

At Second-Ponce



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The best things in life are the people you love, the places you've seen and the memories you've made along the way.

Happy Thanksgiving to a church family full of the best things in life!



Sunday
December 9
11 a.m. Sanctuary
Lunch to follow in
the Fellowship Hall

The Second-Ponce Music Ministry invites you to *The Word Became Flesh*, a musical celebration of the Christmas season. Afterward, join your SPdL family for a Christmas lunch in the Fellowship Hall. This annual event is the perfect time to enjoy a delicious plated meal with your Bible study class and extended church family after the music ministry's Christmas presentation. Lunch tickets are on sale at 9:30 a.m. and 12 p.m. on Sundays and Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m. between now and December 5. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$8 for children.

ADVENT IS THE BEGINNING OF ADVENTURE



Wednesdays at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

November 28 and December 5: David Hull will teach a two-part series called, "Advent is the Beginning of Adventure." Why do we observe Advent? What does this season really mean? Where do the symbols for the season originate? What difference does this make as we prepare for Christmas? We will talk about these things as we enter the season of Advent.



CHRISTMAS CANTATA & CHURCH-WIDE LUNCH

The Second-Ponce Music Ministry Presents

the WORD *became* FLESH

A Christmas Cantata Celebrating Jesus' Birth

Worship through Music
Christmas Cantata
December 9, 2018 at 11 a.m.
Second-Ponce Sanctuary

Celebrate through Fellowship
Church-wide Christmas Lunch
Following the Cantata
Second-Ponce Fellowship Hall

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS MUSICAL

Wednesday, December 12 at 6 p.m. in the Chapel

Can you imagine being in Bethlehem the night Jesus was born? What would you have seen? What would you have heard? On Wednesday, December 12, join the children's choirs on a musical adventure back to "That Night in Bethlehem" and relive the Christmas story from the perspectives of the people (and animals!) who were there. Join us for the familiar tale filled with wonder as only a child could tell it. We hope you will make this event a part of your season of celebration.

2018 ADVENT DEVOTIONAL



We are excited to announce that the Second-Ponce 2018 Advent Devotional is available in print and online! SPdL members, lay leaders and ministers contributed inspirational and authentic devotions and prayers tied to the four Advent themes of hope, peace, joy and love. Due to the cost of producing the book, we are asking that you take only one printed copy per person. The entire book can be downloaded at www.spdl.org/advent.

Additionally, we will be sending each day's devotion via email. If you are not on the Second-Ponce Quikkast email list or if you want to double-check, email Candice Young at cyoung@spdl.org and she'll make sure you're all set to receive your daily devotion. You may also opt out of receiving these emails by contacting Candice. The Advent devotional emails will begin Friday, November 30 with an introduction to the book. Saturday, December 1 will focus on The Meaning of Advent and the daily devotions will start Sunday, December 2.

MAKE PLANS TO

GO & GIVE



Christmas HOPE Project

Join us for the Christmas HOPE Project where we aim to "Help Others through Projects of Encouragement."

Volunteers of all ages are invited to help make a direct impact in our community through a variety of hands-on mission project stations. There will also be breakfast items and a chance to visit some of our Congregational Care members.

A list of needed items for donation is on the Welcome Center Resource Wall or contact Heather Franklin at youth@spdl.org for more information.

20 CHRISTMAS HOPE PROJECT 18

Saturday, December 1 | 9:30 a.m.-Noon
Second-Ponce Fellowship Hall
E-mail engagedteam@spdl.org for more



ALL IN NOV. 27

1 GIFT. 1 DAY. 1 PURPOSE

Help Second-Ponce finish 2018 in the black by giving a special one-time gift on Giving Tuesday.

spdl.org/give

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Giving Tuesday, November 27

On November 27, we're asking that you help Second-Ponce finish the year in the black by giving a special one-time gift. This contribution will make a significant and positive impact not only on our 2018 budget but in setting us up for success in the new year. Giving Tuesday is an "All in One" event for Second-Ponce—one gift, one day, one purpose—and we're so thankful for the faithful generosity of our SPdL family.

Give online at spdl.org/give.

FAMILY LIFE CENTER OPEN HOUSE

Monday, December 3; time slots are described below

Join the staff of the Family Life Center at Second-Ponce for their annual Holiday Open House. Browse an artist market where you can purchase flower arrangements, jewelry and monogrammed novelty items. Vendors specializing in nutrition, auditory screenings and posture demonstrations will also be on-hand. And of course there will be food! Breakfast will be served from 7-9 a.m., lunch is from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and dinner will be offered from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Come when you can and stay as long as you like. We hope to see you there!

HAVE YOU VOTED?



In 2019, Dr. Hull has invited our congregation to read the passages from a list of 100 essential scriptures compiled by his father, Dr. William Hull. Of this list, he encourages everyone to select eight for additional study during SPdLU beginning January 9. The back story of this list, the scripture passages and a selection form are at www.spdl.org/thelist.



THE WOMEN'S MINISTRY AT SECOND-PONCE TO

Celebrate Christmas

Thursday, December 6
at 6:30 p.m.

