

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. Jana Light Bundrick

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 139: 1 - 6, 13 - 18
John 1: 43 - 51

Bruce Hurley
Rev. Jana Light Bundrick

MESSAGE

“Seeing Greater Things”

*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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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

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 # 726 “The Summons” V 1 - 4

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Go into God’s world, aware of God’s call in your life. Follow our Lord Jesus Christ who will lead you in paths of service and hope. Lean on the power of the Holy Spirit to give you courage and strength. May peace, joy and love flow through you to others, in God’s name. AMEN.

*POSTLUDE

Congregational Meeting will be held January 28th, 2024 following worship. This meeting is for the purposes of:

- Receiving and Celebrating reports from our ministry teams at SOPC
- Receiving the Approved budget for 2024
- Approving the Nominating Committee for Elders and a trustee for 2024
- And approving the dissolution of the pastor relationship with Pastor Jana Bundrick, effective after worship on February 4, 2024.

This meeting will not be followed with a congregational luncheon, but you are invited to attend a luncheon on February 4th as we bid farewell to Pastor Jana.

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SEVEN OAKS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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**January 14, 2024
2nd Sunday after Epiphany**

WELCOME!

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

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jana Light Bundrick

*GATHERING OF OUR HEARTS

ONE: “We gather our hearts in worship to sing praises. Hear us, see us, know us Lord.”

CHOIR: “I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin, my hand will save. I who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright, Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?”

ALL: (singing refrain) “Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.”

ONE: “Listen, God is calling you to witness and serve.”

CHOIR: (verse 3) “I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame, I will set a feast for them, My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?”

ALL: (singing refrain) “Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.”

ONE: “God has searched for you and found you. God has healed your sorrows and wounds. Open your hearts to God’s magnificent love.”

ALL: “Come, Lord, come into our lives. AMEN.”

*HYMN # 20 “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

*CALL TO CONFESSSION

Bruce Hurley

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, somewhere long ago, someone convinced us that we would not be good material for God to use in healing and helping ministries for this world. Open our eyes and spirits to see the gifts with which you have blessed us, and to commit those gifts to serving you by serving others. There are so many things that we can do. And everything starts with prayer. So, patient God, bear with us as we settle down to pray, asking for your wisdom in our lives. Give us courage and strength to accomplish any task that you set before us. And give us hearts of grateful love to acknowledge your presence in our lives, and live that presence with great joy. In Your Name, we pray. AMEN.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

From the very beginning, God has blessed you and planted within your spirit the words “I can do all things through God who strengthens me”. Do not fear the task God sets before you. Rejoice, for God is with you every moment and God’s love washes over you always, healing and nourishing your life. AMEN.

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.

*HYMN “This Little Light of Mine”

*Please stand in body or in spirit





Sunday, January 14

Counters: John Carter, Mary Johnson
 Usher: Ron Kesterson
 Greeters: Janice Reiser, Brenda Turner
 Acolyte: Abby Dempster
 Children's Message: Mark Johnson
 Children's Corner: Mary Johnson

Sunday, January 21

Counters: Liz Harris, Carol Griffith
 Usher: John Carter
 Greeters: Robert Miller, Kitsie Miller
 Acolyte: Ellis Robinson
 Children's Message: Mary Dempster
 Children's Corner: Julie Bussells

THE STAFF OF SOPC

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Clerk of Session: Polly Robinson
Class of 2024:
 Hal Bowman - Administration
 John Carter - Buildings & Grounds*
Class of 2025:
 Fred Holbrook - Administration*
 Ed Keelen - Reshape Adapting Group*
 Sharon Staton - Missions*
 Sharon Watkins - Worship*
Class of 2026
 Liz Harris - Fellowship
 Kathy Keane - Christian Ed*
 Banks Robinson - Fellowship*

Trustees: Sue Kesterson, Frank Sheppard, Carol Griffith

Treasurer: Hal Bowman

Presbyterian Women Moderator (SOPW):
 Mary Johnson

**OFFICE HOURS:
 Monday - Thursday - 10:00 am - 2:00 pm**

THIS WEEK AT SOPC

Sunday, January 14

9:45 am - 11:00 am - Sunday School for all ages
 11:00 am - 3:00 pm - Liberty Church - Fellowship Hall
 11:00 am - 12:00 pm - Worship
 1:30 pm - 4:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l
 3:30 pm - 5:00 pm - Love Revolution - Pavilion
 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm - Youth @ Stars and Strikes

