

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD **gluten free wafers are wrapped individually and labeled in the communion tray*
 COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE
 PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

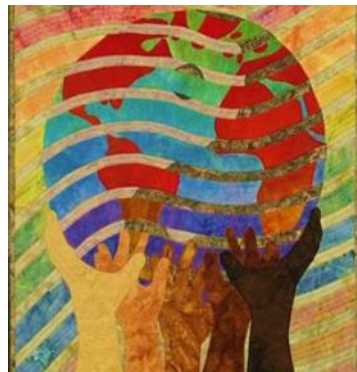
*HYMN #759: *O God, We Bear the Imprint*
(Choir will sing verse 1 and the congregation will join on verses 2 and 3)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING FROM CUBA
(Please join hands or elbows with the person nearest you)

May God prosper you.
May your days be long and your nights serene.
May your friendships honor you, and your family love you.
May you eat at your table, and may you be gathered into God's embrace with a smile.

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE: *Twofold Amen*

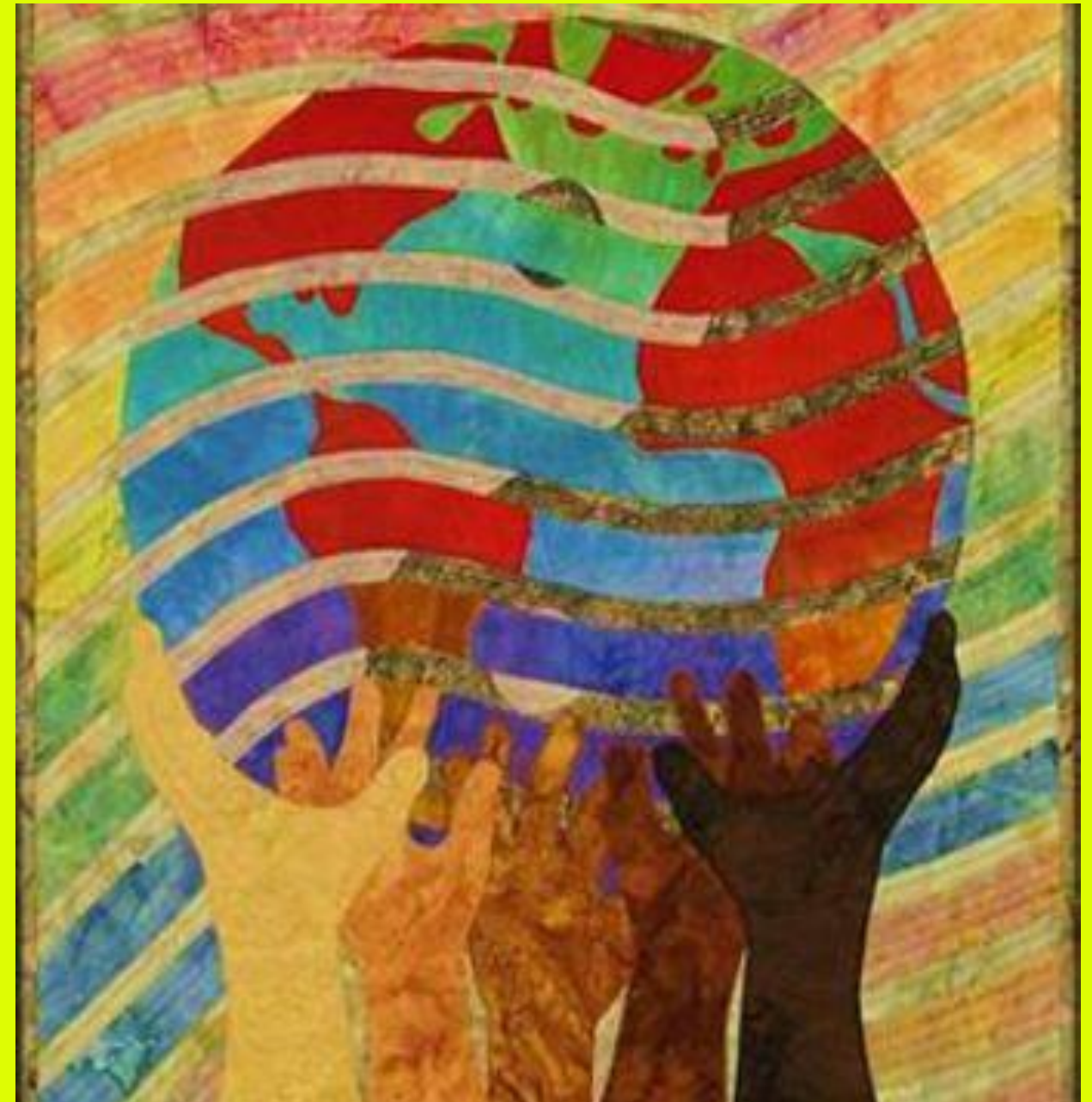
*POSTLUDE: *Processional* G.F. Handel
** Please stand in body or in spirit*



