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THE LEAFLET



The Bi-Weekly Newsletter from Seven Oaks Presbyterian Church

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COMING HOME

Sermon Series:
January 16 - February 20, 2022



Invite your friends and family to church!

**The Sermon Series, Coming Home, continues through Sunday,
February 20, 2022.**

**Sunday, February 13, 2022 we will be taking up monetary
donations and canned good donations for
Souper Bowl of Caring!**

**Funds will support Sharing God's Love (a local foodbank).
Canned Goods will be used to fill the SOPC Blessing Box.**

See you at Sunday School and the Worship Service!



SOPC NEWS and UPCOMING EVENTS



Love Offering: Our building superintendent, Karl Thompson, will be out of work for about four more weeks due to an injury. He is out of PTO and we would like to bless him with a love offering. If you would like to give, please place in the offering box and label your gift for Karl or give online.

Ladies Luncheon: The next Luncheon will be held on February 21, 2022 at 12:00 pm at the Blue Marlin, located at 1200 Lincoln Street, Columbia, SC. To RSVP or for any questions, please contact Margaret Royals at 803-957-0430 or by email to mroyals052@gmail.com.



Ash Wednesday: March 2, 2022 we will have a drive thru set up to receive your ashes to start the Lenten season. Mark your calendars, more information will be coming soon.

Small groups: Sign up for Small Groups in the Narthex/lobby after worship service today. Or go online to:
<https://sopc.flocknote.com/signup/81229>



Artist's Way

Led by Kathy Morganelli
Wednesday's at noon in the Youth Room.

Book of Study: "Seeking Wisdom, A Spiritual Path to Creative Connection" by Julia Cameron.

Prayer Walking

Led by Pastor Jana Creighton
Sunday's at 3:00 pm at the Pavilion. Books of Study: "Draw the Circle" by Mark Batterson and "Prayer on Site with Insight" by Steve Hawthorne and Graham Kendrick.

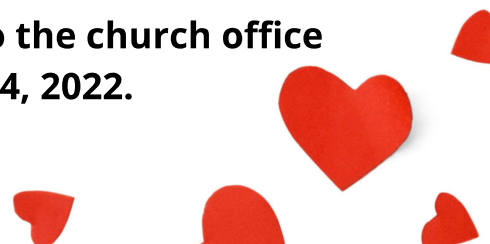
Book Study

Led by Stephanie Sampson
Thursdays at 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall (or you may participate via zoom).
Book of Study: "An Alter in the World" by Barbara Brown Taylor.

If you have any questions, please contact the small group leader or the church office. Thank you!



In your bulletin Sunday (February 13) there will be a form to nominate members to Session. Please fill out and return in the offering box or to the church office no later than February 14, 2022.





SOPC and McGregor Presbyterian will host three families experiencing homelessness February 20 - 26, 2022, in support of Family Promise of the Midlands. We will provide meals and gift cards for:

- a) a mom with daughters aged 3 and 6;
- b) a mom with a daughter, aged 7; and
- c) a mom with a son, aged 16, and a daughter, aged 8.

On their designated day, volunteers prepare a hot meal for each of the three families, packaged separately for each family, and deliver them to the families in a triplex apartment complex near the church. A list of food preferences/allergies and delivery instructions are provided to those preparing meals. Please contact Tish Lowe as soon as possible if you would like to volunteer.

Donations to purchase \$25 gift cards for the families to buy food, supplies, and gas are also being accepted through February 17, 2022 via the offering, church office, and online at <https://onrealm.org/SevenOaksPresby/-/form/give/now>. Please mark donations for "Family Promise." The church will buy the gift cards.

MORE Justice

Mark your calendars to attend The MORE Justice Rally and The Nehemiah Action Assembly!!!

The Rally is scheduled for March 14, 2022 at 6:30 pm.

SOPC has an attendance goal of 60 people for The Nehemiah Action. This will be help on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 6:30 pm at the Columbia Convention Center. Look for more information on both events soon.

THE LOVE REVOLUTION

Every Sunday from 3:30 - 5:30 pm The Love Revolution is proving to be a blessing to our community. Food, love and hope are being provided weekly to those in need around us. This event is open to everyone.

Bring a dish or a smile to share God's love.





SOPC CLOTHING CLOSET

Last fall the Clothing Closet, was established at SOPC under the direction of the Missions Committee. It was set up around the same time The Love Revolution started the Sunday afternoon meals.

Since October, hundreds of items of clothing, shoes, and accessories, as well as blankets, linens, and other

assorted household items have been given out. Beneficiaries of this abundance include not only those who attend the Sunday meal, but other special requests that come through the church office.

One problem we currently have is limited space. Although there is a constant rotation of items. We are thankful that donations have been more than generous!!! No matter how much is given, nothing is thrown away! At times, excess or out-of-season items have been re-donated to other non-profits, including The Children's and Adult Psychiatric Hospitals, His House, LICs, and Goodwill.

Part of the original concept for The Clothing Closet was that it would be self-supporting and not take operating funds from the church budget. How is this accomplished? In addition to clothing and other needed items, many miscellaneous items are donated. We are looking for, and have found a few, venues where the items can be sold. In the future we may have a rummage sale or similar activity. A small amount of funds have been generated so far; some of these funds were used to purchase baskets for use in The Clothing Closet, as well as purchasing special needs items that were not readily available.

