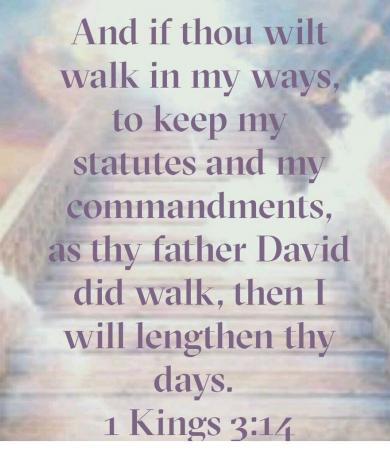
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## Sunday, August 18, 2024

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# Simpsonville Presbyterian Church Simpsonville, SC

"Growing Together in Faith - Loving and Serving in the World"

### THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

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.

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing" Prelude arr. Larson

13th Sunday after Pentecost

**\*OUR CALL TO WORSHIP** 

August 18, 2024

Judy Rainey, Liturgist

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

#### People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Wisdom has prepared a feast for us; let us eat and drink of God's gifts.

People: Let us worship God.

\*OPENING HYMN #554 "Let All Things Now Living"

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

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

Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You bestow the gift of wisdom, yet we continue in our foolishness. You provide the bread of life, yet we persist in the ways of death. Forgive us, God of grace. Help us to make better use of the lives you have given us, giving glory to you in all things; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Assurance of Pardon

Leader: The Lord is gracious and merciful!

People: God shows great and steadfast love to us through Jesus Christ, our bread of life.

Leader: By his flesh and blood our sins are forgiven and we have eternal life. Alleluia!

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

BIBLE STUDY: John - The Gospel of Light and Life by Adam Hamilton.

A 6-week Bible study on the Gospel of John will be held on Sunday mornings from September 8 through October 13. We will begin promptly at 9:15am and will end by 10:10. The study will be led by Barb Daugherty and Bill Marshall (NS). A sign-up sheet is located on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

The suggested donation for this hard-back book is \$10, but payment is optional. If you order a book TODAY, you will receive it on September 1 in time to read the first chapter before the study begins. Checks should be made out to the church.

**WORSHIP TEAM MEETING**: The Worship Team will meet on Tuesday, August 20th, at 10:30 at the Church.

**UPSTATE SENIOR BAND** will perform at the Five Forks Library on Thursday, September 5th, from 2-3 p.m. The library is located on Woodruff Rd.

Coming Next Sunday:

Scriptures: Psalm 34:15-22/John 6:56-69 Sermon: "The Flesh That God Has Married" RESPONSE: "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

I'm so glad Jesus lifted me. I'm so glad Jesus lifted me. I'm so glad Jesus lifted me, singin' Glory, Hallelujah, Jesus lifted me!

HYMN #339 "Be Thou My Vision"

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:		1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14/Ephesians 5:15-20	
Sermon:	"Wise Living	" Rev. Dr. Mary Anne Welch	

\*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 sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living 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.

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 "Have You Been to Calvary?" arr. Phillips

\*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

\*CLOSING HYMN #426 "Lord, Speak to Me, That I May Speak"

\*BENEDICTION

\*RESPONSE: "God Be with You Till We Meet Again"

God be with you till we meet again; loving counsels guide, uphold you, may the Shepherd's care enfold you; God be with you till we meet again.

POSTLUDE "Love Lifted Me"

**WELCOME TO SIMPSONVILLE PRESBYTERIAN**! Whether you are a longtime 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, or by calling the church office at (864)963-8854.

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**SANCTUARY FLOWERS** and **REFRESHMENTS t**oday are given by Susan Medina. 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**: Ron & Judy Lundy, Bill & Linda Marshall

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: None

### **LIFE IN THE CONGREGATION**

**PRAYER CONCERNS**: Jan Johnson, Sharon Stone, Sam Orr (friend of Linda Marshall); Donnett Hanson; Izzy Marshall (mother of Bill PA); 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); Beverly Sullivan (friend of Jimmy 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 August are individually packaged snack items. 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: <u>www.simpsonvillepres.com</u>. 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!

**CANDY COLLECTION:** We are seeking monetary donations to purchase candy and drinks for the Department of Social Services staff as a thank you for all they do to place children in loving foster homes. This effort is part of our Isaiah 117 mission.

**SESSION MEETING:** The Session of SPC will meet on Monday, August 19th, at 1 p.m. at the Church. 5