

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

SCRIPTURE READING

Samuel 18-23

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Thy Will”
Soloist: Laura Crosby, Pianist: Dallene Smith

Hermes, Weisband and Scott

MESSAGE

Sermon Series: David’s Broken Hallelujah
The Art of True Friendship

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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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HONORING OF THE SAINTS
HYMN # 326

“For All the Saints”

How/Williams

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Bruce Hurley

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 # 465

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

POSTLUDE

“Praise to the Lord, The Almighty”

Kirkpatrick/Labenske

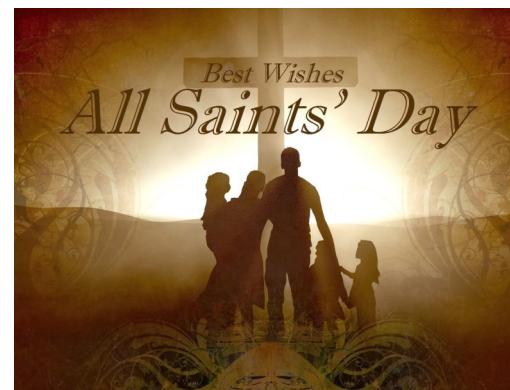


Our appreciation to Pastor Jana: We are incredibly grateful for our Pastor Jana and her dedication to our congregation. Her unwavering faith, inspiring and thought-provoking sermons, and compassionate guidance have touched the lives of so many. We appreciate her tireless efforts to lead us in spiritual growth and her commitment to touching the lives of so many in our community.

Pastor

Matthew 25:21

*A pastor devoted to giving so much,
God only knows all the souls that you touch,
Committed to serve when you answered God’s call,
you prove it by being a servant to all.*



SEVEN OAKS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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October 29, 2023
22nd Sunday after Pentecost
All Saints’ Day
11:00 am

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



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jana Light Creighton

PASTOR APPRECIATION FOR PASTOR JANA LIGHT CREIGHTON

Elder Elizabeth Taylor

PRELUDE

“Christians, We Have Met to Worship”

Moore/Larson

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS

Rev. Jana Light Creighton and Rev. Bruce Hurley

One: Jesus commanded: Love one another.

All: We come to worship the God who is love

One: that we may learn to love one another

All: Jesus said: No longer do I call you servants;

One: now I call my friends.

All: We come to worship the God whose friends

One: we are through Christ.

All: Let us sing praise to God

One: and live in love and friendship

All: toward the human family; through Jesus Christ. Amen

*HYMN # 839

“Blessed Assurance”

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Bruce Hurley

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

When we do not accept as our sisters and brothers in Christ those who are different from us, forgive us, O God. When we oppose you by opposing those who disrupt our routines and challenge our assumptions, forgive us, O God. When we willfully disobey you and lose faith in your future, forgive us, O God. God, in your mercy, restore us to newness of life. Bind together your church universal through the coming of your Holy Spirit. Empower us to witness with courage to the presence of Jesus Christ among us. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

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.” 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 # 774

“There is Now a New Creation”

Verses 1 & 3



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Sunday, October 29

Counters: Melanie Mixon, Hal Bowman
Usher: Guy San Fratello
Greeters: Melanie Mixon
Acolyte: Usher
Children's Message: Mark Johnson
Children's Corner: Marion W. Wishart

Sunday, November 5

Counters: Elizabeth and Jim Taylor
Usher: Mary Johnson
Greeters: Betty and Tom Shuler
Acolyte: Communion No Acolyte
Children's Message: Pastor Jana Light Creighton
Children's Corner: Kathy Keane
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Class of 2025:

Fred Holbrook - Administration*

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Sharon Staton - Missions*

Sharon Watkins - Worship*

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Kathy Keane - Christian Ed*

Banks Robinson - Fellowship*

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Carol Griffith

Treasurer: Hal Bowman

Presbyterian Women Moderator (SOPW):
Mary Johnson

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

THIS WEEK AT SOPC

Sunday, October 29

9 am - 10:45 am - The Well Church - The Community Room
9:45 am - Sunday School for All Ages
11 am - Worship
1:30 - 4:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l - Sanctuary,
Nursery, & Room of Acts
3:30 - 5:00 pm - Love Revolution - Pavilion
7:30 pm - Youth - Fall Festival Westminster

