

Volunteers - Sunday, February 17

Greeters: Melanie Mixon, Marion and Mark Wishart, Kathy Keane
Ushers: Guy San Fratello, Judy Barnes, Pete Spearman, Jacob Schwartz, Finn Creighton, Sandra Johnson
Attendance: Robert Miller, Brenda Turner
Counters: Pat Byrne
Time With The Children: Jean Mandeville
Children's Church: Carol Griffith Sound: Marty Hilyer
Nursery: Amy Schwartz Acolyte: Lucy Park

Chili Cook Off Volunteers

Pat Robosky, Cathy Keelen, Robert and Kitsie Miller, Beverly Hudson, Ben and Dallene Smith, Carol Griffith

KOINONIA Volunteers, Wednesday February 20th

Patty Mullins, Beverly Hudson, Melanie Mixon, Heather Noë, Charlotte Swearingen, Polly Robinson, Heyward Stuckey, Mark Wishart

Next Week's Volunteers - Sunday, February 24

Greeters: John and Tara Whitfield, Nancy Taber, Brenda Turner
Ushers: Greg Mixon, Terry Clark, Richard Brinkley, Monroe Swearingen, Mary Johnson
Attendance: Mark and Mary Johnson, Marty Spearman
Counters: Linda Floyd, Marty Hilyer
Time With The Children: Judy Barnes
Nursery: Amy Schwartz, Maureen Clark
Children's Church: Sue Kesterson Acolyte: Ewan Park

STAFF

Senior Pastor: Rev. Jana Creighton - jana@sopc.net
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Building Superintendent: Mr. Karl Thompson
Accompanist: Mrs. Sharon Watkins
Nursery Coordinator: Amy Schwartz

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

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Treasurer: Hal Bowman

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Richard Brinkley, Marjorie Claytor, Rosemary and Tom Falls, Nan Foster, Martha Hallbick, Nancy Humphreys, Kim Kent, Kathy Killian, Jane Pendleton, Dick and Barbara Schneider, Kirk Wirth

THIS WEEK AT SOPC

February 17 - Sunday
9:45am Sunday School*
11:00am Worship Service*
12:15pm Covenant Ringers*
6:00pm Chili Cook Off
February 18 - Monday - Presidents Day
10:30am Bible Study
February 19 - Tuesday
7:00pm YOGA
February 20 - Wednesday
12:15pm Chair YOGA
5:30pm KOINONIA
7:30pm Chancel Choir
February 22 - Friday
6:45am Lanterns
February 24 - Sunday
9:45am Sunday School*
11:00am Worship Service*
12:15pm Covenant Ringers
5:15pm BOOTCAMP

**SEVEN OAKS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Sunday Worship Service
February 17, 2019**

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: *O Be Joyful in the Lord*

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

PRELUDE: *The God of Abraham Praise* arr. Lyndell Leatherman

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS Children's Worship Team

* HYMN #267: *Come Christians Join to Sing*

* PRAYER OF THE DAY Rev. Jana Creighton

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Alice Odell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

One: In this moment of worship we call to mind those times of failure and regret common to all of us. We remember first, in silence, those times when we have failed to do all that we meant to do, or through our actions failed to be all we were meant to be.

Silence

One: We now recall our moments of integrity, those times we have lived into our deepest values, and acted as the human beings we always dreamed of being.

Silence

One: We choose at this moment to lay down the burden of our shortcomings, and grasp the courage to begin anew. Together, we affirm our capacity for goodness and grace, for freedom and purpose and joy. We are not trapped in our past, but freed by creation to live and grow into God's people. With gratitude, we say blessed be to God. **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

MOMENT FOR MISSION Marion Watson Wishart

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN Elder Jean Mandeville

ANTHEM: *From All That Dwell Below the Skies* Gordon Young

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Chancel Choir

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GOSPEL READING

Luke 6:17-26

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Joshua 1:1-9

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God**

MESSAGE:

"The Gift of Courage"

Rev. Jana Creighton

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Excerpts from *A Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God: Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil delivering us from death to life eternal.

We trust in God whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chooses a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, Amen.

*HYMN #70:

What Does the Lord Require of You?

