Sunday Worship, November 17, 2019
Greeters: Joe Gause, Myrna Gause, Nancy Taber, Melanie Mixon
Ushers: Ron Kesterson, OB Drayton, Finn Creighton, Sandra Johnson, Pete Spearman, David Waugh
Attendance: Robert Miller, Sarah Drayton, Brenda Turner
Counters: Richard Brinkley, Melanie Mixon, Sharon Staton
Time with the Children: Pastor
Children's Church: Jean Mandeville
Nursery: Amy Schwartz
Sound: Marty Hilyer **Acolyte:** Abby Dempster
Opening Church: Sharon Staton
Flowers: Shelagh Wirth

Sunday Worship, November 24, 2019
Greeters: Vern Rogers, Janice Riser, Jack Noë, Heather Noë
Ushers: Richard Brinkley, Monroe Swearingen, Mary Johnson
Attendance: Mark and Mary Johnson, Marty Spearman
Counters: Kathy Morganelli, Jack Noë, Sharon Staton
Time with the Children: Mark Johnson
Children's Church: Janice Riser
Nursery: Amy Schwartz
Sound: Marty Hilyer **Acolyte:** Finn Bundrick
Opening Church: Fred Holbrook
Flowers: Linda Killian

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THIS WEEK AT SOPC

November 17, Sunday
9:45 am Sunday School*
11:00 am Worship Service*
12:15 pm Covenant Ringers Practice
12:15 pm Granny's Sunday Dinner
6:00 pm Chin Worship Service
November 18, Monday
10:30 am Women's Bible Study
6:30 pm Session Meeting
7:00 pm NANA
November 19, Tuesday
8:30 am Quilters Board
9:00 am Greater Columbia Quilters
7:00 pm YOGA & NANA
November 20, Wednesday
12:15 pm Chair Yoga
6:00 pm Chin Bible Study
7:00 pm NANA
6:30 pm Choir Practice
November 21, Thursday
12:00 pm The Artist's Way
November 22, Friday
6:45 am Lanterns
November 23, Saturday
10:00 am Overeaters Anonymous
November 24, Sunday
9:45 am Sunday School*
1:00 am Worship Service*
12:15 pm Covenant Ringers
5:30 pm Thanksgiving CNS
6:00 pm Chin Church Worship
6:00 pm Community Choir Practice
7:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Service

*Nursery is provided

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Worship Service - November 17, 2019

Welcome! 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 *We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise*

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

PRELUDE *How Firm a Foundation* arr. Cindy Berry

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS
One: With what shall we come before the Holy One,
All: and bow ourselves before God on high?
One: God has shown us what is good.
All: What does the Holy One require of us,
One: but to do justice,
All: and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with our God?
One: Let us walk humbly in worship with our God.

*GATHERING HYMN *God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand* **HYMN 331**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Alice Odell

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors and refused to bear the burdens of others. We have ignored the pain of the world and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. (a time of silent confession). **Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*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 Rev. Alice Odell

ANTHEM *Bless This House* May Brahe
Ed Billings, soloist

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Genesis 12:1-4a*
One: This is the word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

MESSAGE *So Abram Went* Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer

*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.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF REFLECTION *If Thou but Trust in God to Guide Thee* **HYMN 816**

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.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Grace* Mark Hayes
Chancel Choir

*CONGREGATION RESPONSE **HYMN 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

*SENDING HYMN *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* **HYMN 65**

*CHARGE AND BLESSING

CHORAL RESPONSE *Go With Joy*
POSTLUDE *Joy in the Morning* Tom Birchwood

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

Shepherding News

PRAYER REQUESTS

Dave Allen, Tom Falls, Linda Floyd, Rafe Glymph, Nancy Humphreys, Al Morganelli, Dick and Barbara Schneider

Please keep the ministry team that will be traveling to Cuba in your prayers.

During the Welcome and Announcements, please pass and sign the Friendship Pads 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 any of our volunteers with an "ASK ME" badge.

Children's Worship: Every Sunday following "A Time with the Children", ages 3–3rd 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 a volunteer 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.

Flowers: The flowers in the Sanctuary today are dedicated to the glory of God, giving thanks for all of God's mercies by Shelagh and Kirk Wirth.

Music Notes: The prelude brings together the great hymn of faith, *How Firm a Foundation* with the Jean-Joseph's Mouret's *Rondeau*. *Bless This House* is a song dedicating our church and our lives to the worship and service of God. *Grace* brings together a soaring early American melody and the powerful lyrics of *Amazing Grace*.

Organ Update: Our organ's beautiful exterior façade and console installation have been completed. Over the coming weeks Lewtak Organ Builders will continue rebuilding windchests, and will focus on the meticulous work of installing, voicing and tuning over 1,600 pipes in the organ chamber.

Missions Collections and Ministries: November's items are canned yams, green beans, and cranberry sauce. December's will be: Canned Hams. **Every day collections:** Pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House and Box Tops for Education for SOES.

The Giving Tree

Christmas is a time for giving! As in years past, we hope to make Christmas special for the men at Providence Home by presenting each man with a Christmas gift to let them know they are not forgotten. Look for "The Giving Tree" in the Narthex during Advent. We have something special planned this year!

TURKEYS! Fellowship will be taking orders for roasted turkeys again this Thanksgiving Season. You may purchase yours for $28 in the narthex today. You will be able to pick your turkey up on Nov. 24, the night of our Thanksgiving Dinner and Service.

Thanksgiving Church Night Supper will be on Sunday, November 24 at 5:30 p.m. Please join us for a delicious meal before the Community Thanksgiving Worship Service at 7:00 p.m. The menu will be roasted Turkey, Dressing, Sliced Ham, Candied Yams, Green Beans, Cranberry Relish, and Rolls with Apple or Pumpkin Pie for dessert. Tickets for the meal will be sold in the Narthex today. Tickets are $8 for adults, $4 for children under 12, with an immediate family cap of $24.

The **Community Thanksgiving Service** will be held at Seven Oaks Presbyterian on Sunday, November 24 at 7:00 p.m. Come join with neighbors and friends from 4 other congregations as we show our gratitude to God. A special offering will be collected for Sharing God's Love.

The **Ladies' Luncheon** for November will be held tomorrow at noon at Grecian Gardens, 2312 Sunset Blvd. West Columbia. Email or call Margaret Royals to attend: mroyals052@gmail.com (803)957-0430.

We will be decorating the sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas Season on Monday, November 25th at 12:00. Please join us!