



COMING HOME

Sermon Series:
January 16 - February 20, 2022



Come hear what God is doing at SOPC!

Join us on January 30, 2022, for Sunday School and Worship Service and stay after for the Annual Congregational Meeting.

During the worship service, Pastor Jana will continue the sermon series Coming Home and there will be a baptism!

Month at a
Glance

February



- Mondays - 12:00 pm Virtual Chairs Yoga**
- Tuesdays - 9:30 am Staff meeting**
- Thursdays - 6:00 pm Youth**
- Fridays - 6:45 am Lanterns Men's Group**
- Sundays - 9:30/9:45 am Sunday School**
- Sundays - 11:00 am - Worship Service**
- Sundays - 11:20 am Liberty Church in the Fellowship Hall**
- Sundays - 3:30 - 5:30 pm Love Revolution**

- 2 - 3:00 pm - CMT Meeting**
- 8 - 2:00 pm - Rachel Circle in Fellowship Classroom**
- 10 - 6:30 pm - Hannah Circle - Fellowship Hall**
- 11 - PW and Youth Valentine's Dinner**
- 14 - Happy Valentine's Day ❤️**
- 27 - JAM - SOPC Kids**



Happy Birthday!!!

Virginia Martinez 1/29
 Jacob Schwartz 1/28
 Mary Dempster 2/1
 Naomi Finnegan 2/4
 Eleanor Evans 2/7
 Alida Rawl 2/7
 Patricia Williams 2/7

Betsy Kent 2/8
 Mary Johnson 2/10
 Rich Allen 2/12
 Mark Johnson 2/15
 Amy Schwartz 2/16
 Andy Robosky 2/17

Christal McTier 2/21
 Ellis Robinson 2/21
 Marilyn O'Mellan 2/24
 Lucia Cheung 2/27
 Kris Dempster 2/27
 Monroe Swearingen 2/27

SOPC NEWS and UPCOMING EVENTS

Our blessing box is blessing our community, but we can't do it without your help! Please bring non-perishable food items to continue the blessings! You may place items in the black baskets in the Narthex or you may drop off items in the church office.



MORE Justice

It's time for our More Justice network meeting gathering!

Things you need to know:

- January 30 after worship you will begin choosing who you will invite to the Nehemiah Action. Visit the table in the narthex these Sundays. Online worshippers, you may be contacted by phone or we can decide at the network meeting itself.
- All MJ network members are invited to your next scheduled network meeting February 8, 6:30 pm, via zoom (link coming soon).
- Please be preparing any financial commitment you will be willing to make to this life and community changing work.
- Mark your calendars for the following:
 March 14 the Rally (in preparation for Nehemiah action, everyone is invited) at Reid Chapel AME (social distancing available)

April 4 Nehemiah action (bring 3 friends/fellow church members) at the Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center (Vaccinations and masks required for both events)



Family Promise Vision

The pandemic upended the rotational model (moving families among host churches for a week at a time) while at the same time exponentially increasing the need for emergency housing. While many other service organizations had to shutter operations, FPM continued helping families by creating programs focused on keeping families from becoming homeless, expanding the availability of transitional housing, and mitigating the trauma of homelessness, especially for the children.

To continue—and to expand—these life-changing programs, we have set ambitious goals:

- **Tomorrow's Promise:** Family Promise of the Midlands (FPM) wants to minimize the trauma of homelessness by (1) helping to prevent families from becoming homeless, (2) establishing programs to promote financial literacy and community engagement, (3) assisting with relocation expenses, and (4) providing children with opportunities that expand their vision of what is possible in their lives, giving them hope for a better future. Here are just a few examples of this program in action:
 - o We provided financial assistance for rent and utilities, preventing four families (8 children) from becoming homeless and assisting an additional six families (14 children) with moving expenses and deposits.
 - o We provided emergency shelter for six families (10 children) and transitional housing for 2 families (4 children).
 - o We identified funding so that 83 children deeply affected by poverty and housing insecurity could attend a weeklong summer camp experience.
 - o We have coordinated a free clinic (scheduled for early February) offering vision and hearing screenings in partnership with Healthy Learners, including food and Valentine's Day arts and crafts.
 - o Partner congregations coordinated Christmas gifts, baseball outings, tutoring, birthday parties, trips to see holiday lights, Thanksgiving dinners, symphony concerts, and much more for families in our program.
- **25 by 2025:** FPM hopes to have 25 transitional housing units available to families by 2025. We now have four, and two more are in the planning stages. When the rotational model returns post-pandemic, these transitional homes will ensure that families can move into stable housing more quickly than in the past.

SOPC YOUTH

Bible Study and Fellowship



Confirmation class, Sundays in the youth room, 9:30 - 10:00 am

Youth Sunday School, for all youth, in the youth room 10:00 -10:40 am

Thursdays, 6:00 - 7:30 pm, Bible Study

SOPC KIDS

Godly Play (Children's Sunday School)

Sundays at 10:00 am in Building A

THANK YOU!

Our Friends at Seven Oaks Pres,
Thank you so much for the use of your
facility during this season of advent.

Thank you!
Emmanuel Baptist Fellowship



Church Family,
I am grateful to have you all stand by me,
pray for our families. 2020 and 2021 was a
hard year for our family. We have lost many
loved ones. However, knowing all of you are
there for us makes it a tad easier.

God Bless,
Mary, Kris and Abigail Dempster

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If you use the church facilities for any reason please remember to turn off lights, turn the air off and lock the doors. Please also let Karl know when you leave by calling or texting 803-237-4519 so we can keep the facilities clean and sanitized. Thank you!

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!

Office Hours: Monday—Wednesday, 9:00-2:00
Thursday 9:00-4:30

Sunday Service at 11:00 a.m.
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By Phone: 1(646)558-8656, 743754044 #

Chair Yoga: Monday at 12:15

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Adult Sunday School at 9:30 a.m.

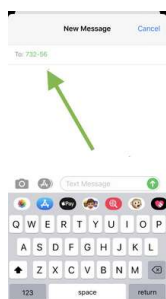
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Step 1

Enter 732-56 after To:



Step 2

Type Sevenoaks as your message and hit send



Step 3

You will be prompted to click a link in order to complete your gift.



To Give via mail:

530 St. Andrews Rd.
Columbia, SC 29210

To give via our website:

Step 1

go to sopc.net Click on "Give" at the top right. A window will open that will guide you through the process.

Step 2

