



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

HYMN: # 626

As The Deer

As the deer pants for the water, so my soul longs after you. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you. You alone are my strength, my shield; to you alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship you.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12
Luke 19:1-10

MESSAGE

Get off the Treadmill

*THE 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

SPECIAL MUSIC:

Do Not Be Afraid
Chancel Choir

Patterson & Morris

MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Elder Fred Holbrook

*OFFERING 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:

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Please bring completed offering & pledge/time & talent forms to the front of the sanctuary & place in the offering boxes.

*HYMN # 606

Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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.

*HYMN # 716

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

God, whose giving knows no ending, from your rich and endless store, nature's wonder, Jesus' wisdom, costly cross, grave's shattered door; gifted by you, we turn to you, offering up our selves in praise; thankful song shall rise forever, gracious donor of our days.

Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son; all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one. Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone. Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.

Treasure, too, you have entrusted, gain through powers your grace conferred; ours to use for home and kindred and to spread the gospel word. Open wide our hands in sharing, as we heed Christ's ageless call, healing, teaching, and reclaiming, serving you by loving all.

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

POSTLUDE:

Fanfare on St. Gertrude

Gordon Young

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

MOMENT FOR SIGNING IN

PRELUDE

A Mighty Fortress

David Cherwien

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS

One: Our hearts are filled with joy when we think of those who have framed our faith.

All: We appreciate all those people who have taught us the great lessons of faith and life.

One: We offer our love and support to those who labor diligently in the world, helping those in need.

All: We give of our substance, our prayers, and our support to their work.

One: Lord, encourage us in our work, that we might bear witness to your love.

All: Keep us ready to serve you in all that we say and do. AMEN.

*HYMN # 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!

Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been, granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise ye the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him! All that have life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen, sound from his people again; gladly for aye we adore him.

*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. (Repeat)

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Elder Janna Simon

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord of mercy, forgive us when we make excuses for our lack of faith. We let our selfishness and apathy get in the way of illumination and peace. All of our lives God has been present to us, whether or not we knew it. God's love is always surrounding us. Yet we have not taken the time to recognize it. We want immediate release from our struggles. Help us, O Lord. Open our hearts with your forgiving spirits that we, having been healed and forgiven, may actually be effective witnesses to your love and compassion. AMEN.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME OF NEW MEMBER

SPECIAL MUSIC:

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

arr. Covenant Ringers

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

Elder Mark Johnson

We invite children ages 4k - 4th grade to sit in the "Children's Corner" after the "Children's Message." One Adult will be sitting with the 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.

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Sunday, October 30

Counters: Guy San Fratello, Judy Barnes
 Usher: Shelagh Wirth
 Greeters: Nancy Taber, Richard Brinkley
 Acolyte: Naomi Finnegan
 Children's Message: Mark Johnson
 Children's Corner: Julie Bussells

Next Sunday, November 6

Counters: Frank Sheppard, Mark Wishart
 Usher: Mary Johnson, Dallene Smith, Marion W Wishart
 Greeters: Carol Griffith, Stephanie Sampson
 Acolyte: Communion
 Children's Message: Pastor Jana Light Creighton
 Children's Corner: Mary Dempster

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Class of 2024:

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Sharon Watkins - Missions

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Treasurer: Hal Bowman

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Mary Johnson

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

This week at SOPC:

Sunday, October 30, 2022

9:45 am - Adult SS Classes

9:45 - Children/Youth SS Classes

3:30 - 5:30 pm - Love Revolution

3:45 pm - Youth - Westminster Fall Festival

6:00 pm - Chin Church

Monday, October 31, 2022

7:30 pm - NANA

Tuesday, November 1, 2022

9:30 am - Staff meeting

10:00 am - The Adventures—Fellowship Hall

4:30 pm - PW Coordinating Council—Session Room

7:30 pm - NANA

Wednesday, November 2, 2022

5:30 pm - CMT Meeting

5:45 pm - NAMI - Pavilion

6:00 pm - The Adventurers—Session Room

6:30 pm - Choir Practice - Choir Room

7:30 pm - NANA

Thursday, November 3, 2022

1:00 pm - The Chosen - Fellowship Hall

Friday, November 4, 2022

6:45 am - Lanterns

Saturday, November 5, 2022

8:00 am - SC Manufactured Housing School

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 it to the church office (sopc@sopc.net) no later than 10:00 am Tuesday the week of publication. Thank you!