RSVP to
womensministry@spdl.org

Bring a holiday dessert or
appetizer to share

At the home of
Robin Mathis
1725 Winterthur Close NW
Atlanta, GA 30328

Beef tenderloin will be
provided

YEAR TO DATE RESULTS THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2018

UNIFIED BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET
<i>Pledged Contributions</i>	\$1,120,430	\$1,050,920
<i>Non-pledged Contributions</i>	\$318,797	\$382,234
Total Income	\$1,528,197	\$1,524,527
<i>Expenses</i>	\$1,751,490	\$1,743,108
Net Unified Budget	(\$223,293) Loss	(\$218,581) Loss

AUXILIARIES (FLC & PRESCHOOL)	ACTUAL	BUDGET
Income	\$987,356	\$993,674
Expenses	\$924,224	\$1,018,931
Net Auxiliaries	\$63,132	(\$25,257) Loss
Net Income	(\$160,161) Loss	(\$243,837) Loss

—NOVEMBER 2018 at SPdL—

03 SATURDAY
KEEP ATLANTA BEAUTIFUL
10 a.m. in the SPdL Lower Lot

04 SUNDAY
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP
9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m.

FAMILIES ON MISSION
12 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

MASTER RINGERS REHEARSAL
12:15 p.m.

06 TUESDAY
BAPTIST WOMEN WMU
11 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

EVENING EDITION WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
6:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room of the FLC

YOUNG ADULT SMALL GROUP
7 p.m.

07 WEDNESDAY
FELLOWSHIP SUPPER
5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

CHILDREN'S MUSIC & MISSIONS
5:45 p.m. in the Children's Building

REFUGE YOUTH GATHERING
6 p.m. in the Youth Area

SPdLU WITH DR. DAVID HULL
6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

SOUNDS OF FAITH REHEARSAL
6:30 p.m. in the Music Area

SANCTUARY CHOIR REHEARSAL
7:15 p.m. in the Music Area

ORCHESTRA REHEARSAL
7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

08 THURSDAY
WOMEN'S MINISTRY FRIENDSGIVING
6:30 p.m. at the home of Jill Reams

09 FRIDAY
REFUGE YOUTH RETREAT BEGINS
Meet in SPdL parking lot at 5:30 p.m.

11 SUNDAY
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP
9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m.

MASTER RINGERS REHEARSAL
12:15 p.m.

TAILGATE AT THE SHEPHERD CENTER
1:30 p.m.

13 TUESDAY
SENIOR ADULT SOCIAL
1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

EVENING EDITION WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
6:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room of the FLC

YOUNG ADULT SMALL GROUP
7 p.m.

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15 THURSDAY
YOUNG ADULT FRIENDSGIVING
7 p.m.

16 FRIDAY
PRESCHOOL THANKSGIVING LUNCH
10:30 a.m.

17 SATURDAY
HEROES OF FAITH FAMILY PLAY DATE
10 a.m. in the Children's Building

YOUTH PROGRESSIVE DINNER
5 p.m.

18 SUNDAY
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP
9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m.

MASTER RINGERS REHEARSAL
12:15 p.m.

19 MONDAY
PRESCHOOL MOM'S PRAYER GROUP
9 a.m.

DEACONS' MEETING
6:30 p.m. in the Dr. Ryland Knight Room

20 TUESDAY
EVENING EDITION WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
6:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room of the FLC

YOUNG ADULT SMALL GROUP
7 p.m.

21 WEDNESDAY
NO WEDNESDAY PM ACTIVITIES

22 THURSDAY
HAPPY THANKSGIVING
SPdL OFFICE CLOSED

25 SUNDAY
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND WORSHIP
9:45 a.m. and 11 a.m.

MASTER RINGERS REHEARSAL
12:15 p.m.

27 TUESDAY
EVENING EDITION WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
6:30 p.m. in the Fireside Room of the FLC

YOUNG ADULT SMALL GROUP
7 p.m.

28 WEDNESDAY
FELLOWSHIP SUPPER
5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

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7:15 p.m. in the Music Area

ORCHESTRA REHEARSAL

7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

29 THURSDAY

YOUNG ADULT WOMEN'S GATHERING

7 p.m.

LOOKING FORWARD TO DECEMBER

- 1 CHRISTMAS HOPE PROJECT
- 2 YOUTH/PARENT MEETING
- 5 SPdLU SERIES "ADVENT IS THE BEGINNING OF ADVENTURE"
- 6 WOMEN'S MINISTRY MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP
- 9 MUSIC MINISTRY CANTATA & CHURCH LUNCHEON
- 12 CHILDREN'S MUSICAL PROGRAM
- 16 YOUNG ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY
- 16 CHILDREN & FAMILIES CAROLING AT CAMPBELL STONE
- 19 A CHAPEL CHRISTMAS (NO SPdLU)
- 19 CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION
- 21 YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY & LOCK-IN
- 24 CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
- 25 MERRY CHRISTMAS!
- 26 NO WEDNESDAY PM ACTIVITIES