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of Buckhead*

SECOND-PONCE DE LEON BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

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EASTER SUNDAY

celebration

April 20

11 a.m.

Invite a neighbor, a co-worker, a family member or a friend to join you in celebrating the joy of Christ's resurrection during Second-Ponce de Leon's worship service in the Sanctuary. As part of a Second-Ponce tradition, everyone is encouraged to bring freshly cut flowers to help decorate the Easter Cross on the lawn.



MUSIC Ministry Day

during 11 a.m. worship
Sunday, May 4

Join us as all of Second-Ponce de Leon's musicians will help lead worship.

Going on an Egg Hunt



Second-Ponce de Leon children and their families enjoyed an Easter egg hunt on the church grounds on Palm Sunday thanks to volunteers and young professionals in the Kairos Sunday school class.

Church Family Gathers for Hymn Sing



So how many people DOES it take to make a Hymn Sing sing?

- 2 ticket sellers
- 3 administrative staff
- 6 caterers/servers
- 11 decorators
- 12 musicians
- 24 dessert makers
- 5 table callers/seat-finder helpers
- 9 cleaner-uppers
- 224 hymn singers

Thank you everyone for a wonderful day celebrating and singing hymns together as a church family during our recent Hymn Sing!

Bill Curry to Speak at 'Day1' Community Prayer Breakfast

Hear Coach Bill Curry present a message at the 'Day1' Prayer Breakfast on **Thursday, April 24**, at 7:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to the event hosted by the 'Day1' radio and internet ministry. A person of deep faith, Coach Curry is an acclaimed speaker, educator and former head coach at Georgia State University, Georgia Tech, University of Kentucky and University of Alabama.

Also participating in the hour-long program will be Second-Ponce de Leon Senior Pastor Dr. Dock Hollingsworth, 'Day1' host Peter Wallace, and Carolynne Williams of the Episcopal Cathedral of St. Philip.

Tickets: \$20. Purchase tickets by calling Peter Wallace at 404.815.9110 or visit www.eventbrite.com/e/day1-prayer-breakfast-april-24-2014-tickets-10914909789. For more information, visit Day1.org.



Bill Curry

Life Enrichment Day Luncheon will be May 6

Women of all ages are invited to attend Second-Ponce de Leon's Life Enrichment Day luncheon at noon on **Tuesday, May 6**, in the Fellowship Hall. Cathy Lee Phillips, an author and humorist, will be the guest speaker. Tickets will be on sale at the Welcome Center (\$12/person). For details, call Sue Stumm at 404.351.3300.



Cathy Lee Phillips

SPdL U Offers New Sessions

Dr. Peter Rhea Jones will lead a new "seminary-style" session of SPdL U on Wednesday nights at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.



Dr. Peter Rhea Jones

Starting **May 14**, Dr. Jones will start five sessions on a "Survey of the New Testament," walking us through the types of writings in the New Testament and unlocking their riches for us. Dr. Jones serves as the J. Truett Gannon Professor of Preaching and New Testament at Mercer University's McAfee School of Theology.

Starting **June 18**, two new elective tracks will begin. You may choose from:
Elective Track 1: The Sermon on the Mount by **Dr. Jim Haskell**. In three sessions, Jim

will explore if the Sermon on the Mount, found in Matthew 5-7, is the greatest statement of the Gospel or the greatest sermon ever delivered. **OR**

Elective Track 2: Hymns of the New Testament by **Dr. Eric Nelson**. Eric will lead two sessions as we experience together the New Testament scriptural basis that inspired many great songs. He will teach using study, group singing and song demonstration as we enjoy the music that illuminates our worship.

Please register for these sessions online at www.spdl.org/spdlu. You may also download a registration form at www.spdl.org/spdlu or pick up a form in the Welcome Center and bring it with you to the course. Walk-ins will be accepted when space allows. For more information, visit www.spdl.org/spdlu.

VBS: Register Today or Volunteer!

Registration is open for our "God's Backyard Bible Camp Under the Stars" VBS adventure that will be from 9 a.m. to noon on **Monday, June 9–Thursday, June 12**. VBS is for ages 3 (by September 1, 2013) thru completed 5th grade. Cost: \$10/child (T-shirt included). Register at www.spdl.org/vbs2014.

Volunteers, we also need you! We'll have a decorating day on **Saturday, May 31**. We also need volunteers to help out the week of June 9–12. To volunteer, contact Lindsey Richardson (404.591.4357 or lrichardson@spdl.org).



briefly

4/24 ~ Health & Wellness Fair. The Family Life Center invites you to their First Community Health & Wellness event on **Thursday, April 24**. The event features health screenings for diabetes, cholesterol, blood pressure, allergies, food sensitivity, vision, hearing, and much more. These screenings are covered under most preventive wellness insurance plans. To qualify to participate in this event, fill out the two-minute verification form at www.FountainMDSurvey.com.

4/27 ~ Children's Ministry Day. Our children's choirs will sing and children will lead different parts of the 11 a.m. worship service on **Sunday, April 27**.