Keep in mind that almost anything can be donated. From costume jewelry to clothes to household and baby or children items. However, we are not able to receive furniture, including baby furniture, strollers and like items, due to space availability. Car seats cannot be accepted for legal concerns. If you have any questions about what or when to donate, contact the church office.

The hope is that The Clothing Closet will eventually expand, and at some point not only be self-supporting, but also be able to offer funds to other projects.



Session Minutes

- **Approved Shelagh Wirth as Membership Secretary.**
- **Accepted Elizabeth Crook Harris into membership of SOPC.**
- **Approved BSA Troop 91 to recharter with SOPC.**
- **Approved the baptism of Henry Givens, 2-year-son of new members Rodger and Lauren Givens on January 30, 2022.**
- **Approved a rental agreement with Emmanuel Baptist Fellowship.**
- **Approved Annual Congregational Meeting to be January 30, 2022.**
- **Elected Mark Dillard and Banks Robinson to serve on the 2022 Nominating Committee with Banks serving as the Chairperson.**
- **Elected Banks Robinson to serve as Elder Commissioner for Presbytery Meeting February 26, 2022.**
- **Approved budget for 2022. It will be reviewed in February.**
- **Approved Land Committee to meet with prospective buyers for the one-acre parcel on the east side of the campus.**
- **Approved combining adult Sunday School classes Roads and Anchors with Brewing Faith to be called Roads to Faith.**

THANK YOU!

Dear Seven Oaks Family,

My brother Tom's death in December was heartbreaking. I can't tell you how healing your words of love and sympathy through cards, texts, emails, and hugs have meant to me this month since his passing. I also much appreciate the donation in his memory made by SOPC to the PCSC Foundation for Charitable Care.

What a blessing for me to know and love you all and to be a part of this caring church family.

Again, thank you.

Sue Kesterson

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

Wednesday's, 6:00 - 7:30 pm, Bible Study

Youth Super Bowl Party



February 13, 2022

6:00 pm - half time

**All Youth are invited to the
Creighton's home to watch
the Super Bowl, eat and
fellowship!**

SOPC KIDS

Godly Play (Children's Sunday School)

Sundays at 10:00 am in Building A

JAM Kids and Family Lent Event,
February 27, 2022

See flier on the next page.

SOPC KIDS & YOUTH



CAMP FELLOWSHIP

July 17-22, 2022

**SOPC would like to offset the
registration cost. The youth will
be fundraising and SOPC is paying
\$100 towards each child's
registration fee this year.**

**Please let us know if your child or teen plans to participate no later
than March 16th and go online to register using code: SOPC2022 to
receive a \$100 credit towards registration costs. Spaces are limited.
<https://www.campfellowship.org/summer2022>**

JAM Kids and Family Lent Event

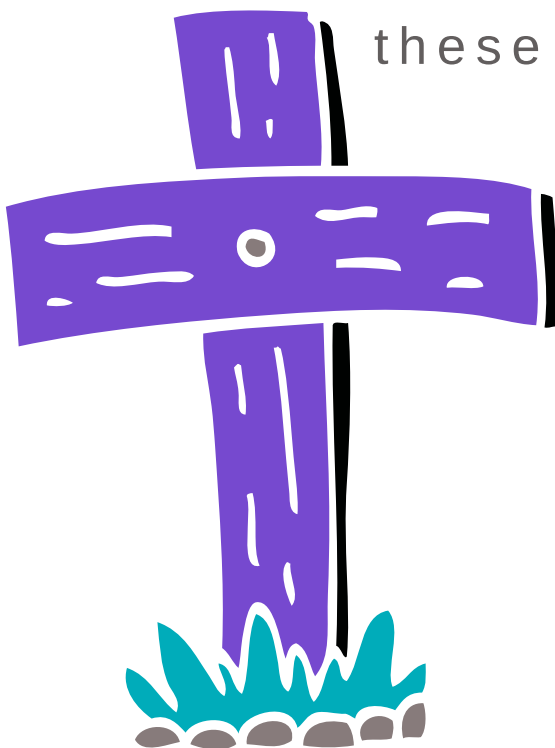
**February 27, 2022
After Worship Service
(12:00 - 2:00 pm)
In the Pavilion**

RSVP to Mary Dempster
843-622-5706
mhmc Carolinagirl@hotmail.com

Do you know how
many days Lent is?
Do you know why we
observe Lent?

We Will answer
these questions and
more...

With crafts,
pancakes and
lessons about Lent!!



Contact information for Pastor Jana Creighton:
For church business and pastoral needs:
Office: 803-772-1761
Email: jana@sopc.net

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.

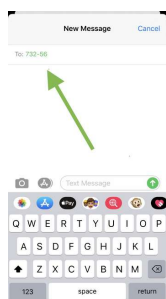
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Ways to Give to Seven Oaks

To give via text:

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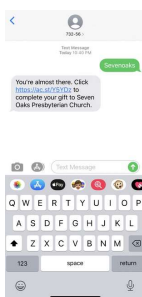
Step 2

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.
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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

