

Volunteers Sunday, August 4, 2019

Greeters: Jim Taylor, Elizabeth Taylor, Brenda Turner
 Ushers: Shelagh Wirth, Bev Elbert, Fred Holbrook, Daniel Perriero, Betty Shuler, Tom Shuler
 Attendance: Barbara Fowler, Marion Watson-Wishart, Shelagh Wirth
 Counters: Kathy Morganelli, Jack Noë & Hal Bowman
 Time With Children: Tish Lowe
 Children's Church: Carol Griffith & Christal McTier
 Nursery: Amy Schwartz, Marty Spearman
 Sound: Ken Watkins
 Acolyte: Communion
 Flowers: Janice Reiser
 Opening Church: Fred Holbrook
 Home Communion: Ed Keelen & Linda Floyd

Volunteers—Sunday, August 11, 2019

Greeters: Melanie Mixon, Tara Whitfield, John Whitfield, Nancy Taber
 Ushers: Ron Kesterson, Frank Sheppard, Mark Wishart, Marion Watson-Wishart, Melanie Mixon
 Attendance: Anne Crook, Willie Hale, Martha Hallbick
 Counters: Fred Holbrook, Mark Pilkington
 Time With Children: Michaela Craven
 Children's Church: Sue Kesterson
 Nursery: Amy Schwartz
 Sound: Greg Mixon
 Acolyte: Lucy Park
 Flowers: John & Sandra Jones

STAFF

Senior Pastor: Rev. Jana Creighton - jana@sopc.net
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Volunteer Parish Associate: Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer, D.Min.-jbssc@yahoo.com
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Children/Youth Director: Miss Michaela Craven - michaela@sopc.net
Volunteer Finance Administrator: Mrs. Sharon Staton, sharon@sopc.net
Building Superintendent: Mr. Karl Thompson
Office Manager: Mrs. Beth Morelock
Accompanist: Mrs. Sharon Watkins
Nursery Coordinator: Amy Schwartz

SESSION MEMBERS

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

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

2022: Byron Dickson- Building/Grounds
 Carol Griffith- Fellowship Chair
 Ed Keelen- Christian Ed. Chair
 Mark Pilkington - Christian Education
 Sharon Staton - Administration
 Jim Taylor - Missions

Trustees: Lucretia Seigler, Beverly Hudson

Treasurer: Hal Bowman

PRAYER REQUESTS:

Ed Keelen, Tom Falls, Linda Floyd, Rafe Glymph, Ben Killian, Patricia Williams, Kirk Wirth

THIS WEEK AT SOPC

August 4, Sunday Mission Trip- Charleston
 9:45 am Sunday School*
 11:00 am Worship Service\Comm*
 6:00 pm Chin Worship

August 5, Monday Mission Trip- Charleston
 10:00 am Good News Ministry Mtg- Fellowship
 5:15 pm B & G Ministry Mtg- Crossroads Rm.
 5:30 pm Worship Ministry Mtg- Library
 5:30 pm Missions Ministry Mtg- Nazareth Rm.
 5:30 pm Admin Ministry Mtg- Session Rm.
 7:00 pm NANA
 7:15 pm Fellowship Min. Mtg- Fellowship Rm

August 6, Tuesday Mission Trip Charleston
 7:00 pm Yoga & NANA

August 7, Wednesday Mission Trip- Charleston
 12:15 pm Chair YOGA
 6:00 pm Chin Bible Study
 7:00 pm NANA

August 9, Friday Mission Trip- Charleston
 6:45 am Lanterns
 7:00 pm Chin Band—Sanctuary

August 10, Saturday Mission Trip- Charleston
 10:00 am Overeaters

August 11, Sunday
 9:45 am Sunday School*
 11:00 am Worship*

* Nursery is provided.

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SEVEN OAKS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship Service

August 4, 2019

Welcome!

We pray that you will truly experience God's love and grace as you worship!



“We can look at goals, or we can look at the impact in the community. I’m of the belief that when you form a community based in Jesus and the love of Christ, then you will get resources, and then things will multiply. It’s called faith – that it will grow, that people will come in, that they will become members. But that not the end goal; it’s to be a presence in the community”.
 Bishop Daniel G.P. Gutierrez

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Let All Creation Bless the Lord

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Alice Odell

(Please pass and sign the Friendship Register)

PRELUDE:

The God of Abraham Praise

Lloyd Larson

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS: (Colossians 3:2, 12-13)

One: Set your mind on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

All: For we have died and our life is hidden with Christ in God.

One: As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility meekness, and patience.

All: We will bear with one another and if anyone has a complaint against another, we will forgive each other, just as the Lord has forgiven us. Amen

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

*HYMN # 409

God is Here

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev.Dr. Barry Shatzer

PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Faithful God, we confess our faithfulness. Our hearts are fickle, and our minds wander, and we trick ourselves into serving false gods. We speak lies, and accept lies, and live lies, destroying ourselves along the way. Have mercy on us. Forgive our waywardness and lead us back to you. May your faithfulness embolden our trust in you, and may your truth settle in our souls.
 (moment of 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

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Elder Tish Lowe

ANTHEM

Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You
 Chancel Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE READING:

Colossians 1:15-28

Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer

GOSPEL READING:

Luke 10:38-42

Rev. Alice Odell

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

MESSAGE:

Who is This Jesus?

