

MESSAGE

David's Broken Hallelujah: God's House

\*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

OFFERING Offerings may be placed in the large wooden boxes with crosses at the main exit of the lobby.

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SPECIAL MUSIC

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Hadessah Wright/Baritone  
Arr. By Samuel Vereen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Bruce Hurley

<p>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.</p>	<p>Padre Nuestro, que estás en los cielos, santificado sea tu nombre. Venga a nosotros tu reino, hágase tu voluntad así en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día y perdónanos nuestras deudas, así como nosotros perdonamos a nuestros deudores. No nos dejes caer en tentación, mas líbranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, el poder y la gloria, por los siglos de los siglos. All: Amen.</p>
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\*HYMN # 649

"Amazing Grace"

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

POSTLUDE

"This is My Father's World"

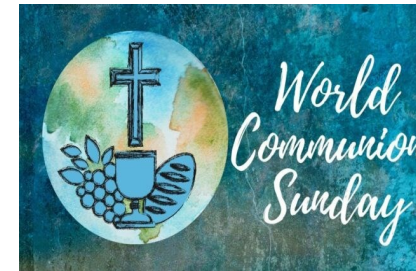
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We are invited to be in deep Prayer for the country of Madagascar. They are facing national elections soon and the country is in significant upheaval. There is a very real threat of civil unrest as they approach elections. If you would like to be part of the process of prayer, peace and healing to this country, please attend our luncheon following worship to hear Elizabeth speak.

**Masked and Socially Distanced Seating:** To help decrease the spread of Covid at Seven Oaks, please consider wearing a mask during worship. Also, 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 the narthex/lobby.

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Hymn # 802 "The Kings of Love My Shepherd Is" arr. For Hadessah Wright by Samuel Vereen



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October 1, 2023

11:00 am

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

WELCOME!

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



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

MINUTE FOR MISSION

MORE Justice

Elder Polly Robinson

PRELUDE

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

Kocher/Labenske

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. Bruce Hurley

\*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS

Rev. Jana Light Creighton and Rev. Bruce Hurley

One: A love that never ceases,

**All: A creativity that designed the universe,**

One: A hope that cannot be quenched,

**All: A pursuit of reconciliation no matter the cost:**

One: These are the things that are of God,

**All: Then let us worship our God.**

\*HYMN # 1

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Bruce Hurley

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Have mercy on me, O God, according love And great compassion**

**Blot out my transgressions, wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.**

**For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.**

**Cleanse me with hyssop, wash me O Lord. Let me hear joy and gladness;**

**Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew right spirit within me.**

**Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me.**

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation, O Lord. *Time of Silent Confession.* Amen**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

MISSION PARTNER REPORT

Madagascar

Elizabeth Turk

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

We invite children ages 4k - 4th grade to sit in the "Children's Corner" after the "Children's Message." An adult will be sitting with the children, and age appropriate activities will be provided for children that go along with worship. Parents please pick up your children after the service.

\*HYMN # 401

"Here in This Place"

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Samuel 7: 1-11

\*Please stand in body or in spirit.

## WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

### Sunday, October 1

Counters: Liz Harris, Mary Johnson

Usher: Mary Johnson

Greeters: Robert and Kitsie Miller

Acolyte: Communion/No Acolyte

Children's Message: Elizabeth Turk

Children's Corner: Melanie Logan

Communion Setup: Sue Kesterson

Communion Serving: Ron Kesterson, John Carter,  
Shelagh Wirth

### Sunday, October 8

Counters: Kathy Keane, Ron Kesterson

Usher: Ron Kesterson

Greeters: Brenda Turner, Jeanne LeBouef

Acolyte: Ellis Robinson

Children's Message: Rev. Bruce Hurley

Children's Corner: Melanie Mixon

## STAFF

**Senior Pastor:** Rev. Jana Light Creighton

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Mrs. Sharon Staton [sharon@sopc.net](mailto:sharon@sopc.net)

**Nursery Coordinator:** Mrs. Amy Schwartz

**OFFICE HOURS:**  
Monday - Thursday - 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

### **This week at SOPC:**

#### Sunday, October 1

9:45 am - Sunday School for All Ages

11:00 am - Worship

12:00 pm - First Sunday Fellowship Luncheon

1:30 - 4:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l -  
Sanctuary, Nursery, & Room of Acts

3:30 - 5:00 pm - Love Revolution - Pavilion

5:30 pm - Youth Group

#### Monday, October 2

8 am - 1 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School

5:30 pm - Admin Ministry Meeting

5:30 pm - Fellowship Ministry Meeting

7:00 pm - Troop 91

7:30 pm - NANA

8:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l -  
Crossroads Classroom

#### Tuesday, October 3

8 am - 1 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School

10:00 am - Staff Meeting

5:30 pm - Reshape Adapting Meeting

6:30 pm - MORE Justice

7:30 pm - NANA

#### Wednesday, October 4

8 am - 1 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School

12:00 pm - Presbyterian Community Luncheon

5:30 pm - Children's Ministry Meeting

5:45 pm - NAMI Meeting in Pavilion

7:30 pm - NANA

#### Thursday, October 5

8 am - 1 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School

5:00 pm - Christian Ed Ministry Meeting

#### Friday, October 6

6:45 am - Lanterns Men's Prayer Group

8 am - 1 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School

7:30 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l -  
Sanctuary, Nursery, & Room of Acts

#### Saturday, October 7

10 am - Cuban Feminine Project - Fellowship Upstairs

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## WELCOME

**Thank you to Hadessah Wright** for blessing our worship service today with her talent by playing the baritone for our listening enjoyment.

**Thank you so much to Sharon Watkins** for playing the piano this morning and blessing our worship with her musical talent.

