

**SERVING THE CHURCH**

**This Week**

Liturgist: Linda Marshall  
Ushers: Ronnie Storch  
Gail West

**SERVING THE CHURCH**

**Next Week**

Liturgist: Candie Vaitkevicius  
Ushers: Joe Vaitkevicius  
Candie Vaitkevicius

**Elder of the Month**

For July: Bill Marshall, 864-967-9855 (H), 864-230-5268 (cell)

**SESSION MEMBERS**

Class of 2024

Linda Stenhouse  
Jackie Koch  
Candie Vaitkevicius

Class of 2025

Barb Daugherty  
Bill Marshall NS  
Linda Marshall

**2 Cents-A-Meal**

**Please Donate Today!**

Cover Art:  
Provided by Google Images



**Sunday, July 7, 2024**

**Simpsonville Presbyterian Church**

**Simpsonville, SC**

*"Growing Together in Faith – Loving and Serving in the World"*

Office Hours: Mon.-Thur. 8:30-10:30 a.m.  
510 East Curtis Street \* Simpsonville, SC 29681 \* (864) 963-8854  
[www.simpsonvillepres.com](http://www.simpsonvillepres.com) E-mail: [office@simpsonvillepres.com](mailto:office@simpsonvillepres.com)  
Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch, Pastor  
Darrell Johnson, Pianist Jackie Koch, Office Administrator  
The WiFi Identity is FPCS-Guest and the password to connect is Grace4all.

# THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

July 7, 2024

7th Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome, announcements

Prayers and Concerns

Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch has office hours on Tuesdays from 9 a.m.-Noon. Please call 864-963-8854 to make an appointment.

Please note that the wearing of masks during service and singing hymns is optional. NOTE: This service may be video recorded.

Please stand if you are able where asterisk.

PRELUDE "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" arr. DeCou

**\*OUR CALL TO WORSHIP** Linda Marshall, Liturgist

Leader: We come from the day-to-day busyness of our lives.

People: We come with cares and worries, joys and celebrations.

Leader: Let us set it all aside and enter this time of worship.

People: May our hearts and minds be open to what God might say to us this day.

Leader: Trusting always in the Spirit to meet us,

All: let us gather to worship God!

**\*OPENING HYMN #281 "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"**

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

**CONFESSION OF OUR SIN** (unison prayer)

Gracious God, we live in the tension of what we are called to be and our lived reality. We often fall short of the good we intend and our growing in the likeness of Christ is painfully slow at best. Forgive us we pray. Offer us the peace that passes all understanding that we might be forgiven and begin anew. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Hear the Good News! The old life is gone, a new life has begun.

People: You are not who you were, may you live into who you can be.

Leader: Know you are forgiven and be at peace.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION

## 726 Will You Come and Follow Me

The Summons

Capo 3: (D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)  
F C7 Dm Gm7 Csus C



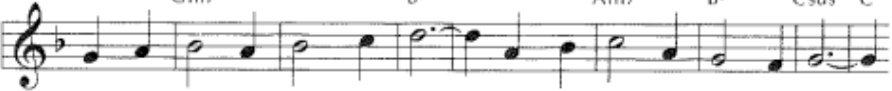
1 "Will you come and fol - low me if I but call your name?  
2 "Will you leave your-self be-hind if I but call your name?  
3 "Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call your name?  
4 "Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?  
5 Lord, your sum-mons ech - oes true when you but call my name.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F




Will you go where you don't know and nev - er be the same?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and nev - er be the same?  
Will you set the pris-oners free and nev - er be the same?  
Will you quell the fear in - side and nev - er be the same?  
Let me turn and fol - low you and nev - er be the same.

(Em7) (G) (F#m7) (G) (Asus)(A)  
Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> Am7 B<sup>b</sup> Csus C



Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your life at-tract or scare?  
Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as this un - seen,  
Will you use the faith you've found to re-shape the world a - round,  
In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and foot-steps show.

(D) (A7) (Bm) (Em7) (G) (D)  
F C7 Dm Gm7 B<sup>b</sup> F



will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"  
Will you let me an - swer prayer in you and you in me?"  
and ad - mit to what I mean in you and you in me?"  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"  
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

The first four stanzas of this ballad-like hymn are understood to be in the voice of Christ, with the fifth reflecting the individual singer's response. Created for this traditional Scottish tune, the text was written to mark the conclusion of a youth volunteer's time of ministry.

