

SERVING THE CHURCH

This Week

Liturgist: Bill Marshall (PA)
Ushers: Jackie Koch

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Next Week

Liturgist: Candie Vaitkevicius
Ushers: Joe Vaitkevicius
Candie Vaitkevicius

Elder of the Month

For October: Jackie Koch, 443-985-6646

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Sunday, October 6, 2024

Simpsonville Presbyterian Church

Simpsonville, SC

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

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THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

October 6, 2024 20th Sunday after Pentecost/World Communion

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

***OUR CALL TO WORSHIP**

Bill Marshall (PA), Liturgist

Leader: O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

People: We proclaim your name to the whole human family.

Leader: We praise you in the midst of this congregation:

People: O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Let us continue to praise our majestic Creator.

***OPENING HYMN #151 "Crown Him With Many Crowns"**

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION OF OUR SIN (unison prayer)

Sovereign God, who are we humans, that you pay any attention to us? And yet, you have entrusted us to care for all of creation. We confess the times we have thought too highly of ourselves, and the ways we have twisted our charge to care for creation into permission to dominate and subdue it. We confess the same human tendencies to dominate and subdue other people. It is easy for us to ignore or take for granted our own privilege, rather than seeking to dismantle unjust systems of supremacy. Your desire is for peace, but so often we choose comfort and call it peace. Remind us of who we are, and whose we are. Remind us of our interdependence with creation, and our dependence on you, our Creator. Set our hearts and minds on your will, made known to us in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Of our God and King." All that Rev. Dr. Wilcoxon asks I that we pass along any helpful feedback.

CARDS: Join us for card playing Wednesday, Oct. 9th at 11 a.m. at the Church. Bring your own lunch.

WORSHIP TEAM MEETING: The Worship Team will meet on Tuesday, Oct. 8th, at 10:30 at the Church.

"Praise Our Redeemer"

A sung version of the Christological portions of the Nicene Creed
LASST UNS ERFEUEN ("All Creatures of Our God and King") LM with Alleluias

Praise our Redeemer, day and night,
Eternal Word, true Light from light.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

In being with the Godhead one,
Without beginning, Holy Son.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise Christ, through whom all things were made,
And who for us came down to save.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Our crucified and risen King,
Praising forever let us sing.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Stanza 1 focusses on "the person" of Christ and stanza 2 on the "the work" of Christ. This hymn could be used as a sung Call to Worship or opening hymn of praise.

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(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 October are peanut butter and jelly. 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. Click on "Videos" in the menu at the top or click on the picture of a worship service in the lower right.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY is today. Our World Communion offering will go toward purchasing items from the Presbyterian Giving Catalog as we did the past two years. Session has elected to match what is collected using our Mission budget. Please use the enclosed envelope in today's bulletin for your donation.

SING UNTO THE LORD WITH THANKSGIVING (Psalm 147:7): Our worship on October 20 will be a hymn sing. If you have a favorite hymn you would like to have included, please submit your suggestion by October 6. Forms can be found on the table at the back of the sanctuary and may be placed in the offering plate.

NOTE: The text of our second hymn today, Praise Our Redeemer, was written by Rev. Dr. Bux Wilcoxon who serves as Marianne & E.G. Lassiter Chaplin & Dean of Spiritual Life at Presbyterian College, Clinton, SC. It was written as part of a set of hymns he is working on adapted from our Book of Confessions. This hymn is based the portions of the Nicene Creed focusing on the person and work of Christ. The tune is "All Creatures of Our

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Hear the Good News! The one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified are all children of God.

People: Jesus is not ashamed to call us his beloved siblings and family.

Leader: Our sin is forgiven, we are made one with Christ and with each other.

All: Thanks be to God!

RESPONSE: "Change My Heart, O God"

*Change my heart, O God,
Make it ever true.
Change my heart, O God,
May I be like you.*

HYMN "Praise Our Redeemer" (words: bulletin pg. 7)

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22/Matthew 6:7-11

SERMON: "Enough for Today" 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

***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 #306 "Fairest Lord Jesus"**

***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

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, or by calling the church office at (864)963-8854.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS today are given by Jackie Koch. Thank you.

REFRESHMENTS today are given by Ronnie Storch. 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: Jeff VandeWeghe, Eddie Watson

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Jo Klein (09/29), Sue Seidel (10/02)

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;