

*HYMN 627 *I Love You, Lord*
I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice
To worship you, O my soul, rejoice.
Take joy, my King, in what you hear;
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

Laurie Klein

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Jana Creighton

SCRIPTURE READING Zechariah 13:9; Luke 4:1-13; Colossians 3:13-14

Youth/Children

MESSAGE Tests in Life

OFFERING The Special Offering today is being received for Presbyterian Communities
Offerings may be placed in the large wooden boxes with crosses at the main exit of the lobby
To give online, text Sevenoaks to 73256 or use the SOPC website with this link:
<https://onrealm.org/SevenOaksPresby/-/give/now>

SPECIAL MUSIC *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus* Williams/ arr. Gail Smith

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Elder Janna Simon
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.

*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.

*HYMN 783 *When We Are Tested* Duck/Young
When we are tested and wrestle alone,
Famished for bread when the world offers stone,
Nourish us, God, by your word and your way,
Food that sustains us by night and by day.

When in the desert we cry for relief,
Pleading for paths marked by certain belief,
Lift us to love you beyond sign and test,
Trusting your presence, our only true rest.

When we are tempted to barter our souls,
Trading the truth for the power to control,
Teach us to worship and praise only you,
Seeking your will in the work that we do.

When we have struggled and searched through the night,
Sorting and sifting the wrong from the right,
Savior, surround us with circles of care,
Angels of healing, of hope, and of prayer.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION Rev. Jana Creighton

POSTLUDE *Allegro from Sonata No. 5* Marcello/arr. Geoffrey Edwards

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SEVEN OAKS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 8, 2022
11:00 am
4th Sunday of Easter

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jana Creighton

MOMENT FOR SIGNING IN

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

ReShape

Elder Fred Holbrook

PRELUDE

Allemande (Little Carillon)

Gordon Young

GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS

Rev. Jana Creighton and Elder Janna Simon

One: In the midst of new dimensions, in the face of changing ways
All: Who will lead your pilgrim people, wandering in their separate ways?

One: God of rainbow, fiery pillar, leading where the eagles soar.

All: We your people, ours the journey, now and evermore. Let us worship the Lord
(by Austin D. Hill)

*HYMN 618 *O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High* Kempis/Fedak
O love, how deep, how broad, how high, beyond all thought and fantasy,
that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake.

For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore;
for us temptations sharp he knew, for us, the tempter overthrew.

For us by wickedness betrayed, for us, in crown of thorns arrayed,
he bore the shameful cross and death; for us gave up his dying breath.

For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign;
for us he sent the Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer.

All glory to our Lord and God, for love so deep, so high, so broad:
the Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.

*CALL TO CONFESSION Elder Janna Simon

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, listen to our prayer of confession, for we would speak honestly before You. We confess that we haven't always done what is right; that some of our attitudes and actions have hurt others and ourselves, and have grieved You. Forgive us. In Your mercy, look deeply into our hearts. Examine our thoughts and our actions. Test our motivations. Bring to light all the things in our lives that dishonor You. We want to follow You with integrity, to obey the commandments You have given us, and to walk in ways that bring honor to Your name.

*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.

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

Sunday Worship, May 8, 2022

Counters: Mark Dillard and Sharon Staton
 Usher: Ron Kesterson
 Greeters: Ben Smith and Dallene Smith
 Acolyte: Abby Dempster
 Children's Corner: Mary Johnson

Next Sunday, May 15, 2022

Counters: Richard Brinkley and Carol Griffith
 Usher: Guy San Fratello
 Greeters: Janice Reiser and Jeanne LeBoeuf
 Acolyte: Kaelin Pilkington
 Children's Message: Julie Bussells
 Children's Corner: Kathy Keane

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Class of 2022:

Carol Griffith- Fellowship
 Ed Keelen- Worship*
 Mark Pilkington - Christian Education
 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

Oncoming and renewing Elders: Fred Holbrook, Ed Keelen, Sharon Staton, and Sharon Watkins

Renewing Trustee: Frank Sheppard

NEW Office Hours: Monday - Thursday - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

This week at SOPC:

Sunday, May 8, 2022

9:30 am - Roads to Faith SS Class
 in-person or zoom
 9:30 am - Youth Confirmation Class
 9:45 am - Fellowship SS Class-in-person
 10:00 am - Children and Youth Sunday School
 Classes
 11:00 am - Worship Service
 11:20 am - Liberty Worship Service -
 Fellowship Hall
 2:00 - 3:30 pm - Elder Training
 3:30 - 5:30 pm - Love Revolution
 6:00 pm - Chin Church

Monday, May 9, 2022

12:15 pm - Virtual Chair Yoga

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

9:30 am - Staff meeting
 2:00 pm - Rachel Circle

Wednesday, May 11, 2022

6:00 pm - Youth Bible Study

Thursday, May 12, 2022

3:00 pm - Hannah Circle Tea at Presbyterian
 Community

Friday, May 13, 2022

6:45 am - Lanterns
 11:00 am - Church Women United

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

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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Announcements

Rev. Tom Are: Beginning May 22, 2022 everyone is invited to join our adult Sunday School hour to study Rev. Are's new book, "Joy Even on Your Worst Day." See the leaflet for more information.