Monday, October 30

8 am - 1 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School
6:30 pm - Worship Ministry
7 pm - Troop 91 - Scout Hut
7:30 pm - NANA
8 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l -Bldg. B Crossroads
Classroom

Tuesday, October 31

Reformation Day

8 am - 1 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School
10 am - Staff Meeting
7 pm - Yoga
7:30 pm - NANA

Wednesday, November 1

All Saints Day

8 am - 1 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School
12 pm - Presbytery Community Luncheon
5:30 pm - Children's Ministry Meeting
5:45 pm - NAMI Meeting in Pavilion
6:30 pm - Choir
7:30 pm - NANA

Thursday, November 2

8 am - 1 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School
5 pm - Christian Ed Ministry





Friday, November 3

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, November 4

9:30 am - 11 am - Cuban Feminine Project - Fellowship Hall
6 pm - 10 pm - Private Event - Fellowship Hall

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and/or texts from SOPC, please text the letters
SOPC to the number 84576.**

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WELCOME

The flowers on the altar this morning are to the glory of God and in honor of our Pastor, **Jana Light Creighton** by the members of the congregation.

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

Please welcome **Stephen Simmons** our new **Director of Music Ministry** who is leading our choir today. If you are interested in joining the choir, please come to practice on **Wednesday, 6:30 to 8 pm beginning November 29.**

We would like to thank **Laura Crosby** for her beautiful solo and **Dallene Smith** for her amazing musical talent on the piano accompanying her.

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. Please take a goody bag with you as a reminder of God's love. Also, please leave your information for us on the yellow card. Thank you for worshipping with us today.

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.



In our continued prayers...

Al Charles	Barbara Fowler
Joe Gause	Myrna Gause
Janet Jordan	Ira Leon
Annie Moffatt	Jim Mullins
Sarah Robinson's Family	Barry Shatzer
Nancy Taber	Tara and John Whitfield
Kirk Wirth	
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**. We can always use more servers! Please help us with this mission!

YOUTH TONIGHT will be going to Westminster Fall Festival to help them with their event. See **Pastor Jana** for more information!

Don't forget! Next Sunday we will be having our **First Sunday Luncheon** immediately after worship! Come for fun and fellowship! Bring a friend to Church next Sunday to enjoy worship and a meal!

Cuban Feminine Project - Please join us from **9:30 am to 11 am** on Saturdays to help with this much-needed project. Please contact **Kitsie or Robert Miller** for more information @ **803-807-7380 (Robert)** or **803-463-6958 (Kitsie)**.


Confirmants interested in going to the Winter Camp Fellowship on **December 1 - 2**, please register now for this event.

Please get your 2022 Year in Review Presbyterian Disaster Assistance magazine in the Narthex. Lots of information on how our money goes to the disasters in our country as well as worldwide.

It's time to order our Poinsettias! Please get a form from the Narthex and fill it out. Please put them in the offering plate today or drop it off at the church office. The deadline is **Wednesday, November 8**.



Stewardship Sunday is this coming **Sunday, Nov. 5**. A stewardship packet was mailed this past week to all members. Please prayerfully consider what God is calling you to do, and please bring your Pledge Card and Time and Talent sheet on **Nov. 5**.

 **Don't forget next Sunday, November 5** we get an extra hour of sleep! Turn your clocks back one hour and enjoy that extra hour!

The holidays will be upon us before you know it! We are looking for Sanctuary Angels who can come in to decorate the **week of December 3rd**. Please let **Pastor Jana** or the **Church Office** know if you can help out! Thank you!

The Ladies Luncheon will be on the **2nd Monday this month, November 13th at noon** at **Yummie Creations, 109 Old Chapin Rd., Lexington**. If interested in attending please contact at **Margaret Royals 803-957-0430** or **803-608-1434, email: mroyals052@gmail.com**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 29 - Youth Group - Westminster Fall Festival

November 5, 12 pm - First Sunday Fellowship Luncheon

November 5, 5:30 pm - Youth @ SOPC

November 8, 2023 - Poinsettias Order Deadline

November 12, 5:30 pm - Youth - SOPC Bonfire w/Smores, Games & Gratitude Lesson

November 13, Noon - Ladies Luncheon - Yummie Creations

November 18 - Presbyterian College Experience - Middle/Senior High

November 19 - 5:30 pm - Westminster Presbyterian - Blessing Bags

December 2, 2023 - Advent Adventure

December 17 - Prime Rib Dinner