

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Rev. Jana Creighton

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

*Individually wrapped Gluten Free wafers are available in the baskets where you receive your elements. Please raise your hand for an elder to assist you.

COMMUNION HYMN *Let Us Break Bread Together* Costen

CLOSING PRAYER

*HYMN 757 *Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples* Carmichael
**Today we all are called to be disciples of the Lord,
To help to set the captive free, make plowshare out of sword,
To feed the hungry, quench their thirst, make love and peace our fast,
To serve the poor and homeless first, our ease and comfort last.**

**Pray justice may come rolling down as in a mighty stream,
With righteousness in field and town to cleanse us and redeem.
For God is longing to restore an earth where conflicts cease,
A world that was created for a harmony of peace.**

**May we in service to our God act out the living word,
And walk the road the saints have trod till all have seen and heard.
As stewards of the earth may we give thanks in one accord to God
Who calls us all to be disciples of the Lord.**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Rev. Jana Creighton

POSTLUDE *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ* Potter

As we Fall into Autumn, our casual summer has come to a close. Beginning Rally Day, September 12th, everyone is invited to don their most holy attitudes, spirits, dress and mindsets to meet God in this space as we launch the ReShape program and a new Sunday School year.

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SEVEN OAKS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 5, 2021
11:00 am
15th Sunday After Pentecost

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

PRELUDE *Let Us Break Bread Together* Carter

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Jana Creighton

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS ReShape Rev. Dan Loffredo

GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS Rev. Jana Creighton and Rev. Dan Loffredo
One: In the midst of a world where people hunger and thirst . . .
All: come worship a God who feeds the hungry.
One: In the midst of a world where people are abused and oppressed . . .
All: come worship a God who calls for compassion and justice.
One: In the midst of a world filled with wars and rumor of war . . .
All: come worship a God who desires nothing less than peace for the world.
One: In the midst of a world of spiritual emptiness . . .
All: come worship a God who gives life meaning.
One: Come worship a God whose grace and love know no end.

HYMN 752 *Dona Nobis Pacem* Myers
(Please hum or silently reflect on the words below)
**Dona nobis pacem, pacem.
Dona nobis pacem.**
(Grant us peace, peace. Grant us peace)

*CALL TO CONFESSION Rev. Dan Loffredo

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Eternal God, judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, living for ourselves and apart from you. We turn from our neighbors and refuse to bear the burdens of others. We ignore the pain of the world and pass by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; In Your Holy Name we pray, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Elder Sue Kesterson
We invite children ages 4k—4th grade to sit in the "Children's Corner" after the "Time with the Children." Adults will be sitting with children, and age appropriate activities will be provided for children that go along with worship. Parents will pick up their children after the service.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rev. Jana Creighton

SCRIPTURE READING Micah 6:8; Isaiah 59:1-4, 8-9, 21

MESSAGE Sticky Faith: No Justice, No Peace; Know Justice, Know Peace

OFFERING Text Sevenoaks to 73256 or use the SOPC website with this link:
<https://onrealm.org/SevenOaksPresby/-/give/now>

SPECIAL MUSIC *Christ the King Medley* Labenske

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

Sunday Worship, September 5, 2021

Counters: Mary Johnson and Hal Bowman
Usher: Mary Johnson
Greeters: Sandra Johnson and Jim Wilhide

Next Sunday, September 12, 2021

Counters: Judy Barnes and Guy San Fratello
Usher: Ron Kesterson
Greeters: Patty Mullins and Donna Moore
Acolyte: Finn Bundrick
Children's Message: Julie Bussells

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Class of 2022:

Carol Griffith- Fellowship

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Sharon Staton - Christian Education*

Jim Taylor - Missions*

Class of 2023:

Karan Bundrick - Worship

Mark Dillard - Congregational Care*

Banks Robinson - Fellowship*

Mark Wishart - Fellowship

Class of 2024:

Hal Bowman - Administration*

Richard Brinkley - Administration

Guy San Fratello - Buildings & Grounds*

Trustees: Frank Sheppard, Jim Wilhide, Sue Kesterson

Treasurer: Hal Bowman

This week at SOPC:

Sunday, September 5, 2021

9:30 Brewing Faith SS Class in-person or zoom

9:45 am: Fellowship SS Class-in-person

11:00 am: Worship Service

Monday, September 6, 2021

Labor Day, Office Closed

12:15 pm - Virtual Chair Yoga

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

9:30 am - Virtual Staff Meeting

7:00 pm - Yoga

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

12:00 pm - Virtual Prayer Meeting

Thursday, September 9, 2021

6:00 - 7:30 pm: Youth group

Friday, September 10, 2021

6:45 am: Lanterns (in person)

Office Hours:

Monday- Wednesday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Thursday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Stay connected! If you would like to receive emails and/or texts from SOPC, please text the letters SOPC to the number 84576.