Masked and Socially distanced seating: There are two pews marked as reserved in the sanctuary to the far right front close to the side exit for those preferring masking and social distancing. If you need assistance please ask an usher.

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

Nursery: A nursery is available in Building A during Sunday School and Worship 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 can pick up worship bags in the Children's Corner before the worship service, for ages 3 - 5th grades. (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 in the sanctuary are given by Judy Barnes and Guy San Fratello in appreciation of God's abundant love and mercy for all people. We thank you Jesus for walking into surgery with Angelo and carrying him out. Thank you for the many people who prayed for our family. Your prayers have sustained him and his family. He is home now resting and recovering.

- Notify the church office or signup in the Narthex to honor or remember someone either with a flower purchase or donation. For details, please call the church office.

Music Notes: O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus centers us on the greatest love of all. "O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free, rolling as a mighty ocean in it fullness over me. Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love; leading onward, leading homeward, to the glorious rest above."

In our continued prayers...

Edith Blanchett Al Charles Nan Foster
 Joe Gause Jo Groce Ed Keelen
 Pat Robosky Rebecca Taylor
 Patricia Williams Jim Mullins
 John Anderson Tara and John Whitfield
 Our Ukraine Family
 Daniel and Elizabeth Turk (missionaries)
 Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz
 Elder Training for new and
 renewing Elders

If you would like someone to be added to the prayer list please call or email the church office.

Welcome!

We are not presently passing the attendance pads, but we want to acknowledge your presence!



Please let us know you are here today by scanning the QR code using your phones camera and include your name and those who attended with you in the link.

Announcements

- New Sermon Series: Building Bridges:** Join us for this 4-week series as we become passionate about mending relationships and building bridges. Our culture builds vast chasms of bitterness and hurt between people, groups, families, and churches. But Jesus shows us how to live as peacemakers in a world of conflict.
- Mother's Day Offering:** We are collecting a special offering for Presbyterian Communities. These funds help support residents who have outlived their savings through no fault of their own. You may give online or use the special envelopes provided in the pews.
- Confirmation Retreat:** Confirmands will meet for a retreat time after worship on Sunday, May 22, 2022.
- Youth:** Wednesdays at 6:00 pm Bible Study and music. If you play an instrument, bring it with you as we learn music and worship together. If you do not play an instrument, bring a willingness to laugh and be joyful.
- BBQ Butt Pre-Order has been changed:** \$35. Pickup will be May 22, 2022. Tickets available for purchase in the Narthex/lobby or by calling the church office. **Order Deadline May 15, 2022.**
- Ladies Luncheon:** May 16, 2022 at noon, at Fusco's Restaurant, 2900 Dreher Shoals Rd., Suite A, Columbia, SC. If attending, please notify Margaret Royals, at mroyals052@gmail.com or 803-957-0430.
- Elder Training:** Elder training will be held in the Fellowship classroom in Building B as follows: May 11, 6:30 pm, May 15, 2:00 - 3:30 pm, and May 22, 2:00 - 3:30 pm.
- VBS:** June 20-23, 5:30 - 8:00 pm: This year's theme is "God's Wonder Lab: Jesus Does the Impossible!" We need 30 volunteers to help make VBS a success! If you would like to volunteer, please contact Mary Dempster or the church office. Register online at www.sopc.net/vbs2022
- All Presbyterian Women:** You are invited to an at-church retreat on Friday, May 20, from 4:00-8:00pm and on Saturday, May 21, from 10:00am-2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. This "Come to the Well" retreat will be presented by Erin Kay, a Christian Health Coach from Chapin, SC. The cost of the retreat is \$35.00. This includes cost for Paint and Pray (\$25) and two meals (\$10). Love offering for Erin Kay will be accepted and appreciated. White cCome join us! Have questions? Call Dallene Smith at 847-528-0379 or email her at dallene611@gmail.com.
- Love Revolution:** Every Sunday from 3:30 - 5:30 pm The Love Revolution provides food, love and hope to our community along with fellowship to anyone who would like to come. Bring a dish or a smile to share God's love.