**Nursery:** A nursery is available in Building A during worship and Sunday School for ages 0 - 4. If you have any questions, please see an usher for help.

**Worship Bags:** Parents can pick up worship bags in the Children's Corner before the worship service, for ages 4 years old- 5th grade. (*Sanctuary near the restrooms*)

**Guests are invited** to stop by the guest table in the narthex/lobby.

**Do you have a musical talent** that you would like to share with the church? Please sign up on the following link:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1Ao9x5dstP1emW7YrhyVkpaiFH7hbrFD25-vNNwMjXiU/edit>. For more information or help, you can contact **Sharon Watkins @ 803-622-0743 or call Denise in the Church Office at 803-772-1761.**

**Peace and Global Witness Offering** - We will collect this special offering today for World Wide Communion Sunday. Donations are used to promote the peace of Christ by addressing injustices in our world. Part of this offering will be designated for use in our community through MORE Justice. Thank you for your contributions to promoting peace and reconciliation in our world.

**Interested in joining our church?** Talk with Pastor Jana as new members hope to join in October.

**Karin and Bill Salter** welcomed grandson Holden Lewis Salter into the world on September 14. Proud parents are Findlay and Rebecca Salter.

**Jack and Heather Noë** welcomed granddaughter Sawyer Lyn Smith into the world on September 20. Proud parents are Austin and Walker Smith.

### In our continued prayers...

Al Charles

Joe Gause

Myrna Gause

Mark Johnson

Janet Jordan

Ira Leon

Annie Moffatt

Donna Moore

Jim Mullins

Guy San Fratello

Margaret Royal

Barry Shatzer

Nancy Taber

Kirk Wirth

Tara and John Whitfield

Our Ukraine Family

Daniel and Elizabeth Turk (Missionaries)

Iglesia Presbiteriana de Nueva Paz

**Long Term Care** - Dave, Rich & Sam Allen, Edith

Blanchett, Kathie Cashion, Bobby Sellars (Father of John Paul Sellars), and Patricia Williams.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Please join us for Love Revolution** in the Pavilion today from **3:30 pm to 5:00 pm**. Ashland UMC is hosting. We can always use more servers! Please help us with this mission!

**YOUTH DON'T MISS TONIGHT!** We will gather at SOPC for fun, food, fellowship, and learning, 5:30 - 7 pm! The theme tonight is World Communion Sunday. Please send a text to 803-530-4866 to let us know you will be there!

**MORE Justice** will meet at the church in the Fellowship Hall this Tuesday, October 3rd at 6:30 pm. We look forward to a great meeting and seeing all of you!

**ReShape** - Action item 18 of our Ministry Guide calls for "Team building training to learn to trust and work together as a team." We take this as a very significant next step in our journey of change here at Seven Oaks. We have been looking at available training programs, both web-based and in-person, and have some exciting possibilities. While we have several excellent individual leaders in our midst, consistency of leadership across the Session can be improved, and we are pleased that training is available to help our collaborative efforts.

**Cuban Feminine Project** - Please join us from **9:30 am to 11 am** on Saturdays to help with this much-needed project. We will be taking these items with us when we go to Cuba in December and the more help the better! Please contact **Kitsie or Robert Miller** for more information @ **803-807-7380 (Robert)** or **803-463-6958 (Kitsie)**.

**The Ladies of SOPC**, whether you are a member or a visitor, are invited to come to the Fall Ladies' Drop-In on **Sunday, October 8, 2 pm - 4 pm**. Hostess - **Julie Bussells, 19 Sunrise Point, Irmo 29063**.

**THE FALL FESTIVAL is quickly approaching on October 21, 10 am - 2 pm**. Please join us and invite your friends for a fun-filled day! There will be a bazaar with vendors, a rummage sale, food, and fun activities for the kids! Please contact the following people for more information: Vendors - **Tracey Wilkes @ traceywilkesmarykay@gmail.com**. Children's events - **Kathy Keane @ (803)467-4224**, & Rummage Sale **Loretta Demko @ (803)509-3322**.

**Join us for the First Sunday Luncheon** today, **October 1** immediately after worship for some good food and fellowship and to hear from one of our missionaries Elizabeth Turk!

**Blessing Box:** If you would like to help with the Blessing Box for the community, we need ramen noodles, granola bars, and pop-top items, i.e. soup, and pasta. Thank you for helping the SOPC community area.

**DONATIONS NEEDED:** We are in need of donations for the Fall Festival for the kids such as prizes, candy, monetary donations to buy hot dogs, etc...to feed the children. Please contact **Kathy Keane** for more information, **803-467-4224**. Thank you!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sunday, October 8, 2:00 - 4:00 pm** - SOPC Fall Ladies Drop-In

**Saturday, October 21, 10 - 2 pm** - Fall Festival

**Sunday, October 22, 1 - 4 pm** - *Fall Festival Rain Date for Kids Activities ONLY*

**Sunday, October 22, 5:30 - 7 pm** - Youth Group - "Deceased" Farms

**Friday, October 27** - Lifeline Screening to register call **1-800-640-6307** or visit [LLSA.SOCIAL/HC](http://LLSA.SOCIAL/HC)

**Sunday, October 29** - Youth Group - Westminster Fall Festival

**November 5, 12 pm** - First Sunday Fellowship Luncheon

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## SESSION MEMBERS

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**Clerk of Session:** Polly Robinson

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Hal Bowman - Administration

John Carter - Buildings & Grounds\*

### **Class of 2025:**

Fred Holbrook - Administration\*

Ed Keelen - Reshape Adapting Group\*

Sharon Staton - Missions\*

Sharon Watkins - Worship\*

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