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Youth Worship Team

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Rev. Alice Odell

OFFERTORY:

Beautiful Savior
Chancel Choir

Tom Fettke

* 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 #838:

Standing on the Promises

* CHARGE AND BLESSING

* CHORAL RESPONSE:

Lift High The Cross

* POSTLUDE:

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

arr. Phillip Keveren

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.

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.

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 ages 4-12 are hanging on the coat rack in the Narthex.

A Guest Welcome Table is in the Narthex. If you have questions please ask an Elder with an "ASK ME" badge.

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

Music Notes: The prelude is based on a 17th century Jewish tune. This great hymn of praise (#49 in the hymnal) names God the Ancient of Eternal Days, the God of love, the Lord, and the great I Am. *Beautiful Savior* brings together a traditional Irish tune and the text of the hymn, Fairest Lord Jesus.

Flowers: The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God, by Robert and Kitsie Miller, who God has seen fit to bless them with 45 years of marriage. Truly our God is an awesome and generous God.

2019 Flowers: If you would like to place flowers in the Sanctuary for: May 12, June 9,16, July 7, 21, 28, Aug. 11, Sept 8, 22, Oct. 20, Nov.10, 24, Dec. 8, please contact the office at 772-1761. The cost is \$75.

Elder Nominations: The nominating committee would like your suggestions on who to nominate for the 2022 class of elders. Please fill out a form and place it in the offering plate with your suggestions by Feb. 24th.

Chili Cook-Off / Church Night Supper: Tonight at 6:00 p.m. Please cookup your version of The Best Chili and bring it to the Church Night Supper. This contest is a People's Choice, all in attendance will rate the various entries. We will tally the results and see whose effort was voted Best! This is a contest for Best Chili, **NOT** hottest. Past years winner Carol Griffith makes a very delightful recipe, perhaps from Southern Living? We have had entries for just about every version of chili you could imagine, red / white / beef / chicken / with beans / without beans / all meat / all vegetarian, maybe even a vegan version? If a cook wants to add 'Heat', please keep it on the side so samplers can add as they like. So, challenge yourself, and others; come out, enjoy each others creations, and help support the Youth Mission Trip Fund.

World Prayer Day - Friday, March 1, 2019:

Join the world in offering prayers of joy and concerns to the Lord. Sanctuary will be open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. We will offer a drive thru prayer time of 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. If you are willing to help encourage our neighbors to participate, please let us know.

Bootcamp continues next week at 5:15 p.m. and we will be studying the book of Job. See you there and don't forget to bring a friend.

Missions Pictures: Missions Ministry is looking for any photographs of Mission work here at Seven Oaks within the last year. They will be used on our Missions board by the kitchen. If you have any pics, please see Tish Lowe or Tina Pilkington. Thanks!

Missions Collections: Beanie Weenies as well as any kind of canned meat like chicken, tuna, salmon, ham, corned beef and spam for Sharing God's Love, pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and Box Tops for Education for SOES.

What Does Lent Mean To You? With all the positive feedback from the Advent Devotional in December, we plan to extend the process into the Lenten Season. If you would like to share what Lent means to you, contact Melanie Mixon (803) 319-7199 or Tara Whitfield (803) 429-5171. These devotions will be included as inserts in the Sunday bulletins. Please notify us by Feb.18th if you are interested in participating.

Children's Church: The time has come again to create a calendar for Children's church, if you are interested in volunteering as a children's church assistant please let Michaela know. Even if you have volunteered before please reaffirm your commitment. Be sure to give her the dates that you are either available or unavailable. Thank you.

Valentine's Dinner: A huge thank you to everyone who helped set up, decorate, cook and serve. We hope everyone had a wonderful Valentine's evening.

Scout update: The Scouts of Troop 91 participated in the Scouting for Food this past Saturday. The Scouts collected 2,221 food items for Sharing God's Love in Irmo. After delivering the food they collected, the Scouts stayed at Sharing God's Love to help with sorting and shelving the more than 10,000 food items that had been collected on Saturday.

PW in Trinity Presbytery Annual Gathering: Be sure to pick up your registration form in the Narthex for our Saturday, March 16th event.