Cheeks); Everett (sister of Donnett); Debra Datko; Lisa Shelf; Dixie Suit (sister-in-law of Kitty Shealy); Roger Edney (relative of Barb & Roger Daugherty). Do not hesitate to call or email the Church Office (office@simpsonvillepres.com) about any pastoral concerns.

### SCHEDULES AND EVENTS

**FOOD PANTRY:** Your continued prayers and giving hearts allow us to keep this mission to our neighbors going. Suggestions for the month of July are cereals. As always, we are grateful for all donations.

**VIDEO RECORDINGS:** Video recordings of services that have been previously recorded are available on the Church's website: [www.simpsonvillepres.com](http://www.simpsonvillepres.com). Click on "Videos" in the menu at the top or click on the picture of a worship service in the lower right.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** to sign up to bring flowers, refreshments, or to be a liturgist or usher for Sunday worship. Sign-up sheets are on the back table. Thank you!

**FELLOWSHIP NIGHT OUT:** An evening congregational get-together is planned for Friday, August 9th. We will have dinner at Coach House Restaurant in Simpsonville at 5:30 p.m. (individual cost) and a show at the Younts Center in Fountain Inn: "Motown: Music of the Motor City" at 7:30 p.m. (tickets are \$15 for senior citizens). If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet on the back table. Deadline to sign up is Sunday, August 4th.

**LEMONADE SUNDAY:** The Church will be hosting a "lemonade stand" as a fund-raiser on Sunday, July 14th. Donations support the Isaiah 117 House, which is one of SPC's missions. Isaiah 117 provides interim shelter, clothing, and care to children entering the Foster program.

**SESSION MEETING:** The Session of SPC will meet tomorrow, July 8th, at 10:30 a.m. at the Church.

Coming Next Sunday:

Scriptures: Mark 6:14-29/2 Samuel 6:1-15

Sermon: "Dancing Before the Lord"

**RESPONSE: "My Prayer"**

*Help me live the way I should,  
Guided daily by your Word,  
Make my whole life a Christ controlled life,  
This is my prayer today.*

**HYMN #329 "Break Now the Bread of Life"**

SILENT PRAYER: A few moments of silent communication with God.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10/Mark 6:1-13

SERMON: "R-E-S-P-E-C-T" Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Prayer of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

**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,  
The power, and the glory,  
For ever and ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF OFFERING AND PRAYER (the offering plate is located on a back table in the sanctuary just inside the back double doors.)

OFFERTORY "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus/O the Blood of Jesus/Are You Washed in the Blood?" arr. Callaway

**\*The Doxology**

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

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the LORD!**

Let us give thanks to the LORD our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

**THE SHARING OF THE MEAL**

As the trays are passed please serve your neighbor with the words, "The Body and blood of Christ, given for you."

The Communion wafer is not gluten free. It is our tradition to take the bread individually and to hold the wine to drink together.

**\*CLOSING HYMN "Will You Come and Follow Me?"** (bulletin pg. 7)

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*RESPONSE: "The Lord Bless and Keep You"**

*The Lord bless and keep you,  
the Lord make his face to shine on you  
and be gracious, gracious.*

*The Lord bless and keep you,  
the Lord lift his countenance on you  
and give peace, give you peace.*

POSTLUDE "O Church of God, Triumphant" Tune LANCASHIRE

**WELCOME TO SIMPSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN!** Whether you are a long-time member or first time visitor, we are glad you are here. If you would like to learn more about the Simpsonville Presbyterian community, we invite you to contact us through our website [www.simpsonvillepres.com](http://www.simpsonvillepres.com), or by calling the church office at (864)963-8854.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** today are given by Linda Stenhouse. Thank you.

**REFRESHMENTS** today are given by the Legacy Team. Thank you.

**BIBLE STORY BAGS** are available for children during worship. See an usher if you would like one for your child to use. Please return the bag to an usher after worship.

**PRAYER FAMILIES OF THE WEEK:** Donna Aycock, Allan & Teresa Castleberry

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** None

**LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION**

**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Jan Johnson, Sam Orr (friend of Linda Marshall); Donnett Hanson; Kim Daugherty (daughter-in-law of Barb & Roger); the family of Jean Kirkland; Alice Grooms; Susan Medina; & family; Harriette Allen (friend of Kitty); Cory and children (friends of Brenda Stenhouse); family of Bill Marshall (PA); Sue Marshall's mother; the Herd and McCaslin families; Tina Minnich (daughter of Candie & Joe); Linda Moseley (granddaughter of Jean Kirkland); Beverly Sullivan (friend of Jimmy 5