

Officers of Spring Valley Presbyterian Church

Elders			Deacons		
Class of 2009	Class of 2010	Class of 2011	Class of 2009	Class of 2010	Class of 2011
Laura Griese	JoAnne Caviness	Stuart Hooks	Susan Balthazor	Kathy Busby	Joanna Greene
Jane Hedden	Becky Coulter	Lang Kohel	Gale Bostick	Christi Craig	Elaine Horton
Susan Kirby	Dody Imhoff	Virginia Lacy	Kristen Groseclose	Gayle Derrick	Christine McCormack
Mary Mann	Bill Meynardie	Chris McMenemy	Stan Guy	Vicki Johnson	Eleanor Porter
Billie Muthig	Ken Sundby	Ted Rausch	Kaye Hooks	Doug Jones	Mark Riley
Matt Sherman	Tom White	Ron Swinson	Peggy Ley	Dan Kienker	Sallie Schirm
Whitney Smith – Youth Elder	Judy Duncan – Clerk of Session		Ted McDowell	Tom Maffett	Debbie Sieb
			Pam Wade	Jill Nyland	Karyn Taylor

Commemorative Opportunities

Spring Valley Presbyterian Church

1. Spring Valley Preschool	\$250,000
2. Atrium Area	\$100,000
3. Outreach: Room 300 (Scouting Room)	\$100,000
4. Choir Room	\$100,000
5. Church Narthex Area	\$100,000
6. Loft Area (Room 223)	\$75,000
7. Church Library (Rooms 101 & 103)	\$75,000
8. The Session Room	\$75,000
9. The Prayer Room	\$50,000
10. The Bride's Room	\$50,000
11. The Sr. Pastor's Office	\$50,000
12. The Porte-cochere	\$50,000
13. The Associate Pastor's Office (Room 107)	\$30,000
14. The Associate Pastor's Office (Room 109)	\$30,000
15. The Church Educator's Office (Room 115)	\$30,000
16. The Bell Room (Room 116)	\$30,000
17. The Sacristy	\$30,000
18. Sunday School/Meeting Rooms	\$25,000
* A.A. Room (307) Sunday Morning Live (305) Good News at Ten (303)	
* Senior Highs (301) Crafts (215) Confirmation Class (213)	
* Bible Study Class (216) Genesis Class (214) Drama/Storytelling (220)	
* Arts and Crafts (219) Games (221) Computers (222)	
19. Sanctuary Pew (63 pews available)	\$20,000
20. Choir Pew (4 pews available)	\$20,000

Guidelines for Commemorative Opportunities

The locations and items listed above have been identified by the Capital Campaign Committee as Commemorative Opportunities. They are available on the basis of making a pledge at a specific level. Business manager Terry Valentino is in charge of keeping the official record of capital campaign pledges and requests for Commemorative Opportunities. In order to reserve a commemorative opportunity you must complete your pledge form, indicate your preference on the pledge form and return it to Terry. She will record your desire and the date of your request. It is the intention of the Capital Campaign Committee for these opportunities to be selected by individual SVPC households rather than a pooled gift of several households. A Commemorative Committee shall be appointed by the session to ensure the process is done decently and in order.

Session shall "allow commemorative opportunities to be used in the current Capital Campaign with recognition given either by use of a plaque and/or through the use of the Book of Remembrance, currently located in the Church Narthex, or recognition given anonymously. The donor will indicate their recognition preference and be given a choice of the preset wording, 'In Memory of.....' or 'In Honor of.....' that will appear on the plaque or in the Book of Remembrance."

(SVPC Session Minutes 7/24/08)

Meet Our Consultant

Rev. Dr. J. Eric Skidmore is a native of Montreat, North Carolina. He is a graduate of The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (BA-1983), Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia (M.Div.-1990) and McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago, IL (D.Min.-1997). Eric was ordained in Trinity Presbytery in Columbia, SC in 1990 and he has been a stewardship pastor for 18 years. He served on the staff of the Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Columbia for 7 years and for the last 11 years he has been a chaplain for the State Police. In addition to his work for the state, Eric has been on the staff of the Forest Lake Presbyterian Church since 1998. Eric is married to the Rev. Dr. Ellen Fowler Skidmore, Sr. Pastor of the Forest Lake Presbyterian Church in Columbia and they are the parents of three lovely little girls, ages 13, 12 and 9. Eric has 18 years experience with annual stewardship and congregational capital campaigns and he is enjoying his work with Spring Valley Presbyterian Church.

2009 Annual Stewardship Program Reminder:

The 2009 annual stewardship program which applies to the annual operating budget of the church will take place during the first weeks of 2009. Pledges will be made in worship on February 1, 2009.

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The Race Set Before Us!



Fall 2008



Hebrews 12:1-2

Run With Perseverance
The Race Set Before Us

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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 work and deed by:

- listening and responding to the word of God;
- listening and responding to those with in the church and the community;
- being faithful stewards of God's creation and the gifts of time, talent and money;
- promoting spiritual growth through education, worship, prayer and fellowship;
- caring and providing for those in need;
- providing for the nurture and Christian development of children extending to each in the larger community the same dignity and worth we accord to those in our own community of faith; and
- living our faith in such a way that others will want to unite with us in our worship and work.

"Run with perseverance....," the byline for our campaign is the second half of a concluding statement that begins, "Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and sin ... and run with perseverance...."

That cloud of witnesses lists stalwarts of our faith – Abraham and Moses, others, too. The text includes brief stories of this "cloud's" perseverance toward the future God has planned.