World Communion Sunday began in 1936 in the Presbyterian Church and was adopted by the Federal Council of Churches (predecessor of the NCC) in 1940. Since then, the celebration has grown into an international ecumenical celebration of Christian unity. The key word for World Communion Sunday is communion, or unity. It is a day when we mark the almost universal Christian practice of breaking bread with one another and remembering both the night of Jesus' betrayal—when Jesus instituted what we now call the Lord's Supper as a lasting remembrance—and of Jesus' sacrifice. So accounts of the last supper feature prominently, by virtue of World Communion Sunday being a celebration of the Eucharist. But there is a flavor of the Christian celebration of Pentecost as well, when people from around the Mediterranean

world came together in mutual understanding and inspiration, by the power of the Holy Spirit. World Communion Sunday is a time for remembering that around the globe—in different languages, with different traditions and customs, and in various forms of liturgy—the Lord's Supper is celebrated throughout Christendom. At its best, therefore, World Communion Sunday serves two purposes: it is both a joyous and meaningful partaking in Jesus' sacred meal with his friends and a mind-opening exposure to different Christian traditions from around the world.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY 2018



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.
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Daily - Facebook, Instagram or Twitter for daily news
Weekly - Friday E-Connect with weekend happenings
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Sunday Worship Service October 7, 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

Here In This Place

Chancel Choir

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please sign the Friendship Register)

PRELUDE:

I Surrender All

Phillip Keveren

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS: (Lamentations 3, Psalm 137)

One: Sing to the Lord, whose mercy is from everlasting to everlasting!

Many: But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are without?

One: Sing to the Lord, whose faithfulness renews us every morning!

Many: But how can we sing the Lord's song when so many are gone?

One: Sing to the Lord, who has not forgotten the melodies of salvation!

Many: Let us remember the joy of the Lord, and sing a new song together!

*HYMN #684:

Faith Begins By Letting Go

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Alice Odell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*from the Presbyterian Mission Agency*)

Almighty God: You have called us to one table, but we have pursued our own course. You have promised us the abundance of all creation, but in our greed, and in our envy, the world goes without. You have promised us the bread of life itself, but in our pride, and in our arrogance, the world goes hungry. You have promised us the waters of peace and justice, but in our violence, and in our discord, the world goes thirsty. And now we are famished, too, Lord. Have mercy on us. Forgive us, again. Transform us, at this table, and for this table, and send us from this table as servants of your righteousness, by the power of your Son, our Lord. (A time for Silent Confession) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*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 Elizabeth Taylor

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Rev. Alice Odell

ANTHEM:

You Are My Strength When I Am Weak
Chancel Choir

Dennis Jennigan

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

Elder Linda Floyd

GOSPEL READING:

Mark 10:13-16
James 1

MESSAGE:

"The Perfect Gift, Well Received"

Rev. Jana Creighton

- Trials leading to perfection _____
- God's Wisdom _____
- Humility _____
- God's Good Gifts _____
- Control of Speech _____
- Being Doers of the Word _____

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: (*adapted from the Belhar Confession*)

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the unity of the communion of saints of the entire human family. And we believe that this unity of the people of God must be manifest and active, in that we love one another; that we give ourselves willingly and joyfully to one another, that we share one baptism together, that we eat of one bread and drink of one cup together, that we confess one name, one Lord, for one cause, with one hope, which is the height and the breadth and the depth and the love of Christ, forever and ever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

Rev. Alice Odell

OFFERTORY:

I Am the Bread of Life
Chancel Choir

Suzanne Toolan

*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

SEALING OF THE WORD: The Eucharist

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you
And also with you
Lift up your hearts
We lift them up to the Lord

Let us pray together:

Today we remember and give thanks for the saints in every place on this beautiful earth. We remember that your beauty is not confined to sunsets, towering mountain peaks, and majestic waterways. Your beauty Lord is seen in the unique faces of your creation, skin colors that rival the rainbow, accents that vibrate every conceivable note, eyes shaped to fit all faces. Today we gather with all your saints to eat the bread of life and drink the cup of salvation. On this day we remember that the great mosaic of your kingdom is beyond measure, as intricate as finest lace and incomplete without each of us. So standing with and for all our sisters and brothers we draw our hearts and pray as they pray...

