

Today's Volunteers - Sunday, March 3

Greeters: Mary Lou Taylor, Hal and Suzy Bowman, Kathy Keane

Ushers: Greg Mixon, Bev Elbert, Daniel Perriero, Tom and Betty Shuler

Attendance: Barbara Fowler, Johnadee White

Counters: Linda Floyd, Mark Wishart

Children's Church: Marion Watson-Wishart

Time With The Children: Tish Lowe

Nursery: Amy Schwartz, Donna Moore

Sound: Ken Watkins

KOINONIA Volunteers - Wednesday, March 6

Jean Mandeville, Melanie Mixon, Beverly Hudson, Robert and Kitsie Miller, Ron Kesterson, Jo Groce, Carol Griffith, Beverly Hudson

Next Week's Volunteers - Sunday March 10

Greeters: Jim and Elizabeth Taylor, Donna Moore, Johnadee White

Ushers: Ron Kesterson, Frank Sheppard, Mark Wishart, Marion Watson-Wishart, Melanie Mixon

Attendance: Mary Jane and Heyward Stuckey, Martha Hallbick

Counters: Jeanne LeBoeuf, Tish Lowe

Time With The Children: Mark Johnson

Children's Church: Kitsie Miller

Nursery: Amy Schwartz

Sound: Greg Mixon Acolyte: Finn Bundrick

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Jim Taylor - Good News Chair

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Tish Lowe - Missions Chair

Kathryn Morganelli - Worship Chair

Jack Noë - Good News

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Marjorie Claytor, Rosemary and Tom Falls, Nan Foster, Kim Kent, Kathy Killian, Jane Pendleton, Dick and Barbara Schneider

IN THE HOSPITAL: Joe Gause, Kirk Wirth

THIS WEEK AT SOPC

March 3, Sunday

9:45am Joint Sunday School*
11:00am Worship and Communion*
12:15pm Covenant Ringers
6:00pm Spaghetti Dinner

March 4, Monday

10:30am Bible Study
5:30pm Good News, B & G, Worship, Missions Fellowship
7:15pm

March 5, Tuesday

10:30am Grief Support

March 6, Wednesday

12:15pm Chair YOGA
5:30pm Light Meal/ Ash Wednesday Service
7:30pm Chancel Choir

March 7, Thursday- SOPC Quilters

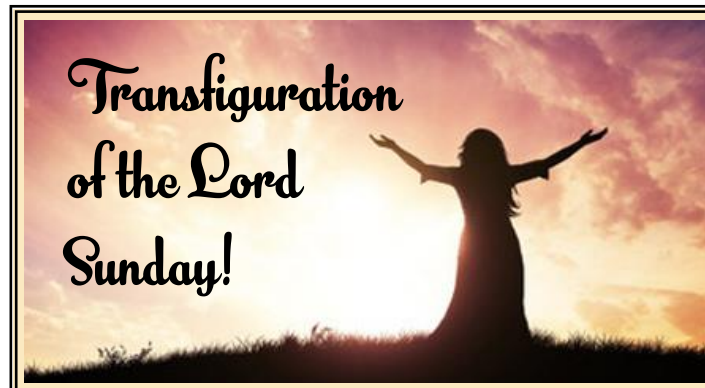
March 8, Friday

6:45am Lanterns

March 9, Saturday

March 10, Sunday

9:45am Joint Sunday School*
11:00am Worship Service*
5:30pm Bootcamp



**Worship Service
March 3, 2019 - 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*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Rev. Jana Creighton
(Please sign the Friendship Register)

PRELUDE: *O God, Beyond All Praising* Holst/arr. Lloyd Larson

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS: Adapted for Psalm 29 Jo Groce

One: Let us praise the God of glory and of strength

All: Let us worship the God of grace.

One: For the voice of God goes out across all the earth.

All: And in God's temple all the people say, "Glory!"

*HYMN #450: *Be Thou My Vision*

*MOMENT OF HOLINESS Rev. Jana Creighton

*PRAYER OF THE DAY Elder Mary Johnson

CALL TO CONFESSION Sandra Johnson

One: Not one of us is perfect

All: No, Not one.

One: Not one of us is full of grace.

All: No, not one.

One: Not one of us is spotless

All: No, Not one.

One: There is no one who knows God's fullness or rests completely in God's grace.

All: Therefore, let us approach God's throne together.

One: Let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Gracious God, you know us better than we know ourselves. Find in us, we pray, the pockets of resistance and patches of coldness that keep us closed to your movement among us that we may be agents of your grace and channels of your love. In the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. (A time for silent confession) Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: On mountain tops and in valleys, in our hopes and in our hearts, God knows us better than we know ourselves, and God forgives us when we cannot forgive ourselves!

All: By God's mercy, we are forgiven; by God's mercy, we are made whole; by God's mercy we are equipped to serve others. Thanks be to God! Amen.

