

VOLUNTEERS - Sunday, November 4:

Greeters: Sue Kesterson, Shelagh Wirth
Ushers: Shelagh Wirth, Bev Elbert, Daniel Perriero,
Betty and Tom Shuler
Attendance Sheets: Barbara Fowler, Johnadee White
Counters: Pat Byrne, Jack Noë
Time With the Children: Tish Lowe
Children's Church: Sue Kesterson
Sound booth: Ken Watkins Nursery: Amy Schwartz

Sunday, November 11

Greeters: Mark & Marion Watson-Wishart, Heather Noë,
Carol Griffith
Ushers: Ron Kesterson, Frank Sheppard, Mark & Marion
Watson-Wishart, Melanie Mixon
Attendance Sheets: Mary Jane and Heyward Stuckey,
Martha Hallbick
Counters: Jeanne LeBeouf, Tish Lowe
Time With the Children: Janice Holbrook
Children's Church: Kitsie Miller
Sound booth: Greg Mixon
Nursery: Amy Schwartz Acolyte: Lucy Park

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SESSION MEMBERS

2019: Pat Byrne - Congreg. Care Chair
Marty Hilyer - Missions
Kathy Keane - Christian Education Chair
Jim Taylor - Good News Chair
Jim Wilhide - Clerk of Session

2020: Jeanne LeBoeuf - Christian Education
Tish Lowe - Missions Chair
Kathryn Morganelli - Worship Chair
Jack Noë - Good News
Mark Wishart - Fellowship

2021: Richard Brinkley - Administration
Linda Floyd - Worship
Fred Holbrook - Administration Chair
Melanie Mixon - Good News
John Whitfield - Missions
Shelagh Wirth - Building/Grounds Chair

Trustees: Janice Reiser, Lucretia Seigler

Treasurer: Hal Bowman

THIS WEEK AT SOPC

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*

Monday, November 5

10:30am Bible Study
4:00pm Congreg. Care & Christian Ed.
5:30pm Good News, B & G, Worship,
Missions
6:30pm Ministry Chairs
7:15pm Fellowship

Tuesday, November 6

Grief Support

Wednesday, November 7

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

Friday, November 9

6:45am Lanterns

Sunday, November 11

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

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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4 WAYS TO GIVE!

 IN PERSON	 BY MAIL	 ONLINE	 BY TEXT
Offering plate during the worship service	530 St. Andrews Rd. Columbia, SC 29210 www.sopc.net	(click on the GIVE menu)	Text SEVENOAKS to 73256 <i>text rates may apply</i>

530 St. Andrews Rd Columbia, SC 29210
803-772-1761 - Office Phone
803-772-1787 - Church Fax



**All Saints Day - Sunday Worship Service
November 4, 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 Rev. Jana Creighton and Rev. Alice Odell
(Please sign the Friendship Register)

PRELUDE: *A Thousand Tongues* William McNair

***GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS:** *Taken with permission from Amanda McLearn-Montz*

One: When we feel crippled in our fear,
All: And the problems of the world seem too huge to bear,
One: Remind us, O God, that you are mightier than every evil and death.
All: Remind us that as long as we are a little faithful,
One: You can move mountains, create life,
All: And spark unity among the nations.
One: Because with You in control,
All: Nothing is impossible. Let us worship the Lord.

*HYMN #12: *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Alice Odell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator and Redeemer God, often we forget that our words and actions have an impact. We think they are too insignificant to make a difference. Remind us that even seemingly small actions can be powerful. Let us remember that a word can bring about justice, a smile can brighten someone's day, and a simple act of kindness can spread Your love. Give us strength, O God, so that we can show Your glory through the words we say and the things we do. Give us faith and guide our ways in living by faith and not by sight. Give us courage to stand in the midst of uncertainty. Comfort us in our loss with the power of your Holy Name. Hear now our prayers as we confess the ways we do not live into your call of peace, justice and hope (A time for Silent Confession) In Christ's name we pray, 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

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Elder Tish Lowe
ANTHEM: *His Strength is Perfect* Steven Curtis Chapman
Ernie Bussells - Soloist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
OLD TESTAMENT READING: *Ruth 1:1-18* Rev. Alice Odell