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*HYMN # 515 *I Come With Joy*

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY: *And Can It Be That I Should Gain* Lloyd Larson

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 Rev. Alice Odell

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 give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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 AND THE TAKING OF THE VINE: Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer
Gluten free wafers are wrapped individually and available in the communion trays.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious God, you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. You have fed us with your bread of life, and renewed us for your service. We give ourselves to you, and ask that our daily living may be part of the life of your kingdom. May our love be your love reaching out into the life of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN # 546 *Lord, Dismiss Us With Your Blessing*

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

*CHORAL RESPONSE: *Go Now In Peace*

POSTLUDE: *Matin* Gordon Young

Session Shepherds: One of the strengths of Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church is our natural ability to care for one another. According to the vitalization survey, 85% of members feel that "my church loves and cares for all its members". We are encouraging this care by forming shepherd groups within the congregation. If you haven't already received a phone call, email, or card from your session shepherd, look for one very soon. This will be your immediate contact when you want to chat, need a ride, desire home communion, or simply want to grab a meal with some other folks. Of course, your pastors are always here as well. Your shepherd may ask if you'd like to have an impromptu dinner with the group or perhaps just give you a ring from time to time to discuss how church life is going. In return, you are invited to call your shepherd and support them. After all, being an elder and being a shepherd of others is hard work. If you do not yet know who your shepherd is and desire to make contact, please call the office and we can connect you! Let's practice feeding God's sheep together!

During the Welcome and Announcements please pass and sign 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.

Guests are invited to stop by the Guest Table in the narthex. Please leave your information when you take a goody bag as a reminder of God's love. 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 God of Abraham Praise* is a powerful hymn of praise based on an ancient Hebrew melody. The anthem is a heartfelt prayer for faith, understanding and God's continued presence in our lives. The offertory is based on Charles Wesley's great hymn, whose closing verse is: "No condemnation now I dread, Jesus and all in Him is mine! Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine. Bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own." The music during communion includes Living For Jesus, Harold Lowden's hymn that opens with, "Living for Jesus a life that is true. Striving to please Him in all that I do."

Flowers: The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God by Janice Reiser, and in loving memory of Tom Reiser.

Missions Collections: Peanut butter and Jelly for Sharing God's Love. **Summer Collections:** Snack Pack Items, PB&J, small mac & cheese, and beanie weenies. **Every day collections:** Pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and Box Tops for Education for SOES.

Congregational Meeting: Today, immediately following the worship service, there will be a short meeting to elect Frank Sheppard as trustee for the class of 2022.

Prayer Circle: Will **not** meet tomorrow, August 5th.

Pastoral Care Needs: From July 26 - August 6, 2019 please call the church office, Rev. Alice Odell, Rev. Barry Shatzer or your session shepherd for any immediate care concerns.

Charleston Mission Trip: Please be in prayer for the students as they travel to Charleston this week.

Seven Oaks Elementary School Supplies List: Once again we are taking up donations for school supplies for Seven Oaks Elementary School. You can bring your donations to church and put them in the black baskets in the narthex or in the mission closet. Thank you for your help!

A list of supplies is as follows:

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| Colored Plastic Folder (with pockets & brads) | Washable Glue Sticks |
| Highlighters | Pack of Crayola Crayons |
| Pack of Pens | Pack of Long Colored Pencils |
| Zip Pencil Bag | Packs of #2 Pencils |
| Ziploc Bags – gallon, quart, sandwich | Pink Pearl Erasers |
| Hand Sanitizer in Pump Dispenser | Blunt Scissors |
| Disinfecting Bleach-Free Wipes | Yellow Sticky Notes |
| | Marble Composition Books (black /white only) |

Fall Supper Club: The Fellowship Ministry invites members to participate in the Seven Oaks Presbyterian Fall Supper Club. Groups of six will meet once a month for September, October, and November. The groups will be different each month. Please sign up or ask questions by phoning Molly Jackson at 798.3750 or emailing mollyjackson803@gmail.com by Wednesday August 21. A rotation of participants will be mailed by August 31.

The Good News Ministry is seeking like-minded folks who have a desire to share the good news and work to grow the church. All are invited to find out more by coming to our next meeting, Monday morning, August 5, 10 AM in Fellowship Hall. For more information contact Melanie Mixon, glmixon@msn.com.

SOPC Small Groups: This Fall and Spring, SOPC is hosting a number and variety of small groups to facilitate meeting new faces and growing in faith. Session has been reading 'The Trellis and the Vine' by Tony Payne who describes small groups in a church as 'a shift from running programs to building people'. In small groups, leaders spring up from within the church and share their natural talents with the congregation. These folks form new relationships (even in old friends), new interests, and new faith perspectives. Not to mention that small groups are a non-threatening means of inviting friends who may be weary of church or faith into a community of support where grace can be seen. Isn't that part of our call, to love God and love our neighbor as we studied last week? In the coming weeks, we will highlight some of the small groups coming to your SOPC family. You are invited to find a new group to explore and invite a friend to go with you! Where two or more are gathered....

The "Transitional Seven Oaks Presbyterian Women's Coordinating Team" will hold a meeting on Monday, August 12, at 4:30 PM, for new officers as well as those finishing their term on the Coordinating team."

