



SEVEN OAKS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 3, 2020

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

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

Once worship begins, please do not unmute yourselves. Zoom is very sensitive to sounds coming from our computers and to provide for the most fluid and clear worship experience for everyone, this is a small thing you can do to celebrate this worship opportunity!

PRELUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jana Creighton

OPENING PRAYER

Lord, God, this time of worship is devoted to you as we strive to follow your path. Hear our prayers as we break the bread, share in the fellowship of your people, and honor your glory upon our lives. Hear our praise, Almighty God, for in your name we hope and trust. Amen

GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS (inspired by Acts 2:42-47) Rev. Jana Creighton and Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer

One: We are God's church.

All: We come together to worship.

One: God has given us the Word.

All: We come together to learn.

One: God has filled us with power.

All: We go out to bring others to God.

One: God has called us into his family.

All: We come together to share our lives.

One: God has put his words on our lips.

All: We go out to tell the world about God.

One: God has given us his spirit.

All: We come together to celebrate.

One: God has showered us with riches.

All: We go out to share God's goodness with others.

One: God has freed us from our past.

All: We come together to move forward.

One: God has planned for us a glorious future.

All: We go out to live our lives to please God.

One: We are God's church.

All: We come together to worship. ~ copyright © John Leach/The Jubilate Group

HYMN

The Church's One Foundation (verses 1, 3, and 5)

Hymn 321

¹The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord.

She is his new creation by water and the word.

From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride.

With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

³Though with a scornful wonder this world sees her oppressed,

By schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,

Yet saints their watch are keeping; their cry goes up: "How long?"

And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

⁵Yet she on earth has union with God, the Three in One,

And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:

O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,

Like them, the meek and lowly, may live eternally.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer

We are really good, Lord, at devoting ourselves to many things in this world. We devote ourselves to things that are valuable and serve Your mission and things that are time consuming and draw us apart from your presence. We devote ourselves daily during this Pandemic to fears, worries, and anxieties as well. Today, Lord, hear our confessions and forgive us for forgetting to devote ourselves to you, your church, and your love for all of your children. May our hearts devote ourselves daily to Your promise, for all the days of our lives. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 2:42-47

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All who believed were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

MESSAGE

Devoting Ourselves

Rev. Jana Creighton

SEALING THE WORD: The Eucharist

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Barry Shatzer

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

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION HYMN

Let Us Break Bread Together (verse 1)

Hymn 525

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees)

Let us break bread together on our knees; (on our knees)

When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun,

O Lord, have mercy on me. (on me).

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

HYMN

Blessed Assurance

Hymn 839

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! O what a foretaste of glory divine!

Heir of salvation, purchase of God, born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

**(Refrain) This is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story; this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.**

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest,

Watching and waiting, looking above, filled with his goodness, lost in his love. (Refrain)

CLOSING PRAYER

Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Alive! Blessed assurance that in all things, the resurrection brings hope in uncertain times. Blessed assurance, Lord, that all who call On You are welcome in the kingdom! Blessed assurance, let us praise the savior all the day long. Amen

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Go in peace!

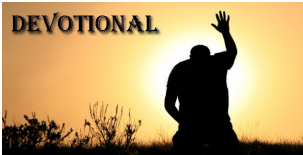
congregational meeting



A congregational meeting will be held via Zoom today after worship for the purpose of hearing the report from our elder nominating committee and electing elders and a trustee for the Class of 2023.

Elder installation is planned during worship on June 7th, with the laying on of hands for any nonordained oncoming elders to be held upon our return to worship in the sanctuary.

Elder Training will begin on Tuesday, May 5th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. via Zoom.



If you would like to write and contribute a personal devotional to be shared with the congregation, please email Jeanne LeBeouf at jleboeuf@sc.rr.com. You do not have to send in your devotional at this time, but we would like to hear from you as soon as possible.

Bios of Trustee and Elder Nominees

NOMINATED FOR TRUSTEE

Serving Christ is extremely important to **Jim Wilhide** and he has tried to serve Christ throughout his life. He moved to Columbia and joined Seven Oaks in 1971. He retired from the SC Department of Education in 1990 and from Newberry College in 2002. Since 1971 he has served as a deacon, an elder, as a member and chairman of the Christian Education Committee, as Sunday School Superintendent, as an adult Sunday School teacher, and as Clerk of Session for 17 years. He has also served on several committees for Trinity Presbytery. He is currently a resident of Presbyterian Community of SC.

NOMINATED FOR SESSION

Karan Bundrick was born in Lancaster, California. She was raised in Marietta, Georgia from the age of three years-old until she graduated from high school and moved to Clinton, SC to attend Presbyterian College. She graduated from PC in December of 2003 with a degree in Special Education and met her husband Jason Bundrick. They married in September of 2006 and have two creative and lively sons, Finn and Eli. Karan is the daughter of a Lay Pastor and has always been close to God. She was a member of Covenant Presbyterian church in Marietta, Westminster Presbyterian in Columbia, SC, and Providence Presbyterian before her family joined the Seven Oaks family in 2018. She has always had a passion for working with children and supporting them on their faith journeys. She has been a camp counselor, program director, youth advisor and youth leader. She has been PW circle leader, member of various church choirs, bell ensemble and music ensembles. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, spending time with her family, and being creative!