*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: *Holy (Sanctus) - Chancel Choir* Craig Courtney

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rev. Jana Creighton
OLD TESTAMENT READING: *Isaiah 42:1-9*
GOSPEL READING: *Luke 9:28-36*
NEW TESTAMENT READING: *Romans 8:11,15-16*
MESSAGE: "What Does a Lifelong Disciple Look Like?" Rev. Jana Creighton
RESPONSE #192: Choir will sing once, congregation please join in singing the second time.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

WOMEN'S LITANY: *Please respond when prompted - We thank you, O God.* April White
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS: Elder Judy Barnes
OFFERTORY: *Come All Who Thirst* Cherubin/att. Hal Hospon
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

We have stood on the high crests of hope, and wandered through the valleys of loneliness. And so, we know what peace, hope, grace, and wonder can mean to others. As we offer our tangible gifts to you, we would also share these blessings with those we will meet in the days to come. We pray this in the name of Jesus, Amen.

SEALING OF THE WORD: The Eucharist

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE Rev. Jana Creighton

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: May the God of mountain tops be with you!

All: And also with you!

One: People of God, lift up your hearts to the One who calls to you.

All: We open our hearts to the One who invites us to listen.

One: Beloved of God, offer praise to the One who is with you in this moment.

All: Our voices unite in thanking our God who loves us. Let us pray...

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 in the communion trays*

THE TAKING OF THE VINE:

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #192: *Lord the Light of Your Love is Shining*
(Choir will sing the refrain once, congregation please join in singing the second time.)

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE: *Amen!*

*POSTLUDE: *Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above* arr. Dan Forrest
** Please stand in body or in spirit*

VITALIZATION SERMON NOTES:

What is a Disciple?

- ◆ Disciples learn to put Jesus first. (*Mark 8:34-38*)
- ◆ Disciples seek to listen to the Holy Spirit. (*Eph. 6:10-18*)
- ◆ Disciples want to be doers, not just hearers of the Word. (*James 1:22*)
- ◆ Disciples live into the Fruits of the Spirit. (*Gal. 5:22-23*)
- ◆ Disciples love others through actions. (*John 13:35*)
- ◆ Disciples share the story of faith. (*1 Peter 3:15*)

1. We see Jesus as the _____ one.
2. God's chosen are called to _____ the call.
3. We are called to be _____.
4. The Disciples become _____ on the mountain.
5. When done right, lifelong discipleship is a _____.
6. _____ is the roller coaster ride of following Jesus.
7. Most of us believe that discipleship is about living _____.
8. Discipleship is actually about living _____.

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 hymn written by Michael Perry, and set to the music of Gustav Holst. The hymn is a biblically rooted majestic hymn of praise. The opening verse speaks of God's "love amazing that songs cannot repay." The choir's anthem, Holy, is a setting of the traditional liturgical

text known as the Sanctus. This text has been part of Christian worship for centuries.

Flowers: The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God, by Judy Barnes and Guy San Fratello, in memory of their fathers, Joe San Fratello and L.V. Shepard.

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

Our recent task force has made some goals for Pastor Jana so as to strengthen relationships within the congregation, including teaching classes for our congregation today and March 10th in a unique joint Sunday School class (all ages over 5 are welcome) in the Fellowship Hall. Come join us as we study what it means to be an Intergenerational Church.

Spaghetti Dinner and Dance: Our Children and Youth would like to serve you at a Spaghetti Dinner and Dance today at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There is no cost but donations will be accepted for our upcoming mission trips, camps and conferences. Our children and youth will be sharing their experiences from past trips. Please contact the church office if you plan to attend.

KOINONIA/Ash Wednesday: Our last Koinonia will be this Wednesday, March 6th at 5:30 p.m. with soup for dinner and our service is at 6:15 p.m. Please sign up or contact the church office. Come begin the Lenten season with us and bring a friend.

Missions Collections: Peanut butter and Jelly for Sharing God's Love. For our Prison Ministry: Soft yarn, lotions, books and magazines as well as soft toilet tissue and clothes for their work release program. No shoes or purses please. Pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and Box Tops for Education for SOES.

Women's Retreat - Saturday, May 25th: Watch history come to life right here in Columbia! Tour four historic homes in downtown Columbia, eat lunch in the Carriage House and fellowship with women of SOPC! Save the date and more information will be provided. If you have questions, ask Judy Barnes.

Inquirer's classes will be held during SS in the Crossroads Classroom for any who would like to attend. The schedule of learning will be: March 17 - History of SOPC, March 24 - Reformed Tradition (What it means to be a Presbyterian) March 31 - Government and PCUSA, Trinity Presbytery, April 7 - What does it mean to be a member? Inquirers will be invited to meet for a question and answer session and should you desire, become a faithful follower here at SOPC on Easter, April 21.

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