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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 and 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: *I Surrender All* calls us to give ourselves fully to Jesus Christ, so that He might fill us with the blessings His grace provides. That idea is expressed by the verse, "All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee. Fill me with Thy love and power, let Thy blessing fall on me." *You Are My Strength When I Am Weak* is presented in a canon style with the choir voices repeating the verse and refrain in differing combinations. The refrain echoes the song to the Lamb in Revelation 5:12. *I Am the Bread of Life* is based on #522 in our hymnal. The first four verses are quotes from Jesus' words recorded in John chapters 6 & 11. The closing verse comes from the words Martha, as recorded in John 11:27.

Flowers: The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God by Jim and Patty Mullins, and in loving memory of their mothers, Henrietta Bennett and Betty Mullins.

Sympathy and Prayers: Elaine Andrews, sister of Nancy Humphreys, entered into eternal rest on Tuesday, October 2nd. Please keep Nancy and the Andrews family in your prayers.

Jo Copley's Celebration of Life Service will be Friday, October 12th at 11:00 a.m. at SOPC. Please remember Michelle and Joey in your prayers.

Koinonia is Wednesday, Oct. 10 at 5:30 p.m. We will welcome Mark Smyers from Chapin Recreation Commission. Menu: Spaghetti, salad, garlic toast, dessert. Please be sure to sign up when the attendance pads are passed or contact the church office if you plan on attending.

Please join us on Sunday, Oct. 21st at 6:00 p.m. in the Pavilion: Country style Ribs, Roasted Red Potatoes, Cole Slaw, Corn on the Cob, Rolls Delicious Desserts. Sign up on the attendance sheets or contact the church office.

Teacher Training: Our adult Sunday School Teacher Training event is on Sunday, Oct. 14 right after church. A light lunch will be served and the program will start at 12:45 p.m. in the Fellowship Classroom. The speaker is Adrian Bird, from our sister church at McGregor. He will provide some inspiration and useful teaching tidbits to assist you in your teaching duties. Questions, contact Ed Keelen.

Peace and Global Witness Offering
We will collect this special offering in worship today for World Wide Communion Sunday. Donations are used to promote the peace of Christ by addressing injustices in our world. Part of this offering will be designated for use in our own community. Thank you for your contributions to promote peace and reconciliation in our world.

Bible Boot Camp continues tonight at 5:30 p.m. Come enjoy music from our very own Mark Johnson, Ernie Bussells and Mark Dillard.

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.

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.

Presbyterian Disaster Relief: We can contribute as a congregation by making checks payable to SOPC hurricane relief and they will be sent as one check or you can send a check to: PCUSA P.O. Box 643700, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15264.

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.

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. Submission deadline - November 2nd.

Holiday Market: SOPC is planning a Holiday Market for Saturday, Nov. 17 in the Fellowship Hall from 10:00 am - 4:00 p.m. We will feature arts and crafts, music, food and much more. If you would like to help or participate as a vendor or know someone who would contact Tara Whitfield (803) 429-5171.

THIS WEEK AT SOPC

Sunday, October 7

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

Monday, October 8

10:30am Bible Study

Tuesday, October 9

7:00am YOGA

Wednesday, October 10

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

Friday, October 12

6:45am Lanterns

Sunday, October 14

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

VOLUNTEERS

Worship Volunteers, October 7

Greeters: Marty Spearman, Maureen Clark, Pat Byrne, Jane Pendleton
Ushers: Ron Kesterson, Bev Elbert, Betty and Tom Shuler, Hal Bowman, Daniel Perriero
Attendance Sheets: Barbara Fowler, Johnadee White
Counters: John Whitfield, Jim Wilhide
Time With the Children: Pastor
Children's Church: Beverly Hudson
Sound booth: Ken Watkins
Nursery: Stephanie Pilkington

Koinonia October 10

Cashier: Molly Jackson, Set Up: Carol Griffith,
Clean Up: Hal Bowman, Sharon Staton, Pat Byrne,
Margaret Charles, Vern Rogers

Worship Volunteers, October 14

Greeters: Linda Floyd, Charlotte Swearingen, Jean Mandeville
Ushers: Shelagh Wirth, Frank Sheppard, Mark and Marion Wishart, Melanie Mixon
Attendance Sheets: Mary Jane & Heyward Stuckey, Martha Hallbick
Counters: Shelagh Wirth, Mark Wishart
Time With the Children: Jean Mandeville
Children's Church: Jean Mandeville
Sound booth: Ken Watkins
Nursery: Amy Schwartz
Acolyte: Sawyer Creighton

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