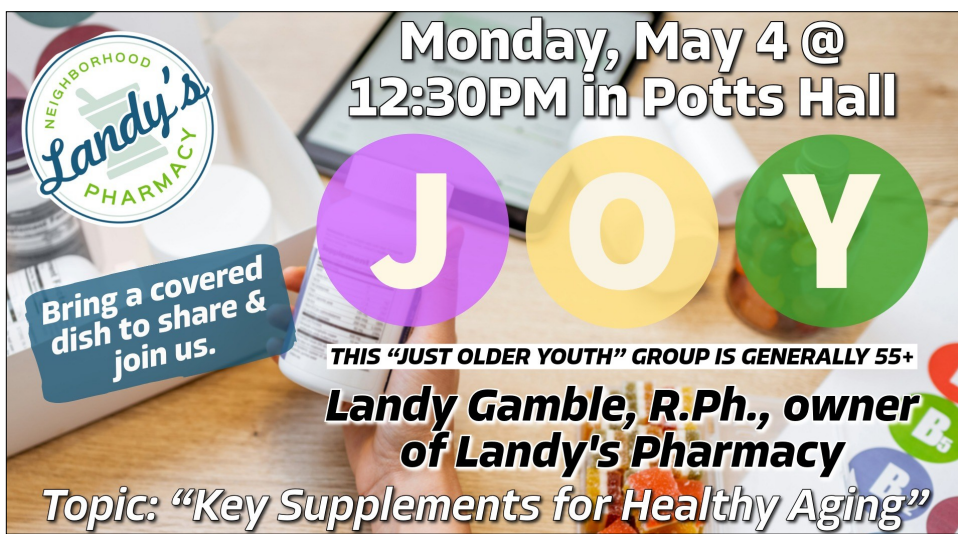
UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY/JUNE MISSIONS OF THE MONTH

-  New Socks
-  Stuffed Animals
-  Monetary Donations to Purchase Bilingual Songbooks



The stuffed animals will be donated to EMS Closet, and the adult socks and songbooks to the Migrant Ministry. Please donate to the baskets in the Atrium.



Monday, May 4 @ 12:30PM in Potts Hall

J O Y

Bring a covered dish to share & join us.

THIS "JUST OLDER YOUTH" GROUP IS GENERALLY 55+

Landy Gamble, R.Ph., owner of Landy's Pharmacy

Topic: "Key Supplements for Healthy Aging"

National Day of Prayer

Join us in prayer for families, friends, neighbors, our church, leaders, country, world, and anything else that is on your heart. Please invite others to join!

The Worship Ministry invites you to join us on the front lawn on Thursday, May 7th at 6:00pm as Spring Valley Presbyterian Church hosts a special prayer service.

Seating will be available and light refreshments will be served.



UPCOMING EVENTS



PLEASE VISIT
SVPC.ORG/EVENTS
FOR DETAILS &
TO SIGN-UP

TROPICAL TREK

Jesus Comes to Seek and Save

MARK YOUR
CALENDARS,
FRIENDS!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT SVPC

4 NIGHTS OF PROGRAMMING
MON, JUNE 22ND - THURS, JUNE 25TH
6:00 PM - 8:30 PM

The graphic features a tropical beach scene with palm trees, a toucan, a pig, and a sea turtle. The text is arranged in a central banner and surrounding callouts.



MIGRANT MINISTRY DINNER SAVE-THE-DATE TUESDAY, JULY 21

If you have questions or are able to help, contact
Sarah St. Onge at 803-466-8982 or
sarahgstonge@gmail.com.

The background shows a blurred image of people working together in a field, possibly planting or harvesting.



RSVP at WWW.SVPC.ORG

RSVP & PAY BY JULY 30

BASEBALL

AT SEGRA PARK
against the Myrtle Beach Pelicans

Night

SATURDAY
AUGUST 8, 6:05PM

**FIREWORKS
NIGHT**

Tickets are for upstairs at the BMW of Columbia Balcony
(Club Level Private Space) and include food & soft drinks.
Tickets: \$25, Children 2 & under are free.

The graphic features the Columbia Fireflies logo, which is a stylized firefly inside a circular emblem with the text 'COLUMBIA FIREFLIES' around it.

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.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION to the TABLE

WORDS of INSTITUTION

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYER

* RECEIVING THE ELEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

REV. DR. FRANCIS BURRISS, SVPC CHARTER MEMBER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen

WORSHIP WITH TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

"HIGHLAND CATHEDRAL" GLEN ADAMS, BAGPIPES; BILL JOHNS, ORGAN

* DOXOLOGY

HYMNAL, No. 592

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

* HYMN 430 "COME SING, O CHURCH, IN JOY"

* CHARGE & BENEDICTION

REV. DR. J. BEN SLOAN

* CHORAL RESPONSE

May the road rise to meet you, may the wind blow at your back, may the sun shine warmly on your face, may the rain fall softly on your fields; and until we meet again, until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.

POSTLUDE

"O GOD, OUR HELP IN AGES PAST"

ARR. JEFF PERKS

Our time of worship ends and our service to others begins.



Revelations Service @ 8:30AM in Potts Hall

The worship service is being livestreamed.

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

Welcome

Invocation

"Blessed Be Your Name"

Children's Time

Introducing the 2026 Confirmands: Liam Bailey, Claire Campbell, Emerson Clark, George Clark, Anna Coffey, Parker McNeice

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 8:11-19

New Testament: 1 Corinthians 11:24-25; 2 Timothy 2:8

Sermon: "Alzheimer's of the Soul - OR Don't Forget to Remember"

Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

The Lord's Supper | "By His Wounds"

Lift Up Our Concerns

Greet Your Neighbor

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

"I Lift My Eyes (Psalm 121)"

Statement of Faith: Apostles' Creed

Share Our Gifts | "Eagles' Wings"

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

Benediction | Rev. Dr. J. Ben Sloan

"Irish Blessing"

PRAYER LIST

SUBMIT PRAYER REQUESTS AT WWW.SVPC.ORG.

WE REMOVE NAMES AFTER FOUR WEEKS UNLESS REQUESTED.

*Our prayers and sympathy go out to Joyce Reid and her family,
on the loss of her husband, Flay Reid, on April 23, 2026.*

Members: Lynn Watson, Angel Dean, Susan Vaughan, Ann Perry, Fran Taylor, Pete Griffin, AJ Kilgore, Joanne Abercrombie, Dale Frieden-Bell, Pat Alexander.

Non-Members: Sarah & Reagan Dixon (Cathy Jansen's niece), Bill & Mark Jett (friends of Rick & Jeanette Mathis), Jessica Frye (Stephanie Ryan's friend), Sherlin Diaz Lopez (Stephanie Ryan's student), Connie O'Mara (Dan O'Mara's sister-in-law), Joyce Wright (Michelle Wyatt's mother), Caroline Peek (Michele Dunbar's daughter, Wendy Sherman's sister), Alice Chilton, Lynn van Dijk, Leila Evans, Children receiving treatment at Prisma Children's Hospital cancer ward & their families, Port Loyola & West Street Baptist Churches.

For **EMERGENCY** purposes, a defibrillator (in a red case) is available for trained CPR users on the cabinet outside of the pastor's office, as well as one mounted in a white cabinet on the wall outside of the Outreach Room.



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