

HYMN: # 606 Praise God, from Whom all Blessings Flow
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
1 Luke 16:19-31

Elder Banks Robinson

MESSAGE

Hear Ye, Hear Ye

*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

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SPECIAL MUSIC

Rock of Ages

Diane Bish

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

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 # 804

Rejoice ye Pure in Heart

**Rejoice, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King,
Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Rejoice! Rejoice!**

With voice as full and strong as ocean's surging praise, send forth the sturdy hymns of old, the psalms of ancient days.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Rejoice! Rejoice!

Yes, on through life's long path, still chanting as ye go, from youth to age, by night and day, in gladness and to woe:

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Rejoice! Rejoice!

At last the march shall end; the wearied ones shall rest; the pilgrims find their home at last, Jerusalem the blest.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Rejoice! Rejoice!

Then on, ye pure in heart! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Your festal banner wave on high, the cross of Christ your King.

Refrain: Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing! Rejoice! Rejoice!

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

POSTLUDE:

A Joyous Acclamation

Gerald Peterson



September
Word of the Month
KINDNESS



SEVEN OAKS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 25, 2022
11:00 am

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

STRIKING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

MOMENT FOR MISSION

Cuba and Family Promise

Ben Smith

PRELUDE

O Worship the King

David Cherwien

MOMENT FOR SIGNING IN

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS

One: I will live in the shelter of the Most High and abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

All: I will call upon the Lord.

One: The Lord is my refuge and fortress, my God in whom I trust.

All: Who is worthy to be praised.

One: The Lord will save me from the snare of the fowler, from the terror of the night and the arrow that flies by day.

All: Hosanna, blessed be the rock, blessed be the rock of my salvation

One: The Lord lives!

All: Let the God of my salvation be exalted.

*HYMN # 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang; through pillared court and temple the joyful anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed amid an exultant crowd, the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud; the Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord of heaven, our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and generous God, you lavishly bestow the gift of your love.

Forgive us, we pray— when we don't see or recognize your gifts for what they are;

When we think we have somehow earned or are entitled to your generosity;

When we take what you give and beg you for more;

When we hoard our gifts and do not hear the mournful cry of those around us;

Teach us the ways of godliness, and grant us a spirit of contentment.

As we are blessed by you, so may we be a blessing to others, Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

People of God, do not set your hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on the richness of God, who provides us everything for our enjoyment. Be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

1 Timothy 6

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:

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.

Elder Judy Barnes

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

Sunday, September 25

Counters: Sharon Staton, Shelagh Wirth
Usher: Fred Holbrook
Greeters: Betty Shuler, Tom Shuler
Acolyte: Eli Bundrick
Children's Message: Judy Barnes
Children's Corner: Dallene Smith

Next Sunday, October 2

Counters: Hal Bowman, Richard Brinkley
Usher: Mary Johnson
Greeters: Shelagh Wirth, Elizabeth Taylor
Communion: No Acolyte
Children's Message: Mary Dempster
Children's Corner: Melanie Mixon

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Karan Bundrick - Worship*

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Mark Wishart - Fellowship

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Hal Bowman - Administration/Reshape

Richard Brinkley - Buildings & Grounds

Guy San Fratello - Buildings & Grounds*

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Mary Johnson

Office Hours:

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

This week at SOPC:

Sunday, September 25, 2022

9:30 am - Roads to Faith Adult SS Class

Session Room or zoom

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

Fellowship Classroom

9:45 - Children/Youth SS Class

11:20 am - Liberty Worship Service

Fellowship Hall

1:30 pm—3:00 pm - Youth - Presbyterian Communities

3:30 - 5:30 pm - Love Revolution

6:00 pm - Chin Church

Monday, September 26, 2022

6:30 pm Session Meeting - Zoom

7:30 pm - NANA

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

9:30 am - Staff meeting

7:30 pm - NANA

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

1:00 pm—Myanmar Christian Fellowship

Fellowship Hall/Kitchen

5:45 pm - NAMI - Pavilion

7:30 pm - NANA

Thursday, September 29, 2022

Friday, September 30, 2022

6:45 am - Lanterns

Saturday, October 1, 2022

Scouts - Birthday Party—Fellowship Hall - all day

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!

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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 beautiful silk flower arrangements in the sanctuary today were donated for use when the church does not have fresh flowers.

Music Notes: Augustus Montague wrote the words for Rock of Ages. He was converted at age 16 during a service held in a barn that was led by a layman who was also illiterate. The text for that sermon was Ephesians 2:13 "But now, in Christ Jesus, you who were sometimes far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ."

In our continued prayers...

John Anderson Edith Blanchett

Al Charles Joe Gause

Jo Groce Jim Mullins

Sarah Paschal Rebecca Taylor

Patricia Williams Kirk Wirth

Tara and John Whitfield

Family of Mark Dillard

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 provides food, love and hope to our community along with fellowship to anyone who would like to attend.

Youth: Joint Youth group Mission project today after worship! We will be grabbing lunch at Subway then driving over to Presbyterian Communities, 700 Davega Drive, Lexington (off of Hwy. 378 near I-20) to work from 1:30-3:00 pm in their gardens/rose bushes. Pick up at PCSC at 3 pm at the visitors door (drive to the right of the main entrance) and follow the signs!

ReShape - We continue to incorporate new ideas into our planning. Migrant Meal - worked with Saxe Gotha and Spring Valley; Family Promise Summer Camp Meal - worked with Ashland Methodist; Love Revolution - working with Ashland and Liberty; Snack Pack Ministry - working with Ashland; Bicycle donation project - planning with Ashland.

Small Group Starting Soon! Register for Small Groups today in the church narthex or by calling or emailing the church office on or before Tuesday, September 27. We welcome visitors and non-members to join a group. It's a great way to meet people and make new friends. Groups are limited by size, so register early to reserve your spot!

Sharing God's Love: Please bring any of the following: Items: Grocery Bags, Grits, Oatmeal, Pancake Syrup, Jelly, Ravioli, SpaghettiOs (Lunch Can), Elbow Pasta, and Pasta sauce. Please leave them in the Missions' closet or in the black baskets in the Narthex! See Sept 15th newsletter for more details.

Our partner church in Cuba needs supplies, if you can help with anything please bring to the church. List of items are in the Sept. 15th newsletter. Items include clothes, shoes, sewing supplies, Christmas decorations and batteries. And of course as always your prayers for this church. Please have items to the church no later than November 1.

Community Problems Assembly. All MORE Justice members from SOPC are invited to be part of the CPA at Shandon Presbyterian Church, Monday, October 17th at 6:30 pm. We will decide what our area of focus will be in 2022-2023 and we need YOUR VOTES!