

Koinonia Volunteers, October 31

Cashier: Sandra Jones
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Worship Volunteers, November 4

Greeter: Sue Kesterson, Shelagh Wirth
Ushers: Shelagh Wirth, Bev Elbert, Daniel Perriero, Betty and Tom Shuler, Bill Seigler
Attendance Sheets: Barbara Fowler, Johnadee White
Counters: Kathy Keane, Pat Byrne
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THIS WEEK AT SOPC

Sunday, October 28

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

Monday, October 29

10:30am Bible Study

Wednesday, October 30

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

Friday, November 1

6:45am Lanterns

Sunday, November 4 (Don't forget to change your clocks)

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

PRAYERS:

Marjorie Claytor, Nan Foster, Joe Gause, Kim Kent, Kathy Killian, Asher Noë - Mellitz, Billy Rawl, Dick and Barbara Schneider

PRAISES:

We have succeeded! Organ Fund is \$152,000.

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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 IN PERSON	 BY MAIL	 ONLINE	 BY TEXT
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Reformation/Stewardship Sunday Worship Service October 28, 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

SCRIPTURE: *Proverbs 3:9-10* Mary Sandifer

CALL TO WORSHIP: *We Will Glorify*
Chancel Choir

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

PRELUDE: *To God Be the Glory* Douglas Wagner

* GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS: Taken from Matthew 6:19, 20 Rev. Jana Creighton

One: Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth,
All: Where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.
One: But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven,
All: Where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.
One: For where your treasure is,
All: There your heart will be also. Come, let us worship the Lord of heaven!

* HYMN #182: *I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say*

* SCRIPTURE: *Leviticus 27:30* Jason Bundrick

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Alice Odell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We confess, gracious Lord, that we are prone by nature and habit to make wrong choices. We choose independence instead of discipleship. We choose to go our way in stead of your way. We choose wide roads instead of narrow ways. We choose to love ourselves more than you, and to serve ourselves more than others. Forgive us for our lack of obedience, and cover our sins for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. (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

SCRIPTURE: *Deuteronomy 14:22-23* Monroe Swearingen

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS Elder Frank Sheppard

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Julie Bussells

ANTHEM *Walk By Faith!* Williams & Raney
Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Jana Creighton

SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Malachi 1:6-14
James 4

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

MESSAGE: Standing in Christian Humility

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day, he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

PW PRESENTATION

Julie Bussells

*HYMN #647: Give Thanks With a Grateful Heart

**Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.
Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.
And now let the weak say "We are strong"
Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!
And now let the weak say "We are strong"
Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!
Give thanks, Give thanks.**

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.

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 19:19-26

Ed Keelen

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

OFFERTORY: Blessed Assurance
Sharon Watkins - Flute

Carol Dickson

* 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 #697: Take my Life

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

* CHORAL RESPONSE: Go in Grace

* POSTLUDE: Toccata

Gordon Young

* Please stand in body or in spirit

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: Today's anthem highlights this year's theme of walking by faith and not by sight. The song includes references to several important biblical characters, whose lives demonstrated the power of faith! Blessed Assurance is an instrumental arrangement of the great Fanny Crosby hymn that calls us to keep on praising our Savior all the day long!

Flowers: The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by Mary Sandifer in loving memory of Paul Sandifer and in gratitude to the congregation of Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church for more than forty years of loving fellowship and spiritual support.

Poinsettia order forms are now available in the pews.

I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. -Psalm 9:1

On this Stewardship Sunday, Gratitude is the attitude, the key that can unlock the doors of our lives to more joy, satisfaction, contentment, love and peace. Gratitude undergirds everything we do as disciples of Christ and stewards of the gifts with which God entrusts us. Are these bold claims? Yes! Are they true? Without a doubt! Blame it on our consumer culture that constantly implores us to buy more, or simply blame it on human nature, but many of us focus way too much on our unfilled desires, our unmet wants. Whether it's a fancier car, a bigger house, whiter teeth, more friends, a fatter paycheck or skinnier body, our wants can overwhelm and define us if we're not careful. Want and desire can blind us to the blessings we already have in this wonderful life that God has given us. What's the cure? Gratitude! It's an attitude that can be developed through prayer and practice. Start by making a list of things for which you are thankful today. Include *at least* 20 items on the list. Carry the list with you and pray over it several times a day, saying, "I thank God for *this*. I thank God

for *that*," and so on. Make it a working project, adding to the list as you think of new blessings or reordering them in priority. As the weeks unfold, see if you won't develop an attitude of gratitude for the things you already have and a deep satisfaction and peace for your life. Gratitude unlocks our lives to the abundance that God intends for us.

Our Last Koinonia is Wednesday, Oct. 31 at 5:30 p.m. We will have a presentation from the Cuban trip. Menu: Pork Tenderloin, Rice and Gravy, Vegetables, Salad, 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 continues tonight at 5:30 p.m. Children should report to Room of Acts, Confirmants meet on the stage in Fellowship Hall and Adults meet in Fellowship Classroom. We will all join together for dinner @ 6:30 pm. in FH. Starting tonight there will be no charge for the meal. Come join us as we strengthen our Faith.

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.

Christmas Faith: This year's 2018 Advent Devotional 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, Nov. 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 Free in 3. For information contact Tara Whitfield (803) 429-5171.

We need volunteers: JAM and Confirmation are every Sunday night at 5:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. Due to the increase in 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: We are offering smoked turkeys again this year. We will take orders in the Narthex Oct. 28, Nov. 4 & 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 at the Congregational Thanksgiving Dinner. We are asking \$28 per turkey (12-14 lb.) We will also furnish an instruction sheet on how to reheat! Thank you from the Fellowship Ministry.