GOSPEL READING: *Mark 12:28-34*

EPISTLE READING: *James 5* Rev. Jana Creighton

MESSAGE: *"Faith in Action"*

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

MOMENT OF REMEMBRANCE *(You are invited to write the name of a loved one who you wish to remember on the card provided in the pew rack. Please place in the offering plate.)*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS:

OFFERTORY: *In Remembrance* Buryl Red
Chancel Choir

*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

SCRIPTURE READING: *Revelation 21:1-6* Rev. Alice Odell

RECOGNITION OF THE SAINTS: **Wilton Fowler**
6/5/1929 - 1/18/2018
James Moore
8/13/1942 - 2/26/2018
Clyde Crook
3/9/1938 - 3/9/2018
Paul Sandifer
4/18/1931 - 3/30/2018
Betty Jo Carson
10/7/1937 - 4/22/2018
Irene Brinkley
8/18/1946 - 9/19/2018
Mary Jo Copley
11/16/1934 - 9/27/2018
Rev. Jana Creighton

PRAYER FOR THE SAINTS AND FAITHFUL DEPARTED

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:

Holy God, we pray for your human family everywhere, **That we may be one.**

Grant that all who are baptized into Christ may faithfully serve you, **That your name may be**

glorified on earth as it is in heaven.

We pray for all Spiritual leaders, **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake, **That our world may find favor in your sight.**

Have compassion on those who suffer from grief. **That they may be delivered from distress.**

Give to the departed eternal rest, **Let Your light perpetually shine upon them.**

We praise you for saints who have entered into joy, **May we share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Alice Odell

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.**

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 #375: *Shall We Gather at the River*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE: *Sevenfold Amen*

*POSTLUDE: *Blessed Are Ye Faithful Souls* Johannes Brahms
** 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: A Thousand Tongues is a joyous 20th century setting of Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing and O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing. His strength is perfect reminds us that when our strength is gone and we can't carry on, Jesus raises us in His power! The postlude is a setting of a German chorale affirming the blessings God shows to all who live lives of unswerving faith.

Sermon Notes: A young minister was unsure of where God was leading her so she asked her mentor for advice. The older pastor picked a rosebud and told the young woman to open it without tearing the petals. As hard as she tried, she could not do this task. The older minister then shared this poem with her:

"It is only a tiny rosebud, A flower of God's design;

But I cannot unfold the petals with these clumsy hands of mine.

The secret of unfolding flowers is not known to such as I.

God opens this flower so easily but in my hands they die.

If I cannot unfold a rosebud, this flower of God's design,

Then how can I have the wisdom to unfold this life of mine?

So, I'll trust in God for leading each moment of my day.

I will look to God for guidance in each step along the way.

The path that lies before me only my Lord and Savior knows.

I'll trust God to unfold the moments, just as God unfolds the rose."

Like these two pastors, always remember that a little trust and faith in God goes a long way.

Flowers: The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Mark and Marion Watson-Wishart and in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

Poinsettia order forms are now available in the pews.

Bible Boot Camp: Please bring your notebooks. Children should report to Room of Acts, Confirmants meet on the stage in Fellowship Hall and Adults meet in Fellowship Classroom at 5:30 P.M.. We will all join together for dinner @ 6:30 pm. in FH.

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

Volunteer sign-up begins today for Family Promise. for November 25th - December 2nd.

Holiday Market is Saturday, Nov. 17th 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.

A Smokin' Deal For Thanksgiving: We are offering smoked turkeys for \$28 (12-14 lb range). We will take orders in the Narthex today and Nov. 11th 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 Thanksgiving Dinner. We will also furnish instructions on how to reheat!

We Need You! Calling all volunteers! SOES is in need of Reading Buddies for children. This would only be a commitment of 30 minutes per week, but a chance to make a difference in a child's life. If you are interested please contact Michaela Craven.

Advent Adventure: K4-5th Grade Dec. 8, 2018 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon - FREE - FUN - Lite Lunch - Crafts - Adventure *If you have a child with special needs that requires accommodations, please contact the office.

Register at vbspro.events/p/events/followthestar

PRAYERS:

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