Banks Robinson was born in Charlotte, N.C., but grew up in West Ashley in Charleston, S.C. through all his school years before attending Davidson College. During the college years, he joined Seven Oaks, and then after moving to Columbia, brought his wife, Polly, into the fold. He and Polly raised three children, Jay, Sarah and Marshall, at Seven Oaks and they all have developed life-long friendships through that fellowship. Sarah has been doing missionary work since college graduation and continues to do so with her husband, Steven, and two children in Guatemala. Jay and Marshall are both married and live in the Columbia area. Jay's son Ellis attends church with Banks and Polly every Sunday and is a blessing to them and to the church. Polly has served on Session many times and is now taking a sort of break, while acting as Clerk of Session. Banks was ordained a Deacon at St. Andrews PCUS in Charleston when he was a junior in High School. He and Polly were part of a team effort of leading the SOPC senior youth group for four years. He was ordained an elder in the last class elected while Ed Ayers was pastor and served in the class that welcomed Tom



Are. He has taught Sunday School for many years and was in the inaugural group that started Roads and Anchors. He is retired from the U.S. Postal Service but continues to work at home selling on eBay.

Mark Dillard has been a member of SOPC since 1992. He has served as stewardship chair twice, was on the original committee that created the church's Koinonia program, taught Sunday school, and has been on the session for three years previously. He plays guitar and bass and enjoys sitting in with the choir occasionally. He is in the band, *Slow Boss* with church members Robert Miller and Justin Werner; they have played at several SOPC events. Mark is an association manager. He is director of the Manufactured Housing Institute of SC and earlier worked as Associate Director for the Washington-based American Petroleum Institute. He worked as a section chief for the SC Attorney General's Office and as a reporter for WIS-TV.



Guy San Fratello has been a member of SOPC for 20 years. He has served his church in many capacities such as Elder, Chair of Buildings & Grounds, Koinonia Cook Team Captain, Greeter, Head Usher, worked with Confirmants, taught youth Sunday School, and sets up Communion once or twice a year. He is married to Judy Barnes and they have two adult daughters, Lisa (Dave) and Brandi (Keith), 3 grandchildren (Kelsey, 27; David, 24; Riley 10); one great granddaughter Zoey, 20 months and Skylar due in June). Guy is a forester with 56 years of service with federal and state agencies and his company SanBar Forestry & Wildlife Services. Guy and Judy (a wildlife biologist) love the outdoors and love to share it with family and friends.



Mark Wishart has been a member of SOPC since the mid 90's. He has served on Session multiple times in a variety of capacities: Missions Chair, Good News Chair, Fellowship Chair, also he is a member of the Roads & Anchor Sunday School class, serving as a teacher, an usher and manages to help with most service projects around our campus. Mark is also a long standing member of the Lantern's Men's Prayer Group. Mark has been married to his wife Marion for 25 years. Mark is a retired print & marketing manager, graduate of Clemson University. His hobbies are traveling, cars & motorcycles, yoga, being outdoors, around the house projects and working with Remy, their 9 year old Boykin Spaniel rescue. Mark & Marion spend a lot of time at a family property in Canada during the warmer months of the year.



An offering for One Great Hour of Sharing is still being collected. It is an especially worthy cause at this time. For more information and to give, visit: <https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/offering/oghs/> or give through SOPC. Be sure to designate that your gift is for One Great Hour of Sharing.

This Week at SOPC

**Zoom Link for Sunday Services
Sundays at 11:00 a.m.**

[https://zoom.us/j/743754044?
pwd=bWlHWWJWOFr4UG1zQkZuRVRIaE41dz09](https://zoom.us/j/743754044?pwd=bWlHWWJWOFr4UG1zQkZuRVRIaE41dz09)

Meeting ID: 743 754 044
Password: 072863

By Phone: 1-646-558-8656 743754044 #

**Zoom Link for Youth Check-In and Sunday School
Sundays at 6:00 p.m.**

[https://zoom.us/j/94771320620?
pwd=K2xGOXcxQWNXTGppTDBjRTJweGJ5dz09](https://zoom.us/j/94771320620?pwd=K2xGOXcxQWNXTGppTDBjRTJweGJ5dz09)

Meeting ID: 947 7132 0620
Password: 651569

**Zoom Link for Adult Sunday School
Sundays at 9:30 a.m.**

[https://zoom.us/j/508111743?
pwd=WUUpnelhCV2ICTTBKRTczY3l0YU8yZz09](https://zoom.us/j/508111743?pwd=WUUpnelhCV2ICTTBKRTczY3l0YU8yZz09)

Meeting ID: 508 111 743
Password: 046739

By Phone: 1646-558-8656 508111743 #

**Zoom Link for Children's Check-In and Sunday School
Sundays at 5:00 p.m.**

[https://zoom.us/j/97349616349?pwd=
R28reFBhbjB6cE94UXV1WmhuUnVmQT09](https://zoom.us/j/97349616349?pwd=R28reFBhbjB6cE94UXV1WmhuUnVmQT09)

Meeting ID: 973 4961 6349
Password: 505967

**Zoom Link for Monday Prayer Meeting
Mondays at 10:30 a.m.**

[https://zoom.us/j/546228347?
pwd=bIBeYzhWMVI5cUtJMmJWVdMdmRBUT09](https://zoom.us/j/546228347?pwd=bIBeYzhWMVI5cUtJMmJWVdMdmRBUT09)

Meeting ID: 546 228 347
Password: 093874

By Phone: 1-646-558-8656 546228347 #

**Zoom Link for Lanterns
Fridays at 7:30 a.m.**

[https://zoom.us/j/549066835?pwd=
RmsrMVAXdnJibGlacGRRNVZhQ0xVdz09](https://zoom.us/j/549066835?pwd=RmsrMVAXdnJibGlacGRRNVZhQ0xVdz09)

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By Phone: 1-646-558-8656 549066835 #