Running with perseverance the race set before us is this campaign's challenge for SVPC. We need every member's perseverance to attack our debt, to erase its



crippling effect on the power of our tithes and offerings to propel the mission and ministry of Spring Valley Presbyterian; and, we will do so in faith, knowing that even as we commit to the task, the future of God's plan for Spring Valley is always in front of us, never fully within our grasp: Although Abraham never gained the land of God's promise,

his heirs did; although Moses never lived to see God's people settled in the Promised Land, the next generation of God's people did settle there.

Had this cloud of witnesses not lived by faith and trusted in God's unseen future, God's plan would not have blessed us as it has. But, by faith the cloud of witnesses did commit the whole of their identities, trading comfort, security and an easier lifestyle for an adventure in faith.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and sin ... and run with perseverance the race...." A life lived adventurously by faith, makes us part of that great cloud of witnesses inspiring the generations of God's people yet to come.

Sincerely,
Rev. Rob Blumer
Interim Pastor

10 Year Overview of Important Numbers

Year	Membership	Child Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Total Gains	Total Losses	Avg. Attendance
1998	908	18	5	74	34	416
1999	929	24	4	89	68	410
2000	977	22	0	87	39	388
2001	1,009	13	1	55	23	405
2002	1,040	12	2	74	43	351
2003	1,069	16	1	44	15	318
2004	1,077	9	0	43	35	340
2005	886	12	0	62	253*	379
2006	896	15	0	61	51	353
2007	894	11	2	44	46	443

Source: Trinity Presbytery – Taken From Annual Reports Submitted by SVPC (1999-2007)

* Reflects Session Action of Removing Inactive Members from Rolls of SVPC

Record of Capital Campaigns

Spring Valley Presbyterian Church

Campaign I: Approved 11/2/80
(Actual campaign ran concurrently with Annual Stewardship Campaign for 1982. Source: Bower History, p.13-14. Pledges received: \$130,000)

Campaign II: 1987-1990 "Foundations for the Future – Phase I" Approved 10/12/86 (Church History, p. 59)

Campaign III: 1990-1993 "Foundations for the Future – Phase II" Receives \$600,000 in pledges (SM 5/20/90)

Campaign IV: 1993-1996 "Foundations for the Future – Phase III" Receives \$572,276 in pledges (SM 7/18/93)

Campaign V: 1996-1999
Receives unknown amount in pledges. Campaign is run concurrently with annual stewardship campaign. (SM 7/16/95)

Campaign VI: 1999-2002
"Reaching New Heights"
Receives \$1,133,888 in pledges (Statistical Report 12/31/99)

Campaign VII: 2002-2005
Receives \$690,486 in pledges (SM 6/16/02)

Campaign VIII: 2005-2008
"God's Vision"
Receives \$760,125 in pledges (SVPC Treasurer's Report 3/12/08)

Campaign IX: 2008-2011
"Run With Perseverance"
Goal: \$1,100,000



Note: This history reflects notations of campaigns in the Session Minutes of Spring Valley Presbyterian Church 1978-2008 and references in Dr. Stephen Bower's history of SVPC. In several cases dates are approximate and pledge amounts and actual contribution amounts are unknown.



When I think about why the church (and, therefore, the Capital Campaign) is important to me, a multitude of things go through my mind: it's the place where my children were baptized and spiritually nurtured (I have pictures of Christopher and Scotty breaking ground for the sanctuary building); it's the place where our family has been prayed for and supported during crises; it's the place where my oldest son was married and where 2 of my grandchildren were baptized; it's a place where I have learned and grown spiritually and it's a place where friends are buried and memorialized. There is another memory I have, that makes SVPC - the building itself - important to me. On September 12, 2001 when it seemed every place, everything was tilting into insanity, the only place that made sense was my sanctuary: a cloister where it was quiet, where the stained-glass windows blazed with their messages of salvation, where I could remember that God was still in control and still loved me.

Michelle and I were attracted to Spring Valley Presbyterian Church about 13 years ago both by Dr. Lamar Potts and the church's active preschool program. As we started raising our family, SVPC's preschool became a cornerstone for the growth of our three children. When we became active in the "Young Adults" Sunday School Class, the church became more than a place to worship. We learned that SVPC is about the people, and what a wonderful group it is. Michelle and I now see families with several generations continuing to be members and worshipping together. Being part of this Christian family at SVPC has been special to us, and we want that for our children and the generations to come. So for us, the capital campaign is a commitment not just to the present well-being of the church, but also to the next generation.



My family and I have been members at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church for over 20 years. In fact, my oldest daughter, Sarah, was in the first 2 year old class at the preschool in 1981, a major factor in our decision to join SVPC. Over the years, the church has become not only a place to worship, but an extended family for us. I believe in the mission of this church and am committing my time and resources to the success of this Capital Campaign. I would encourage other members of SVPC to join me in sharing this commitment.

2008 Capital Campaign Timeline

- February-April 2008: Session Approves New Campaign and Planning Begins
- May 31, 2008: God's Vision Campaign Pledge Payments End
- June – September 2008: Advanced Phase – early payment encouraged
- July 31, 2008: C.D. Funds Exhausted
- September 21, 2008: Advanced Phase is Completed (Pledges Received From: Campaign Committee, Advanced Visits, Elders, Deacons and Staff)
- September 21, 2008: Public Phase of Campaign Begins with Special Event after Worship
- September 21 - October 18, 2008: Packets Delivered – Time of Prayer and Discernment
- October 19, 2008: Dedication Sunday for Capital Campaign
- October 20, 2008: Follow Up Process Begins
- October 31, 2008: Campaign is Complete
- November 2008: Final Report to the Session
- November 1, 2008: Pledge Payments Begin (Three Year Campaign: 11/1/08-10/31/11)
- January 4, 2009: Annual Stewardship Campaign Begins
- February 1, 2009: Pledge Sunday for 2009 Budget (Pledges/Pledge Payments may be made in December 2008)

