

Koinonia Volunteers, October 24

Cashier: Tish Lowe
Set Up: Linda Floyd
Clean Up: Dallene and Ben Smith, Jo Groce, Heyward
Stuckey, Myrna Gause, Melanie Mixon
Kitchen Linens: Jo Groce

Worship Volunteers, October 28

Greeter: Brenda Turner
Ushers: Greg Mixon, Terry Clark, Richard Brinkley,
Monroe Swearingen, Mary Johnson
Attendance Sheets: Mark and Mary Johnson, Marty
Spearman
Counters: Linda Floyd, Marty Hilyer
Time With the Children: Tish Lowe
Children's Church: Melanie Mixon
Sound booth: Marty Hilyer
Nursery: Amy Schwartz Acolyte: Megan Shuler

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Senior Pastor:

The Rev. Jana Creighton - jana@sopc.net

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Accompanist: Mrs. Sharon Watkins

Childcare Coordinator: Mrs. Amy Schwartz

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Class of 2019

Pat Byrne - Congreg. Care Chair
Marty Hilyer - Missions
Kathy Keane - Christian Education Chair
Jim Taylor - Good News Chair
Jim Wilhide - Clerk of Session

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Tish Lowe - Missions Chair
Kathryn Morganelli - Worship Chair
Jack Noë - Good News
Mark Wishart - Fellowship

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Richard Brinkley - Administration
Linda Floyd - Worship
Fred Holbrook - Administration Chair
Melanie Mixon - Good News
John Whitfield - Missions
Shelagh Wirth - Building and Grounds Chair

Trustees: Janice Reiser, Lucretia Seigler

Treasurer: Hal Bowman

THIS WEEK AT SOPC

Sunday, October 21

9:30am Acolyte Training
9:45am Sunday School*
11:00am Worship Service*
12:15pm Covenant Ringers
1:00pm Confirmation Mission Project
6:00pm Church Night Supper/Bootcamp

Monday, October 22

10:30am Bible Study

Wednesday, October 24

12:15pm Chair YOGA
5:30pm KOINONIA
7:30pm Chancel Choir

Friday, October 26

6:45am Lanterns

Sunday, October 28

9:45am Sunday School*
11:00am Worship (Stewardship)*
12:15pm Covenant Ringers
5:30pm Bootcamp/JAM/ Confirm

PRAYERS AND PRAISES:

Jane and Scott Anderson, Richard Brinkley, Marjorie Claytor, Copley family, Nan Foster, Kim Kent, Kathy Killian, Asher Noë - Mellitz, Billy Rawl, Dick & Barbara Schneider

CONNECTION CORNER:

Seven Oaks would love to help you deepen your faith or share how you can become part of our church family. We welcome you to speak with a Pastor after worship. We also have many other ways of communication. If you are not receiving or have access to the various methods please contact the church office.

Realm Connect App - Member contact database

Daily - Facebook, Instagram or Twitter for daily news

Weekly - Friday E-Connect with weekend happenings

Monthly - The Leaf newsletter is mailed each month with ministry news and calendar events.

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Sunday Worship Service October 21, 2018 - 11:00 a.m.

Welcome to Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church.
We pray that you will truly experience
God's love and grace as you worship!

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP: *We Will Glorify* Chancel Choir

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Jana Creighton and Rev. Alice Odell
(Please sign the Friendship Register)

PRELUDE: *Rejoice, the Lord is King/He is Exalted* Twila Paris/arr. Lloyd Larson

GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS: Rev. Jana Creighton

Choir: 468 In My Life Lord be glorified (verse 1)

One: This day Jesus is calling to you.

All: Lord, help us to hear your call.

Choir: 468 In My Life Lord be glorified (verse 2)

One: This is a time of decision.

All: Lord, help us to be strong and faithful.

Choir: 468 In My Life Lord be glorified (verse 3)

One: Come, let us celebrate God's love.

All: Let us rejoice in the call of our Savior.

Choir: 468 In My Life Lord be glorified (verse 4)

One: Teach us your ways, O Lord,

All: Help us to be closer to you. AMEN.

* HYMN #22: *God of the Sparrow*

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Alice Odell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, it is easy for us to say that we will follow you; and then turn our backs and act as though our commitment to you does not mean anything to us. Jesus challenges us to take up our crosses, and when we don't understand what that means, we just shrug and turn away. Forgive us for our lack of commitment and faith. Heal us of our greed and fears. Give us courage to be disciples and enable us to joyfully proclaim your healing mercies and your transformational love. In Jesus' name, we pray. (time for silent confession) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ you are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

* GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

Elder Jack Noë

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Elder Judy Barnes

ANTHEM

I Am the Church, You Are the Church
Children's Worship Team

Avery and Marsh

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Job 38:1-7 (OT page 458)
Mark 10:46-52 (NT page 44)
James 3:1-12 (NT page 216)
James 3:13-18

Megan Shuler
Max Werner
Finn Creighton
Rev. Jana Creighton

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord
People: **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE: *The Power of the Tongue (Is it true? - Is it necessary? - Is it kind?)*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Taken from Confessions of 1967*

God's redeeming work in Jesus Christ embraces the whole of humanity's life; social and cultural, economic and political, scientific and technological, individual and corporate. It includes human's natural environment as exploited and marred by sin. It is the will of God that the purpose for human life shall be fulfilled under the rule of Christ and all evil be banished from God's creation.

Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, a father's house, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents the triumph of God over all that resists God's will and disrupts creation. Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in humankind preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgement and redemption.

With an urgency born of this hope, the church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

"Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever." Amen.

*HYMN #203: *Jesu, Jesu Fill Us With Your Love*
(Please join the choir after each verse on the REFRAIN when prompted)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Alice Odell

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

OFFERTORY: *As the Wind Song*
Chancel Choir

Swee Hong Lim

* CONGREGATION RESPONSE: #606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

* HYMN #735: *I Need Thee Every Hour*

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

* CHORAL RESPONSE: *Shalom, Good Friends*

* POSTLUDE: *Psalms XX*

Benedetto Marcello

* Please stand in body or in spirit

A big thank you to Janice Holbrook and Dallene Smith for leading the children and youth worship teams!

Nursery: A nursery is available in building A for ages 0 - 3. If you have any questions please see anyone of our volunteers with an "ASK ME" badge.

Hearing devices & large print hymnals are available in the Narthex. Please see an usher for assistance.

A Guest Reception Table is available in the Narthex. If you have any questions please see a volunteer with an "ASK ME" badge.

Children's Worship: Every Sunday following "A Time with the Children", ages 4-4th grade can either choose to continue to worship with their families, or go to Children's Church. Please pick up children from Building "A". Worship Bags for wiggly children "or adults" ages 4-12 are hanging on the coat rack in the Narthex.

During the Welcome and Announcements please pass the Friendship Books to record your presence here today. You are invited to greet each other with the love of Christ after worship.

Worship CD's of services. Contact the church office, ask a Sound System Volunteer in the balcony, or listen/download to podcast at www.sopc.net/sermons.

Music Notes: The children's worship team is singing to remind us that all of us, together with all who follow Jesus across the globe, are the church! The choir's anthem is a setting of the tune Wairua Tapu, which a Maori phrase meaning Holy Spirit. The anthem describes the moving of God's Spirit as a wind song that makes the heart strangely warm, and brings life and power to all who receive it.

Flowers: The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God by Ken and Marilyn O'Mellan, and in memory of their parents, Fred & Ann Zamary and Francis & Geraldine O'Mellan.

Koinonia is Wednesday, Oct. 24 at 5:30 p.m. We will welcome Bryan "Jay" Koon from Lexington County Sheriff's Office. Menu: Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy, Mac and Cheese, Broccoli, Rolls and Dessert. Please be sure to sign up when the attendance pads are passed or contact the church office if you plan on attending.

Bible Boot Camp will be a Fellowship event tonight at 6:00 p.m. in the Pavilion: Country style Ribs, Roasted Red Potatoes, Cole Slaw, Corn on the Cob, Rolls and Desserts. We will have live music.

Peace and Global Witness Offering: Thank you to everyone who contributed to this special offering. Our collection of \$546 will be used to promote the peace of Christ by addressing injustices in our world. One quarter of this donation will be given locally to Lighthouse for Life an organization that works with victims of human trafficking.

Missions Collections: Laundry Detergent and Dishwashing liquid for Sharing God's Love, pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House & Box Tops for Education for SOES.

Walmart (Ballentine) Backpack Food Collection: Missions members will be helping collect food for the Backpack Program at the Ballentine Walmart TODAY from 1:00 - 3:30 pm. Assisting in this collection guarantees a portion of the food for the children at SOES. PLEASE COME HELP!

Christmas Faith: It is time to start thinking about our 2018 Advent Devotional. This year we will be sharing how our Faith gets renewed during the Christmas Season. We ask that you think back through your life to a time when your faith really came alive as you prepared for the celebration of the birth of our Lord. Please call the office if you will be able to contribute this year. We will then provide you with a helpful guideline. Deadline: Friday, November 2nd.

Holiday Market: Plans are underway for our Holiday Market on Saturday, Nov. 17 in the Fellowship Hall from 10 -4 pm. We are scheduling vendors now. Would you or someone you know like to participate in this capacity? We also need new or slightly used items or gift certificates for our silent auction. Help us advertise on Facebook! Proceeds will go to Debt 3 in Free. For more information contact Tara Whitfield (803) 429-5171.

We need volunteers: JAM and Confirmation is every Sunday night at 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Due to the increase of attendance we need your help as teachers and assistants. Contact Michaela.

Monday Morning Bible Study at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Classroom. We are studying the book of Genesis. Come and be a part of this study.

A Smokin' Deal For Thanksgiving: The Fellowship Ministry is offering smoked turkeys again this year. We will take orders in the Narthex Oct. 28, Nov. 4 and Nov. 11. Please let Mark Wishart know if you desire to purchase one of our delicious turkeys no later than Nov 12th and we will have it ready for pick up the evening of our Congregational Thanksgiving Dinner. We are asking \$28 per turkey. They should be about 12-14 lb. We will also furnish an instruction sheet on how to re-heat your bird! Thank you from the Fellowship Ministry.

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Greeters: Donna Moore, Beverly Hudson, Bev Elbert
Ushers: Guy San Fratello, Judy Barnes, Pete Spearman, Buddy Wilson, Jacob Schwartz, Finn Creighton, Sandra Johnson
Attendance Sheets: Robert Miller, Buddy Wilson, Brenda Turner

Counters: Richard Brinkley, Pat Byrne

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Church Supper Volunteers, October 21

Beverly Hudson, Maureen Clark, Heyward Stuckey, Dallene and Ben Smith, Myrna Gause, Melanie Mixon