Monday, January 15

Martin L. King, Jr. Day
 8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School
 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm - Ladies Luncheon @ Carrabba's
 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm - Chairs Meeting
 7:00 - 8:00 pm - Troop 91
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA
 8:00 pm - 9:30 pm - Mision Cristiana Elm Int'l - Building B

Tuesday, January 16

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School
 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm - NANA

Wednesday, January 17

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School
 5:45 pm - 7:45 pm - NAMI - Pavilion
 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm - Choir
 7:30 am - 8:30 pm - NANA

Thursday, January 18

8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School
 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm - Liberty Church - Fellowship Hall

Friday, January 19

OFFICE CLOSED
 6:45 am - 7:45 am - Men's Lanterns Prayer Group
 8:00 am - 1:00 pm - Peaceful Gathering Nature School
 7:30 pm - 10:00 pm - Mision Cristiana Elim Int'l

Saturday, January 20



4 WAYS TO GIVE!

IN PERSON	BY MAIL	ONLINE	BY TEXT
Offering baskets	530 St. Andrews Rd. Columbia, SC 29210	Sopc.net	Text 73256 to SEVENOAKS text rates may apply



WELCOME

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. *(In the 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. Masks are available in the narthex/lobby.

Church Flowers: If you would like to order fresh flowers for the sanctuary please call the Church Office.



In our continued prayers...

Al Charles	Daniel and Elizabeth Turk
Barbara Fowler	(Missionaries)
Barry Shatzer	
Donna Moore	
Ed Keelen	
Fran and Jeffrey Brannon	Long Term Care -
Ira Leon	Dave, Rich & Sam Allen,
Joe & Myrna Gause	Edith Blanchett, Kathie
Kirk Wirth	Cashion, Bobby Sellars
Nancy Taber	(Father of Paul Sellars),
Our Ukraine Family	and Patricia Williams.
Tara and John Whitfield	
Iglesia Presbiteriana de	
Nueva Paz	

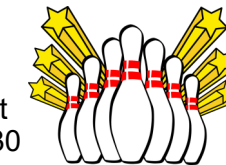


ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keeping the Narthex Door Closed: Please be advised that if you are using the Narthex door – the one closest to the office building– it is important to ensure that it is completely closed. Sometimes the doors don't fully catch, so please double-check. Thank you for your cooperation!

Please join us for Love Revolution in the Pavilion today from 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm. Please help us serve food to our neighbors in need!

Youth strike up excitement! If you've reserved to go bowling meet us, along with Westminster Presbyterian, tonight at Stars and Strikes! We'll be arriving at 5:30 pm and leaving around 7:00 pm.



The Fellowship Sunday School Class is studying "Jesus, The God Who Knows Your Name." Join us in the Fellowship Classroom, with fellowship starting at 9:30 am and the lesson beginning at 10:00 am.

Get ready for our Ladies Luncheon tomorrow, January 15th at noon. We're meeting at Carrabba's in Columbia. If you plan to attend, please notify **Margaret Royals** at (803) 608-1434, (803) 957-0430 or mroyals052@gmail.com

We are going retro in 2024! Fellowship is starting off the year with a throwback to yesteryear featuring a "covered dish" dinner on **January 21st at 6:00 pm**. Bring your, your mother's, or your grandmother's favorite dinner dish. All dishes are welcome. This will be a 'pot luck' style, so no need to sign up for a dish. After the meal we will hear from our recent Cuban contingency about news and happenings with our sister church. Please join us - we can't wait to see you there!

Ladies, the PW are seeking nominations to honor a member of the congregation in 2024. The honor can be given to a woman or man as long as they are a member of the PC USA. Nominations should be submitted to **Shelagh Wirth** at swirth1949@gmail.com by January 31, 2024, along with a nominee bio.

During Family Promise Host month of January we are sponsoring four families experiencing homelessness along with our partner churches: Redeemer Lutheran and Ashland Methodist. We provide funds for necessities and to celebrate one of the children's birthday. Cash, check, or online donations are welcomed. Please mark funds for "Family Promise." We also recently hosted a successful basketball camp on **January 13!** It was led by the fantastic White Knoll Middle School basketball team and coaches. Thank you to everyone involved!

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 15 - Ladies Luncheon @ Carrabba's
 January 21 - Retro Dinner
 January 28 - Congregational Meeting
 February 4 - Farewell Lunch for Jana