NOVEMBER
 Word of the Month
 Generosity

LIKE US ON...



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4 WAYS TO GIVE!

IN PERSON	BY MAIL	ONLINE	BY TEXT
Offering baskets		Sopc.net	Text 73256 to SEVENOAKS text rates may apply

530 St. Andrews Rd Columbia, SC 29210

Announcements

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. Masks are available in narthex/lobby.

Hearing impaired equipment available in the narthex. 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 this morning are given to the Glory of God and for the blessing of our twins Olivia Grace & Aubrey Rose Wilkes, for their 3rd birthday on Halloween, by Tracey Wilkes 'Nona' & Jerry Summer.

Music Notes: The Handbell anthem is based on the hymn tune Kingsfold, which was an English folk-song adapted by Vaughan Williams. The opening verse of this great hymn is, "I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto me and rest; lay down, O weary one, lay down your head upon my breast.' I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad. I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad."

Time change is next week Sunday, November 6!!! Back one hour.

A SMOKIN' DEAL FOR THANKSGIVING: The Fellowship Ministry is offering smoked turkeys again this year. We will take orders through Nov 16. Please let Mark Wishart or Banks Robinson know if you desire to purchase one of our delicious turkeys no later than Nov 16th and we will have it ready for pick-up on Sunday, November 20, Details in the Leaf Oct 27.

In our continued prayers

John Anderson Edith Blanchett
 Al Charles Joe Gause
 Jo Groce Jim Mullins
 Rebecca Taylor
 Patricia Williams Kirk Wirth
 Tara and John Whitfield
 Our Ukraine Family
 Daniel and Elizabeth Turk (missionaries)
 Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz
If you would like someone to be added to the prayer list please contact the church office.

Welcome!

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



Love Revolution: Today, SOPC will host Love Revolution. Please bring a dish to share or just join us to show your love & fellowship, from 3:30 - 5:30 pm. The Love Revolution has been serving 20-25 people, food, love and hope in our community. We need you to continue serving.

ReShape - Koinonia started in October for two months with only two meals per month. Please give your feedback to Fellowship Committee Chair Banks Robinson on moving forward. Meals will alternate from Sunday night to Wednesday night. Next Koinonia is Wednesday, November 9, see insert in today's bulletin to sign up.

Sharing God's Love: Currently items are being collected for Thanksgiving meal baskets. We are in need of turkeys, pies, instant mashed potatoes, gravy, mac & cheese, rice, canned cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, green beans, corn, mixed veggies, collard greens, mushroom soup, fried onions, cornbread & bisquick mix, flour, coffee, tea, and paper products.

Our partner church in Cuba needs supplies, if you can help with anything please bring to the church. Items include clothes, shoes, sewing supplies, Christmas decorations and batteries. And as always, your prayers for this church. Please have items to the church no later than November 1.

Stewardship Sunday is today, October 30, 2022. Email went out to congregation Monday, October 10. Pledge cards are in the narthex. Congregation will be presenting offering for Stewardship by coming to the front of the sanctuary.

Building & Grounds will be planting some native hardwood trees on campus this coming winter to replace the trees that have been taken down. If anyone would like to partner with B/G on the selection and cost of this activity please contact Guy San Fratello by phone or text 803-360-6732, or email sanbarfws@gmail.com.

Youth: Meet at Westminster Presbyterian this afternoon from 3:45-6pm to set up and provide games for community children at their Fall Festival! Hotdogs are provided for dinner and we need your help! Church is invited to attend and participate as part of the community.

Reformation Sunday: Presbyterians celebrate the tradition that grounds their faith on Reformation Sunday. It is always the last Sunday in October, marking the occasion in 1517 when Martin Luther posted his 95 theses on the church door in Wittenberg, Germany, see insert for more information.