You'll get a text back with a link, click the link and you can update all your info and chose what groups you want to hear from.

If you have information to be included in the weekly bulletin or newsletter, please have your information to the church office (sopc@sopc.net) no later than 10:00 am Tuesday the week of publication. Thank you!

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4 WAYS TO GIVE!

 IN PERSON	 BY MAIL	 ONLINE	 BY TEXT
Offering plate during the	worship service	530 St. Andrews Rd.	Columbia, SC 29210

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Announcements

Nursery: A nursery is available in Building A for ages 0 - 4. If you have any questions please see any of our volunteers with a name badge in the Narthex.

Worship bags: Parents, you are invited to pick up worship bags for your children in the Children's Corner before the worship service, for ages 2-5, K-2nd and 3rd-5th grades. (located in the sanctuary near the restrooms).

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.

Flowers: The flowers today are given by Janna and Bryan Simon to the glory of God, and in honor of their 49th wedding anniversary, which they celebrated, September 1, 2021.

*If you would be interested in donating a floral arrangement for Sunday morning, please contact the church office.

Hearing impaired equipment available: Please ask an usher for assistance.

Music Notes: Thank you to Sharon Watkins for leading the music and sharing her gifts with us in today's worship.

COVID PROTOCOLS

- We will remain in person for worship and events IF you are wearing a mask. If you decide not to wear a mask, please do not attend.
- If you feel uncomfortable attending in person, please join us on Zoom or YouTube.
- We will only sing the final hymn during worship to minimize the spread of particles in the air and our exposure time together, exiting immediately following.
- We will continue to shorten the worship service to limit exposure time in one space.
- We encourage you to socially distance as we worship with those who are not your family.
- ReShape Launch Event will still occur 9/12/21, with prepackaged meals, social distancing and limited time inside together with masks as we discern God's call on our church and life together.
- Please make sure mask cover your mouth and nose.

In our continued prayers...

Edith Blanchett Nan Foster Joe Gause
Al Charles Linda Floyd Charlene Carter
Al Morganelli Jo Groce Ed Keelen
Janet Jordan Patricia Williams
Daniel and Elizabeth Turk (missionaries)
Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz

Please join us on Wednesdays at Noon via Zoom for our Prayer Meeting.

Announcements



- RESHAPE and RALLY DAY!! September 12, 2021**
- Sign up's available in the narthex after worship service today, or sign up online...**
- Lunch signup:** <https://sopc.flocknote.com/signup/64827>
- Small Group signup:** <https://sopc.flocknote.com/signup/66087>
- If you did not order a book, we have extras, call the church office.**
- The Gospel of WOW :** Please consider attending this monthly free Zoom seminar by Tim Werts, a friend and mentor to Ed Keelen. Go to the link <https://mysteryschoolforanewparadigm.com/programs/the-gospel-of-wow/> for more information and registration.
- Youth:** Youth Bible study Thursdays from 6:00 - 7:30 pm!! Make plans to attend and bring a friend!! Bring a mask and your own food/drink for fellowship before Bible study.
- Children:** JAMA kick-off with ReShape! On September 12, children will watch the video with their parents and then break away on campus for an age appropriate ReShape experience.
- Children:** JAM kicks-off September 19, 2021.
- Lantern's Men's Prayer Meeting:** Friday at 6:45 am in-person
- MORE Justice:** This year MORE Justice at SOPC will look a bit different. We want to give you the opportunity to change our community, one issue at a time without pressure, without stress, just to be able to speak into the darkness of our world, together. While our focus this period is to listen to God's call in ReShape, MORE Justice is a call to be doing the work in our own back yard. You are invited to attend an abbreviated house meeting to talk about justice in the care of creation in our world and justice in our immediate community. **We want you.** The next meeting will be Marion's group on Tuesday 09/14/21 in person and zoom at 6:30pm in the session room. Polly's group will meet 9/23/21 at 6:30 pm in the session room and zoom. Jana's 10/10 after worship in the pavilion (with snacks). Please call the church office if you need the zoom link.
- When you are the last leaving the church building, please lock the doors. Not only ensuring that you have locked the door, but also check that the locking mechanism has latched once the door is closed.
- We love that you have invested your time and personal items to serve the church, we would hate to see your personal items at risk, so we are asking everyone to take any valuable personal items home with them. We understand that this may be an inconvenience but we would hate to see your items go missing."