Graduate Photos Needed. If you, your child or grandchild will be graduating from high school or college this spring, send in a photo for a special graduate recognition section of the *Church News*. Deadline: **Monday, May 5**. Mail or drop off photos to the Church Office, attention: Lisa Jones. Include the graduate's name, parents' or grandparents' names, school name and city, major (if applicable), and any plans for further education. Please note if parents and/or grandparents are Second-Ponce de Leon members. You may also send digital photos and graduate information via e-mail to ljones@spdl.org. Photos should be high resolution. Questions? Please call 404.591.4346 or e-mail ljones@spdl.org.

5/6 ~ Preschool Moms Fellowship. Moms of preschoolers, you're invited to meet for coffee, discussion and fellowship on **Tuesday, May 6**, from 9:30–10:30 a.m. in the Family Life Center Fireside Room. To reserve childcare, contact Susan Nelson (770.498.6115 or susannelson337@gmail.com).

FLC Summer Camps. Check out summer camps and classes offered at our Family Life Center by visiting www.spdl.org/ministries/family-life-center/programs. Unless otherwise noted, registration and payment must be done in person at the FLC front desk. Questions? Contact Todd Washington (twashington@spdl.org).

Ridgecrest Lodge Open. Ron Watts and the rest of our Ridgecrest Lodge Service Group members recently got our North Carolina lodge ready for use by church members this spring and summer. The nearby Ridgecrest Conference Center offers a number of opportunities to worship, study and enhance your faith in a beautiful mountain setting. Whether your interest is in Sunday School, discipleship, church music or church leadership, you will find a conference that meets your need. Our lodge gives members a place to stay while attending conferences or fellowshiping with other members. SPdL members are invited to use the lodge from now until mid-November. Make your reservation by calling Mary Ann Hall (404.591.4381).

CHURCH CALENDAR

Easter Sunday, April 20

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship

Monday, April 21

6:30 p.m. Deacons Meeting

Tuesday, April 22

9:30 a.m. Preschool Moms Fellowship
6:30 p.m. Evening Edition Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, April 23

5:00 p.m. Fellowship Supper
5:30 p.m. Music & Missions
6:00 p.m. Project 4:12
6:15 p.m. Church Conference
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, April 24

8:00 a.m. Day1 Prayer Breakfast

Sunday, April 27

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:30 p.m. Master Ringers Rehearsal

Tuesday, April 29

6:30 p.m. Evening Edition Women's Bible Study

Wednesday, April 30

5:00 p.m. Fellowship Supper
5:30 p.m. Music & Missions
6:00 p.m. Project 4:12
6:00 p.m. SPdL U
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Saturday, May 3

10:00 a.m. Keep Atlanta Beautiful Recycling

Contributions Report

Giving as of April 6, 2014

Weekly Goal	\$34,842
Weekly Receipts	\$70,155
Year-To-Date Goal	\$497,308
Year-To-Date Receipts	\$523,905

Giving – pledged or not – is welcome and encouraged any time.

QUARTERLY CHURCH CONFERENCE:

Wednesday, April 23, at 6:15 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

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AMONG OUR MEMBERS

SYMPATHY

Randall and Sue Ellen Cash,
in the death of his father,
Rev. Norris Cash,
on April 5, 2014.

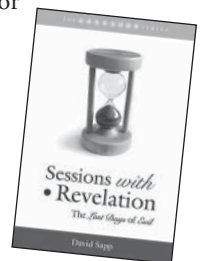
Karen Harwell,
in the death of her father,
Ken Harwell,
on April 4, 2014.

STAFF FAREWELLS

Second-Ponce de Leon bids farewell to Blair Cox, who served as our Interim Minister to Youth since April 2012. Second-Ponce also says good-bye to Elizabeth Aiello, our Family Life Center Assistant Manager. She had worked at the FLC since August 2004. SPdL would like to thank Blair and Elizabeth for their service to the church and wish them both well in future opportunities.

in the know

New Book by Dr. Sapp. Congratulations to Dr. David Sapp, former senior pastor at Second-Ponce de Leon, for the release of his new book, *Sessions with Revelation: The Last Days of Evil*, by Smyth & Helwys. *Sessions with Revelation* is a ten-session study unit designed to provide a compelling look at this frequently mystifying letter of the New Testament. Dr. Sapp's guide through Revelation demonstrates that it is a letter of hope for believers.



Scholarship Applications Available. Each year, Second-Ponce de Leon receives and distributes college scholarship money that is made available through designated funds. To apply for a scholarship for the 2014–2015 school year, pick up an application form at the Church Office or download it at www.spdl.org. Completed forms are due back at the Church Office by **Friday, June 7**. Questions? Contact Muriel Vega (404.591.4345 or mvega@spdl.org).

MENUS

Wednesday, April 23

Baked potato bar, chili, chicken soup, fruit, salad, rolls & assorted cakes
Children's Menu: Grilled cheese sandwich, chicken soup, fruit & dessert

Wednesday, April 30

Fried chicken, potato salad, mixed vegetables, salad, rolls & banana pudding
Children's Menu: Chicken fingers, mashed potatoes, fruit & dessert

CHURCH CONTACT NUMBERS

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